

School of the Incarnation Newsletter

October 3, 2019

October 2 – 8: Friday, October 4 th :	Interim Assessments for Grades 2 - 8 Spirit Wear Day!! – see below for more information Homecoming/Oktober Fest 3:30 – 7:00 PM Scholastic Book Fair sales begin 3:00 – 6:00 PM
Saturday, October 5 th :	NJHS Rainbow Dash 9:00 – 11:00 AM
Mon – Thurs, Oct 7-10: Tuesday, October 8 th :	Scholastic Book Fair sales 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM Living Rosary 2:15 PM HSA Room Parent Meeting 7:00 – 8:00 PM in the Art Room
Wednesday, October 9 th :	7 th Grade Field Trip – Franciscan Monastery, DC 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM AOB High School Fair at SOTI 6:00 PM
Thursday, October 10 th : Friday, October 11 th :	School Liturgy 9:50 AM 12:15 Dismissal – ESP in sessions Scholastic Book Fair sales last day 8:00 AM – 12:15 PM
Monday, October 14 th : Wednesday, October 16 th :	No School for Students – Parent/Teacher conferences 8 th Grade Retreat – Downs Park, Pasadena 8:45 AM – 2:30 PM Individual Student Picture retakes – starting at 8:30 AM
Friday, October 25 th :	Spirit Wear Day HSA Trunk or Treat 6:30 – 8:00 PM see attached flyer for more info
Wednesday, October 30 th : Thursday, October 31 st :	Fall sports and club photos Halloween Parade 2:15 PM



From the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents,

Drum roll please ...It's Homecoming Time!!! Tomorrow we are looking forward to great weather, great games and activities, lots of fun and an overall super day to celebrate and show Knights pride! Tomorrow is a **spirit wear day** - please see below for the complete spirit wear dress code. However...for Homecoming we have **a few special additions**:

Face Paint allowed according to the following guidelines:

- Acceptable colors: Maroon, yellow, gold, or white
- Appropriate and sparing (i.e - entire face may not be covered, no handprints)
- Face painting on the face only (not other parts of the body such as arms and legs)
- Students wearing face paint that is deemed by the administration as inappropriate, distracting, or not in the spirit of the guidelines will be asked to remove the face paint

Hair color allowed according to the following guidelines:

- Acceptable colors: Maroon, yellow, gold, white, grey
- Color must be temporary - and washed out (or mostly out) by Monday.
- Decorative bows, jewels in hair, [braiding with colored string](#) (maroon, white, gold)

For our ESP families:

You should have received an email from Mrs. Shai regarding special arrangements/options for ESP students tomorrow.

For DISMISSAL

Yesterday, you received an email with directions regarding dismissal. The same directions are also attached.

Go Knights!

In Christ,
Ms. Baker

Tomorrow!!! Spirit Wear Day – Friday, October 4th

Our next Spirit Wear Day is Friday, October 4th. Spirit wear days are distinct from out of uniform days and Tag days. Spirit wear days are special days designated by the principal when the students, faculty, and staff may come to school dressed in official School of the Incarnation spirit wear. These days usually fall on Friday or may be on a spirit night or any day designated by the principal. All spirit wear days will be listed on the calendar. Spirit wear days are optional, and if a student does not choose to dress in spirit wear on these days, he/she should come to school in the regular school uniform. The following are guidelines for spirit wear days:

- Students should wear an official School of the Incarnation spirit wear shirt* which is one of the following acceptable school colors: maroon, gold/yellow, grey, white, or black.

