

St. Joan of Arc School

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Grounded in Faith, Focused on the Future

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February 17, 2021

Dear SJA Families,

Lent began today with students viewing the SJA Parish livestream Mass. Following liturgy, Fr. Willie, Deacon Dan, and Deacon Ray distributed ashes to all students and staff. For the holy season of Lent:

- Students will pray the Stations of the Cross in their classrooms in an age-appropriate presentation every Friday.
- Students will learn about Lent, Holy Week, and Easter in Religion class which is so vital to our Catholic faith.
- Students will bring home a Rice Bowl. Each year we ask the children to consider those less fortunate in the
 world and donate what they are able to Catholic Relief Services. Perhaps they can give up a treat, give some of
 their allowance, or even do extra chores to earn some money. For more information go to
 https://www.crsricebowl.org/
- The Knights of Columbus will be offering their Fish Fry on Fridays (pre-order and pickup only). Go to https://stjoanarc.org/ to order online or to download the order form.











We appreciate all who have returned their **Intent Forms for Trimester 3** to indicate if they would like to attend school in-person or remotely. The form is attached is you have missed this and we need to know as soon as possible for planning purposes to follow all safety protocols.

Thanks so much to all families who have re-registered for the 2021-22 school year. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to the Advancement Director, Elisa Maid emaid@stjoanarc.org It is not too late to reregister. To begin this process, go to https://stjoanarc.schooladminonline.com Log-in to your account and complete the 'Registration form' to begin the re-registration process. Attached are the tuition rates for next school year.

There is still time to apply for **financial aid** in the 2021-22 school year, please log into your FACTS account https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/3QD7M and go to Grant and Aid to do so. In order to qualify for all available assistance, your application must be completed by February 28, 2021.

As you re-register, please remember to submit a **Catholic Discount Form** signed by your pastor. https://a54f25105f29b27fe943-4e9f31119b388a10b8af2cac271f2c1a.ssl.cf5.rackcdn.com/Catholic-Tuition-updated-form-2021.pdf

St. Joan of Arc School is now registered on the **Safe Schools Maryland** site, an ANONYMOUS and FREE reporting system available to students, teachers, school staff members, parents, and the general public to report any school or student safety concerns, including mental health concerns. Safe Schools Maryland is Maryland's only official anonymous reporting system. Safe Schools Maryland operates twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, and 365 days a year. Your anonymous report can be submitted by calling the tip line (1-833-MD-B-SAFE / 1-833-632-7233), completing an online form, or downloading the free Safe Schools Maryland app from the App Store or Google Play To report a tip online, go to https://schoolsafety.maryland.gov/Pages/Tipline.aspx

SJA continues to participate in **BoxTops for Education**! Download the BoxTop App on your phone and choose St. Joan of Arc. It's all accomplished electronically! See the attached flyer for special offers.

Earn \$\$ off tuition with **Scrip.** A special Thankscriping Day on February 18th and 19th is coming soon! SJA will give you back ½ of the percentage earned. Do you know that a family earned over \$ 450 towards tuition just by shopping with scrip for things that they already purchase?! https://www.shopwithscrip.com/ SJA FAMILY ENROLLMENT CODE # 75592FF451446

Waste Free Wednesday returns! Bring your lunch in reusable containers to save the environment. (Flyer attached)

Please remember also to **check PowerSchool** weekly for students in grades 2 through 8. You can set your account in Powerschool to give you weekly updates. The Business Manager, Mrs. Pam Franke, reminds parents to check their **FACTS** account for incidental payments for the few items not covered by tuition.

We are in the process of scheduling Summer Camps at SJA. We will be having **Camp Invention STEM Camp** the weeks of July 5th and July 12th. A flyer is attached.

I continue to pray for the safety and health of every family.

Peace and all good, Mrs. Ginger Bahr, Principal vbahr@stjoanarc.org













Get families ready to earn up to 19% with 60+ bonuses on eGift cards and reloaded gift cards

It's the first February ThankScriping Day and it's two days long. Mark your calendar for the big event, happening the 18 – 19. It's a huge opportunity to multiply your organization's earnings with bonuses on many popular brands.

Things to know

- Bonuses apply to eGift cards and reloaded gift cards only.
- Families must have an online account to participate.





