

A Few Notes, Dates & Reminders

St John the Beloved Academy



September 4, 2025

Calendar Updates and Reminders

SEPTEMBER

- **Sept 8-12** Parent/Teacher Meetings
- **Sept 11** [7:00 PM Parent Wine and Cheese w/ Jazz](#)

- **Sept 15-26** Constitution, Civil Liberties Weeks
- **Sept 29** NO SCHOOL for Students/Prof. Dev. for faculty

OCTOBER

- **Oct 2** ALL SCHOOL MASS, House Assignment Day
- **Oct 4** (Saturday) Confirmation Parent/Child Meeting 10:00 AM (7th grade), 11:00 AM (8th grade)
- **Oct 6** [SCANNELL CUP Golf Tournament](#)
- **Oct 7** Coffee w/ Headmaster 8:00 AM, ALL School Rosary, Our Lady of the Rosary
- **Oct 6-10** Mid-Trimester 1 Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:15-4:30 PM

School Day Hours:

Mon-Thu. 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM Fri: 8:00 AM-2:25 PM

ALL SCHOOL MASS - 10:30 AM unless otherwise noted

Sync the SJBA parent calendar with your family calendar:

<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/u/0?>

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Diocesan Statement on Safety and Security Protocols

Please see the statement from the Catholic Diocese of Arlington on diocesan safety and security protocols.

<https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/2025/09/02/statement-from-the-catholic-diocese-of-arlington-on-diocesan-safety-and-security-protocols/>

Parent Wine and Cheese with Jazz

All parents are invited to join us in celebrating the beginning of the school year with a relaxed evening of great jazz and casual conversation on **Thursday, September 11, from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m.**

This is an adults only event. To RSVP, please visit: <https://stjohnacademy.org/art-and-culture-events/>.

Parent-Student Handbook

The Parent-Student Handbook for the 2025-2026 school year is now available on our website.

Please read through the Handbook and complete the electronic signature form at your earliest convenience.

2025-2026 SJBA Parent-Student Handbook

Cell Phones and Smartwatches

As a school, we encourage thoughtful use of technology at these young ages. It is preferred that students not bring cell phones and/or smartwatches to school.

However, if a parent feels it is necessary for a phone or smartwatch to be with their student on school property for parent communication/carpool needs, it should be in the off position and stay in the student's bag, locker, or teacher's desk drawer and not accessed during the school day.

If a student is found using a phone or smartwatch while on school property for personal/non-emergency purposes and without the permission of a teacher or school administrator they may have the phone or smartwatch confiscated and privileges withdrawn.

Choir Information for 2025-2026

St. John the Beloved Academy offers several choir opportunities for girls and boys in grades 3-8.

Choristers will learn basic musicianship, proper vocal technique, sight-singing and ear training, music theory, and how to sing in an ensemble. Rehearsals take place in the Music Room. No audition is required; only a love of singing and willingness to learn!

Students may sign up for more than choir. Please fill out one form per student and check all choirs that they would like to participate in. Please email completed forms and any questions to Director David Lang at dlang@stjohncatholicmclean.org. **Rehearsals start Wednesday, September 3.**



Choir form 2025-2026.pdf

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School Supplies

Starting this year, St. John the Beloved Academy will be purchasing school supplies in bulk for students in Kindergarten-8th grade.

The addition of this school supply fee allows for the purchase of essential classroom supplies in bulk, saving our parents time and money while providing the items necessary for an engaging learning environment and the ability to replace materials as needed. There will be some specific items that individual homeroom teachers will request from each student – that will be communicated the first week of August and items can be brought in on the first day of school.

The School Supply Fee for the 2025 – 2026 school year is \$45 per student. Fees can be paid here: <https://stjohnacademy.org/parent-resources/supply-lists/>.

Fall Lunch Options

Chick-fil-A Lunch - Wednesday

This program will run on Wednesdays until Wednesday, December 17 (skipping November 26).

To add your child to the list starting on September 10, please fill out the form by Monday, September 8, and send payment via Venmo or Zelle.

We accept Zelle (shepardkm@gmail.com, Katherine Shepard) or Venmo (@andymarie-shepard). If payment is sent via Venmo, please make sure "purchase protection" is toggled off to avoid fees being charged.

*For families with multiple children, please fill out one form per child.

