

# **School of the Incarnation Newsletter**



# February 9, 2023

February 10 – 25: Spring Spirit Wear store is open for orders – see below for purchase link

Friday, February 10<sup>th</sup>: Spirit Wear Day

PAC Father/Daughter Dance 6:00 - 8:00 PM

Saturday, February 11th: Wine, Food & Brew 7:00 – 11:00 PM

Tuesday, February 14th: Happy Valentine's Day

Wednesday, February 15th: Last chance!! Due date for Intent to Re-enroll with \$200 fee

Thursday, February 16<sup>th</sup>: 5<sup>th</sup> Gr. Field Trip – Biz Town 8:30 AM – 2:30 PM

Friday, February 17th: ½ Day Dismissal – ESP in session

No school for PreK and Kindergarten students

Spirit Wear Day

Monday, February 20th: School Closed – Presidents' Day

Wednesday, February 22: Ash Wednesday – School Mass 10:00 AM

Friday, February 24th: Spirit Wear Day

Tuesday, February 28th: Deadline to apply for FACTS Grant & Aid Friday, March 3rd: School Closed – Professional Development

End of Trimester 2

March 6<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>: Wine, Food & Brew Out-of-uniform pass week

Friday, March 10th: Faculty/Student Basketball Game 6:00 PM Spalding HS

Saturday, March 11th: PAC Irish Fest – more information to come

Sunday, March 12th: Daylight Savings Time starts

Friday, May 12th: The Gala 7:00 – 11:00 PM – tickets go on sale February 23rd



## Monday, February 14th – Celebrate St. Valentine's Day

On Tuesday, February 14<sup>th</sup> students may wear Valentine/red/pink accessories (socks, bows, headbands, necklaces, ties, etc.) with their uniform. It is **not** a Tag Day or an out-of-uniform day.

### We need your help! Coming in April - Arts and Culture Festival

On April 26, from 3:30 till 6 PM SOTI will be having our first ever Arts and Culture Festival to spotlight diversity and cultural appreciation. We are in need of performers and artists! If you know of anyone or group that we can reach out to, please complete this form.

#### We Love Spirit Wear!!

The spring spirit wear store opens tomorrow! The online store will be open from 2/10 - 2/25 and orders will be delivered before spring break! Even though the groundhog saw his shadow, you are still going to want short sleeved tees and shorts for when the spring weather spirit wear days are here! https://incarnation23.itemorder.com/shop/sale/

## Wine, Food & Brew ONE WEEK Out-of-Uniform fundraiser

The link to purchase the out-of-uniform pass will open on Sunday, February 12<sup>th</sup> and close on March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Students may be out of uniform the week of March 6th. Please remember out-of-uniform guidelines apply.

#### AFTER EVENT PRICE - Available until 3/2/2023

\*If you have two children, the cost is \$25 each (total \$50) If you have more than two children, each additional child will only cost \$15. (Example: 4 children=\$80, 5 children=\$95 etc.)

\*Staff members may purchase an out of uniform for the week too! The price structure will work the same. Staff member will be \$25, first child would also be \$25, and additional children would be \$15 each.

Link to purchase out-of-uniform pass:

https://forms.diamondmindinc.com/schooloftheincarnation/outofuniform23?token=1790881124

## Annual SOTI Basketball Games



It's baaaaaack! The Annual Basketball Games featuring student-athletes, teachers, staff, and coaches are here once again! The fun is scheduled for Friday, March 10th at 6:00pm @ Archbishop Spalding High School. The event tips off with the Girls' A Basketball Team v the SOTI Women. Followed by the Boys' A Basketball Team v the SOTI Men.

Come cheer on your fellow students and some of your favorite teachers during one of the best events of the school year!

Pre-sale for this event will start next week (\$7 per adult; \$5 per child). Ticket prices at the door will be \$10 per adult and \$5 per child.

### **SAVE THE DATE!**

We are bringing The Gala home! After 10 years off-site, we will be hosting The Gala on Friday, May 12, 2023, on our school campus! Catering will be provided by Blackwall Barn & Lodge and back by popular demand, the 80's cover band The Reagan Years, will help us dance the night away!

Formal invitations will be coming home soon! Tickets will go on sale February 23rd! The Gala sold out last year, so get your tickets fast so you don't miss out on an amazing night!

### **Input/Listening Session**

Over the next several weeks parents will be invited to attend a 45 – 50 minute input/listening session to hear our thoughts and seek parent input in regard to exciting plans we have for future growth of our facilities and programs. Please see letter from Ms. Baker sent via email this morning.

### **BEYOND PROGRAM INFORMATION**

If you have any questions, have an idea for a club, or would like to offer your time and talents, please contact our school's Auxiliary Services Coordinator, Amy Santini.

If you are able to moderate any of the following clubs during Trimester 3/Spring for the specific grade levels indicated, please email Miss Santini ASAP. Many have at least one volunteer, but additional help is needed due to the high number of students interested in participating. Thank you for considering!

