

# School of the Incarnation Newsletter

August 28, 2018

Saturday, August 25 <sup>th</sup> :	Preschool Preview 11:00 AM Kindergarten Picnic 1:00 PM
Monday, August 27 <sup>th</sup> :	School closed for Parents and Visitors (Faculty/Staff meetings)
Tuesday, August 28 <sup>th</sup> :	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Student/Parent Orientation 6:00 PM
Wednesday, August 29 <sup>th</sup> :	Middle School Back-to-School Night 6:30 PM
Thursday, August 30 <sup>th</sup> :	School closed - AOB Convocation for Faculty/Staff
Friday, August 31 <sup>st</sup> :	School closed
Monday, September 3 <sup>rd</sup> :	School closed – Labor Day
Tuesday, September 4 <sup>th</sup> :	1 <sup>st</sup> Day of school for <b>all</b> students in Grades 1-8 and Pre-K and Kindergarten students with last name A-L 12:15 Dismissal – No ESP
Wednesday, September 5 <sup>th</sup> :	All students in Grades 1-8 and Pre-K and Kindergarten students with last name M-Z 12:15 Dismissal – No ESP
Thursday, September 6 <sup>th</sup> :	Full Day Session begins – all students in Grades Pre-K thru 8 <sup>th</sup> ESP in session
Friday, September 21 <sup>st</sup> :	12:15 Dismissal – ESP in session



## From the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents and Students,

With this first Tuesday communication, I wanted to welcome you back to a new school year. Although next Tuesday marks the official start, things are already off the ground and running. Last Saturday, we were able to welcome our Pre-K and Kindergarten families for an orientation; yesterday, our faculty and staff began our pre-service meetings; tonight we welcome our 6<sup>th</sup> grade parents and students for orientation as well as new 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade parents and students, and tomorrow night, we will host our middle school parents for Back to School Night. At 7:45 AM next Tuesday, September 4, we will open our doors to our Pre-K, and at 8:00 AM, the doors open for our students in grades K-8. All students will go to their classrooms, and parents are welcome to walk the students in on their first day and join us for prayer. After the first day, all students in grades K-8 should walk in on their own. However, as always, parents are welcome to join us for morning prayer in Marian Hall at 8:20 AM any day. Parents joining us for morning prayer should see our receptionist in the lobby to get a visitor badge.

Today, you will be receiving an email regarding class lists for this year. Much thought and discussion goes into placing students in homerooms on any given year. As you know, we are not able to accommodate every request that is made. At this time, we are no longer able to consider further requests, and students will remain in assigned homerooms. Thank you for your understanding.

I very much look forward to being with you all over the course of the next week, and I look forward to sharing this school year with you and your families. Please be assured of my prayers. Let us pray for one another.

In Christ,  
Ms. Baker

### **School Communications**

A weekly school newsletter will be sent electronically to parents each Tuesday. There will be no monthly newsletter this school year.

### **Back to School Nights**

Parents are invited to meet with classroom teachers, Ms. Baker and Mr. Lorenz on Wednesday, August 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM for Grades 6-8 and Wednesday, September 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM for Grades PreK - 5. This program is limited to parents only (no students please) due to available seating in the classrooms.

### **Middle School Fall Sports Information**

Registration - The link to register your child for fall sports can be found below. All information regarding the tryout can be found on this page. If you have any questions, please contact our Athletic Director, Mr. Keith Smith by email at [kbsmith@schooloftheincarnation.org](mailto:kbsmith@schooloftheincarnation.org).

<https://goo.gl/forms/XNG4qTJq2PBAFXGW2>

### **Volunteers/Chaperones/Visitors – Requirement for VIRTUS**

School of the Incarnation and the Archdiocese of Baltimore have a commitment to maintaining the trust of the faithful by providing our children and youth with safe environments characterized by healthy relationships. With our longstanding commitment in mind, all parishes and Archdiocesan Catholic Schools use VIRTUS, a compliance management system implemented in November 2017 that allows all parishes and schools to facilitate compliance with Archdiocesan child protection requirements for all volunteers who work with minors.

To that end, all those who wish to come into school, volunteer, read to a class, attend a class event, participate in class parties, or otherwise be around the students, must be appropriately screened for their fitness to work with minors. This process includes mandatory completion of criminal background checks and safe environment training.

All parents, grandparents, and volunteers who will have contact with children at School of the Incarnation must be fully certified before their arrival to visit, volunteer, coach, or chaperone at the school. Please visit our Parent Volunteering page on our school website for more information

<http://www.schooloftheincarnation.org/resources/parent-volunteering> or contact our Volunteer Coordinator, Jackie Haslinger @ [jhaslinger@schooloftheincarnation.org](mailto:jhaslinger@schooloftheincarnation.org)

All visitors to the school must present a driver's license or other government-issued photo identification upon entry to the school. They will be scanned through our security system. Our receptionist will issue each visitor a badge.