February 4, 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The option for families to attend school remotely is an essential component of the Archdiocese of Baltimore's reopening plan for the 2020-21 academic year. For us to finalize plans for Trimester 3, it is important that you make a formal commitment to one of the modes of learning. Below you will see additional details regarding these options along with the opportunity to state your intentions for returning to school.

Due to the size of the student population at St. Joan of Arc, the in-person option will be attending school five days a week. If the number of students becomes greater than the number that we can safely accommodate, we will implement an alternating schedule that prioritizes in-person learning. In the case of an alternating schedule, students will engage in a combination of synchronous and independent learning while at home.

The remote learning option will require that your **child be available for learning at home during the hours of our school day**. Students who opt for this mode of learning will be provided with synchronous learning experiences, independent work, and opportunities to meet one-on-one or in small groups with teachers. Students will engage in the same content as students learning in-person and will be assessed using the same criteria.

Please select one of the following options by *Thursday, February 18th.* Please complete one intent form for each student enrolled in the school. Please fax to the school (410-272-1959) or email to Mrs. Tokarski (ttokarski@stjoanarc.org).

Name:
Grade:
\square I intend for my child to attend school in-person.
\square I intend for my child to attend school remotely.
\square I am undecided and would like to discuss my options with a member of the school leadership.
If you are still undecided, please provide your name and a preferred phone number.
Parent/Guardian Name:
Phone Number:









At **Camp Invention***, we have always found the right ways to bring hands-on STEM activities to children across America. Double up this summer with two weeks of programming for your inventor. Double the confidence, double the STEM, **double the FUN!**

WEEK 1: The **recharge** program

Young innovators will:

- Design morphing vehicles using inspiration in nature.
- Experiment with physics concepts as they build and test a rubber duck launcher.
- Build their own solar-powered robot crickets, customized habitats and protective gear.
- Reverse engineer their own wireless microphone, discover sound waves and pitch their big ideas.

WEEK 2: THE ELEVATE PROGRAM

Young innovators will:

- Build a cityscape, navigate planes and take apart a robot.
- Learn the value of their creativity as they build prototypes, design logos and market their inventions.
- Collaborate to protect Earth's ecosystems, compete in zipline races and explore energy conservation.
- Discover the great inventors behind sports and design the ultimate sports complex.



TWO WEEKS OF TAKE-HOME FUN!

Sign up for **both weeks** to get all these awesome take-home items to keep the fun and learning going long after camp ends.







YOUR SECOND

Camp Your Way - In Person or At Home

Want to sign up and save today, but not sure if you'll want an in-person or at-home experience this summer? No worries - with our new **PEACE OF MIND PROMISE**, you can sign up and **SAVE** today and finalize your experience format six weeks before your camp date!

Register at INVENT.ORG/CAMP or 800-968-4332.

Save \$40 with promo code RECHARGE40 for one week. Then use the exclusive registration URL in your week one confirmation email to **save an additional \$60** on week two!

Location: St. Joan of Arc School - Week 1 - Recharge

230 S Law St, Aberdeen, MD 21001

Date: July 5 - 9, 2021

Time & Cost: 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM | \$235 (before discount) Extended Day Hours Available: 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM | Additional \$80

Camp Director: Tracey Tokarski | ttokarski@stjoanarc.org

Location: St. Joan of Arc School - Week 2 - Elevate

230 S Law St, Aberdeen, MD 21001

Date: July 12 - 16, 2021

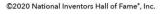
Time & Cost: 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM | \$235 (before discount)

Extended Day Hours Available: 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM | Additional \$80

Camp Director: Tracey Tokarski | ttokarski@stjoanarc.org

We are excited to offer two weeks of Camp Invention this summer, so be sure to sign your student up to attend both programs to maximize the fun!

We are also offering an Extended Day experience, making our program schedule more convenient for busy families. With Extended Day, your program will run from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM with an additional cost of \$80 per week. To sign up for this program schedule, please select the Extended Day option during the second step of registration.







Waste Free Wednesday Returns



When: Begins January 27, 2021

Why: To help the environment by reducing the amount of school waste

How: Bring your lunch into school in 3 reusable containers







