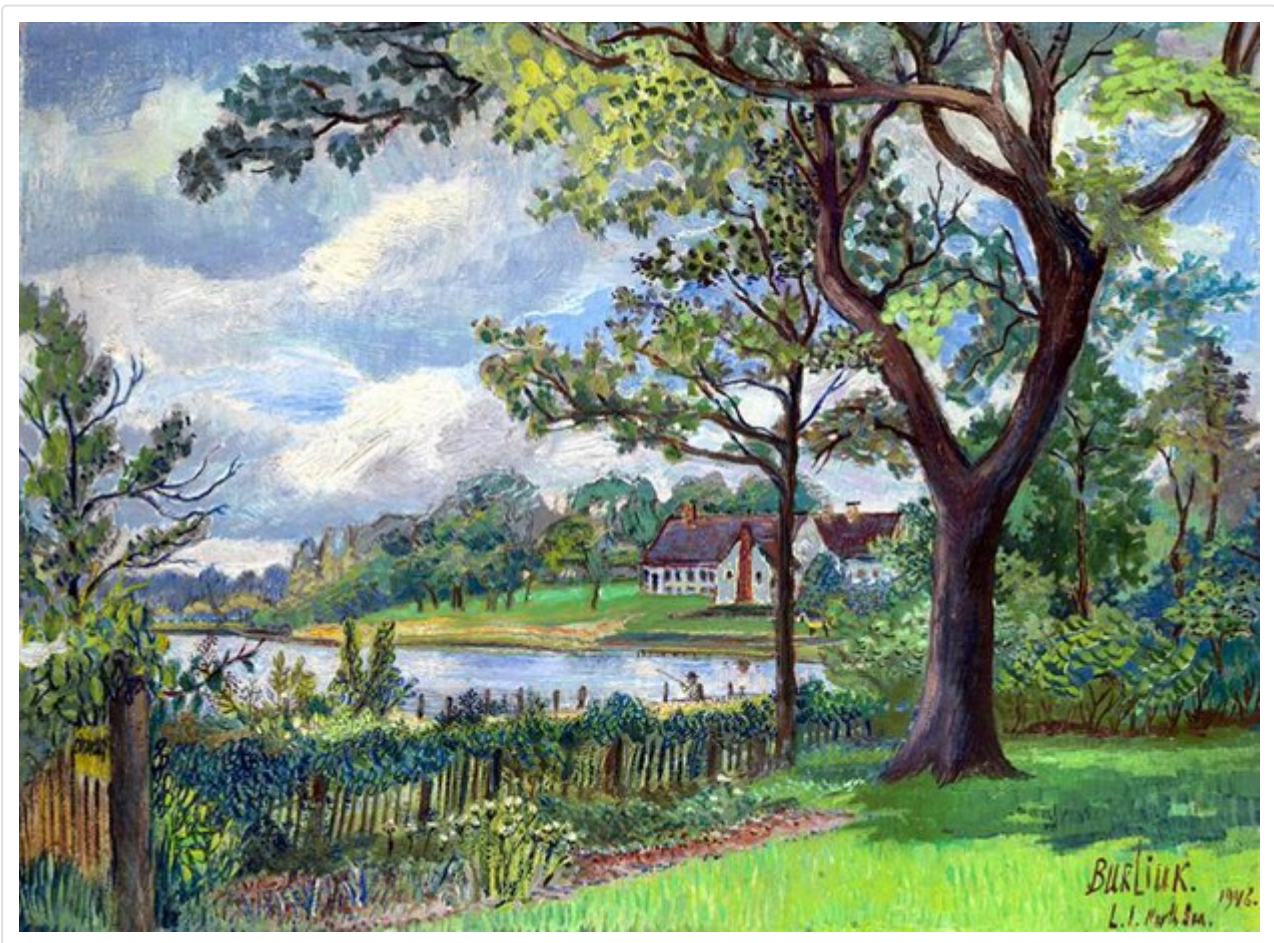


# A Few Notes, Dates & Reminders

St John the Beloved Academy



Tuesday, August 22

## Calendar Updates and Reminders

### **AUGUST 2023**

**Aug 22** Ice Cream Meet & Greet 3:30-5:00 PM, all grades

**Aug 23** K-8 students 11:30 DISMISSAL

Preschool & Pre-K 1 hr w/parent

**Aug 24** Preschool & Pre-K 1 hr w/out parent

**Aug 25** 11:30 AM DISMISSAL

Aug 28 [Scannell Cup Golf Tournament](#)

## **SEPTEMBER**

**Sept 1** 11:30 AM DISMISSAL

**Sept 4** NO SCHOOL, Labor Day

**Sept 11-15** Parent/Teacher Meetings

**Sept 18-22** Constitution Week

**Sept 21** Parent Wine and Cheese w/ Jazz 7-9 PM

*School Day Hours:*

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

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



St. John the Beloved Academy School Calendar 2023-2024  
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## Welcome Back to School!

