

A Few Notes, Dates & Reminders

St John the Beloved Academy



Thursday, December 19, 2024

Calendar Updates and Reminders

DECEMBER

Dec 19 [A Headmaster Christmas Event 6:30 PM](#)

Dec 20 11:30 AM DISMISSAL

Dec 23-Jan 7 – Christmas Break

JANUARY

Jan 8 Classes resume

Jan 20 NO SCHOOL, Dr. MLK Jr. Holiday

****Jan 24** 11:30 AM DISMISSAL, March for Life ** DATE CHANGE

Jan 25 First Penance Parent/Child Retreat 10 AM-12 PM

Jan 26-Feb 1 Catholic Schools Week

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

A few additions have been made to our school calendar. Please see the attached calendar.

Sync the SJBA parent calendar with your family calendar:

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

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School Calendar 2024-2025 12-16.pdf

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Christmas Break is December 23-January 7

Just a friendly reminder that our last day of school before Christmas break is **Friday, December 20** and there is an **11:30 AM dismissal for all students**.

Fr. Pollard has given the school a "Pastor Holiday" on Tuesday, January 7 so that families can celebrate the full 12 days of Christmas and the High Feast of the Epiphany. **Therefore, classes will resume on Wednesday, January 8.**

Headmaster Christmas Event

Just a reminder that all parents and friends are invited to prepare for the great feast of Christmas with a special Headmaster Event tonight, **from 6:30 - 10 p.m. in Eagle Hall!**

The evening will feature refreshments, live jazz, and a dramatic reading of Charles Dickens' *A Christmas Carol!* (We will read and take parts from a play adaption highly faithful to Dickens' original).

Timeline of the evening:

6:30 - 7:30 p.m. - Refreshments and jazz

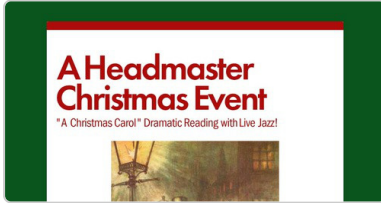
7:30 p.m. - Part I of *A Christmas Carol*

8:15 p.m. - Intermezzo with jazz & songs

8:45 p.m. - Part II of *A Christmas Carol*

We hope that you can join us! For planning purposes, please RSVP at:

<https://secure.smores.com/n/u95pn>.



A Headmaster Christmas Event

A Headmaster Christmas Event - "A Christmas Carol" Dramatic Reading with Live Jazz! by Christine White | This newsletter was created with Smore, an online tool for creating beautiful newsletters for educators, businesses and more

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The March for Life is Friday, January 24, 2025

The March for Life is on Friday, January 24, 2025. To enable our students, faculty and staff to attend the March, school will dismiss at 11:30 AM.

Support for the MacKay Family

Thank you to everyone who has reached out to offer support to the MacKay family! Opportunities to assist the family with meals and other necessities in January and beyond are being coordinated by Paige Coulam (spcoulam@gmail.com) and will be shared with the St. John's community in the new year.

Additionally, some families are making efforts to help offset tuition costs for the boys for this school year. Please contact Francisco de Brey at, fdebrey@stjohncatholicmclean.org if you would like to help or for more information.

In the meantime, your continued prayers for the family are greatly appreciated during this Christmas season.

Admission Deadline is January 13 for New Students

We are now accepting applications for new students for the 2025-2026 school year! If you have a sibling who will be applying for admission, we want to encourage you to apply early! The application deadline for Preschool - 8th grade is January 13, 2025.

Please visit our website to review the application steps at <https://stjohnacademy.org/admissions/>.

Thank you again for your support and for choosing St. John the Beloved Academy!

Lunch Options for the New Year!

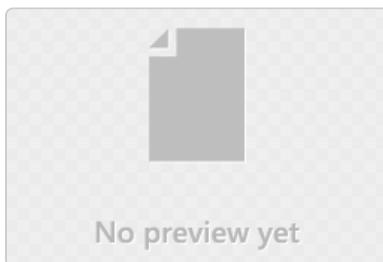
Vignola Gourmet - Tuesday & Thursday

St. John's is pleased to announce that hot lunch will continue to be available every Tuesday and Thursday with [Vignola Gourmet](#) for the remainder of the 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.



Welcome Letter St John the Beloved 2024.docx

VIGNOLA GOURMET HOT LUNCH PROGRAM 2024 Dear St. John the Beloved Academy Parents, Vignola Gourmet is a local, family-owned business providing hot lunch programs to area schools since 2008. We prepare almost every item from scratch, daily, focusing on kid-friendly and healthy lunch opti...

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Chick-fil-A - Wednesday

Orders can now be submitted for the Chick-fil-A lunch program starting January 8. Please note that pricing is based on what grade your child is in:

1. Preschool/Pre-K - 20 weeks (Jan. 8 - May 21)
2. Kindergarten & 8th Grade - 21 weeks (Jan. 8 - May 28)
3. 1-7 Grade - 22 weeks (Jan. 8-June 4)

Please fill out the order form and send your payment via Zelle or Venmo by Monday, January 6.
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScYf8cHxQ72Hvb6uTAWX4U2RPDVpEAVnUqTfll4osFW5-yxQ/viewform?usp=sharing>

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 multiple children, please submit one form per child.

Volunteers are needed to help distribute lunches to classrooms. Please see the link below and sign up if you can help.

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1_F_Tf0pW67QA1C_Tt700w8bdfi2VZhfdLbMr9kWqxVk/e/dit?usp=sharing

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



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Parent-Student Handbook

The Parent-Student Handbook for the 2024-2025 school year is now available on our website.

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

2024-2025 SJBA Parent-Student Handbook

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 youth SJBA sweatshirts available on the website 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



Attendance Procedures

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.

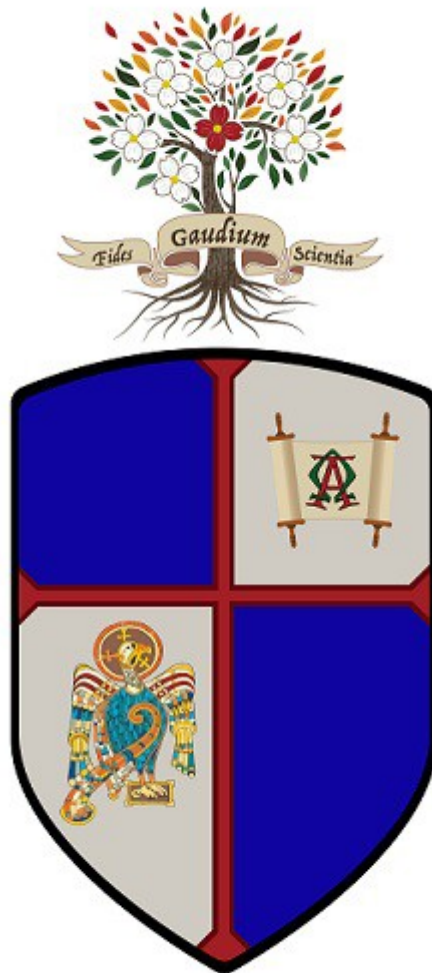
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Saint John the Beloved Academy

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 by Isa Minvielle(5th Grade)



Christine White