- Any other School of the Incarnation spirit wear can be worn on these days with the exception of hats which may not be worn inside the building.
- Spirit wear that is defaced, torn, altered or written on is not permissible.
- Dresses and skirts must be of reasonable length (no more than 3 inches above the knee) and not too tight. No thin straps or bare shoulders.
- Pants - Presentable jeans or pants are acceptable, but not pants that are tight. Leggings or spandex are not allowed.
- Shorts may be worn from August-November 4th and April-1st-June. Hair may not be dyed or combed in an unusual fashion.
- When the weather turns cold, spirit wear must be visible. For example: it would be unacceptable to be wearing a SOTI t-shirt which was completely covered by a Spalding sweatshirt.
- No hats are to be worn in school unless specified within the themes.
- Any shoes may be worn, except open-toed sandals, flip flops, clogs, thick-soled or high-heeled shoes.
- Earrings: Boys are not allowed to wear earrings at any time. Earrings for girls should be small posts or hoops.

*Examples include: Always t-shirt, past school issued t-shirts of an approved color such as club shirts, SOTI PE t-shirt, or current SOTI athletic jerseys during the appropriate season.

Homecoming & Oktoberfest - Tomorrow!! Friday, October 4th

Join us on Friday, October 4th, 3:30 to 7:00 PM for our family friendly Homecoming and Oktoberfest. There will be fun, food, and games for everyone in the family to enjoy! Festivities will start with home soccer games. See attached flyer for order of events. Come cheer on the Knights!

Book Fair News

The Fall Scholastic Book Fair is here! Sales begin this Friday, October 4th, from 3 - 6 pm during the Homecoming festivities. Book Fair sales will also run the following week, Monday, October 7th through Thursday October 10th from 8 am - 4 pm, and on Friday, October 11th from 8 am - 12 pm. You can also make purchases online at <https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/schoolofincarnation1>.

This year, you can set up an eWallet account for your child to shop the Book Fair. It's the safe, secure, EASY way to fund your child's Book Fair purchases. With eWallet, there's no need to send in cash or a check with your child. You set the amount that is in the account, and you will be credited for any unspent money at the end of the Book Fair. To set up an eWallet account, go to the SOTI Book Fair homepage: <https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/schoolofincarnation1>. Click on "Get Started" in the eWallet section, then click "Go to eWallet." On the sign-in page, click on "Register" to create a Scholastic account, or click on "Sign In" if you already have a Scholastic account. From there, you'll be prompted to create your eWallet account. You can print a card for your child to bring in to the Book Fair, and the Book Fair cashiers can also look up your child's name and account right from the registers.

We can use some more help with Book Fair (we've added some more shift times during the week's busy periods). If you would like to volunteer for a sales shift, please use this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050A4BACAD2BA2FE3-book>. All volunteers must be Virtus certified. Thank you for considering!

Rainbow Dash – this Saturday, October 5th!!

The Rainbow Dash will take place this coming weekend on Saturday, October 5th from 9- 11 am. You may still send in your registration tomorrow or register at the event. HOWEVER, THERE IS NO GUARANTEE OF A T-SHIRT IF YOU ARE REGISTERING AFTER FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27TH. We did order a few extra t-shirts that will be distributed on a first come, first serve basis.

For those who register and submit the \$15.00 fee, but are unable to purchase a Rainbow Dash shirt, you may choose to run in your own white t-shirt. Also, you may participate in the raffle drawings and share in the snacks!

We look forward to seeing everyone on Saturday! Thanks for supporting the NJHS and Catholic Charities!

***** All students who take part in the Rainbow Dash as REGISTERED PARTICIPANTS may wear their colorful t-shirt to school for a free out-of-uniform day on Monday, October 7th. (T-shirts must be washed before students wear them to school in order to avoid having the colors rub off.)**



Buy Your Spirit Wear!! Online School Store Open October 4th – 18th

The online spirit wear store opens tomorrow October 4th! Parents and students are encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity to show their school pride by wearing School of the Incarnation apparel. There are hoodies, fleece, long and short sleeved shirts, hats, and the favorite PJ pants! Orders will be processed after the store closes and items will take approximately 4 weeks processing and shipping time.

<https://incarnation.itemorder.com/sale>

Parent Teacher Conferences

Parent Teacher Conferences will be held next Friday, October 11 in the afternoon and early evening and the following Monday, October 14 during the day. Homeroom teachers will be reaching out to parents to share more information about conferences during that time.

