School of the Incarnation Newsletter

October 21, 2021

Friday, October 22 nd :	Trunk or Treat – Sold Out!! Parking lot opens at 5:30 PM Spirit Wear Day
Friday, October 29 th : Monday, November 1 st : Tuesday, November 2 nd : Sunday, November 7 th :	Spirit Wear Day or Orange/Black Wear School Closed – Faculty Retreat Winter Uniform Begins Daylight Saving Time ends
Thursday, November 11 th : Friday, November 12 th :	12:15 Dismissal – ESP in session – Parent/Teacher conferences Spirit Wear Day 12:15 Dismissal – ESP in session – Parent/Teacher conferences
Tuesday, November 16 th : Wed., November 17 th : Friday, November 19 th :	8 th Grade retreat to OLPH 8:30 AM – 2:00 PM Individual Picture retakes and make-ups 8:30 – 9:30 AM Spirit Wear Day SOTI Turkey Trot
November 19 th & 20 th : Wed., November 24 th :	Mark your calendars!! Drama Production – Elf the Musical Jr. School Closed – Professional Development End of 1st Trimester
November 25 th and 26 th :	School Closed – Thanksgiving Break

Like A Good Neighbor

Just a reminder that we want to be mindful and respectful of our SOTI neighbors! There is no reason for our parents to ever be parking along Symphony Lane or in the neighborhood. Likewise, if driving through the neighborhood for morning or afternoon drop-off or pick-up, please watch your speed and obey traffic signs. Many of our neighbors enjoy walking and biking, and we need to make sure that the neighborhood is safe for all pedestrian traffic, small children, and pets. Thank you.

Friday, October 29th

On Friday, October 29th students may dress in orange and/or black and also wear Halloween accessories – hair ribbons, necklaces, socks, etc. Costumes are <u>not</u> to be worn. Students also have the choice to wear Spirit Wear or their regular Friday uniform. Please refer to page 47 in the Parent and Student Handbook for out of uniform guidelines.

Winter Uniform

Students should begin wearing the winter uniform on Tuesday, November 2nd. Shorts (both PE and summer uniform gray) should not be worn. Students should wear long gray uniform pants or PE sweatpants. Shorts should also not be worn on Friday Spirit Wear days.

Veterans Day Poster Contest

Theme: How can I be a good American? Kindergarten through 5th grade – create a poster that shows how you can be a good American. More details in the attached flyer.

Lost & Found is back and it's already full!

Are you questioning... Where is that missing lunchbox, water bottle, or sweatshirt? Please check the Lost & Found located in the school lobby for anything that may belong to your child. The bins are OVERFLOWING! Unlabeled and unclaimed items will be donated to charity at Christmas Break. Don't forget to label your child's coats, lunchboxes, water bottles and hats.

Applications for 2022-2023 school year

Applications for new students (**not current students**) will be available on our school website on Monday, November 1st. Applications should be submitted by February 4, 2022 to be considered in the first round. If you know a family interested in attending SOTI, please complete the attached referral form.

GOBBLE! GOBBLE!!

School of the Incarnation's TURKEY TROT is happening on Friday, November 19th! We will be walking, jogging and having fun to raise funds for the athletic field renovation. See attached flyer for more information.

If you would like to volunteer to help in the event planning or help on the day of, please email our Development Director, Kristina Rykiel, at krykiel@schooloftheincarnation.org

BEYOND PROGRAM INFORMATION

If you are able to volunteer, have an idea for a club, or have any questions, please contact our school's Auxiliary Services Coordinator, <u>Amy Santini</u>.

GENERAL INFORMATION REMINDERS:

The Beyond after-school enrichment program strives to provide a variety of clubs and activities each Trimester for students of all grades. Typically clubs meet until 4:30 PM once a week for 6-8 sessions. Destination Imagination and Lego League Teams are the exception: once teams are created, they are set for the entire school year and meet from Oct. through March. Thanks to our dedicated adult volunteers, high school mentors, and club members, the Beyond Program is able to happen!

Now that we're halfway through Trimester 1/Fall, some clubs that began in Sept. are concluding and others will wrap up in November. Be on the lookout for clubs that are being planned for Trimester 2/Winter, including some potential options that are listed below.

Please be aware of deadlines for completing interest forms since emails are sent to those families first with important details. Deadlines for registration links should be noted as well so rosters can be finalized in a timely manner. Once a club has had their first meeting, additional registrations cannot be accepted.

INTEREST FORMS FOR CLUBS IN THE WORKS for Trimester 2 and/or 3: The deadline for completing these interest forms is Friday, Nov. 5th.

Arts and Crafts Clubs (all grades): https://forms.gle/YHDyURdB2zq9ATELA

Coding and Technology Club (3rd-8th grade): <u>https://forms.gle/TsWVzkHMf8bA5ief8</u>

Knightly Readers Book Clubs (3rd-8th grade): <u>https://forms.gle/UAj9r5AmjjdfiTvKA</u>

School Newspaper (5th-8th grade): <u>https://forms.gle/FxhEgFfw6vpU8RbBA</u>

Middle school basketball is back!

Below, you will find the registration link for middle school basketball. If you have not done so already, please take a moment to fully read and complete the registration(s). All current information regarding tryouts can be found on this page. If you have any questions, please contact our Athletic Director, Mr. Keith Smith (kbsmith@schooloftheincarnation.org).