The opening week schedule is as follows:

### **August 23 - First Day of School**

K-8 11:30 Dismissal

Pre-K & Preschool - 1 Hour Orientation with parent(s)

### **August 24 - \*\*Please Remember that all students in Grades K-8 should pack a lunch!\*\***

K-8 **Full Day**

Pre-K & Preschool - 1 Hour orientation without parents for students to get comfortable in the classroom.

### **August 25 - 11:30 AM Dismissal**

K-8 & Pre-K, Pre-School 11:30 Dismissal

## Arrival and Dismissal Procedures

In preparation for the first day of school, please review our arrival and dismissal procedures. Your patience is appreciated this first week of school as we all get back into the swing of things with drop off and pick up. Please see the attached map for more information.

Our school day begins at 8:00 a.m. Monday - Friday. The front doors and outside classroom doors are open at 8:00 a.m. Students can proceed to directly to their homeroom classroom.

Any student who arrives after 8:20 a.m. will be considered tardy.

The school day closes at 3:00 p.m. Monday-Thursday and at 2:25 p.m. on Friday.

Early dismissal takes place at 11:30 a.m.

The parking lot traffic plan for arrival and dismissal is as follows:

### **AM Carpool**

ENTRY ON THE SCHOOL/CHURCH GROUNDS IN THE MORNING Can be VIA LINWAY TERRACE AND THE REAR ENTRANCE (BEHIND THE RECTORY).

- Cars should line up and drop off students near the front entrance as usual. Upon arrival, students should exit their vehicles and proceed to enter through their classroom doors to ease the congestion of traffic during arrival. Signs will be posted on the doors and faculty members will be on hand to guide students to the right door.
- Kindergarten and First grade will enter through the main entrance of the school.

### **PM Carpool**

Entry on the School/Church grounds in the afternoon **MUST BE** via the REAR ENTRANCE (behind the Rectory).

- Kindergarten through 8 --There are 3 lanes in the parking lot for afternoon pick up. ALL cars picking up students are asked to be in the proper lane as explained below.
- Lane 1 **MUST EXIT LEFT** on to LINWAY TERRACE. Lane 2 **MUST EXIT STRAIGHT** to BIRCH ROAD OR LEFT on to OLD DOMINION DRIVE. Lane 3 (lane closest to the school) **MUST EXIT RIGHT** on to LINWAY TERRACE. Lane 1 is the lane closest to the island, Lane 2 is the middle lane and Lane 3 is the lane closest to the school building.
- Once you are in the correct exit lane, put the car in park and do not leave the car running if you have to exit the vehicle. Students will be dismissed promptly at 3:00 p.m. Monday – Thursday and 2:25 p.m. on Friday. On early dismissal days students will leave school at 11:30 a.m. Once students begin walking outdoors, no additional cars will be permitted in the parking areas.
- Students will be released by grade. They will be staggered with sufficient time to exit the building and maintain social distancing.
- **Students in grades K-5 may NOT be picked up anywhere on school grounds other than the designated carpool pick-up zone.** Parents/drivers who have parked on the parking lot in a place that is not a part of the carpool lanes area are to meet their child(ren) in front of the school at carpool dismissal time and walk them to the car. Students may not walk to cars

not in carpool lanes. The school does not recommend parents to park somewhere other than the carpool lanes, however, if they do so, parents are required to walk to the front of the school to meet their child(ren).

- **Students in grades 6-8** may be picked up in the lower level parking lot in front of the church if waiting for regular carpool is not an option. Students in grades K-5 must still be met at the front entrance of the school.
- Students may not leave the building before carpool dismissal to meet a carpool. If the child needs to be picked up before carpool dismissal time, the parent or driver must sign the child out at the front office window.
- Carpools are not allowed to park at the bottom of the school building on Linway Terrace. This area is reserved for faculty parking only.
- Any student who has not been picked up by the conclusion of afternoon carpool and is not attending an after school club, generally by 3:15 p.m., will wait in the lobby of the school until they can be picked up.
- Students may use phones at dismissal to connect with parents regarding carpool logistics.



Carpool Map (1).pdf

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## School Security Update for the 2023-2024 School Year

New this year, St. John's has hired a full time private security company to monitor the school campus. A security guard will be present during drop off and pick up and will be on campus during the school day.

## After School Clubs

St. John's after school clubs are open to all current students in grades K-8. Clubs are available on all regular school days Monday - Thursday from 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. and Friday from 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.

Information on how to register for the first session of after school clubs will be available by **Friday, August 25.**

Students who are registered for a fall club may attend supervised open playground from Monday, August 28-Thursday, August 31 on the day(s) of their respective club.

The formal program will begin after Labor Day weekend on Tuesday, September 5.

Please note that there is a 15-minute pick up window from 4:00 - 4:15 p.m. Monday-Thursday and 3:30 - 3:45 p.m. on Friday.

For general information regarding clubs, please contact Cristina Crowley at [ccrowley@stjohnacademy.org](mailto:ccrowley@stjohnacademy.org).

## Back to School Forms for 2023-2024

**Health Forms Required for NEW STUDENTS and KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS ONLY:** New students and Kindergarten students require a physical on file performed in the 12 months prior to the start date of school (the physical must be dated after August 24, 2022). [The Commonwealth of Virginia School Entrance Health Form 2023](#) needs to be uploaded to the "Health History Update" under the medical tab on your student's online enrollment account **no later than August 23, 2023**.