Beyond Program Update

This week's highlights:

- The newly developed "Guys on the Go" group is now up and running on Mondays and Wednesdays! One of their goals is to be able to complete a 5K race towards the end of November.
- Come watch the "Dance and Cheer Squads" perform this Friday on the athletic field at 3:45 PM as part of our school's Homecoming events.
- "Knighly Readers Book Club" and "Environmental Club: Caring for Creation" have been busy during their meetings with wonderful discussions, activities, and projects.
- Destination Imagination and Catholic Robotics League/FIRST Lego League Teams are continuing to be formed and will soon be finalized so they may begin their season, which runs Oct. through March.

Information regarding Trimester 2 clubs/teams will be provided by the end of October.

If you have any questions or need more information, please contact Miss Santini - asantini@schooloftheincarnation.org

High School Fair

On Wednesday, October 9th, the School of the Incarnation will be hosting a High School Fair for the Archdiocese of Baltimore. This is a wonderful opportunity for parents and students to meet with representatives from 11 local Catholic High Schools, and we hope that you will take advantage of the "one stop shopping." The fair will be particularly relevant to eighth graders, but we would highly encourage all 5th-8th grade families to attend.

Doors will open at 5:45 pm and there will be an open fair in Marian Hall from 6:00 - 6:30 pm.

Additionally, there will be three breakout sessions:

6:40 - 7:05 pm

7:10 - 7:35 pm

7:40 - 8:05 pm

THERE WILL BE NO HOMEWORK FOR 5TH -8TH GRADERS ON THE NIGHT OF THE FAIR!!

Participating schools include:

Archbishop Curley, Archbishop Spalding, Calvert Hall, Catholic High, Institute of Notre Dame, Loyola Blakefield, Mercy, Mount de Sales, Mount St. Joseph, Notre Dame Prep, and St. Mary's.

Important Changes to VIP Volunteer Program

We ask that parents who volunteer during school hours complete the Volunteer Hours form on the HSA webpage or log your hours in the volunteer binder at the receptionist desk. While consolidating September hours, we found that the Raptor report we use to collect volunteer names and hours is not user friendly. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. The Volunteer Hours form is located here: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/18e01colQfRCH0GqaT3-OfCb4jJQaa9y0Dk9F9iDVBc/edit>

September Red Ticket Winner

Congratulations to Robin Fuchs, our VIP Volunteer red ticket winner! Robin's name was chosen from our September volunteers; she won a gift card to Starbucks. Thank you, Robin, for volunteering at our school.

HSA Trunk or Treat

Save the Date!!! Our annual Trunk or Treat will be held on October 25th from 6:30-8:00 P.M. See the attached flyer for more details and link to purchase entrance ticket and pizzas.



Family Bingo

We are seeking volunteers for SOTI's Annual Bingo Night. This year Bingo Night will be held on Friday, November 22, 2019. Please consider being a part of this fun filled family event! If you would like to join the committee, please contact Neena Holland at dst10@me.com . We look forward to sharing the various ways you can support this event!

Christmas Bazaar Planning Meeting

Interested in what the Christmas Bazaar is, how you can help, or just want to jingle some bells with us! Then come on out to Frisco's Tap House, 7:30pm on Wednesday, October 9th. Email Dana Barile at manadazzie@gmail.com with any questions.

Room Parent Meeting

If you have signed up to be a room parent for 2019-2020, there will be a room parent meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 8, from 7-8 p.m. in the art room to go over changes to the program. Please contact Frannie Schneider at frannieschneider@gmail.com with questions.

News from Your Shop & Save Team - "The Times, They Are A-Changin'...."