CFA Sign-up Form: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSet4t7zB8ibajjIINgeHh7uHU_Cl-XB4wNZYdyNlePSMkuTDA/viewform.

Volunteers will be needed to help sort and distribute orders again this year, so please see link below to sign up.

Volunteer Schedule:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1ekSXCSLkK89PthykFgO7ipJo6mGVeAhCdPP60msybg4/edit?gid=0#gid=0>

Please direct any questions to Glenn Paik at, glennpaik@gmail.com.

Vignola Gourmet - Tuesday & Thursday

Hot lunch will be available every Tuesday and Thursday this year with [Vignola Gourmet](#).

If you ordered from Vignola last year, please make sure your child's grade and homeroom are updated for this school year.

Orders and payments can be placed through Vignola on a daily, weekly, or monthly basis. There are several menu items to choose from every day. The cost is \$7.25 per lunch. *(There is a one-time \$10 maintenance fee for each user through Vignola.)*

Ordering will close every Sunday at 5:00 p.m. for the week, however you may order for the entire month if you wish. No minimum order required. A one-time activation fee of \$10 per child will be applied at the time of your first order. You can cancel individual orders through your account portal. Credit is automatically issued for canceled orders. Orders must be canceled by 9pm the day before for full credit.

Please follow the instructions in the welcome letter linked below to register. For questions, please reach out to Michael at, _vignolagourmet@gmail.com.



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Scannell Cup Golf Tournament

12TH ANNUAL SCANNELL CUP



Monday 6 October 2025

*supporting Saint John the Beloved Academy
and the Retired Priests of the Diocese of Arlington*

Westwood Country Club, Vienna, VA

\$300 per player. Register/Donate online: bit.ly/2025ScannellCup

All parents and friends are invited to join us for the 12th Annual Scannell Cup Golf Tournament on Monday, October 6, at Westwood Country Club in Vienna.

Please see the flyer for more information or register online at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2025-msgr-tp-scannell-cup-tickets-1664582734769?aff=oddtcreator>



2025 Scannell Cup Flyer & Player Registration 0.1.pdf

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Attendance and Dismissal Procedures

A dismissal form lets the school know how your child(ren) will be arriving and departing from school every day.

When a student is going to be arriving late, leaving early, or has a change in their pick-up routine, please email Mrs. Monica Stilson in the attendance office: attendance@stjohnacademy.org and copy Mrs. Gracia Escudero in the front office: gescudero@stjohnacademy.org and copy the homeroom teacher.

Just a reminder, that when students leave school during the day due to illness, appointment or any other reason, they must be called for in the School Health Room or the school office. Children may never wait outside the buildings to be picked up during school hours, nor may teachers release a child directly from the classroom.

A note, email, or phone call should be sent to school requesting early dismissal and stating the time and identifying the person who will pick-up the child. Persons picking up a child at a time other than dismissal should report to the school front office and sign the child out. The school staff will call the child in his/her classroom to come to the office to meet the person picking him/her up. Students will not be called in advance to the nurse's office for an early release. Persons picking up a child may not go to the classroom.



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Shop our School Spirit Store!

Visit our online store to view the latest SJBA apparel and accessories! You can access the store via our website at <https://stjohnacademy.org/shop/> or on your phone by clicking on the shopping cart icon linked to the toolbar.

****Please note the SJBA sweatshirt is now available in ADULT SIZES and can be worn during the school day as part of the uniform for grades K-8. Additionally, the SJBA golf polo can be worn by 8th graders as part of the uniform.****

Thank you in advance for supporting our school store!



Welcome to St. John the Beloved



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Saint John the Beloved Academy

Saint John the Beloved Academy was founded in 1954 to offer quality Catholic education to parish children. Saint John the Beloved Academy continues to provide children in preschool through eighth grade with a Catholic liberal arts education rooted in rich tradition of academic excellence and spiritual formation, captured by the school's motto, "*Fides, Scientia, et Gaudium.*" By Faith, children are led beyond themselves to entrust their formation to God. By forming the entire child, we impart the Knowledge for both intellectual and spiritual growth. The Mission of Saint John the Beloved Academy is manifested in genuine Christian Joy—rooted in the Sacraments, self-sacrifice, charity, and service to others.

Artwork: September Moonrise. Childe Hassam. 1900.



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