

School of the Incarnation Newsletter



December 2, 2021

Friday, December 3rd: Spirit Wear Day

Progress Reports distributed

Tours, S'mores & More! 4:30 – 6:00 PM

Tuesday, December 7th: Band Concert 7:00 PM Wed., December 8th: School Mass 10:00 AM

Student Council Cereal Drive – more info below

Friday, December 10th: Spirit Wear Day

Tuesday, December 14th: Giving Back backpack packing day

Thursday, December 16th: Christmas Pageant 7:00 PM Friday, December 17th: 7th Grade Science Fair

Spirit Wear Day

Tuesday, December 21st: 12:15 Dismissal – No PM ESP
December 22 – January 2: School Closed – Christmas Break

Monday, January 3rd: School resumes

Reenrollment for current students begins

Thursday, January 6th: School Mass 10:00 AM

Friday, January 7th: Spirit Wear Day Friday, January 14th: 12:15 Dismissal Spirit Wear Day





School Calendar changes

The Archdiocese of Baltimore has recently granted some flexibility to schools allowing them to add three more half days to the school calendar. These additional afternoons will provide some much-needed time to our faculty. These days also coincide with school breaks or long weekends which perhaps will provide some additional flexibility for families.

The following days will be 12:15 dismissal days:

- Tuesday, December 21, 2021 (no PM ESP)
- Thursday, March 17, 2022
- Friday, May 27, 2022

Please note that since December 21st is now a 12:15 dismissal, there will be NO AFTERNOON ESP on that day.

The Cereal Drive is Back!

The Student Council of SOTI is proud to announce that it is again sponsoring the annual cereal drive to assist those friends and neighbors who are in need at this time of year. The Student Council will be collecting boxes of cereal beginning December 8th through December 17th. We are asking that each student donate at least one box of cereal. Students will place their cereal boxes in a designated large box in their classroom between 12/8-12/17. These boxes will be donated to the Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Food Pantry and to the organization SPAN - Serving People Across Neighborhoods.

Our goal is to donate 1,000 boxes. Let's show everyone that the SOTI spirit of giving is alive and well this holiday season! Go Knights! We can do this! Thank you!

FACTS Grant and Aid Applications

FACTS Grant and Aid Applications are now open for the 2022-2023 school year. The deadline to apply for Grant and Aid will be February 28, 2022. 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 cagaresti@schooloftheincarnation.org.

Turkey Trot Final Update

Fun was had by all at our SOTI Turkey Trot! We want to thank you again for your support of this fundraiser! Donations received totaled over \$51,000! The net proceeds will be used towards the Athletic Field Renovation Project that is projected to be completed in 2023.

We previously announced before Thanksgiving break the winners of our wing level gift cards and Limo Lunch recipients. We would like to congratulate the following students who won a \$25 Gift Card:

PreK-2nd- Blake Hauer 3rd-5th- Guy Andes 6th-8th- Cruz Luna

The following families placed in the Top 10 for donations received and the students will be treated to a Limo Lunch to Medieval Times Dinner and Tournament:

The Pryor Family, The Clark Family, The Flood Family, The Keough Family, The Roach Family, The Medina Family, The Callanan Family, The Kpabitey Family, The Adesugba Family and The Bradley Family.

GOBBLE! GOBBLE!

Giving Back - Holiday Help for the Homeless of Baltimore and Annapolis

To celebrate the true meaning of Christmas, School of the Incarnation will celebrate our 16th year supporting the Giving Back organization with their annual Holiday Help for the Homeless drive. Our annual Kick Off was just before Thanksgiving and all students came home with the Holiday Help for the Homeless information sheet. We ask that you prayerfully discuss as a family what you can do to help. A \$25 donation buys a complete backpack filled with warm clothes that could be lifesaving to a homeless person. As you can imagine, the need is even greater this year.

As with everything in 2021, Giving Back will still look a little different. All donations will need to be made online Donate here (Please choose School of the Incarnation as your group in the 4th box.) We are happy to share that we will have our traditional Pack a Backpack Day at School of the Incarnation on Tuesday, December 14th.

You can find information about this year's drive and how to get involved on https://www.homelessdrive.org/

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Dlugonski at sdlugonski@schooloftheincarnation.org

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, <u>Amy Santini</u>.

UPDATE:

The Trimester 2 clubs that will start over the next two weeks:

- Wednesday, Dec. 1st—the Chess Club Winter session and the School Newspaper
- Tuesday, Dec. 7th—the Coding and Technology Club (3rd-5th grades)
- Wednesday, Dec. 8th—the Knightly Readers Book Club (there are some openings for 3rd-5th graders, so email Miss Santini ASAP if you are interested)
- Thursday, Dec. 9th—two groups were able to be formed for the Arts and Crafts Club (Preschool/Kindergarten level is full, the 3rd-5th grade group has openings so email Miss Santini if you are interested)

Reminder: Once a club has had their first meeting, additional registrations cannot be accepted. The plan is to be able to offer the same clubs for Trimester 3/Spring.

From the Health Room

Just a few reminders:

- Assess your child's health **each morning** before school. Please keep your child home if they have symptoms.
- **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.

Combined Federal Campaign (CFC)

Attention all military, postal, and federal civilian SOTI families- the **Combined Federal Campaign** is wrapping up its enrollment period! **School of the Incarnation** is a participating charity in the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC), which allows federal employees to donate to non-profit organizations through workplace giving. **Our school's CFC code is #94557.** It is not too late to designate SOTI on your CFC pledge form. We thank you for your support!

Pediatric Cancer Toy Drive ends next Wednesday, December 8th!