- Box Tops are going DIGITAL!
- In case you haven't heard...no more clipping!
- Now you can just download the free app, scan your receipt and earn \$\$\$ for SOTI!
- See attachment in this newsletter for further instructions

So that means the deadline for our Second-to-Last donuts contest for this school year will be next Friday, October 4th. Send in everything that you've collected over the summer because *your* child's Homeroom could be the winner of our Fall Contest!

Also, some sad news-- [Giant A+ School Rewards](#) has ended their program.

However, some GOOD news -- you can still support our school through Amazon! Save [this direct link](#) when you go to shop & SOTI will get \$\$\$ back!

Amazon Smile

Select: School of the Incarnation, Inc.

<https://smile.amazon.com/>

Questions? Please contact Laura - lgardner04@verizon.net or Paula - pwichmann@comcast.net

School Yearbook FYI

Don't wait to purchase your school yearbook! If you order before September 27th and add personalization to your cover, you can choose up to four icons for free. You can also save \$10 if you purchase a yearbook before November 1. Yearbook recognition ads are a nice way to celebrate your child's time at School of the Incarnation. Please visit the yearbook page on our website to order your yearbook and recognition ad: <https://www.schooloftheincarnation.org/resources/yearbooks>

School of the Incarnation HSA Facebook

It's official! The HSA has a Facebook group under the school page. As a parent of the school, you are welcome to join. Request to be added to the group, School of the Incarnation HSA. See everyone on Facebook!

FROM OUR PARISHES:

Does your child love to sing?

The Children's Choir at our school-family parish of St Elizabeth Ann Seton is welcoming members for its new academic year. Students are aged Pre-K thru 5th Grade and are responsible for leading the music at 15 Liturgies as well as Community events in Crofton such as the Annual Christmas Tree Lighting, Handel's Messiah Singalong, and Communities Appreciation Day. Preparation for these events offers your children a thorough education in Faith, in Musicianship and in Civic Leadership. Membership is open to all children irrespective of faith or parish affiliation. Rehearsals are on Mondays at the church at 4:00pm. Please contact the music director at the parish, Mr. Brendan Walls, 410-721-5770 xt231, brendan.walls@seaseton.org for more information.

Dear Parents or Guardians:

The start of the cold and flu season will soon be upon us. To prevent widespread illness in school, we recommend that your child stay home from school if experiencing flu or cold symptoms. To decide whether or not to send your child to school, please consider the following guidelines:

Consider keeping your child at home for an extra day of rest and observation if he/she has any of the following symptoms:

- Very stuffy or runny nose and/or cough
- Mild sore throat (no fever, no known exposure to strep)
- Headache
- Mild stomach ache

Definitely keep your child home for treatment and observation if he/she has any of these symptoms:

- Fever greater than 100 degrees by mouth. Your child may return to school only after his/her temperature has been consistently below 100 degrees, by mouth, for a minimum of 24 hours without medication intervention.
- Vomiting, even once
- Chills
- General malaise or feelings of fatigue, weakness or muscle aches
- Frequent congested (wet) or croupy cough
- Lots of nasal congestion with frequent blowing of nose

To help prevent the spread of flu and colds, teach your children good hygiene habits:

- Wash hands frequently and well.
- Turn off the water faucet with a paper towel instead of using your freshly cleaned hands.
- Keep hands away from your eyes, nose and mouth.
- Cover mouth and nose when sneezing or coughing - use a tissue, throw it away directly and then wash hands or cough into your inner elbow.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.

A child who has started antibiotics needs to be on medication for 24 hours before considered non-contagious and able to return to school. Often when a child awakens with vague complaints (the way colds and the flu begin) it is wise to observe your child at home for an hour or two before deciding whether or not to bring them to school. Sending children to school to “see how they do” or instructing them to go to the school nurse and call you if they can’t make it or feel worse is not advisable. Your child should be physically able to participate in all school activities on return to school. Keeping a sick child at home will minimize the spread of infections and viruses to other students, faculty and staff. Lastly, please consider getting your child the flu vaccine each year.

Thank you in advance for helping make this year at school as healthy as possible!

