

School of the Incarnation Newsletter

June 9, 2022

Friday, June 10 th :	Progress reports sent via email
Summer Office Hours:	Monday – Thursday 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM, Closed on Fridays
Tuesday, August 2 nd :	National Night Out – more information to come
Wednesday, August 24 th :	Sneak A Peek 2:00 – 4:00 PM
Monday, August 29 th :	1 st Day of School



Gabriel Network – Baby Bottle Update

This year we raised \$8,751 for the Gabriel Network with our baby bottle collection. Thank you for your generous donations!

Attention Rising 8th Grade students and parents!!

Pre HSPT Scores and HSPT Prep Course Registration, ACTION NEEDED ASAP:

Score reports for students who took the Pre HSPT will be emailed with the end of year Progress Reports, and a fact sheet with FAQ can be accessed [here](#).

Additionally, the Archdiocese of Baltimore has opened registration for a nine-week HSPT Prep Class for rising 8th graders, which will be held in the fall. **This class will absolutely reach capacity and spots will only be guaranteed for families who register by June 24th.** Last year, students who participated in the program scored 12 points higher than those students who were not in the program, so it is definitely an important opportunity to consider. Please, see the attached HSPT Prep Flyer, which can also be accessed [here](#).

To register for the HSPT Prep Course, visit:

<https://www.archbalt.org/schools/hspt-prep-course/>

Office Summer Hours

The school office will be open Monday thru Thursday 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM beginning Monday, June 20th. The office will be closed on Fridays.

Summer Work and School Supply Lists

Teachers are currently working on preparing summer work (K-8) and supply lists for the 22-23 school year. The purpose of summer work is to help students retain the learning and growth that they have made throughout the year so that they are ready to hit the ground running when they return. To that end, it is better to spend time working on these assignments incrementally over the course of the summer rather than waiting until right before school returns to complete them. **Summer work will be posted on SOTI Studies after June 9**, and you should look at the grade level that your child will be entering in the 22-23 school year. For example, a current kindergarten student will complete the summer work for the rising 1st graders. At the end of the summer, the summer work is turned in to their new teachers. All summer work is entered as a graded assignment in T1.

School supply lists will also be posted on the school website.

National Night Out

[National Night Out](#) is a fun community event that we will be hosting once again on Tuesday, August 2nd. This national event was developed to promote police-community partnerships. We will have demonstrations and opportunities to get to know some of our local law enforcement and first responders - along with food, fun games for the kids and the opportunity to reconnect with friends before the school year starts.

Sneak A Peek

Wednesday, August 24 from 2-4 PM we will open our doors to welcome our families back for the new year. Families can come during this time to meet teachers, drop-off supplies, and reconnect with friends before the start of school next week.

Class Lists

Look for an email in early August with class lists (and math/ELA placements for middle school students).

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, [Amy Santini](#).

FlynnO'Hara Uniform Company

Attached is the FlynnO'Hara (our school uniform company) Ways to Order flyer. This flyer shows all the ways to shop for your child's school uniform.

This flyer also includes a direct link to our school landing page. This is the best place to view uniform items and specifications because it automatically updates each year, and as changes are made. Families are encouraged to use this site, and to create an account to keep track of online purchases and student information.

2022-2023 School Year

Sneak A Peek: August 24, 2022 2:00 – 4:00 PM

First day of classes for students: August 29, 2022

Christmas Break: December 21- January 2, 2023 *please note date change

Easter Break: April 7 - April 14, 2023

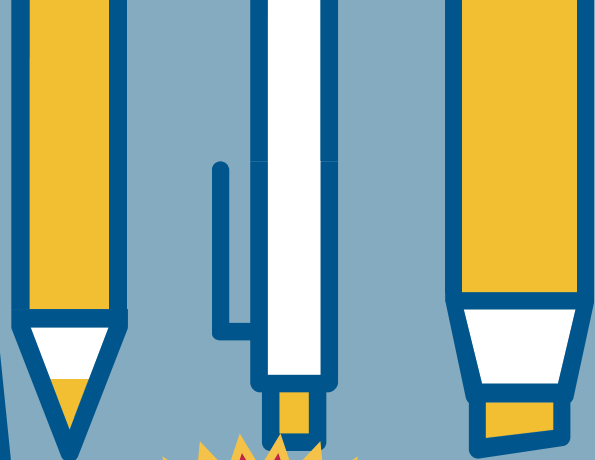
Last day of classes for students: June 8, 2023



Enjoy the summer!!



HSPT PREP



In 2021,
HSPT Prep students
scored 12 percentile points
higher than their peers
not enrolled in the
course!

ARCHDIOCESE OF BALTIMORE HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT TEST (HSPT) PREP 2022



****CURRENT 8th GRADE STUDENTS ONLY****

SEPTEMBER 19 - NOVEMBER 19 (9 WEEKS)

Program Details

- Designed to equip students with knowledge, skills, and strategies to maximize performance on the HSPT
- Courses are taught online with a capacity of 20 students per class.
- Week 1 includes a course overview, a HSPT overview, and strategies applicable across all test sections
- Weeks 2-9 are split into two, four-week sections. One section, taught by an English teacher, focuses on the Reading, Language, and Verbal sections. The other section, taught by a Math teacher, focuses on the Mathematics and Quantitative sections.
- Offered Monday through Thursday evenings from 7-8 PM and Saturday mornings from 9-10 AM
- Students attend one session per week and families register for the day and time that fits their schedule.
- Students will be required to purchase the Barron's HSPT book and expected to complete weekly homework assignments between classes.

