

St. Joan of Arc School

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March 24, 2021

Happy Spring! I hope that everyone is enjoying the warmer weather.

To prepare for Easter break, I am attaching the updated Travel Guidance from the Archdiocese of Baltimore.

Message from the Advancement Director

- Go to https://stjoanarc.schooladminonline.com and make sure all checklist items have been completed. All checklist items but be completed by June 1, 2021.
- Please share SJA's next Open House on your social media https://www.facebook.com/school.SJA.org/photos/a.818886274802735/4082707395087257/
- Earn 2 volunteer hours by writing a review about SJA. Acceptable sites are Niche or Great Schools or Private School Review To claim your hours, cut and paste your review into an email and send it to Elisa Maid and Sierra Ficca emaid@stjoanarc.org and sficca@stjoanarc.org

Home & School presents the *April Tax Day "Cheer of Relief" Raffle!* This is your chance to win a Yeti cooler filled with many things to enjoy! (flyer attached) Please send your raffle ticket orders in ASAP. Don't miss out!

Box Tops is ongoing this year. Check out the attached information to earn a birthday bonus and Target specials. Thank you for supporting the work of your Home & School Association!

Student Council is sponsoring an **Easter Basket raffle** for the students. A total of six baskets will be raffled filled with Easter and Spring surprises! Please see the attached flyer.

During the holy season of Lent:

- Grade 8 students worked diligently to film the Living Stations of the Cross. If you had not had the opportunity to watch, please click on the link. It is a reverent and sincere presentation. Thank you 8th grade students and Mrs. Blackburn for your hard work. https://youtu.be/E7b4WvDoz60
- 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/ Due date for Rice Bowl donations is Friday, March 26th. Thank you!
- The Knights of Columbus will be offering the last Fish Fry on Friday, March 26th (pre-order and pickup only). Go to https://stjoanarc.org/ to order online or to download the order form.



When students return from Easter break, they will take part in **Family Life** instruction as part of the Religion curriculum. Parents may opt out of this program for their children. We use the **RCL Benziger series** which consists of a parent as well as a student component. In this way, parents are able to monitor all that is being taught in school as well as teach and discuss more sensitive subjects at home. Materials will be sent home with students for your review. A Parent permission form is attached and must be completed for each student. Please see me, Mrs. Tokarski, or your child's Religion teacher if you have any questions.

The 2021-2022 Broadening Options and Opportunities for Students Today (BOOST) Application is open! Applicants have until 11:59 pm on April 30, 2021 to submit applications. Click here to view instructions and start the application. BOOST provides scholarships for some students who are eligible for the free or reduced—price school meals program (FARMS) to attend eligible nonpublic schools. Awards are granted based on household income, with the lowest income served first.

SJA will participate in Chick-fil-A Restaurants **My School Cares Pajama Collection** for the Casey Cares Foundation. Chick-fil-A has partnered with Casey Cares for a market-wide pajama collection of new pajamas (infant through young adult sizes). The pajamas will be delivered to critically ill children on their birthdays, during hospital stays, and for in-home treatments to cheer them up. You will be able to donate PJs and movie or pizza gift cards beginning March 22nd up until April 15th. (flyer attached)

SJA is in need of a full time Assistant Teacher. Please see Mrs. Bahr if you are qualified and interested.

We are in the process of scheduling **Summer Camps** at SJA. Spots will be limited!

- Camp Invention STEM Camp will be held the weeks of July 5th and July 12th (flyer attached).
 - Discounted fees for early registration
- Elementary Summer Camps will be held throughout the summer from June 14th until August 20.
 - Contact Sandra Fink if interested sfink@stjoanarc.org
 - o Children Kindergarten through 5th grade
- Some Middle School Summer Camps may be offered.
 - Please contact emaid@stjoanarc.org
 - May take place off-campus

More detailed information will be coming soon!

