

School of the Incarnation Newsletter

November 19, 2020

Thursday, November 19 th :	HSA Virtual Parent Meeting for Grade 4 th – 8 th 6:30 PM
Friday, November 20 th :	Spirit Wear Day
Monday, November 23 rd :	Giving Back Kickoff at Morning Prayer
Wednesday, November 25 th :	School Closed – Professional Development End of Trimester 1
November 26 th & 27 th :	School Closed – Thanksgiving Break
Monday, November 30 th :	School building closed - Virtual learning for all students
Tuesday, December 1 st :	School building closed - Virtual learning for all students
Wednesday, December 2 nd :	School building closed - Virtual learning for all students
Thursday, December 3 rd :	School building reopens for in person learning
Friday, December 4 th :	Spirit Wear Day
Saturday, December 5 th :	HSPT Exam for 8 th grade remote learners
Monday, December 7 th :	HSPT Exam for 8 th grade in school students
Tuesday, December 8 th :	School Mass 9:50 AM
Friday, December 18 th :	Spirit Wear Day



Reminders

- If any of the students in a home are barred from entry by the results of the Knight Check, none of the other students (siblings) living in that home will be allowed to attend in-person that day either.
- Students will have outdoor recess and mask breaks unless weather conditions prohibit such play/walks. Children need to be dressed appropriately for the cold weather- coats, hats and gloves are a must!
- Students may wear the uniform sweater or sweatshirt if they are cold in school. However, students may not wear non-uniform sweaters or sweatshirts while in school. Non-uniform sweaters and sweatshirts may be worn while arriving or dismissing from school only.
- Shorts may not be worn (even on Spirit Wear Days) until we move back into summer uniforms on April 1st

FACTS Grant and Aid Applications

FACTS Grant and Aid Applications are now open for the 2021-2022 school year. The deadline to apply for Grant and Aid will be February 28, 2021. There will not be any exceptions to this deadline. FACTS is the validation software used by the Archdiocese of Baltimore, the school and the parishes to verify the applications. FACTS does not provide any aid. Aid is awarded by the AOB, the school and parishes. The application can be found through this link: <https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/3C65P> If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to reach out to Caroline Agresti, Business Manager at cagresti@schooloftheincarnation.org. An informational flyer is attached.

Attention 8th Grade Parents!! Knights of Columbus High School Scholarship Program

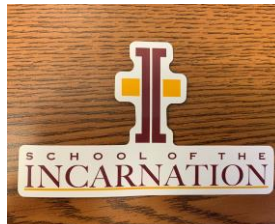
The Maryland State Council of the Knights of Columbus in partnership with the Knights of Columbus Insurance Advisors is the sponsor of several High School Scholarships for its members and for Catholic students in general. Please see attached flyer for more information.

Spirit Wear Sale

In case you missed the first spirit wear sale of the year, we are opening the online store again!! Starting tomorrow, November 6th through December 20th, we will have a mini store open online. Orders will be delivered by January 10th.

Car Decals

Car decals are for sale in the school office - \$5 each.



Applications for 2021-2022 school year

Applications for new students (not current students) are available on our school website. Applications should be submitted by January 29, 2021 to be considered in the first round. If you know a family interested in attending SOTI, please complete the attached referral form.

Yearbook

The price of the yearbook is now \$35. You can order your yearbook here:

https://www.jostens.com/apps/store/productBrowse/1521567/School-of-the-Incarnation/2021-Yearbook/2020082004235888399/CATALOG_SHOP/.

Archdiocesan Parochial Elementary Faculty

In recognition of the extraordinary efforts of our Catholic school teachers and staff in the Archdiocese of Baltimore, Calvert Hall is pleased to offer the **St. Mutien-Marie Grant**.^{*} This partial tuition grant is offered to Calvert Hall students whose parent is a **full-time teacher** at an archdiocesan elementary/middle school and has completed at least one year of full-time service. St. Mutien-Marie Grants provide \$6,000 for regular tuition and \$9,000 for LaSalle tuition. Full time staff/non-teaching employees qualify for \$4,000.

For the Mutien-Marie application, please contact Kim Davey in the Finance Office at 410-825-4266, ext. 116. Please note that families already receiving the grant must reapply each year.



Home and School Association (HSA) News

HSA Virtual Parent Meeting - TONIGHT for Grade 4-8th!!

Attention parents of students in grades 4 – 8 – join the HSA Parent meeting tonight at 6:30 PM. The link for the meeting can be found [here](#).

Great News!!

Santa is "coming" soon! Stay tuned for more information on when and how.