Best regards,

Sue Toth, BA, RN



HOMECOMING SCHEDULE

- 3:30 Officially Open
- 3:40 Dance Performance
- 3:45 Presentation of the Colors and National Anthem
- 3:50 Girls Soccer Team breakthrough and lineup
- 4:00 Girls kickoff
- 4:00 Beer Garden opens
- 4:50 Boys Soccer Team breakthrough and lineup
- 5:00 Boys kickoff
- 6:00 Games over
- 6:30 Last call
- 7:00 Homecoming Event Ends

Items for Purchase

Cheeseburger - \$3

Hamburger - \$3

Hot Dog - \$2

Chips - \$1

Bottled Water - \$1

Popcorn - \$1

Bake Sale Items - \$1

Beer Garden

Light Beer \$3

Amber Beer \$3

Oktoberfest Beer \$4

Spiked Seltzer \$4

Wine \$4

HOMEcomings DISMISSAL DIRECTIONS

My noblest lords and ladies,

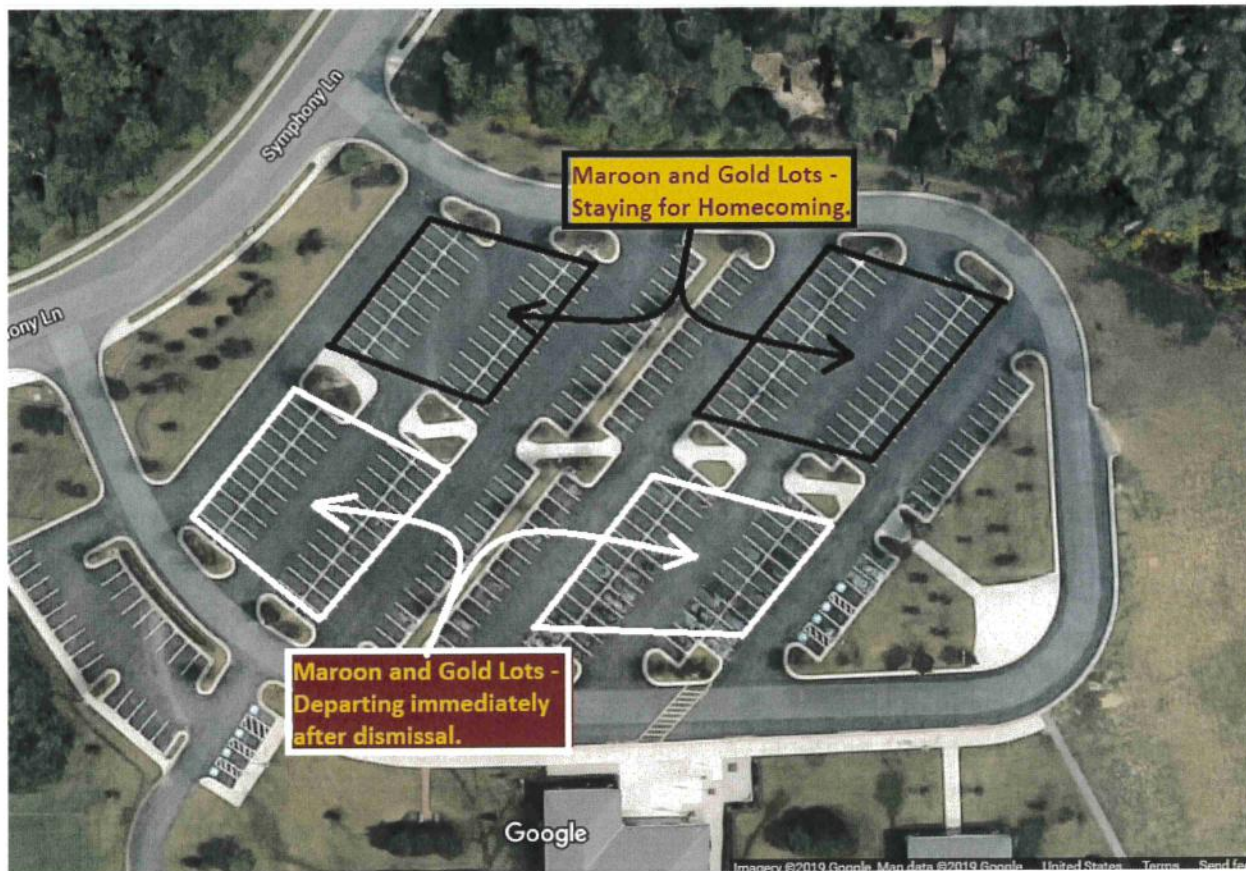
Within the text of this email lay the secrets of how to navigate our Homecoming dismissal this Friday. With this knowledge then present on our minds, let us forge onward with fortitude as the courageous knights of fables old.

