

School of the Incarnation Newsletter



November 11, 2021

Friday, November 12th: Spirit Wear Day

12:15 Dismissal – ESP in session – Parent/Teacher conferences

Tuesday, November 16th: 8th Grade retreat to OLPH 8:30 AM – 2:00 PM

Wed., November 17th: Individual Picture retakes and make-ups 8:30 – 9:30 AM

Friday, November 19th: Wear your Turkey Trot t-shirt Day

SOTI Turkey Trot

November 19th & 20th: Mark your calendars!! Drama Production – Elf the Musical Jr.

Wed., November 24th: School Closed – Professional Development

End of 1st Trimester

November 25th and 26th: School Closed – Thanksgiving Break

Wed., December 1st: 8th Grade HSPT Friday, December 3rd: Spirit Wear Day

Progress Reports distributed

Tuesday, December 7th: Band Concert 7:00 PM Wed., December 8th: School Mass 10:00 AM



Science Fair

The School of the Incarnation 7th Grade Science Fair is scheduled for Friday, December 17th, and we are currently seeking Virtus certified adults to serve as judges.

Parents, please, consider giving your time to help judge the amazing projects that will be created by our 7th grade students. (7th grade parents are excluded from judging, but parents from all other grade levels are encouraged to participate. Experience in a "STEM" field could be helpful but is not required.)

Please, contact Kristin Jacobs: <u>kjacobs@schooloftheincarnation.org</u> and volunteer to participate in this exciting event. Judges will be needed from 8:30 am to approximately 12:30 pm on December 10th.

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, Amy Santini.

GENERAL INFORMATION REMINDERS:

Special Note for families enrolled in the school's Extended School Program (ESP):

If your child participates in Beyond Program clubs, they come directly to meet their group's leader at dismissal time. The ESP staff is provided rosters for all the clubs. When a club is finished, all students are brought to the front doors to check if a parent has arrived for pick up. If needed, ESP students are then walked back to their class for regular pick up.

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.

Registration for Trimester 2/Winter Chess Club

(Meetings will be on Wednesdays, the first session is December 1st):

https://forms.diamondmindinc.com/schooloftheincarnation/winterchessclub21-22

IN THE WORKS:

Confirmation of adult volunteers, meeting days, and the number of students who can be accommodated for the following clubs is currently being worked on in the hopes of starting these groups in early December: Coding and Technology, Arts and Crafts, School Newspaper, and Knightly Readers Book Club.

GOBBLE! GOBBLE!!

It is almost time for the SOTI Turkey Trot! Next Friday, November 19th students will be walking/jogging and having fun to celebrate the sponsorships they received for our athletic field renovation project. The following are the times for each grade level:

8:30am-9:00am Preschool 8:30am-9:30am 8th Grade

9:35am-10:35am 2nd and 3rd grade

10:40am-11:10am Kindergarten and 1st grade

12:00pm-1:00pm 4th and 5th grade 1:15pm-2:15pm 6th and 7th grade

VIRTUS certified parents are welcome to walk with their students during their scheduled time. Please reach out to Jackie Haslinger at ihaslinger@schooloftheincarnation.org to check on your status. Volunteers are also still being accepted. Lunch will be provided. Please contact Kristina Rykiel, our Development Director if you would like to help at krykiel@schooloftheincarnation.org

We are very close to meeting our challenge goal of \$35,000 for the athletic field renovation project with over \$31,000 raised! Thank you for your support of this fundraiser!

GOBBLE! GOBBLE!

Out-of-Uniform and Spirit Wear Friday FYI

As we continue to transition into the winter uniforms, please be mindful of out-of-uniform days and Spirit Wear Friday's. On these days, students are not permitted to wear shorts. Thank you for your continued support and partnership!

Knott Scholarship Applications

4th and 8th grade students may be eligible to apply for a **Knott Scholarship** this year. Students in 4th grade may apply for a scholarship for 5th-8th grade, and 8th graders may apply for a scholarship for 9th-12th grade. Please see the attached flyer for details to determine eligibility. Applications for the 2022-2023 school year are due by March 25, 2022, at 5:00 PM.

For questions, please contact Kristin Jacobs: kjacobs@schooloftheincarnation.org Visit www.knottscholar.org for more information

Individual Picture Retakes

If you would like to have your child's picture retaken, please fill out this <u>form</u>. If your child did not have their picture taken, Mrs. Oshenska has those names and they are on the list to be taken on Wednesday, November 17th, between 8:30-9:30 AM. This is the ONLY make-up/retake date scheduled. Students having their portrait taken may dress out of uniform, following the <u>WINTER out of uniform guidelines</u>. 8th grade students MUST wear their uniform button-down shirt (short or long sleeve). 8th grade boys MUST wear a school tie. If students have PE on Wednesdays, they should wear tennis shoes to school. If you have any questions, please contact <u>Mrs.</u> Oshenska.

Attention Parents of 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students!

Very soon, the 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students will begin to learn Recorders in Music class. Each student should have his/her own recorder. It can be one used by an older sibling or even parent! However, Mrs. Harper has a supply of new recorders to purchase for \$6. Please use the link below to purchase one. Once you have paid for it, your child will be called to the music room to select their choice of color. Thank you.

https://forms.diamondmindinc.com/schooloftheincarnation/recordersales2021?token=1555712356

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.