**Health Forms Required for RETURNING STUDENTS ONLY:** If your student(s) was enrolled at SJBA last year and is not entering Kindergarten, all that is required is to fill out the [Confidential Health History form](#) and upload it to your student(s) online enrollment account as well as the submission of any updates to the student's immunizations records to the school nurse. Kindly submit this form no later than August 23, 2023.

### **Additional Forms Required for All NEW and RETURNING STUDENTS:**

#### **One Form Per Family:**

1. [Dismissal Sheet](#) (please return to the front office)

#### **One Form Per Student:**

1. Permission for Emergency Care (on the enrollment site)
2. Media Release (on the enrollment site)
3. [Medication Authorization Form](#) (if applicable)
4. [Asthma Health Care Action Plan and Authorization for Medication](#) (if applicable)
5. [Food Allergy & Anaphylaxis Emergency Care Plan](#) (if applicable)

These forms and any medications are **due August 23**.

**Students in Grades 5-8 that plan on playing on an SJBA sports team will need a [sports physical](#) on file prior to the start of the season.** The Diocese uses the Virginia High School League sports physical forms—skip any fields that apply to high school students.

## Join Us for the 10th Annual Scannell Cup Golf Tournament on Monday, August 28!

Join us for the tenth Annual Scannell Cup golf tournament on Monday, August 28, 2023!

This enjoyable and light-hearted event is a great way to start the school year. **All funds raised will support the retired priests of Arlington and St. John the Beloved Academy.** Please consider supporting the tournament as a participant, sponsor, or volunteer.

### Monday, August 28

- 11:00 a.m. Registration, Lunch and Driving Range
- 1:00 p.m. Shotgun Start
- 5:30 p.m. Gourmet Dinner & Awards in Clubhouse

### WESTWOOD COUNTRY CLUB

800 Maple Avenue East

Vienna, VA 22180

<https://www.westwoodcc.com/golf>

\$500 per Individual Golfer. \$1800 per Foursome.

Limited space for priests and wounded veterans to play for free.

*All payments above \$250 per player are tax-deductible. Sponsors welcome!*

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2023-msgr-tp-scannell-cup-tickets-641635508077>

## Scannell Cup Ticket and Sponsorship Information

### 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. Mrs. Monica Stilson in the attendance office:

[attendance@stjohnacademy.org](mailto:attendance@stjohnacademy.org) and copy Mrs. Gracia Escudero in the front office:

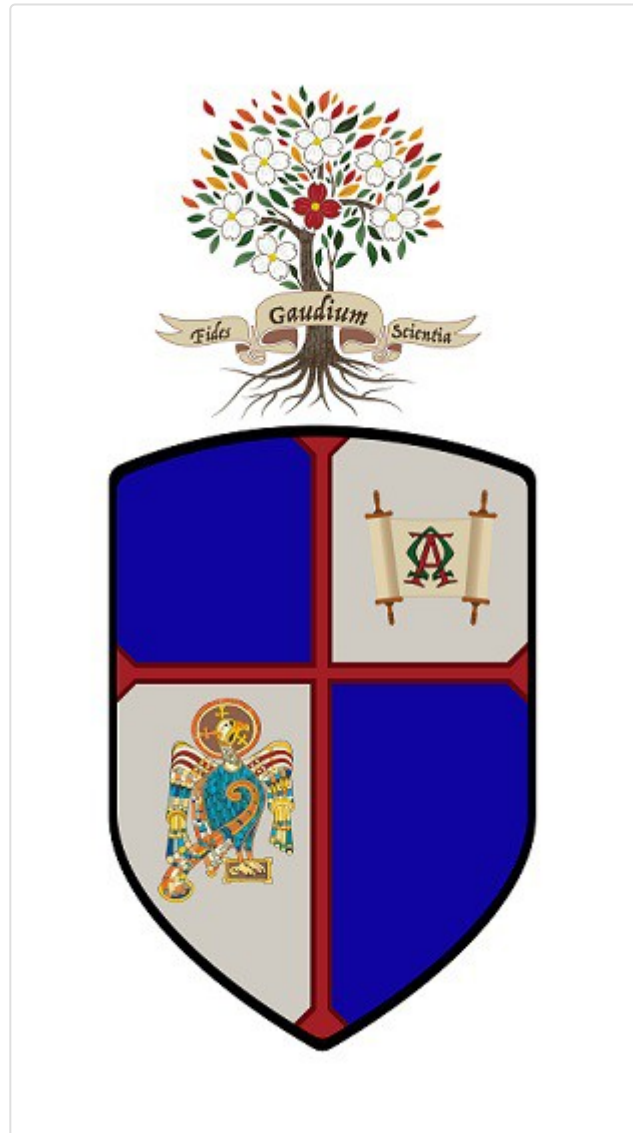
[gescudero@stjohnacademy.org](mailto:gescudero@stjohnacademy.org) and copy the homeroom teacher.

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.



## 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.

*Pictured above: Countryside at Summer. David Burluik.*