1. No students may attend Homecoming festivities without custodial transfer to a legal guardian (This includes **walkers/riders and ESP students**, who may not attend unless an adult is on the premises who is responsible for them).
2. All **families who dismiss from the parking lot** must make a decision about whether they are staying in our Parking Lot until Homecoming begins at 3:30 or if they are leaving at dismissal (and hopefully coming back later).
 - a. **Families choosing to stay for Homecoming** (including HOV families) should park at the bottom of their respective lot in a parking space (see image). At dismissal, parents and students will wait near or in their vehicles until 3:30 when Homecoming opens.
 - b. **Families choosing to leave at dismissal** should park as far up in their respective lot as they can (see image; we will dismiss from the top on Friday) and dismiss normally otherwise. HOV families leaving at dismissal will follow normal protocol.
3. **ESP families** will receive an email about adjustments to pick-up policies for Friday only.

Thank you for donating your utmost mental power in endeavouring to discern the meaning of these proclamations and be assured a flagon of ale awaits you upon your arrival at our Inaugural Homecoming affair.

Your humble servants,

Ms. Baker and Mr. Lorenz



Maroon and Gold Lots -
Staying for Homecoming.

Maroon and Gold Lots -
Departing immediately
after dismissal.

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SCHOOL STORE

OPEN OCT 4 - OCT 18

School store can be found on the school website under resources.





**The School of the Incarnation HSA Presents
Our Annual**

**TRUNK
or
Treat**

D.J. & Photo booth!

Costume Contest!

**Friday, October 25, 2019
6:30 P.M. – 8:00 P.M.
Parking Lot opens at 5:30
\$20 per car
\$10 Large Pizza**

**Use this form to purchase tickets by check. Return form and payment to school marked:
“Attention: Trunk or Treat Committee”**

**To pay with credit card, visit:
<https://forms.diamondmindinc.com/schooloftheincarnation/trunkortreat>**

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____ Youngest child’s teacher: _____

Number of cars _____ x \$20.00 = _____

Number of large pizzas: _____ x \$10.00 = _____

Total Amount Enclosed: _____ *(Please make checks payable to School of the Incarnation)*

Don’t miss the fun!!!!!!

SCHOOL OF THE INCARNATION'S
NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY
INVITES YOU, YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS TO PARTICIPATE IN
THE

Rainbow Dash

TO BENEFIT
CATHOLIC CHARITIES



Saturday, October 5th from 9 AM- 11 AM on our school grounds
Walk, run, skip or hop on the one-mile campus loop as many times as you choose.
Dash through "rainbow zones" where you'll run through clouds of color

OR stay clean and choose the "no color" option.

*Colored powder is non-toxic colored cornstarch made in the USA and washes out.

All participants will have the chance to win door prizes! Fun, colorful, rainbow
attire is encouraged.

