



St. Joan of Arc School

Grounded in Faith, Focused on the Future

May 11, 2022

Dear SJA Families,

Happy month of May. I would like to congratulate Mrs. Dandino and the SJA Voices for sharing their “joyful noise” on Saturday, May 7 at Mercy High School for the AOB Choir Festival. Sporting their purple t-shirts and smiles, their voices and enthusiasm filled the auditorium as ambassadors for our school. They were amazing!



The musical celebration continues on Thursday, May 12 at 6:30pm in the Church. All students and our Band will perform in the Spring Concert. If you cannot join us in person, you may go to this [link](#) to see the presentation. Details about the concert are listed below.

Please consider joining us for two upcoming events: May 20 for the IronBirds Game and May 22 for our HAS Spring Fling at Hopkins Brewery. Details and ticket information are listed below.

We are excited to announce that St. Joan of Arc has earned recognition as a Safe Schools Maryland Gold School. In fact, we are the 1st private school in the state to achieve this status. Members of the Maryland Center for School Safety along with AOB representatives will be here on May 13, at 10:00am in the Church to present this recognition. Parents are welcome to join us.

To add to this exciting time of year, St. Joan of Arc is undertaking a Capital Campaign. The theme is “Building our Future Together.” Please see the attached flyer with information about the upcoming events to kick off our campaign.

We have a new look! Please check out our new website at <https://stjoanarc.org/>

God Bless,
Ms. Dianne Kestler
Principal

Important Dates

- May 12 Spring Concert 6:30pm
- May 13 Safe Schools Maryland Presentation 10:00am
- MS Social 6:00pm
- May 19 Grade 8 Retreat
- May 20 Grade 4&5 Fair Hill Nature Center
- May 20 Ripken Stadium – National Anthem 7:05pm
- May 22 Spring Fling at Hopkin’s Brewery 1:00pm
- May 25 St. Joan of Arc Day Celebration
- May 27 Field Day – 12:05 dismissal
- May 30 Memorial Day – School Closed
- May 31 Grade 8 Hershey Park Trip

Race for Ed

Thank you to all our students who participated in Race for Ed! It was a HUGE success! So far we have raised \$6517.00. A special thank you to all our volunteers.

School Admin

All checklist items for the 2022/2023 school year are due June 1st. Please double check that you have completed them.

Good Samaritan Food Pantry

Our food pantry is still in need of the items listed. Students can bring to school until May 13. Thank you for your support.

Peanut butter and jelly; canned meat and tuna; canned green beans, carrots, peas; bottles of juice; canned soup (not tomato); canned fruit (not pears); canned beans.

Spring Concert

The Spring Concert is May 12. Please follow the guidelines and times listed below. Teachers will communicate the dress codes.

- Band students arrive at the back entrance to the Church Hall at 6:00pm
- 8th grade students report to Mrs. Dandino in the Church at 6:00pm
- PreK - 7th grade students report to their classrooms in the school building at 6:10pm - no earlier
- Church will open for parents at 6:15pm
- Teachers bring students to the Church at 6:25pm

Band will perform first. PreK and K students will be released to their parents after they sing. They may sit with their parents or leave to go home.

All students will be dismissed from the Church. No students will return to the school building.

Yearbooks

Purchase the SJA 2021-2022 School Yearbook. The cost is \$23.00 per yearbook. You can order your yearbooks at <https://commpe.pictavo.com/>. Please contact Heather Way hway@stjoanarc.org with questions.

IronBirds Game May 20 7:05pm

Let's kick off Spirit week with an IronBird game! SJA students, who are attending the game, will have the opportunity to sing the National Anthem on the field as a school community. Please wear any SJA spirit wear or your gym uniform. There will be fireworks and tickets are \$14 each. This is going to be a fun night! Tickets must be purchased before Friday, May 13th.

