

SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC SCHOOL

School Bulletin

February 26, 2021

Upcoming Events



March 4

Spirit Night/Foster's Grille

March 12

End of Trimester II

March 15-18

Design For Excellence/ Accreditation

March 18

Early Dismissal11:30am

March 19

No School Professional Development Day

March 24

Dress Down Day for St. Lucy Project

March 26

Report Cards

April 1

Early Dismissal/No Ext Day

April 2-11

Easter/Spring Break

April 12

Students Return Tentative Spring Uniform

April 24

PTO Cabaret Night 6-10pm

April 28

Dress Down Day

April 30

Early Dismissal 11:30am Trimester III Interims

May 3-20

Scantron Testing

May 11

8th Grade World Language Exam

May 14

8th Grade Dinner Dance

Please check the school website for the complete calendar.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK...

Dear SJES Families,

I offer this prayer that was recently shared with principals from the Office of Catholic Schools.

Faithful God,

You give us forty days of Lent to quiet ourselves and explore the inner chambers of our hearts. Let these Sacred days be a time when we seek and find you there. Passionate God, may we find you even in our pain and in whatever troubles our hearts. Keep us from all that separates us from you. Be with us and in us. AMEN

Our Design for Excellence assessment is merely two weeks away. The lack of brevity in our report requires mentioning, recognizing that planning began immediately following our DFE orientation in November of 2019. Kudos to our co-chairs Mrs. Evans and Mrs. Paccassi and committee chairs Mrs. Adamec, Mrs. Bartholomew, Mrs. Chapman, and Mr. Mott for helping us "polish the stone" through this six-year reflective practice. We humbly dedicate this report in memory of Ms. Julie Copeland, who admirably served our preschool students and families for 25 years before she passed away. May she rest in eternal peace.

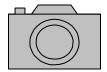
We are also pleased to share that SJES will be implementing a new Kindergarten Screening assessment this spring. The previous assessment tool, Early School Prevention, has become increasingly outdated and no longer serves as a true evaluation of kindergarten readiness. Although we are already unable to accept 12 kindergarten students due to the class being full, we are overjoyed to welcome the vast majority of our pre-k students to our elementary hallway in the coming months. If you have a current child in one of our pre-k classes, you can expect additional information on this assessment before the end of next week.

This past year has reminded us that a true Catholic education is most appropriate in a brick and mortar setting. In addition, its foundation must include a spiritual, academic, AND social/emotional component in order to fully develop the whole child. Our faculty and staff have done an exemplary job prioritizing faith and academics during the shutdown but, through no fault of our own, there remains a missing element. As spring rapidly approaches, I look forward with eager anticipation to offering our students outdoor clubs, sports (if CYO allows), Field Day, and other outdoor events. By the time Monday, March 22nd rolls around, we will have two hurdles behind us. Our DFE visit will be complete and at that point, all priority faculty and staff members that wished to receive the vaccine, will be fully vaccinated. Rest assured, we will remain diligent but data would imply that it is time to finally bring back some of the joy and enthusiasm that we have thoroughly missed over the past year. Praise God!

I have noticed an increase in the number of families that have recently completed their FACTS financial assistance applications. We remain grateful to the diocese for their financial commitment to our school families. Diocesan Scholarships including the Tuition Assistance Program, the Scholarship Fund, and St. Beatrice, totaled over three and a half million dollars last year. The Office of Catholic Schools should be commended for their benevolence and prudence in keeping Catholic education affordable each, and every year. As a reminder, the application deadline is **Wednesday**, **March 17th** so please submit the necessary online paperwork as soon as possible. FACTS information remains attached in this bulletin. Until next time, let us continue to pray, learn, and serve the vulnerable and less fortunate.

Mr. Macdonald

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School News

We want your photos!

Good Afternoon Saint John Families and Teachers:

I would like to encourage all of you to upload photos for the 2020–2021 Saint John the Evangelist School Yearbook. It is a straightforward process! Download the Entourage Link mobile app or visit https://link.entourageyearbooks.com/my/SJESVA2021. If you registered last year, your username and password should still work. New users will need to register for an account, which is also a very easy and straightforward process. I have included instructions from Entourage Yearbooks. See attached flyer. Photo categories have been created for activities, Sports/Clubs, and each class. Feel free to create new categories if needed. The more pictures we have to choose from, the more interesting our yearbook will be. Thank you so much for your participation in this project and the countless things you do to enrich our school community.

God bless, Lauren Karhoff

John Paul the Great High School Events

February 27: Virtual Super Science Saturday for Middle Schoolers

It's not too late to sign up! Join our Science Department and Science National Honor Society members for an afternoon of experiments with household items! Our virtual event on Zoom will include demos in the three main sciences: Biology, Chemistry and Physics. Please click the following link to sign up: https://www.jpthegreat.org/apps/ form/2021Virtual Events Registration

April 20: Spring Open House

Want to learn more about John Paul the Great and becoming a member of the Wolfpack? Save the date for our Spring Open House! John Paul the Great looks forward to hosting interested 4-7th graders and parents for this in-person open house. Stay tuned for details and information on how to RSVP for this event. Please contact admissions@jpthegreat.org with any questions.

May 8: JP Outdoor Gala

Save the date for John Paul the Great's annual Spring Gala, this time outside! More information to come soon. If you have any specific questions at this time, please contact our Gala coordinator at gala@jpthegreat.org.

St. John the Evangelist Catholic School Mission Statement

Saint John the Evangelist Catholic School provides a Christ-centered atmosphere that recognizes the Godgiven gifts inherent within each child on the journey toward spiritual and academic excellence.

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What is the program?

The Dioceson Tuition Assistance Program provides financial assistance to families in Catholic schools in the Dioceso of Arlington through funding from diaceson parishes as well as the Rooted in Falth-Forward in Hape Capital Campaign Endowment. It is open to all qualified students whose parents might not otherwise be able to pay the full cost of tuition.

Who is eligible?

- Students attending or accepted by a Diocese of Arington Catholic school (K-12).
 - Preschool and Pre-K are not eligible.
 - Not applicable to students of private Catholic schools associated with the Diocese and/or Internalional students.
- Students who are Catholic and members of a parish in the Diocese of Arlington or military base parish.
- Families who reside within the boundaries of the Diocese of Arlington and are registered and active
 members of a diocesan parish or a military base parish.

How do I apply?

- Submit financial aid assessment application and all supporting tax documentation by due date
 - Applications will be completed electronically online at <u>online.factsmat.com/Slgnin</u>
 - Only one application is required per family.
- Remit processing fee.
- Families seeking aid for sludents in BOTH ELEMENTARY AND HIGH SCHOOL should follow the high school submission date.

Due Dates: HIGH SCHOOL January 18, 2021 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL March 17, 2021

Awards

Awards are made for **ONE ACADEMIC YEAR** and are based on each family's demonstrated financial need, Individual schools determine the amount and the distribution of all awards for each academic year. The schools will contact families when award decisions have been made. Once these final award decisions have been made, the schools will then credit the tuition accounts of approved families.

\$3,688,975 awarded in 2020

For more information

Questions regarding process

Mallory Sigmon 703.841,2519 mallory.sigmon@arlingtonolocese.org Questions regarding application

FACTS Grant & Aid 1,866,441,4637

https://factsmgt.com/parent-resources/arant-and-aid/

Award decisions

Please contact your school.

Diocesan Tuition Assistance

https://www.orlinglandiacese.org/Catholic-Schools/fultion-Assistance/

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