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



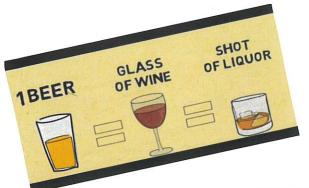


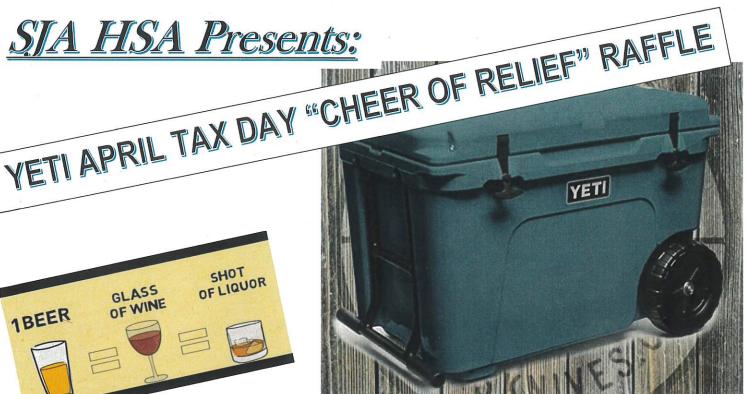












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RAFFLE DRAWING ON APRIL 16th, 2021 Tickets will be On Sale until April 15th, 2021

PLEASE CUT OFF AND SEI	ND TO SCHOOL WITH CASH OR CHECK	
CHECK MADE PAYABLE	TO: SJA HSA – YETI COOLER	
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Or you can Venmo @SJA-HSA

Spring Raffle Baskets



\$ 0.50 for one ticket \$1.00 for three tickets

What is a Spring Raffle basket?: A basket filled with spring and easter themed goodies!

Tickets will be on sale March 22nd-March 26th.

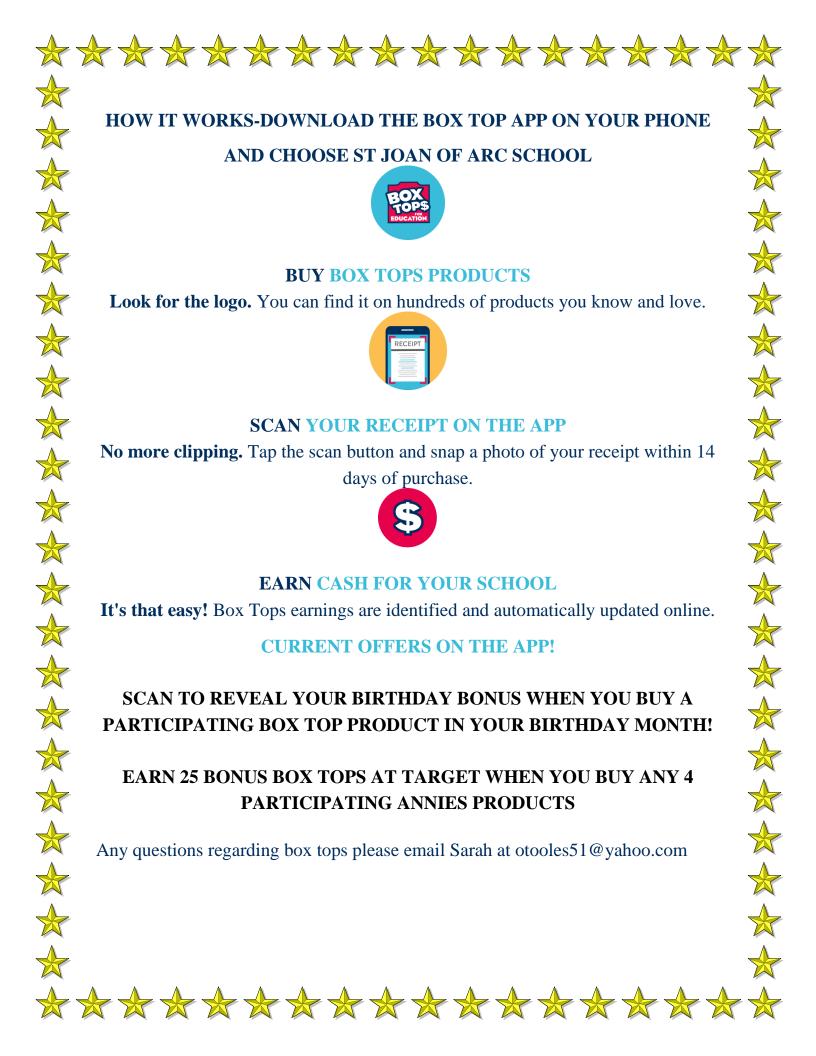
Where can I get tickets?: Send money in an envelope with your name on it and give it to your homeroom teachers

All proceeds go to charity.