^{**}Reenrollment for current students begins on Monday, January 3, 2022.

Musical Theatre Raffle

The Musical Theatre Club is presenting Elf, the Musical, Jr. on November 19th and 20th. We are in need of funds to upgrade our soundboard and microphones, so what better way than to have an ELF RAFFLE? Prizes are a set of Elf-themed ornaments, Elf wreath, a NYC snow globe, an Etch-A-Sketch, an Elf Puzzle, and a set of wooden reindeer decorations. Tickets are \$1 and can be purchased through the Diamond Mind link below. Please support the Musical Theatre program. Tickets will also be sold at the performances, and the drawings will be held after our last show.

https://forms.diamondmindinc.com/schooloftheincarnation/elfraffle2021?token=1649590576

Pediatric Cancer Toy Drive

Hello SOTI families! Please see the attached flyer promoting the toy drive coming to SOTI this year! The toy drive is inspired by 8th grader, Ella Edwards, who collects toys each year to be donated to children with cancer. The toy drive begins Friday, November 5th and will end Wednesday, December 8th. Toys should be new and unwrapped and can be placed in the large toy collection box in the rotunda. Toys can be for ages 3 years old-high school age. Please note there is a QR code for an Amazon toy list and additionally, the Severna Park Franklin's Toy Store has a toy list as well. You may also use your discretion to purchase age-appropriate toys that are not on the Amazon or Franklin's list. All the toys can be sent in with your students to be dropped off in the hallway box. Thank you in advance for all your support! If you have any questions, please email Mr. Stehle directly – cstehle@schooloftheincarnation.org

Help Wanted

Tommy's Food Service is looking for part time help in the cafeteria. If you are interested, please email lunch@schooloftheincarnation.org

Recess Monitors Needed

Are you looking for a way to volunteer at school? We are looking for volunteers to come in and help during outdoor recess for our 4th through 8th grade students. Volunteers must be Virtus certified. If interested please contact Jackie Haslinger at jhaslinger@schooloftheincarnation.org

<u>Substitute Teachers Needed</u>

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

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 **baltimore.stsusers.com**.

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: kjacobs@schooloftheincarnation.org



Four year, full tuition scholarships to students for Catholic schools!

General Requirements

- ◆ *Geography*—Students and families must reside in, be registered in a Catholic parish and have applied to a Catholic school in one of the eligible areas.
- (Elementary students: Catholic PARISH schools only.)
- ◆ Age—4th grade students apply for 5th—8th grade;
 8th grade students apply for 9th—12th grade.
- ◆ Religion—Students must be baptized Catholics or officially convert into the Catholic Church.

Eligible geographic areas

Anne Arundel Frederick County
Baltimore City Harford County
Baltimore County Howard County
Carroll County

Academic Requirements

◆ *Grades*—First and second quarter grades must be a minimum numeric grade of 93 in each of these areas:

English/Language Arts/Reading

Math

Social Studies

Science

♦ Standardized Testing

- 4th graders must score in the 92th percentile or above on the SCANTRON Performance Series test in Reading, Math, and Language.
- 8th graders must score in the 94th percentile or above in the SCANTRON Performance Series test in Reading, Math, and Language and MUST ALSO have a composite score in the 95th percentile or above on the High School Placement Test.

Applications for the 2022-2023 school year are due by March 25, 2022, at 5:00pm.



Go to www.knottscholar.org for more information.

ELLASTRONG FOUNDATION PRESENTS...

PEDIATRIC CANCER TOY DRIVE

Deliveries made by Ella to Children's National Hospital Oncology, John's Hopkins. UMMC, AAMC & Believe in Tomorrow

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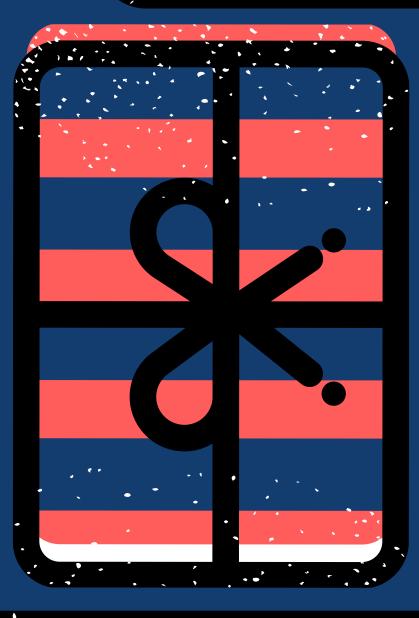
Drop off new, unwrapped toys to School of the Incarnation.

Prefer to shop online??

Scan QR code and order directly from Amazon List!









More info www.ellastrong.org or @teamellaedwards on Facebook



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 after the new student has been in attendance for 30 days.
- 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	New Family
Parent name(s)	Parent name(s)
Student name(s) /Grade(s)	Student name(s)/Grade(s)
Address	Address
City, State, MD	City, State, Zip
Phone	Phone
Email	Email
How do you know this family? \square Work \square	Friend \square Relative \square Neighbor
□Church □	Community Other
Any information we should know?	
Incarnation with them. I understand that an Admis	this family and have shared the good news about School of the sions representative from the school will be contacting this new amily for a tour. I have read and understand the guidelines of the rell at 410.519.2285 with any questions.
Signature	
-Office use only- Form submission date	Contact date