Click on this link for middle school basketball registration: **BASKETBALL REGISTRATION**

Instructional Assistant Needed

SOTI is looking for a 4th grade Instructional Assistant. If you are interested, please send your resume or reach out to Kristin Jacobs at <u>kjacobs@schooloftheincarnation.org</u>

Substitute Teachers Needed

SOTI is looking to build up its substitute teacher pool. If you have availability during the day and are interested in supporting our school by stepping into the gap when our teachers are out, please send your resume or reach out to Kristin Jacobs at kjacobs@schooloftheincarnation.org



ESP Teachers/Aids Needed

Do you know a college student or older high school student who loves to work with children and is looking for some part-time work? Our ESP program is still in need of additional staff for the afternoons (3:15-5:30 PM). In order to be considered for ESP Teacher positions, the candidate must be 18 years old. Teens 16-18 are eligible to be considered for assistant positions. Please contact Jackie Haslinger for more information jhaslinger@schooloftheincarnation.org

Combined Federal Campaign (CFC)

Attention all military, postal and federal civilian SOTI families- the **Combined Federal Campaign** has started! The CFC is the official workplace giving campaign of the federal government. School of the Incarnation is a participating charity in the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) which allows federal employees to donate to non-profit organizations through workplace giving. Our school is charity code #94557. Thank you in advance for designating SOTI on your CFC pledge form!

Attention 8th Grade Parents – Important!! - High School Placement Test Registration (HSPT)

All 8th grade students who plan to apply to a Catholic High School are required to take the HSPT, and the registration site for the exam is now open.

School of the Incarnation students should register to take the exam at our school on Wednesday, December 1, 2021. (When registering, be sure to scroll down past the list of high schools to find SOTI listed under elementary/middle schools). The website for students to register is <u>baltimore.stsusers.com</u>.

The registration fee is \$40.00, and all payments must be made on-line in advance of the test date. Please, note that the deadline for registration and payment is November 26, 2021.

**For resource students who receive test accommodations, documentation must be uploaded onto the registration site by Friday, November 19th. That is a hard deadline because the upload option will lock afterward.

For questions, please contact: Kristin Jacobs, Assistant Principal: <u>kjacobs@schooloftheincarnation.org</u>



Veterans Day Poster Contest Theme: How can I be a good American?

Kindergarten through 5th Grade Create a poster that shows how you can be a good American Winners chosen from K-1-2 and 3-4-5 \$25 Target Gift Card for winners

- Posters must be original work.
- Entries may be done in marker, crayon, watercolor, ink, acrylic, colored pencil, or tempera paint.
- Computer generated art or printing is <u>not</u> allowed. No manufactured items on posters.
- Posters must be flat. No folded, matted, mounted or framed work will be accepted.

Turn in your poster to your teacher.

Due Tuesday, November 9th



Are you interested in helping us raise funds for our athletic field renovation project?

Would you be willing to volunteer and give a minimal amount of time to help our school raise needed funds?

Does your child like to win prizes and receive recognition?

SOTI Turkey Trot is a walk-a-thon which involves students walking and jogging around the perimeter of our school parking area for one hour.

The success of the **SOTI Turkey Trot** is based on students receiving sponsors for the walk-a-thon on their on-line student page!

Potential sponsors may be family members, relatives, close friends and neighbors. Don't forget to include out-of-state relatives and friends!

The SOTI Turkey Trot will be held on Friday, November 19, 2021.

There are prizes and incentives to help promote the success of the **SOTI Turkey Trot** for both the students and homerooms.

The **SOTI Turkey Trot** will be so much fun and will truly benefit our school!

More information coming next week when we kick off our Turkey Trot!

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New Family Referral Program



Our current Incarnation families are by far the best ambassadors for spreading the word about our school! Our New Family Referral Program rewards current families with a one-time \$250 tuition credit for referring a new family who applies and enrolls. Here's how it works:

- If you know of a family that you believe may be interested in School of the Incarnation, complete the "New Family Referral Form" below and submit to the school office.
- Reach out to the family and share your experiences at School of the Incarnation. Share with them the reasons you have chosen Catholic education and why you think they should do the same. Let them know that you have or will refer their information to the school and that an admissions representative will call or email them to provide more information.
- For each new family that applies and enrolls at least one full-time student, a \$250 tuition credit will be awarded to the current referring family <u>after the new student has been in attendance for 30 days.</u>
- Siblings of current students and previously enrolled students do not qualify as new families. Staff members are not eligible for the referral credit.
- Note that this form must be on file in the front office before the new family has contacted the school on their own for information or to visit so it is best to submit the form as soon as possible after speaking with the new family. In other words, the referral form is not retroactive and you are not eligible for the referral if the family contacts school before the referral.
- This referral program is open to all families with students currently enrolled in PreK4-Grade 8.
- Referral fees are limited to one per family per academic year.

Current Family	<u>New Family</u>
Parent name(s)	Parent name(s)
	Student name(s)/Grade(s)
Address	Address
City, State, MD	City, State, Zip
Phone	Phone
Email	Email
How do you know this family? \Box Work \Box H	Friend 🗆 Relative 🗆 Neighbor
	Community 🗆 Other
Any information we should know?	

By signing below, I confirm that I personally know this family and have shared the good news about School of the Incarnation with them. I understand that an Admissions representative from the school will be contacting this new family to provide more information and invite the family for a tour. I have read and understand the guidelines of the New Family Referral Program. Contact Casey Boswell at 410.519.2285 with any questions.

Signature___

-Office use only-	Form submission date	Contact date
Enrollment date_		_ \$250 tuition credit date



ARCHDIOCESE OF BALTIMORE VIRTUAL HIGH SCHOOL FAIR

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2021 MONDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2021 TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2021

5 PM TO 7 PM

Session #1: 5:05pm to 5:40pm **Session #2:** 5:45pm to 6:20pm **Session #3:** 6:25pm to 7:00pm

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LOGIN INFORMATION: https://bit.ly/AOBVirtualFairs