Program Cost: \$100 per student **Priority Registration:** June 6th - 24th
Registration will remain open after June 24 until capacity is met.

Information & Registration:

<https://www.archbalt.org/schools/hspt-prep-course/>



Pre-High School Placement Test (Pre-HSPT) Frequently Asked Questions

What are the HSPT and Pre-HSPT?

The HSPT (High School Placement Test) is the test that is required for entrance into all 18 Catholic high schools within the Archdiocese of Baltimore. The HSPT is taken by students during the winter of their 8th grade year.

The Pre-HSPT is a practice exam that gives current 7th graders an opportunity to prepare for the HSPT by familiarizing themselves with the test content, structure and timing, as well as offering insight on their performance.

Why did 7th grade students take the Pre-HSPT?

The benefits of taking the Pre-HSPT include:

- Students become familiar with the structure of the five sections of the test.
- Students become familiar with the types of questions that are asked. Students can begin to see patterns in the types of multiple-choice answers offered and the typical language used.
- Students become familiar with the timing of the five sections on the test, thereby helping the students to plan an efficient approach to taking the test during their 8th grade year.
- Students will receive their scores prior to the summer so that they can use the summer and fall months for guided practice in order to improve scores, get admitted to their high school of choice, and perhaps qualify for scholarship awards.

What do the scores mean?

Students receive a one-page report that outlines their performance on each of the five sections of the assessment; (1) verbal skills, (2) quantitative skills, (3) reading, (4) mathematics, and (5) language. In addition, students receive total cognitive skills (a combination of the verbal and quantitative sections), total basic skills (a combination of reading, math, and language) and composite (a combination of all five sections) scores. This report provides a graphic representation of students' "National Percentile Rank" (NPR) that illustrates how students compare to a national sample of test takers. In addition, the report provides a detailed explanation for "What the Test Measures" and "What the Score for Each Test Means."

Are students being compared to 7th or 8th grade students?

Students' NPR on the Pre-HSPT is based on the performance of other 7th graders. When students take the HSPT, student scores are compared to other 8th graders to determine their NPR.

Will high schools receive Pre-HSPT scores?

No, high schools do not receive Pre-HSPT results.

What can students do over the summer and fall to improve performance on their HSPT?

If a student scored below average or lower than you might have expected on the Pre-HSPT, don't worry - this is only a practice test. The purpose of administering the Pre-HSPT is to give students the best opportunity to see the skill areas measured, experience the timed nature of the test, and generally become more comfortable with the test before the HSPT test is administered in the winter. The provided score report shows any areas of deficiency which can help your student brush up on skills over the summer.

The Archdiocese of Baltimore also offers *HSPT Prep*, which is an online, synchronous nine week course designed to prepare students to take the HSPT by equipping them with the knowledge, skills, and strategies needed to maximize performance. Additional information regarding program details and registration can be found at <https://www.archbalt.org/schools/hspt-prep-course/>.



STAY INFORMED

Sign Up for Uniform Updates!

First things first: opt-into School of The Incarnation's uniform newsletter to stay in-the-loop on important information and promotions. Make sure to enter your school code listed below to ensure you only receive information relevant to your school!

[JOIN HERE](#)

SCHOOL CODE: MD143



School Uniform Shopping

Whether you're brand new to school uniforms or a returning shopper preparing for the school year ahead, FlynnO'Hara makes it safe & easy to shop for back-to-school.

1 ONE

Review Your Uniform Requirements

Click the link below & enter your student's Grade & Gender to view their specific uniform requirements, products, and pricing.

FIND YOUR
UNIFORM

IMPORTANT NOTE: We recommend families get their uniform shopping done at least **ONE MONTH** before the first day of school to ensure your students have everything they need!

2 TWO

Shop For Your Uniform!

IN-STORE

1608 W. FURNACE BRANCH ROAD
GLEN BURNIE, MD 21061
(410) 684-2816

HOURS & DIRECTIONS

ONLINE

FLYNNOHARA.COM



Additional Resources

Need Help with Sizing?

Visit the link below for fitting tutorials and other resources to help you choose the right sizes for your student's uniform.

FITTING
TUTORIALS

Questions? We're Here to Help!

atyourservice@flynnohara.com
(800) 441-4122



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_____

-Office use only- Form submission date_____ Contact date_____
Enrollment date_____ \$250 tuition credit date _____

Spalding Summer Camps



ATHLETIC CAMPS

Girls Camps

- Volleyball
- Softball
- Soccer
- Basketball
- Lacrosse
- Cheer
- Dance
- Track & Field

Boys Camps

- Football
- Baseball
- Soccer
- Basketball
- Ice Hockey
- Lacrosse
- Wrestling
- Track & Field

ACADEMIC CAMPS

- Skills for Success Camp
- Engineering Camp
- SAT/ACT

REGISTER TODAY!

archbishopspalding.org/summercamps

There is something for everyone (ages 5-17) at
Archbishop Spalding HS this summer!
View each camp's flyer on our website today!