



# St. Joan of Arc School

*Grounded in Faith, Focused on the Future*

June 1, 2022

Dear SJA Families,

Our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students just completed their last day at St. Joan of Arc. They are all ready for their graduation ceremony tomorrow afternoon. We are excited to send them off to begin their next chapter. They will be missed.



As the 2021 – 2022 school year comes to a close we are already preparing for next year. There will be a few changes with our staff when we return in August. Mrs. Susan Baer will be joining us as our part time nurse. Mrs. McCall has chosen to stay home and be a full time mom to Alexandra. Ms. Reith will be moving to teach kindergarten. Mrs. Fink will remain as Extended Care Director but no longer be an assistant in second grade. We are currently accepting applications for a third grade teacher and part time second grade assistant.

This week's newsletter also includes starting dates, along with school closings and half day schedule. The complete uniform policy is also attached as a reference for purchasing.

June 4 and 5 is Commitment Weekend. Join us in supporting our ***Building Our Future Together*** Campaign. See attached flyer for more information.

God Bless,  
Ms. Dianne Kestler  
Principal

## Important Dates

June 2	Grade 8 Graduation 4pm
June 3	PreK Celebration 10:00am /Last Day for PreK
June 4-5	Campaign Commitment Weekend
June 6	Kindergarten Closing ceremony/Last Day for K
June 8	School Wide Bingo – Class parties 2:00pm
June 9	8:30 Liturgy /Awards – Last Day of School – No Gym Uniforms 12:05 dismissal - no aftercare

## Counselor's Corner

In light of the horrific tragedy that happened at Robb Elementary School in Texas last week, I wanted to help parents in talking with their children about the event and safety in general. I found this article to be helpful as a guide when speaking to children about any traumatic event that may occur. It is important to be open and honest with your child, without giving them more information than they are developmentally ready to manage. Keep in mind that children always look toward the adults in their life as role models in handling difficult situations. <https://www.apa.org/topics/gun-violence-crime/shooting-aftermath>

### **Summer Camps**

Summer Camps are offered at SJA from June 13 – August 19. It is not too late to sign up to join in on the fun! See attached flyer for more information.

### **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](mailto:hway@stjoanarc.org) with questions.

### **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 \$9,316.00. A special thank you to all our volunteers.

### **PE Uniforms for 2022 – 2023 School Year – Uniform information is attached.**

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.

### **2022-2023 School Year Calendar**

August 29	Frist Day of School	12:05 dismissal
September 2		12:05 dismissal
September 5	Labor Day	School closed
October 7	Professional Day	School closed
October 21		12:05 dismissal
November 22		12:05 dismissal
November 23 - 25	Thanksgiving Break	School closed
December 20		12:30 dismissal
December 21 –	Christmas Break	School closed
January 2		
January 13		12:30 dismissal
January 16	MLK Jr Day	School closed
February 3		12:05 dismissal
February 17		12:05 dismissal
February 20	President's Day	School closed
March 3	Professional Day	School closed
March 13		School closed
March 17		12:05 dismissal
March 27	Faculty Retreat	School closed
April 5		12:05 dismissal
April 6 – 14	Easter Break	School closed
May 26		12:05 dismissal
May 29	Memorial Day	School closed
June 1	Grade 8 Graduation	4:00pm
June 8	Last Day of School	12:05 dismissal

### **HSA News**

Thank you to everyone who purchase tickets for our basket raffles. Drawings were held today. Winners will be notified.

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](mailto:sficca@stjoanarc.org)

**BILLING for Volunteer Hours**

If your hours are not logged into Track It Forward by 10:00am, tomorrow, June 2, 2022 your FACTS account will be billed accordingly.

**Script Program**

[shopwithscrip.com](http://shopwithscrip.com) enrollment code: A9C13C7351446 Last day to order plastic gift cards will be Thursday June 2, so they arrive before the last day of school. All plastic and e-card orders placed by then will count for the 2022-2023 tuition discount. You can still order e-cards over the summer and they will go towards 2023-2024 year. Gift cards make great gifts for Father's Day, Graduation etc.

**Parish News**

Please visit our website at [www.stjoanarc.org](http://www.stjoanarc.org) for more information.





CAMPAIGN NEWSLETTER

June 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022

## COMMITMENT WEEKEND IS HERE!

We ask all Families to join us in supporting our **Building Our Future Together** campaign! Our goal is to raise \$800,000 in funds to build a new Chapel and Parish Life Center.

Thank you to those who have participated thus far. It is only through our collective contributions that we will reach our campaign goal.