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 began on November 5th and will end next 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

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.

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 ihaslinger@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

December 2021 Lunch Menu TOMMY'S FOOD SERVICE @ School of the Incarnation "Great Food for Great kids"

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		Corn dogs or Chicken Nuggets, fries and fresh veggie	Breakfast for lunch Pancake, or French toast sticks, sausage, tater tots and baked apples w/ cinnamon sugar	Pizza Day PAZONS Better Ingredients. Better Pizza.
Chicken Patty Sandwich, French fries and fresh veggie	7 Cheese Ravioli with marinara sauce, meatballs and tossed salad	8 Soft beef tacos, Spanish rice and corn	9 Breakfast for lunch Pancake, or French toast sticks, sausage, tater tots and baked apples w/ cinnamon sugar	Pizza Day Pizza Day Pizza Para Johns Better Ingredients. Better Pizza.
Cheeseburger, French fries and fresh veggie	Spaghetti in marinara sauce, meatballs and tossed salad	Baked Potato Bar with cheddar cheese, bacon, broccoli, butter and sour cream	Breakfast for lunch Pancake, or French toast sticks, sausage, tater tots and baked apples w/ cinnamon sugar	Pizza Day PAPAJORIS Better Ingredients. Better Pizza.
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Combo lunch is \$5.75 it includes the **entrée**, choice of milk or juice or bottled water. **Hotdog or grilled cheese**, plus a side & drink (milk, juice or bottled water) is also combo lunch. **Available daily except pizza day**: variety of salads, sandwiches, hotdog, and grilled cheese sandwiches, homemade soup, soft pretzels and **freshly baked cookies**. Nachos on Wednesdays, ice cream on Tuesdays & pizza day. We do not deep fry any food. **Prices and menu may change without notice.**

Ala Carte Price List Only Not available daily

Available Daily:		Available Daily:		Buttered noodles	\$2.75
Hotdog	\$2.75	Cookies	\$1.25	Chicken Patty Sandwich	\$3.75
Grilled Cheese	\$2.75	Potato Chips (1oz)	\$1.00	Chicken tenders (3pcs)	\$3.25
Turkey & Cheese Sub	\$3.40	Pretzel	\$1.25	Chicken wings (4pcs)	\$4.50
Ham & Cheese Sub	\$3.40	Fruit (whole apple or orange)	\$1.40	Cheeseburger	\$3.75
Homemade Soup:	\$2.75	Fresh Fruit in Cup (sliced)	\$1.75	Corndog	\$2.75
chicken noodle		Yogurt (Yoplait)	\$1.35	Meatballs (4pcs)	\$2.50
tomato		Veggie (tossed salad, carrots or sliced		Meatball sub	\$2.75
cheesy potato		cucumber)	\$2.00	Pancake 3/ French toast stick	\$3.25
bean soup		Tuesdays & Pizza day only		Philly cheesesteak	\$3.75
Assorted Salad:	\$4.25	Ice cream	\$1.00	Pizza (1 sliced)	\$2.30
Greek, Chicken, Tuna, or Egg		Twister	\$1.50	Popcorn Shrimp	\$3.75
Beverage:		Wednesday only:		Soft beef taco (1)	\$1.15
Milk or juice	\$0.80	Nacho Chips w/ cheese	\$2.25	Mac N Cheese	\$3.75
Bottled water	\$1.00	Not Available Daily:		Ravioli (7 pcs)	\$3.75
Gatorade/Propel	\$1.50	French Fries or Tater tots	\$2.75	Ziti	\$3.75
-		Rice or Mashed potato	\$2.75		

YOU ARE INVITED TO SCHOOL OF THE INCARNATION FOR:

Tours, Supplemental of the second of the sec

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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ELLASTRONG FOUNDATION PRESENTS...

PEDIATRIC CANCER TOY DRIVE

Deliveries made by Ella to Children's National Hospital Oncology, John's Hopkins. UMMC, AAMC & Believe in Tomorrow

ENDS 12.8.21



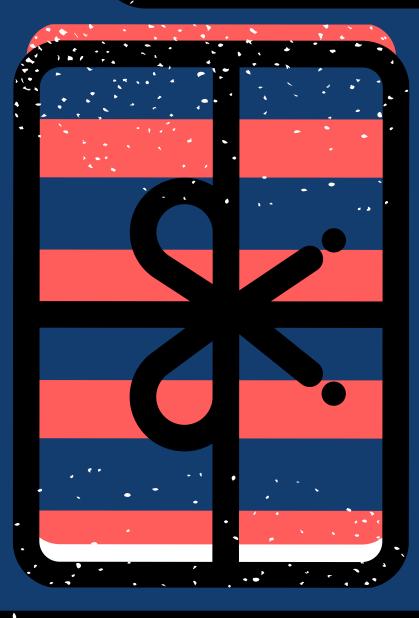
Drop off new, unwrapped toys to School of the Incarnation.

Prefer to shop online??

Scan QR code and order directly from Amazon List!









More info www.ellastrong.org or @teamellaedwards 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	New Family
Parent name(s)	Parent name(s)
Student name(s) /Grade(s)	Student name(s)/Grade(s)
Address	Address
City, State, MD	City, State, Zip
Phone	Phone
Email	Email
How do you know this family? \square Work \square	Friend \square Relative \square Neighbor
□Church □	Community Other
Any information we should know?	
Incarnation with them. I understand that an Admis	this family and have shared the good news about School of the sions representative from the school will be contacting this new amily for a tour. I have read and understand the guidelines of the rell at 410.519.2285 with any questions.
Signature	
-Office use only- Form submission date	Contact date