

# School of the Incarnation Newsletter

November 10, 2022

November 7 – 18: Friday, November 11 <sup>th</sup> :	NJHS Cereal Drive Spirit Wear Day ½ Day – Parent/Teacher Conferences ESP will be in session Prospective Student Open House 8:30 – 10:30 AM
Monday, November 14 <sup>th</sup> : <b>Tuesday, November 15<sup>th</sup>:</b>	Make-up Picture Day <b>PAC Informational Social and Uniform sale</b> – see below for more info
Friday, November 18 <sup>th</sup> : Wednesday, Nov. 23 <sup>rd</sup> : November 24 – 25: Sunday, November 27 <sup>th</sup> : Wednesday, Nov. 30 <sup>th</sup> : Thursday, December 1 <sup>st</sup> : Friday, December 2 <sup>nd</sup> :	Spirit Wear Day School Closed – Professional Development School Closed – Thanksgiving Advent begins HSPT – 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade students 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip – Museum of the Bible 8:30 AM – 2:15 PM Spirit Wear Day First Friday Adoration 8:30 AM – 2:30 PM Theater Club production 7:00 PM Theater Club production 7:00 PM Band Concert 7:00 PM School Mass 10:00 AM Spirit Wear Day 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip – Maryland Science Center 8:45 AM – 2:00 PM
Saturday, Dec. 3 <sup>rd</sup> : Tuesday, December 6 <sup>th</sup> : Thursday, December 8 <sup>th</sup> : Friday, December 9 <sup>th</sup> :	



## Applications for 2023-2024 school year

Applications for new students (**not current students**) are now available on our school website. Applications should be submitted by February 3, 2023, 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 Tuesday, January 3, 2023.

## Individual Student Picture Order Information

All the families should have received their private link and access code via email. Parents will be able to go directly to their child's gallery to view and purchase prints and high-res files. If you did not receive the link and access code, please contact the photography company directly at [info@hamilton-images.com](mailto:info@hamilton-images.com)

Retakes/Make Ups: Our school is scheduled on Monday, November 14 for a make-up & retake day. For retakes, please email [info@hamilton-images.com](mailto:info@hamilton-images.com) to get on the retake list.

Photography company information:  
Hamilton Images 410-267-6090  
[www.hamilton-images.com](http://www.hamilton-images.com)  
[info@hamilton-images.com](mailto:info@hamilton-images.com)

## NJHS Cereal Drive

Please, help the NJHS collect boxes of cereal for the hungry between Monday, November 7<sup>th</sup> and Friday, November 18<sup>th</sup>.

The entire school will earn an "out of uniform day" for November 22<sup>nd</sup> if the goal of 1,000 boxes is collected by the deadline!

## Save the Date!

The SOTI Middle School Theatre Club presents 2 One-Act plays on Friday, December 2 and Saturday, December 3, both at 7pm.

"A Christmas Carol" by Charles Dickens; Adapted by: Nicholas Petersen

"The Quiz that Almost Killed Me" (a parody of "A Christmas Carol") by: M.G. Davidson

## Incarnation Fund

We have officially launched the Incarnation Fund for the 2022-23 school year! We would like to thank those members of our community who have already made a gift to the Incarnation Fund. Every gift counts and makes a difference to the families we serve.

A special thank you to those who have made a gift to the Foundational Gifts Society. The Foundational Gifts Society was established last year and recognizes gifts made to the Incarnation Fund at the level of \$1,000 or more. Our goal for the Incarnation Fund this year is \$65,000. We hope you will prayerfully consider investing in our mission!

## BEYOND PROGRAM INFORMATION

If you have any questions or ideas for a club, please contact our school's Auxiliary Services Coordinator, [Amy Santini](#).

Our club members have been very busy exploring, creating, sharing ideas, learning new skills, and having fun together! Here are some of the wonderful activities they've done over the past few weeks:

- Dance and Cheer Squad: After two outstanding performances for Homecoming events, the squad concluded its trimester 1 session by learning some sideline cheers and performing them at a home soccer game
- Guys on the Go and Junior Joggers Running Clubs: concluded the trimester 1 session by participating in the Knights' Fun Run Event on October 24th in which families came to cheer on the runners as they completed 1-3 miles!
- Knights on a Mission Outreach Club: made cards of encouragement for residents of a local rehabilitation center, put together goodie bags for the Little Sisters of the Poor, collected canned/boxed food items from preschool-3rd grade homerooms to donate to several local food pantries
- Environmental Club Caring for Creation: went on a nature hike around school grounds, created colorful pumpkins and "monsters" out of recyclable materials, learning about nature and the changes during this season of Fall
- Coding and Technology Club: explored coding with "Scratch," used "Makey Makey" kits, proper typing techniques, learned the basic of electrical circuits and how to make paper circuits
- Robotics FIRST Lego League Challenge: discussing/brainstorming ideas for this year's theme of "Superpowered" which involves various energy sources, built their Lego models, started learning how to code their robots to perform certain tasks
- FIRST Lego League Explore Team: learning about this year's "Superpowered" theme and exploring various energy sources, building models with Legos, and working together to do basic coding of their robots

### **BEYOND PROGRAM INTEREST FORMS (Complete by Friday, Nov. 18th...registration links would then be sent to those who are able to be accommodated)**

Here are the clubs proposed for Trimester 2/Winter session, which would begin after Thanksgiving break for groups that have parent volunteers. Please consider sharing your time and talents to give as many students as possible the chance to participate!

