

School of the Incarnation Newsletter

November 18, 2021

Friday, November 19 th :	Wear your Turkey Trot t-shirt Day SOTI Turkey Trot – see schedule below
November 19 th & 20 th :	Drama Production – <i>Elf the Musical Jr.</i> 7:00 PM *tickets must be pre-purchased – no ticket sales at the door
Wed., November 24 th :	School Closed – Professional Development End of 1 st Trimester
November 25 th and 26 th :	School Closed – Thanksgiving Break
Wed., December 1 st :	8 th Grade HSPT
Friday, December 3 rd :	Spirit Wear Day Progress Reports distributed Tours, S'mores & More! 4:30 – 6:00 PM – info below
Tuesday, December 7 th :	Band Concert 7:00 PM
Wed., December 8 th :	School Mass 10:00 AM Student Council Cereal Drive – more info to come
Friday, December 10 th :	Spirit Wear Day
Tuesday, December 14 th :	Giving Back backpack packing day
Thursday, December 16 th :	Christmas Pageant 7:00 PM
Friday, December 17 th :	7 th Grade Science Fair Spirit Wear Day
December 22 – January 2:	School Closed – Christmas Break
Monday, January 3 rd :	School resumes Reenrollment for current students begins



GOBBLE! GOBBLE!!

Tomorrow, Friday, November 19th is the SOTI Turkey Trot! 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	8 th Grade
9:35am-10:35am	2 nd and 3 rd grade
10:40am-11:10am	Kindergarten and 1 st grade
12:00pm-1:00pm	4 th and 5 th grade
1:15pm-2:15pm	6 th and 7 th grade



Yay!! We have met our challenge goal of \$35,000 for the athletic field renovation project with over \$39,000 raised! Thank you for your support of this fundraiser! GOBBLE! GOBBLE!

Elf the Musical Jr. Ticket Sale

Below is the link to purchase tickets to see our Drama Club's production of *Elf the Musical Jr.* Performances are this Friday and Saturday evening at 7:00 PM. Please note - there is limited audience capacity per performance; tickets must be pre-purchased using the link on the attached flyer and there will be no ticket sales at the door.

Link to purchase tickets -

<https://forms.diamondmindinc.com/schooloftheincarnation/elftickets?token=1267986264>

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>

Tours, S'mores & More!

All current and prospective PreK through 2nd grade students and their families are invited to join us on Friday, December 3rd, 4:30 to 6:00 PM for our family friendly Tours, S'mores & More event. It should be a fun winter evening for everyone in the family to enjoy! If you plan to take a tour of the primary wing, or enjoy a s'more at the event, please click on this [link](#) to register. Please consider sharing the attached flyer with anyone who may be interested in enrollment for the 2022-2023 school year.

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](#).

UPDATES:

The Knights on a Mission Outreach Club and the Environmental Club: Caring for Creation had their final meetings for Trimester 1 this week. Members of these clubs made a positive impact by spreading kindness and caring in God's world! The current plan is to offer both groups again in the spring, during Trimester 3.

For those who completed the Interest forms for Coding and Technology, Arts and Crafts, and the School Newspaper Team, emails will be sent before Thanksgiving with the registration link for students who are able to be accommodated. In order to avoid waiting lists for certain grade levels, please consider emailing Miss Santini to volunteer your time and talents!

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 (3rd-8th grades on Wednesdays)

(link closes tomorrow, Friday, Nov. 19th):

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

Registration for Trimester 2/Winter Knightly Readers Book Club (3rd-5th grades on Wednesdays)

(link closes Tuesday, Nov. 23rd):


<https://forms.diamondmindinc.com/schooloftheincarnation/knightlyreadersbookclub21-22>

From the Health Room

Just a few reminders as we move forward...

- Assess your child's health **each morning** before school. Don't wait for them to tell you they are sick, some children will not initiate this conversation.
- **COVID-19 home testing results are not accepted.** Testing must be done through a healthcare provider or a lab.
- Submit COVID-19 lab reports, **no screen shots of lab results from texts or portals.** We need detailed information like the test performed, the date, your child's name on the test results, laboratory contact information for follow up questions and other data. To get an official lab report, you may have to go to the laboratory's website, set up an account for your child and then download the report. Alternatively, you can call the lab/healthcare provider and request the report. If you then face resistance, tell them you have to produce an official report in order for your child to return to school. There has been no lab that outright refused to produce this document to date, sometimes you just have to be assertive with your request.
- Again... PLEASE keep your child home if they have symptoms. It may be that they present with new onset sniffles and that's your only clue. If you are not sure, feel free to contact me to discuss their symptoms. Children will tell on you and say "I told my Mom/Dad I didn't feel good" or that they had a belly ache before school, etc. Please listen to them and evaluate their health, don't automatically dismiss them. Even the child who complains about everything may really be sick. Most parents will be able to tell if it is a legitimate claim. It is sometimes difficult to tell, no question, but please take a minute or two to gather information in order to make an informed decision.