***Come to Mass this weekend to return your pledge!!***

***You can also bring your pledge to the parish office or commit online!.***

**Our Community has  
already raised**

**\$420,000**

**from our first round of  
gifts!**

**This means we have  
raised 53% of our  
\$800,000 goal from only  
a small portion of our  
registered households!**

**June 4th/5th is  
Commitment Weekend!**

This week we ask you to review the campaign information packet you received in the mail:

- ✚ Prayerfully reflect on how greatly God has blessed you**
- ✚ Consider a sacrificial pledge payable over 5 years**
- ✚ Return your response at Mass this **Commitment Weekend****

**Visit the campaign landing page to find out more about  
our campaign and to make your pledge.**

***Scan this QR Code with your smart phone***



**If you have questions about the campaign, please call  
the Parish office at 410.272.4535**



Welcome to SJA's 2022 Camp - St. Joan of Arc Makes Summer Better! We look forward to providing your child with the best summer ever! SJA is offering 10 weeks of camp, making it easy to fit one or more weeks into your schedule. To register go to <https://www.school.stjoanarc.org/summer-camp>. Excluding Camp Invention, all other camps are from 8am-5pm.



**WEEK 1: AROUND THE WORLD - JUNE 13 - 17, \$240**

We will travel around the world in 5 days! 5 Countries in 5 Days! Fun facts, games, traditions and food samples from around the world, ending the week with an International Dance Party!!!



**WEEK 2: NATURE WEEK - JUNE 21 - 24, \$192**

Nature Nature Nature! Learn about critters and their habitats, as well as our outdoors with Mrs. Simmons!



**WEEK 3: CREATIVE CHEFS - JUNE 27- JULY 1, \$240 + SUPPLY FEE (\$50)\***

We will cook all week preparing dishes that the kids will eat from fresh ingredients. Everyone will learn kitchen safety and how to use kitchen tools to make yummy foods!



**WEEK 4: CHARACTER WEEEK - JULY 5 - 8, \$192**

From superheroes to princesses, we will be celebrating our favorite characters with themed crafts, games and snacks!



**WEEK 5: CAMP INVENTION EXPLORE JULY 11 - 15, SEE SEPARATE REGISTRATION**

Camp Invention is a high-energy, hands-on STEM camp.



**WEEK 6: CAMP INVENTION SUPERCHARGED JULY 18 - 22, SEE SEPARATE REGISTRATION**

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**WEEK 7: VBC WEEK - JULY 25 - 29, \$160**

This is an add on to SJA VBC. To register for VBC please contact the parish. Hours for this week are M - Th 11:30 am - 5:00 pm and Friday 8:00 am - 5:00 pm.



**WEEK 8: CREATIVE CHEFS SWEET TREATS-AUGUST 1 - 5, \$240 + SUPPLY FEE (\$50)\***

Cooking again, but this week it's all about the treats! We will cook tasty desserts and candies! YUM!



**WEEK 9: ART/MUSIC - AUGUST 8 - 12, \$240**

Come ready to create with Mrs. Dandino!



**WEEK 10: UNDER THE SEA - AUGUST 15 - 19, \$240**

We will learn about fish, creatures and other life under the sea with art, science, outdoor water games and underwater snacks! This week will include outdoor water games too!

\*The \$50 supply fee for the Creative Chefs weeks need only be paid once. Due to COVID, all Creative Chefs Campers will be supplied with their own kid friendly knives, measuring cups, measuring spoons, canisters, utensils, etc. These will be sent home with the camper at the end of the week for them to keep! If you have already purchased them last year please contact Sandra Fink.

# St. Joan of Arc - 2022 Vacation Bible Camp - Registration

**Holy Heroes VBC - in search of the ultimate superpower...**

\*\*\*\*\*ONE FORM PER CHILD PLEASE\*\*\*\*\*



Child's Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Nick Name (if any): \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Child T-shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Email: \_\_\_\_\_

School Attending: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade (FALL 2022) \_\_\_\_\_

Special Needs / Care Information of Child (BELOW: List any learning disabilities and/or medications or food allergies.)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate Emergency Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to child: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Included: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## OFFICE USE ONLY

Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_ Amt. Received: \_\_\_\_\_ Cash or Check # \_\_\_\_\_

Materials fee - 1 child: \$25 2 or more children: \$50 per family (Registration deadline July 1, 2022)

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE: PLEASE SUBMIT ALL REGISTRATIONS IN PERSON OR ONLINE BEFORE JULY 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022.**

# Vacation Bible Camp @ SJA

Monday, July 25th - Thursday, July 28th

**Save the Dates - for VBC!**  
**Several Adult Volunteers Needed.**

- Age 4 Pre-K thru Grade 5 invited to attend
- Middle / High School Teens invited to help
- Stories, Crafts, Games, Music, Snacks

Registration info available online:  
[sjaparish.org/vbc](http://sjaparish.org/vbc)

No Surprise: Space / Capacity is Limited.