HSA Secretary – Cheryl Cline

Introducing our HSA Secretary, Cheryl Cline. The Cline family became a part of the SOTI family last year for the 2019-20 school year. Cheryl and her husband have been married for almost 24 years and have four amazing kids. Gracie, 19, is a sophomore at University of Alabama (Roll Tide!), Cole, 18, is a senior at Spalding, Owen, 10, is a 5th grader at SOTI, and Chase, 7, is a 2nd grader at SOTI. Cheryl's husband has been a PG County policeman for 23 years and Cheryl is a Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist (CRNA) and has been enjoying putting people to sleep for their surgeries and procedures for almost 13 years at the R Adams Cowley Shock Trauma Center at the University of Maryland Medical Center in Baltimore, MD. The Clines love vacationing in Bethany Beach, DE and visiting family in the Florida Keys and Wisconsin.





Grant & Aid Assessment

FACTS makes quality education affordable for families by assisting schools in awarding financial aid. We work with schools to create a custom application and collect financial data so schools can make accurate award decisions based on financial need.

To apply for financial aid, visit <https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/3C65P>

After completing the online application, you will need to upload all required supporting documentation.

The following supporting documents are required to complete the application process:

- **IRS Federal Income Tax Return**, including all supporting schedules (the year of the tax return depends on the tax requirements of your school). If applicant and co-applicant file separately, we require both tax returns for the same tax year.
- Copies of **all the current year W-2 Wage and Tax Statements** for both the applicant and co-applicant.
NOTE: If you are applying before you have received all the current year W-2 Wage and Tax Statements, please submit them as soon as they become available.
- Copies of all supporting tax documents if you have business income/loss from any of the following:
 - Business** - send Schedule C or C-EZ and Form 4562 Depreciation and Amortization
 - Farm** - send Schedule F and Form 4562 Depreciation and Amortization
 - Rental Property** - send Schedule E (page 1)
 - S-Corporation** - send Schedule E (page 2), Form 1120S (5 pages), Schedule K-1 and Form 8825
 - Partnership** - send Schedule E (page 2), Form 1065 (5 pages), Schedule K-1 and Form 8825
 - Estates and Trusts** - send Schedule E (page 2), Form 1041 and Schedule K-1

IMPORTANT: If you file a tax return but do not have W-2 wages because you are self-employed, you will be required to submit a copy of your current year Federal Form 1040 Tax Return.

- Copies of all supporting documentation for household Non-Taxable Income such as: Social Security Income, Welfare, Child Support, Food Stamps, Workers' Compensation, and Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF). If you do not file a tax return, you are required to provide documentation of all income received.

All documentation received is imaged upon receipt and then destroyed.

You may log in to your FACTS user account to review the status of your application. Please allow 2 weeks processing time before inquiring further about receipt and/or status of the uploaded documents. Application deadlines are set by the institution awarding the aid. If you are applying after the deadline, contact your school to ensure that your application will be accepted.

A non-refundable application fee may be required before your application will be submitted.

NOTE: Award decisions are made by the institution providing the financial aid, not FACTS.



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 _____ Enrollment date _____ \$250 tuition credit date _____</p>

Knights of Columbus Scholarship Program:

The Maryland State Council of the Knights of Columbus in partnership with the Knights of Columbus Insurance Advisors is the sponsor of several High School Scholarships for its members and for Catholic students in general.

Below is a brief summary of these scholarships and information regarding eligibility for scholarship awards.

The Frederick M. Gossman Memorial High School Scholarship-

Designed to assist those **Brother Knights holding membership** in councils within the jurisdiction of Maryland in paying tuition for their sons and daughters at accredited Catholic High Schools; three grants of up to \$1,500.00 per year, for up to four years, will be awarded. Awards will be made with consideration of academic excellence, personal qualifications, and financial need. The children of deceased members are also eligible, provided the member was in good standing at the time of death.

The William J. O'Brien, Jr., Memorial Catholic High School Scholarship-

Three grants of \$1,500.00 per year for up to four years will be awarded. This program is open to **any Catholic student who is a resident of the State of Maryland to include any Catholic student who is a resident of the State of Maryland** to include children and grandchildren of a member of a Knights of Columbus council within the jurisdiction of Maryland. Applicants must have been officially accepted at or must be students at accredited Catholic High Schools. Applications will be judged on academic excellence, personal qualifications, and financial need.

All applications must be received by the Scholarship Committee no later than February 1, 2021.

Interested parents and students may obtain specific information and applications by writing to:

Maryland State Council

Knights of Columbus

State Scholarship Chairman

PO Box 1468

Bowie, MD 20715

Or by visiting the web site at: www.kofc-md.org and clicking on Membership Resources/High School Scholarships link.