<https://sb1.glitnirticketing.com/sbticket/web/loggingroup.php?password=1188&auto=1>

PE Uniforms for 2022 – 2023 School Year

Beginning in August 2022 the following changes are being implemented to our PE uniforms.

- Navy micromesh shorts and sweatpants need to have the SJA logo and be purchased from Flynn O'Hara Uniform Company.
- Navy Crewneck sweatshirt with SJA logo is the only second layer for PE uniform and needs to be purchased from Flynn O'Hara Uniform Company. Hoodies are not part of the PE uniform.

HSA News

The HSA of St. Joan of Arc School is hosting a Spring Fling!!

On May 22nd come join everyone at Hopkins Farm Brewery on Rider Lane in Havre De Grace from 1pm until 4 pm to kick off spirit week.

Each class from SJA is sponsoring a raffle basket, so invite your friends to enjoy an afternoon of live music, food trucks and a great atmosphere! This is an adult only event.

Tickets are \$30 a person which includes two drinks \$10 of each ticket goes directly towards the HSA.

To purchase your tickets please click [here](#).

If you purchased tickets for the HSA Derby in 2020 and have proof of your purchase, you may contact the school for a refund. sficca@stjoanarc.org

Volunteer Hours

Please remember that 20 hours of service are required for the year. There have been several opportunities newly posted. Please track your hours and wait for approval. <https://www.trackitforward.com/site/stjoan-arc-school>

Script Program

shopwithscrip.com enrollment code: A9C13C7351446

Earn extra bonuses on e-gift cards, up to 25% on April 28 and 29th. Gift cards make great gifts for Mother's Day, Father's Day, Graduation etc.

Parish News

Join us to kick off the *Building Our Future Together* Campaign by attending an information reception.

May 15th, at 1230 in the Church Hall (childcare available upon request)

May 16th, at 7pm in the Church Hall

May 17th, at 7pm in the Church Hall



Please visit our website at www.stjoanarc.org for more information.



Join us to kick off the *Building Our Future Together* Campaign

St Joan of Arc is undertaking a Capital Campaign!!! The theme of the campaign is **“Building our Future Together.”**

Over the past few years, we have developed a master facilities plan for our parish. ***This plan includes the addition of a Chapel and a Parish Life Center.*** The Chapel enables us to worship in a smaller and appropriate space for daily Mass, Sacraments, and Prayer Services.

The **Parish Life Center will be used by the parish and school.** It includes:

- A secure entrance and reception area for the school students
- Addition of two Pre-K Classrooms (Pre-K 3+4)
- A multipurpose space that can be used as a gymnasium for physical education, assemblies, conferences, stage productions, lunch and parish/school events
- Office and storage space for School administration and Counselor
- This frees up space in the school to establish a nurse’s office in the school
- The Parish Life Center will be used for youth ministry and after school activities and weekend events by the parish and school.

PARTICIPATE

All parishioners and school families are asked to attend an information reception in order to learn more about the building project. We need all families to support our project with prayer and Our reception dates are:

May 15th, at 1230 in the Church Hall (childcare available upon request)

May 16th, at 7pm in the Church Hall

May 17th, at 7pm in the Church Hall

We ask your prayers for the success of our campaign as we strive to serve the Lord and His people in Aberdeen for decades to come.

QUESTIONS

For updates and for any questions, contact Deacon Ray Van Pelt at rvanpelt@stjoanarc.org.



Scan this QR code to sign up online to attend a reception

Saint Joan of Arc

DATE : MAY 22ND 2022

TIME: 1 P.M.—4 P.M.

The HSA of Saint Joan of Arc
invites you to enjoy Raffles ,
Music , Food Trucks and more!

Adults only event

*Hopkins Farm Brewery
3833 Rider Lane
Havre De Grace Md*

\$30 PER TICKET
(INCLUDES TWO DRINKS)

Spring
Fling
Sundays

<https://stjoanarc.org/spring-fling/>

Click the hyperlink for tickets