- Junior Joggers Running Clubs on Mondays (3 groups: Kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd)
- Knights on a Mission Outreach Club day TBD (all grades)
- Environmental Club Caring for Creation on Wednesdays (Preschool-3rd)
- Science Club day TBD (Preschool/Kindergarten group, 1st-3rd grade group)
- Chess Club day TBD (2nd/3rd grade group)
- Coding and Technology Club on Thursdays (4th-5th)
- Arts and Crafts Club on Tues. or Thurs. (Preschool/Kindergarten, 1st/2nd grade group)

Reminder for ESP families: If your child(ren) is in ESP and wants to participate in a club, they would be dismissed to the club first at dismissal and then afterwards they are taken back to meet up with their ESP classes.

Note for 8th grade students: If any 8th graders or NJHS members are in need of service hours, there may be opportunities to work with the younger students in certain clubs to fulfill that time. Email Miss Santini if you're interested, stating which day(s) of the week you're available to help.

#### MIDDLE SCHOOL SPRING SPORTS REGISTRATION

Play ball! Based on the responses we received from the initial survey, we have enough interest for a middle school baseball team (maybe even two). Please take a moment to officially register your child for baseball, even if you already completed the survey. Below you will find the registrations for middle school baseball and lacrosse. All information regarding tryouts can be found using these links. If you have any questions, please contact our Athletic Director, Mr. Keith Smith (kbsmith@schooloftheincarnation.org).









### Re-enrollment for current students for 2023-2024

The re-enrollment process to secure your child's seat at School of the Incarnation for the 2023-2024 is open now. It is important for us to know which students are returning before we begin to offer spots to new applicants. Please login to your School Admin account to complete the "Intent to Re-Enroll" Form and pay the re-enrollment fee. The re-enrollment fee will go up according to the fee schedule below.

### \$200 if paid between January 31st and February 15th

If not paid by February 15th, your child's spot will be released.

The intent to re-enroll and payment of the fee is the first step in the re-enrollment process. The second step includes the signing of your contract, initiating your FACTS agreement, and payment of the tuition deposit. This will be launched in early February with a deadline of March 15, 2023. The first tuition payment will be in July 2023.

We require the intent to re-enroll from each student who is enrolled this year. If you know you are not re-enrolling for 2023-2024, please complete the form with your intent to not enroll.

### **FACTS Grant and Aid Applications**

FACTS Grant and Aid Applications are now open for the 2023-2024 school year. The deadline to apply for Grant and Aid will be February 28, 2023. 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: <a href="https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/3C65P">https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/3C65P</a> If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to reach out to Caroline Agresti, Business Manager at cagresti@schooloftheincarnation.org.

#### 2023-2024 School Year

First day of classes for students: August 28, 2023

Christmas Break: December 21, 2023 – January 2, 2024

Easter Break: March 29 – April 5, 2024

Last day of classes for students: June 6, 2024

#### **SOTI Summer Camp Dates and Themes**

Below are the dates and themes for our summer camp – check future newsletters for more information!

- June 19-23 Around the World
- June 26-30 Lego Week
- July 3-7 Olympic Week (Red/White/Blue)
- July 10-14 Christmas in July
- July 17-21 Cooking Week (No Kitchen needed)
- July 24-28 Vacation Bible School (VBS)
- July 31- August 4 All About Animals

#### 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



Parent Advisory Council (PAC) News

## Thank You!!

Thank you for supporting our Chick-Fil-A Superbowl fundraiser! Congratulations to Ms. Dlugonski's class who sold the most trays! You will be receiving a donut breakfast compliments of the PAC!

Trays may be picked up at the Waugh Chapel Chick-Fil-A on Saturday February 11th after 11:00 AM.

#### Save the Date - Irish Fest is Back!

The SOTI Irish Fest is back! Join us on Saturday March 11th for music, food, and family fun! More details to come. If you would like to help plan or volunteer during the event, please contact Zach Ragland (zach.ragland@gmail.com)

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#### **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! Questions - please contact Mr. Stehle at <a href="mailto:cstehle@schooloftheincarnation.org">cstehle@schooloftheincarnation.org</a>

## **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

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

Community News



# **February 2023 Lunch Menu**

# TOMMY'S FOOD SERVICE @ School of the Incarnation

"Great Food for Great kids"