9am till Noon | Monday July 25<sup>th</sup> – Thursday July 28<sup>th</sup>

Call or Email with any questions!

[nmcvey@sjaparish.org](mailto:nmcvey@sjaparish.org) | 410.272.4535 x125

## SCHOOL UNIFORM 2022-2023



The appearance of any young person is primarily the responsibility of that individual and his/her parents. We expect students to maintain the type of neatness and grooming that does not interfere with the health and safety of themselves or others, nor with the educational process or religious dimension of the school. All uniforms must be clean, in good repair and properly fitted. All clothing must be labeled with the child's name.

The school recognizes that particular hairstyles are often part of racial, ethnic, spiritual, and cultural identity and practice. Accordingly, it is the policy of the School to permit individual families to decide the appropriate cared-for hairstyle for their children. ADM 8.0

School uniforms are purchased from Flynn O'Hara Uniform Company.

Flynn O'Hara Uniforms

8868 Waltham Woods Rd.

Parkville, MD 21234

410-828-4709

<https://flynnohara.com/>

### **PREK FALL/WINTER UNIFORMS** (Nov. 1; March 31)

#### **Girls and Boys**

- Short or long sleeve navy uniform polo shirt
- Khaki elastic waist pants; no snaps, buttons, zippers or belts (No jumpers for PreK)
- Navy cardigan sweater with SJA logo or Navy ¼ zip fleece pullover with SJA logo
- Solid color black or white tennis shoes with Velcro closure (no tie shoes)
- White socks that cover the ankle – no logos

### **PREK SUMMER UNIFORMS Options** (Start of school until Oct. 31; April 1 until end of school year)

#### **Girls and Boys**

- Short sleeve navy blue uniform polo shirt
- Khaki elastic waist shorts no snaps, buttons, zippers or belts
- Navy cardigan sweater with SJA logo or Navy crewneck sweatshirt with SJA logo or Navy ¼ zip fleece pullover with SJA logo
- Solid color black or white tennis shoes with Velcro closure (no tie shoes)
- White socks that cover the ankle – no logos

### **GRADES K-5 FALL/WINTER UNIFORMS** (Nov. 1; March 31)

#### **Girls**

- SJA plaid jumper (jumpers should be no more than 2 inches above the knee) with white peter pan collar blouse (cotton or polyester)  
or
- Khaki slacks with SJA navy banded bottom shirt, or SJA navy polo shirt (tucked in and worn with brown or black belt)
- Navy tights, navy leggings with white or navy socks that cover the ankle, navy knee socks, white or navy socks that cover the ankle – no logos
- Navy cardigan sweater with SJA logo or Navy ¼ zip fleece pullover with SJA logo
- Uniform tan buck shoes
  - *Grade 1 wears solid color black or white tennis shoes or tan buck shoes*
  - *Kindergarten wears solid color black or white tennis shoes with Velcro closure (no tieshoes)*
- Jewelry: watches, 1 pair of small earrings worn in the earlobe, one ring, a religious cross medal worn on a thin chain

- No make-up
- ONLY clear/natural nail polish and natural nails are permitted
- No Smart watches are permitted

### **Boys**

- Khaki trousers (worn with brown or black belt)
- Long or short sleeve navy blue SJA polo shirt (tucked in)
- White or navy socks that cover the ankle – no logos
- Navy sweater or vest with SJA logo or Navy blue ¼ zip fleece pullover with SJA logo
- Uniform tan buck shoe
  - *Grade 1 wears solid color black or white tennis shoes or tan buck shoe*
  - *Kindergarten wears solid color black or white tennis shoes with Velcro closure (no tieshoes)*
- Jewelry: watches, crosses or religious medals worn on a thin chain
- No Smart watches are permitted