Drawing will take place on March 31st.

Good Luck and happy spring!!!

(Sponsored by SJA Student Council)





March 12, 2021

Dear St. Joan of Arc Families,

We have completed over two-thirds of the 20-21 school year and are truly thankful for our ability to offer both in-person and virtual instruction to our students. We are especially grateful to our outstanding faculty and staff who have worked so tirelessly to deliver a quality Catholic education to our in-person and remote learners, while ensuring safety and social distancing protocols are adhered to. Their dedication and commitment demonstrates the outstanding caliber of educators here at St. Joan of Arc School and in the Archdiocese of Baltimore.

The well-being of our students, faculty and staff remains our top priority. We have been vigilant in our commitment to proper safety measures, transparent communication, and responsibly adapting to emerging circumstances. The Archdiocese of Baltimore Catholic Schools will follow the recent Governor's order regarding travel:

Effective with the new Order to take effect 3/12/2021 at 5:00 PM OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL:

Quarantine requirements and other restrictions regarding out-of-state travel will be lifted. A Maryland Department of Health advisory will remain in place continuing to **encourage** Marylanders to get tested upon their return.

In person instruction will resume after Spring Break on Monday, April 12th. We continue to be thankful for you, our educational partners, and to our faculty and staff for their commitment to Catholic Education.

Wishing You a Blessed Easter,

Jim Sellinger Chancellor of Education

Archdiocese of Baltimore

Donna Hargens

Superintendent of Catholic Schools

Archdiocese of Baltimore

Roma W. Hargens



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Parent/Guardian Declination

For Catechesis for Family Life

Child's Name:	Child's Grade:
Parish/School:	
Parents/Guardians have the right to opt out of Catechesis or in part, by expressing this request to the parish cateche principal and signing the following declaration.	•
As a parent/guardian, I have decided to have my catechesis for Family Life.	child participate in
As a parent/guardian, I have decided to <u>not</u> have a Catechesis for Family Life.	my child participate in
My child may participate; however, I would like the accommodations for my child when he/she participate; Family Life:	•
Parent/Guardian Name (printed):	Date:
Parent/Guardian Signature:	

My School Cares Program

Courtesy of the Greater Baltimore Area Chick-fil-A Restaurants

COLLECTION DATES: March 8 - April 15, 2021

PAJAMA DAY: April 16

Service Project: Casey Cares Pajama Drive

ABOUT CASEY CARES: Casey Cares is a non-profit organization that enhances the lives of critically ill children and their families by providing opportunities for family fun and engagement outside of the doctor appointments and hospital stays.

One of the major needs for Casey Cares is donations of New Pajamas for infants through young adult sizes. They provide fun pajamas to children on their birthdays, in the hospital and during in-home treatments to cheer them. They work with regional hospitals to provide pajamas throughout the year and give out over 60,000 pairs each year.

LEARN MORE: www.caseycares.org

Join in the fun and win prizes!

Individual Prizes:

PARTICIPATION PRIZE: Each Student who donates a new pair of pajamas will receive a coupon good for a free Chick-fil-A® Kids Meal (Elementary School) or Chick-fil-A® Sandwich/8 ct. Nuggets (Middle & High School). They will also earn the ability to wear pajamas to school on April 16, 2021.

SUPER STAR PJ COLLECTOR: Any individual that collects more than 40 PJs by hosting their own PJ Collection will receive a Chick-fil-A® Gift Basket that will include: Large Plush Chick-fil-A® Cow, Chick-fil-A® Sweatshirt, Chick-fil-A® Hat and Small Chick-fil-A® Catering Tray Card.

Team Prizes:

TOP FUNDRAISING SCHOOL HOMEROOM: (Collecting over 30 New PJs)

- Prize: Milk & Cookie Party and Small Plush Cow
- Homeroom Teacher will receive a coupon for a Small Chick-fil-A® Catering Tray.

TOP FUNDRAISING GRADE LEVEL: (Collecting over 75 New PJs)

• Prize: Nugget, Mac & Cheese and Brownie Party for the entire class level!

All pajamas will be collected by a Baltimore Chick-fil-A° representative on Friday, April 16th.