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
,		Baked Potato Bar with cheddar cheese, bacon bits, broccoli, butter and sour cream	Breakfast for lunch Pancakes or French toast sticks, sausage, tater tots and baked apples w/ cinnamon sugar	Pizza Day PIZZA Day Better Ingredients. Better Pizza.
Chicken Patty Sandwich, waffle fries and veggie	7 Spaghetti with marinara sauce, meatballs and tossed salad	8 Walking taco, Spanish rice and corn	Breakfast for lunch Pancakes or French toast sticks, sausage, tater tots and baked apples w/ cinnamon sugar	Pizza Day  Pizza Day  Pizza Day  Pizza  Better Ingredients.  Better Pizza.  Father daughter dance
Corn dog/Chicken nuggets, homemade mac and cheese and veggie	Cheese Ravioli with marinara sauce, meatballs and tossed salad	15  Breakfast for lunch Pancakes or French toast sticks, sausage, tater tots and baked apples w/ cinnamon sugar	16 5TH Grade Field Trip Pizza Day PARJONS Better Ingredients. Better Pizza.	17 12:15 DISMISSAL CAFETERIA CLOSED
20 SCHOOL CLOSED PRESIDENT'S DAY	Rotini pasta with marinara sauce, meatballs and tossed salad	22 ASH WEDNESDAY Seafood nuggets or Cod filet sandwich, homemade mac and cheese and mixed veggies	Breakfast for lunch Pancakes or French toast sticks, sausage, tater tots and baked apples w/ cinnamon sugar	Pizza Day  Pizza Day  Pizza  Pizza  Better Ingredients.  Better Pizza.
Cheeseburger, French fries and veggie	Spaghetti with marinara sauce, meatballs and tossed salad	1 MARCH Breakfast for lunch Pancakes or French toast sticks, sausage, tater tots and baked apples w/ cinnamon sugar	Pizza Day PAJORIS Better Ingredients. Better Pizza.	SCHOOL CLOSED

Combo lunch is \$6.50 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 subs, hotdog, and grilled cheese sandwich, homemade soup, pretzel and freshly baked cookies daily. Nachos on Wednesdays, ice cream on Tuesdays & pizza days. We do not deep fry any food. Prices and menu may change without notice.

Ala Carte Price List Only - Not available daily

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Available Daily		Available Daily		Not Available Daily	
Hot dog	\$2.75	Cookies	\$1.25	French Fries	\$2.75
Grillled Cheese	\$2.75	Chips	\$1.25	Rice or Mashed Potato	\$2.75
		Soft Pretzels	\$1.25	Waffle/Curly Fries/Tater tots	\$2.95
Homemade Soup		Pretzel Logs/Bites	\$1.75	Buttered Noodles	\$2.75
Chicken Noodle	\$2.75	Fruit (Apple or Orange)	\$1.25	Chicken Patty Sandwich	\$3.95
Tomato	\$2.75	Fresh Fruit in a Cup	\$2.25	Chicken Tenders (3 pcs)	\$3.50
Vegetable	\$2.75	Yogurt (Yoplait)	\$1.50	Cheeseburger/Hamburger	\$3.95
		GoGurt Yogurt Tube	\$1.00	Corn dog	\$2.75
Salad		String cheese	\$0.60	Meatballs (4 pcs)	\$2.50
Greek, Chicken, Tuna or Egg	\$4.25	Veggie (tossed salad,	\$2.00	Meatball Sub	\$3.00
		carrots or sliced cucumber		Pancakes (3)/French toast sticks (3-4)	\$3.25
Beverage Tuesdays and Pizza Days ONLY		NLY	Philly Cheesesteak	\$4.00	
Milk or Juice	\$0.90	Ice cream cup	\$1.00	Pizza (1 slice)	\$2.60
Bottled Water	\$1.00	Twister	\$1.75	Mac and Cheese	\$3.75
Gatorade/Propel	\$1.50	Scooter Bar	\$1.50	Cheese Ravioli (7 pcs)	\$3.75
		Wednesdays ONLY		Walking Taco	\$4.00
		Nachos, Chips and Cheese	\$2.50	Fish sandwich	\$4.00



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Thursday, February 9, 2023

Dear School of the Incarnation Families,

School of the Incarnation is committed to proper safety measures, transparent communication, and adapting to changing COVID conditions. Our primary focus is on keeping the well-being of our students, faculty, and staff as our top priority.

In accord with the most recent guidance, we will report positive COVID- 19 cases on a weekly basis. School-wide notifications of such cases will be sent out on Thursdays via the School Newsletter. We will not be contact tracing and identifying close contacts within school.

The following positive Covid cases have been reported in our school community:

Preschool student in Mrs. Seitler's home room. Last day in school was 2/2/23.

We encourage you to continue to actively monitor the health of your child daily and be alert to any of the major symptoms of COVID; including, but not limited to, fever, cough, sore throat, and shortness of breath. Masking is optional unless directed to do so by a health official after a quarantine. The school is not responsible for enforcing any individual masking preferences or obligations. Should any concerning symptoms appear, please contact your medical professional and alert the school office at 410-519-2285.

Should you wish to review additional information to address any questions regarding your child's potential exposure to a COVID-positive individual, we encourage you to visit the CDC, Maryland Department of Health, or local health department's websites. Thank you for your assistance in this process. We are grateful for your support and partnership.

Sincerely in Christ,

Nancy Baker Principal



# **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