- For the Thanksgiving holiday - please try to follow COVID-19 mitigation recommendations even with family. Wear masks at gatherings, exercise spacing, don't go to events if you are sick and if possible weather wise, have outdoor activities.

Thank you in advance for helping us keep our school open and our students doing in-person learning. Have a wonderful Thanksgiving. 

Sue Toth, BA, RN
School Nurse

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: kjacobs@schooloftheincarnation.org and volunteer to participate in this exciting event. Judges will be needed from 8:30 am to approximately 12:30 pm on December 17th.

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

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.**

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

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

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

YOU ARE INVITED TO SCHOOL OF THE INCARNATION FOR:

Tours, S'mores, & More

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3
4:30-6:00PM

Join us for tours of the primary wing, s'mores, crafts, storytime, and winter fun. All current PreK through 2nd grade students & prospective new students are welcome. We can't wait to share a winter evening with you.



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PRESENTS...

PEDIATRIC CANCER TOY DRIVE

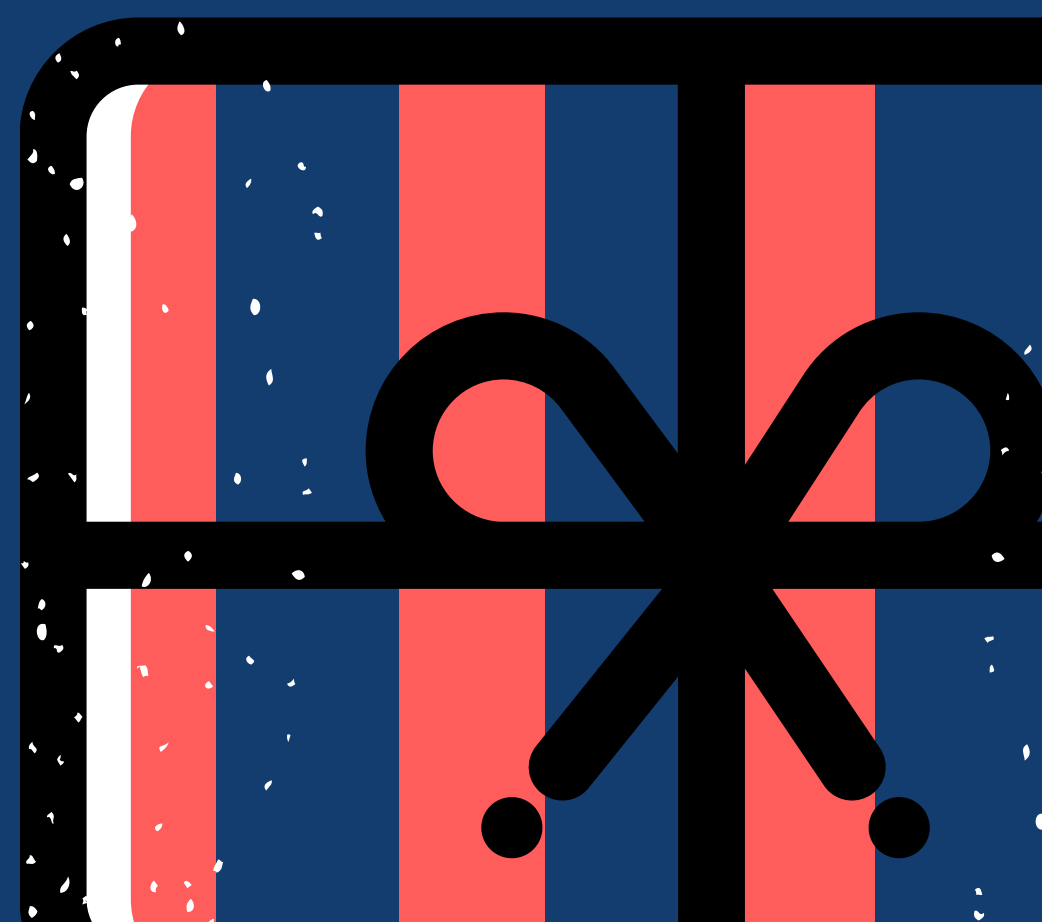
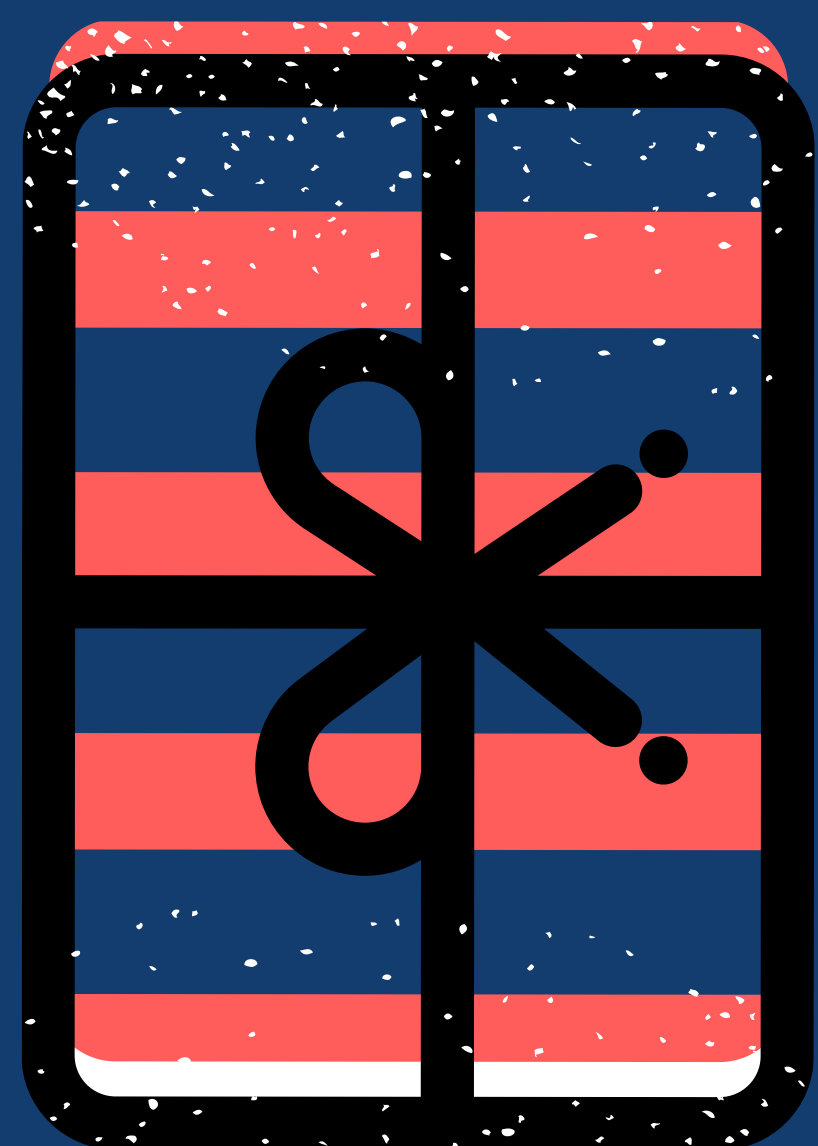
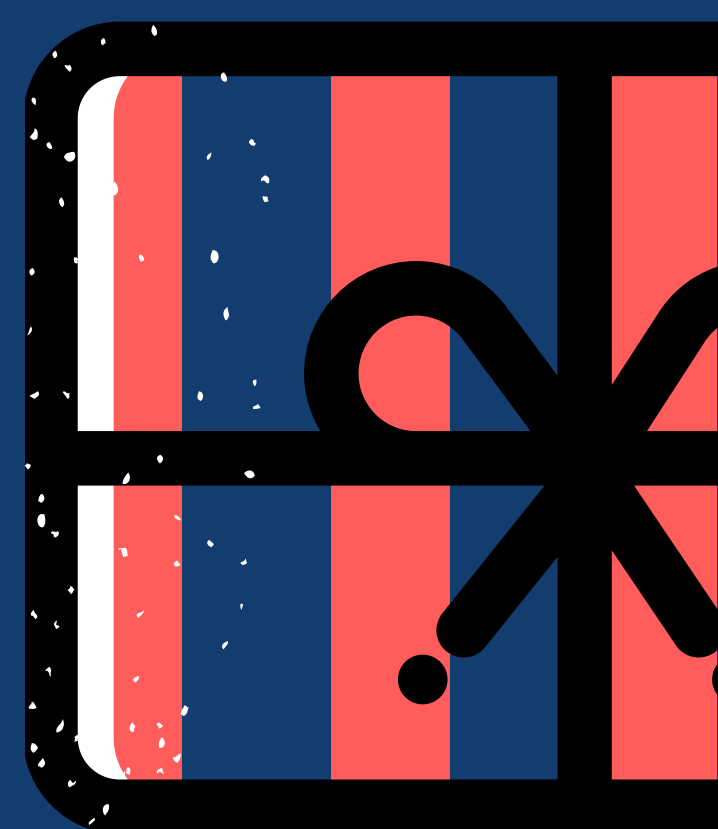
Deliveries made by Ella to Children's National Hospital Oncology,
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Drop off new, unwrapped toys
to School of the Incarnation.
Prefer to shop online??
Scan QR code and order
directly from Amazon List!

More info www.ellastrong.org or
[@teamellaedwards](https://www.facebook.com/teamellaedwards) on Facebook





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.





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

Parent name(s)

Student name(s) /Grade(s)

Address

City, State, MD

Phone

Email

New Family

Parent name(s)

Student name(s)/Grade(s)

Address

City, State, Zip

Phone

Email

How do you know this family? ☐Work ☐Friend ☐Relative ☐Neighbor
☐Church ☐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 _____