### **GRADES K-5 SUMMER UNIFORMS Options** (Start of school until Oct. 31; April 1 until end of school year)

- Khaki shorts (worn with brown or black belt)
- Khaki uniform skort
- SJA navy blue polo shirt (tucked in) or SJA navy blue banded bottom shirt
- White or navy socks that cover the ankle – no logos
- Uniform tan buck shoes
  - *Grade 1 wears solid color black or white tennis shoes or tan buck shoe*
  - *Kindergarten wears solid color black or white tennis shoes with Velcro closure (no tieshoes)*
- No long sleeve shirts may be worn under short sleeve shirts nor leggings worn undershorts.
- Girls may wear SJA plaid jumper (jumpers should be no more than 2 inches above the knee) with white peter pan collar blouse (cotton or polyester)
- Navy cardigan sweater with SJA logo or Navy crewneck sweatshirt with SJA logo or Navy ¼ zip fleece pullover with SJA logo

### **MIDDLE SCHOOL Grades 6-8) FALL/WINTER UNIFORMS** (Nov. 1; March 31)

#### **Girls**

- SJA plaid skirt or khaki slacks (worn with a black or brown belt)
- SJA navy blue banded bottom shirt or SJA navy polo shirt (tucked in)
- Navy tights, navy leggings with white or navy socks that cover the ankle Navy kneesocks, white or navy socks that cover the ankle - no logos
- Navy sweater with SJA logo or Navy blue ¼ zip fleece pullover with SJA logo
- Uniform tan buck shoes
- Jewelry: watches, crosses or religious medals worn on a thin chain, one small pair earrings worn in the ear lobe or 1 pair of small hoop earrings, one ring
- No make-up
- Only natural nails are permitted with clear/natural nail polish
- No Smart watches are permitted

#### **Boys**

- Khaki trousers (worn with brown or black belt)
- Navy blue SJA long or short sleeve polo shirt (tucked in)
- Navy sweater with SJA logo or Navy ¼ zip fleece pullover with SJA logo
- White or navy socks that cover the ankle
- Uniform tan buck shoes
- Jewelry: watches, crosses or religious medals worn on a thin chain

- No Smart watches are permitted

**MIDDLE SCHOOL Grades 6-8) SUMMER UNIFORMS Options** (Start of school until Oct. 31; April 1 until end of school year)

- Khaki shorts worn (worn with brown or black belt)
- Khaki uniform skirt or SJA plaid skirt
- SJA navy blue polo shirt (tucked in)
- White or navy socks that cover the ankle – no logo
- Uniform tan buck shoes
- No long sleeve shirts may be worn under short sleeve shirts.
- No leggings may be worn under shorts.
- Navy sweater with SJA logo or Navy crewneck sweatshirt with SJA logo or Navy ¼ zip fleece pullover with SJA logo

**PHYSICAL EDUCATION UNIFORM** (PreK – Grade 8)

**Summer PE Uniform** (Start of school until Oct. 31; April 1 until end of school year)

- PE uniform instead of the regular uniform on PE days
- Regular tennis shoes that tie or have Velcro closings are required.
- White socks that cover the ankle – no logos
- Grey short sleeve t-shirt with SJA logo
- Navy micromesh gym shorts with SJA logo
- Navy Crewneck sweatshirt with SJA logo
- No jewelry is permitted on PE days
- Parents should make sure that the student is dressed properly for weather conditions.

**Winter PE uniform** (Nov. 1; March 31)

- Regular tennis shoes that tie or have Velcro closings are required
- White socks that cover the ankle – no logos
- Navy Crewneck sweatshirt with SJA logo
- Grey t-shirt, long or short sleeves, with SJA logo
- Navy uniform sweatpants with SJA logo
- No jewelry is permitted on PE days
- Parents should make sure that the student is dressed properly for weather conditions.

Spirit wear and hoodies are not part of the regular uniform. Jackets are not to be worn in the building. Second layers are described above.

**Out of Uniform Days**

On occasion, there may be out of uniforms days scheduled. Clothing may not contain terms, logos, pictures, cartoons, slogans, writing, or images that are offensive, political, harassing, or discriminatory in nature.

Students also MAY NOT WEAR:

- Dresses, skirts, or shorts more than 2 inches above the knee
- Sandals or other open shoes (safety reasons)
- Pants or jeans with tears, shreds or holes
- Tightly fitted or revealing clothing. (leggings must be worn with a long shirt that covers the top half of the leg)
- Tank tops, sleeveless shirts, or shirts with cut – out shoulders

**\*\*When in doubt, do not wear it to school.**

If an article of clothing is deemed to be inappropriate, a student may be required to alter his/her apparel.

Students who are wearing inappropriate clothing will not be permitted to attend classes until that clothing has been changed. Parents will be notified in this event.