



# St. Joan of Arc School

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*Grounded in Faith, Focused on the Future*

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Dear SJA Families,

I am looking forward to warmer and sunnier weather this week! The rain and chilly temperatures have dampened my spirits a bit. Spring will be a welcome change for all.

SJA will have an **Open House** for prospective parents on Saturday, March 13<sup>th</sup>. (Remember, if you refer a family and they remain for an entire year, your family will receive a \$500. tuition rebate.) This will be by appointment only—contact Elisa Maid [emaid@stjoanarc.org](mailto:emaid@stjoanarc.org) Please share to your Facebook page to help spread the news about Spring Open House. <https://www.facebook.com/school.SJA.org/photos/a.818886274802735/4005172766174054/>

The Archdiocese of Baltimore Catholic Schools Department is conducting a **School Climate Survey through the Johns Hopkins Institute for Educational Policy**. Middle school students will take the student survey next week. A letter is attached explaining the student portion of the survey. The Parent Survey was sent out earlier this week, one link for parents of students attending school virtually and another link for parents of students attending school in-person. Survey link for parents of virtual students: [JHU School Culture Survey for Remote Learners](#)  
Survey link for parents of virtual students: [JHU School Culture Survey for In-Person Learners](#)  
Thank you for your attention to this important survey which gives us valuable feedback.

**Home & School are starting up their restaurant fundraisers with Rita's in Aberdeen tomorrow.** Mention St. Joan of Arc School and 20% of your order goes back to SJA! The next opportunity will be on March 22<sup>nd</sup> at Panera Bread from 5pm-9pm at the Aberdeen Panera Bread. **DINE IN, RAPID PICKUP, AND DELIVERY ORDERS ARE ELIGIBLE!** Flyer must be shown at time of ordering or code **"PRFUND"** must be entered at time of ordering digitally.

It is 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.csricebowl.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.



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)

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

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 5<sup>th</sup> and July 12<sup>th</sup> (flyer attached).
- **Elementary Summer Camps** will be held throughout the summer from June 14<sup>th</sup> until August 20.
  - Contact Sandra Fink if interested [sfink@stjoanarc.org](mailto:sfink@stjoanarc.org)
  - Children Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade
- Some **Middle School Summer Camps** may be offered.
  - Please contact [emaids@stjoanarc.org](mailto:emaids@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](mailto:vbahr@stjoanarc.org)





## **Fundraiser**

**Thursday, March 4th  
ALL DAY!**

**Rita's of Aberdeen  
772 W. Bel Air Avenue  
Aberdeen, MD**

**20% of Sales Support**



**\*You must present this flier or mention  
SJA at time of purchase for your school  
to receive credit\***

# You Are Invited to Casey Cares Biggest Pajama Party!

It's simple and fun! Take a photo wearing pajamas, share it on social media  
#CaseyCares #CaseyCaresBiggestPJParty



## April is PJ Month!

April 16th is National Wear Your Pajamas to Work Day, but more importantly, we are celebrating Casey Cares 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Biggest Pajama Party **all month long!** Choose a day to wear your pjs to work or school (or just around your house!) to show your support for sick children.

## I have my pjs on, now what??

Help us help more kids! Help us fill our PJ & Movie Night buckets! These buckets ease the isolation felt by our homebound families. We treat them to a family movie night, complete with gift cards for a movie rental and pizza along with pajamas and popcorn!

## Donation Drive Wish List:

- ♦ \$10 or \$20 gift cards for movies (Walmart, Amazon, Fandango, Netflix)
- ♦ \$10 or \$20 gift cards for pizza (Papa Johns, Dominos, Pizza Hut, Ledo Pizza)
- ♦ New two-piece pajamas (Infant & adult sizes are always our biggest need)

20,000 children are diagnosed with a critical illness every year, help us help kids like Violet (above) and bring some joy when they need it the most!

Help us fill  
this bucket!





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# PROVIDING FUN AND SAFE SUMMERS FOR MORE THAN 30 YEARS

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.



## 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](https://www.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](mailto: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*

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*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.*