- Knightly Readers Book Club (3rd-8th grade): <https://forms.gle/VL4kjkGw47UEi5c6>
- Chess Club (2nd-8th grade): <https://forms.gle/npFfk8SCBe7NpcZC9>
- Arts and Crafts Club (Preschool-Kindergarten): <https://forms.gle/pCF9k1gnPLfUHRtr5>
- Arts and Crafts Club (1st-2nd grade): <https://forms.gle/Cw3Ce53bEXgRSCGV6>
- Coding/Technology Club (3rd-5th grade): <https://forms.gle/Wyw3eWBSSRd2wgJBA>
- Cooking Club (5th-8th grade): <https://forms.gle/pcqr4SkDQU4PaAsj9>
- Dance and Cheer Squad (3rd-8th grade): <https://forms.gle/z8FzPiCKkdfbMSDp8>

## Attention 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Students and Parents

Due to the high demand for the AOB's HSPT Prep Course this fall; some students were unable to register when classes quickly filled to capacity. Therefore, the AOB is offering an **HSPT Prep Boot Camp** that will be offered on Saturday, November 26th from 9:00am to 4:00pm. This Boot Camp is open to all 8th grade students, regardless of whether they are currently enrolled in the HSPT Prep Course. The cost of the one-day course is \$80 and it will be taught by instructors in the HSPT Prep Program. Additional details can be found at <https://www.archbalt.org/schools/hsppt-prep-course/>. Registration is offered on a first come, first serve basis. Questions may be addressed to Mrs. Jacobs at [kjacobs@schooloftheincarnation.org](mailto:kjacobs@schooloftheincarnation.org)

### **Attention 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Parents and Students - HSPT Registration**

Registration for the High School Placement Test (HSPT) is now open. You may access the form via the following link, and our deadline for registration is Wednesday, November 23, 2022. Please, note that a \$40.00 fee is required to be paid online at the time of registration.

<https://stsusers.com/stsusers/registration/static/baltimore.php>

All our students will take the exam in school on Wednesday, November 30<sup>th</sup>, and it is important that they register to test at School of the Incarnation. High schools are listed first on the registration site, so you will need to scroll through those choices to find the elementary/middle schools toward the bottom of the page.

For students who qualify to receive accommodations, parents must upload official copies of educational test results by November 18<sup>th</sup>. This is a firm deadline because the system will lock afterward, preventing further uploads. Per Archdiocese requirements, a doctor's note or a copy of an accommodation plan will not suffice, and test results must be from at least 5<sup>th</sup> grade or more recent.

For questions or further assistance, you may contact Kristin Jacobs: [kjacobs@schooloftheincarnation.org](mailto: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 part-time work? Our ESP program is still in need of additional staff for the afternoons (3:15-5:30 PM). 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 Lisa Bucci, [lbucci@schooloftheincarnation.org](mailto:lbucci@schooloftheincarnation.org) or Jackie Simon for more information [JSimon@schooloftheincarnation.org](mailto:JSimon@schooloftheincarnation.org)



The God Spot

### **Weekly Rosary**

Parents, faculty, and staff are invited to participate in saying the rosary on Wednesday morning at 7:15 a.m. in the chapel (enter through front doors – chapel through door to immediate right). We hope that you can join us for all or part of the rosary! With any questions, please contact Mr. Stehle at [cstehle@schooloftheincarnation.org](mailto:cstehle@schooloftheincarnation.org)

### **Adoration Volunteers Needed**

We will be having First Friday Adoration in our school chapel. We are looking for volunteer adorers to provide coverage for 30-60 minute blocks between the hours of 8:30-2:30. This will allow the teachers to bring their classes in for adoration according to their schedule throughout the day. If you are interested and would like more information please contact our Adoration Coordinator, Mr. George Fritz- (301)440-2342 or [George@Horizonbuildersinc.net](mailto:George@Horizonbuildersinc.net)

For general information on Adoration, you may want to visit the following website for Catholic articles and resources: <https://catholic-link.org/how-to-go-to-adoration-eucharist/>



# Parent Advisory Council News

## **Next Tuesday Evening!! PAC Social - 15 November 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.**

Part of what makes the SOTI community so special is the sense of community we have created. On 15 November we will host our first PAC Social of the school year. Socialize with fellow SOTI parents, enjoy a glass of wine or beer, grab some winter uniforms at the used uniform sale! Stay to learn about upcoming PAC events and hear from the SOTI School Board. All who attend will receive the coveted, "out of uniform pass" for your kiddos!

Used Uniform Sale: 5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.

PAC Social: 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

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## **November Safe Schools Maryland Parents Nights**

Coming up on November 16<sup>th</sup> and November 29<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM, the Maryland Center for School Safety will be offering group presentations as refreshers or as an opportunity for new parents to become acquainted with the Safe Schools Maryland Anonymous Reporting System. The sessions are 30 minute virtual sessions and [registration is required](#).

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# PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL SOCIAL

Join us on November 15  
from 6:30-7:30pm



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5:30-6:30 Used Uniform Sale

6:30-6:50 Parent Social - Beer & wine will be served

6:50-7:30 Information sharing by the PAC and SOTI School Board



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