\$15 registration fee per participant. All proceeds benefit Catholic Charities.
Reserve your place at the Rainbow Dash by turning in payment (cash or check
made payable to SOTI) and the completed registration form by Thursday, Sept.
26th to guarantee tee-shirt! **We cannot guarantee tee shirts after Sept. 26th.**



SCHOOL OF THE INCARNATION'S
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Registration Form

\$15 registration fee per person. Return payment (cash or check made payable to SOTI) and the completed form to School of the Incarnation Main Office- Attention NJHS Rainbow Dash by **Thursday, September 26th**.

Family Name _____

Do you have a student enrolled at School of the Incarnation? yes no

Name of Homeroom Teacher of Youngest Child in the Family: _____

(This is for delivery purposes if you have students enrolled at the school)

Address _____

Phone: _____ Email _____

Name of Participant	Grade at School of the Incarnation (if applicable)	Shirt Size- Child	Shirt Size- Adult
		S M L XL	S M L XL XXL 3XL 4XL
		S M L XL	S M L XL XXL 3XL 4XL
		S M L XL	S M L XL XXL 3XL 4XL
		S M L XL	S M L XL XXL 3XL 4XL
		S M L XL	S M L XL XXL 3XL 4XL
		S M L XL	S M L XL XXL 3XL 4XL
Total participants x \$15=			
Additional donations (optional)=			
Total amount enclosed=			

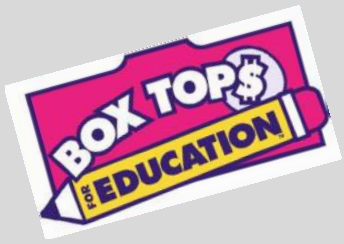
In consideration of myself and my child participating in this experience, I hereby release School of the Incarnation, Archbishop William Lori, Roman Catholic Archbishop of Baltimore, a corporation sole, and their agents, employees and principals, of and from any and all liability, claims, demands, actions, and causes of actions whatsoever, arising out of or related to any loss, damage, or injury that may be sustained by me or my child/ children. I hereby grant permission for participation in the Rainbow Dash:

Name of Parent/Guardian

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

SCHOOL OF THE INCARNATION



Contest
Period

Contest
Deadline

Box Tops Brown
Bag due to HR
Parent

Summer / Fall

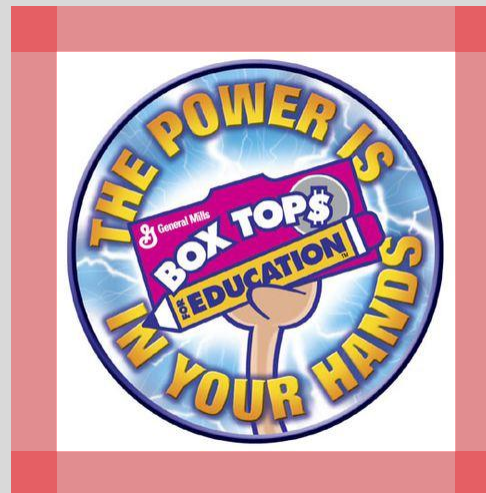
Friday, October 4

Monday, October 7

Winter-LAST
CONTEST !

Friday,
January 24

Monday,
January 27





CALVERT HALL

Anne Arundel & Howard County Night

COME SEE WHAT CALVERT HALL IS ALL ABOUT BY JOINING US FOR OUR ANNE ARUNDEL AND HOWARD COUNTY REGIONAL NIGHT. THIS NIGHT WILL ALLOW YOU THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET OUR ADMINISTRATION, FACULTY, CURRENT PARENTS AND STUDENTS, AND HEAR FROM THE ADMISSIONS TEAM ON WHAT IT IS LIKE TO ATTEND CALVERT HALL !

Thursday, November 7

The Blackwall Barn & Lodge
329 Gambrills Road
Gambrills, MD 21054

Time: 6:30pm

Register on our website:
www.calverthall.com/admissions



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 _____

<p>-Office use only- Form submission date _____ Contact date _____</p> <p>Enrollment date _____ \$250 tuition credit date _____</p>
