



WILDCAT WIRE



January 20, 2023

Needed: Instructional Assistant - Currently, we are accepting resumes for an Instructional Assistant for early childhood. Interested candidates should share their resumes with Dr. Jones ajones@sjrcs.org.

February Flex Day

For our 2022-2023 school calendar, we have scheduled a flex day (no school for students or staff) on Friday, February 17. No Wildcat Care will be offered on Friday, February 17. We hope you enjoy the four-day weekend.

Brendan Crow

We are still accepting donations for the Education Fund for the children of Brendan Crow, son of Cindy Crow, our 7th & 8th grade Instructional Assistant. If you would like to contribute, please send in a check made out to SJRCS in an envelope marked Brendan Crow Fund to the front office. Thank you in advance for your support.

Valentine's Day Parties

- The PK3 and PK4 Party has been moved to Monday, February 13, so more students can attend (MWF students)
- Tuesday, February 14: Parties for Kindergarten-Grade 4; Snack for Grades 5-8

Blessings,

Dr. Annette Jones, Principal
Mrs. Christina Dabulskis, Assistant Principal
Mrs. Kelly Weeks, Assistant Principal

NEW ITEMS

Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Every year in collaboration with the Knights of Columbus and St. Katherine Drexel Parish, St. John's Regional Catholic School students, grades 1-8, participate in the *Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest*. The Contest is a long standing tradition of our school since its founding 194 years ago.

The poster serves as a reminder for students that Christmas is not just a day of giving and receiving of gifts, but that Christmas is a special day of love and peace because of God's gift to the world – the birth of His Son, Jesus Christ.

KEY DATES

January

24 (Tue)	Wildcat Fellowship (Church)
25 (Wed)	Spelling Bee (Cafeteria 10 - 11 AM)
29 – Feb. 3	Catholic Schools Week
31 (Tue)	Wildcat Fellowship (Church)

February

03 (Fri)	Noon Dismissal (No Wildcat Care)
07 (Tue)	Wildcat Fellowship (Church)
10 (Fri)	CSW Mass 10:00 AM
13 (Mon)	Story Time for Tots (8:30 – 9:30 AM)
13 (Mon)	Valentine's Day Parties PK3 & PK4 (10:15 -11:15)
	NOTE: PARTY CHANGED FROM Feb. 14 to Feb 13
	For Pre-K Only
	PK3 & PK4 (10:15 -11:15 AM)
14 (Tue)	Wildcat Fellowship (Church)
14 (Tue)	Valentine's Day Parties: K & Grades 1-4 (1:30 - 2:30)
17 (Fri)	School Closed - Flex Day (No Wildcat Care) ** NEW**
20 (Mon)	School Closed - Presidents' Day (No Wildcat Care)
21 (Tue)	Wildcat Fellowship (Church)
22 Wed	Ash Wednesday Mass – (10:00 AM)
28 (Tue)	Wildcat Fellowship (Church)

The following students in each grade were selected by the Knights of Columbus as this past year's winners of the contest for their class and grade. We would also like to recognize Mia Tarantino (grade 7) for being selected for our school's 2022 Christmas card. Congratulations to these students!



Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest Winners

Entry Count	Grade	Cohort Winner	Grade Winner	Honorable Mention	Honorable Mention
22	1A	Naya Gomez		Nate Richard	
23	1B	Gabe Fer		Elijah Heidenberg	
23	1C	Charlotte DeGabriel	Charlotte DeGabriel	Matthew Albert	
21	2A	Jack Evringham	Jack Evringham	Quinn Kenny	
25	2B	Lisa Lukama		Ava Thomas	
16	2C	Payton Baker		Andrew Poland	
	Category Winner K-2		Jack Evringham		
20	3A	Leonidas Chaves		Audrey Vanderhuff	
20	3B	Colin Duffy		Noah Ausherman	
17	3C	Cohen Teeter	Cohen Teeter		
20	4A	Riley Ross		William McCarthy	Danielle Mananga
19	4B	Alice Brunal		Sarah Zeno-Rivera	
18	4C	Sophie Thomas	Sophie Thomas	Lena Most	
19	5A	Charlotte West	Charlotte West	Mitchell Dahlin	
19	5B	Claire St.John		Anne Froude	Jaylen Azane

19	5C	London Walters			
	Category Winner 3-5		Sophie Thomas		
19	6A	Kelsey Robertson	Kelsey Robertson	Ava Jones	Mason Thomas
22	6B	Katherine Johns		Dominic Studlo	
20	6C	Brielle Arvoy		Rebecca Paklik	
20	7-5	Dancilla Appiah-Dankwah		Tillman Benna	Larissa Azane
15	7-7	Felipe Williams Diaz			Isabella Zamora
17	7-8	Lindsay Mankatah	Lindsay Mankatah		
18	8-1	Calvin Volker		Bailey Mummey	Jessie Stevens
17	8-2	Hayden Carrado		Julianna Gorsky	
16	8-3	Kennedy Holler	Kennedy Holler		
	Category Winner 6-8		Kennedy Holler		
465		Cohort Winner \$10	Grade Winner \$20	Category Winner \$35	

REMINDERS

Lacrosse Sign Ups

Boys and girls SJRCS Lacrosse sign ups are open. Please go to <https://go.teamsnap.com/forms/352319> to register. Registration ends February 2, 2023.

Spelling Bee

The two top spellers in each ELA class have been identified and have the opportunity to move on to our School Bee. The champion of the School Bee will have the opportunity to compete at the Regional Bee for Frederick County. The final SJRCS Spelling Bee will be held on Wednesday, January 25, at 10:00 AM in the school cafeteria. Parents of those students who are participating in the School Bee are invited to attend.

Grade-Level Huddles

As a continued effort to know your child and his or her classmates, the administrators, Dr. Jones, Mrs. Dabulskis, and Mrs. Weeks, will be meeting with each grade level on a rotational basis about once every 4-6 weeks. The purpose of the Huddles is to reinforce the Heart of Leadership program's virtues and leadership skills, to share information and reminders, and to listen to the children. These positive, encouraging, and age-appropriate Huddles will take about 15-20 minutes. We look forward to engaging with your children in this new format.

Wildcat Fellowship

In continuing our school theme of One Body in Christ, we are introducing Wildcat Fellowship! On Tuesdays, parents, grandparents, prospective parents, and friends of SJRCS are invited to fellowship and Mass. Following morning drop-off, please park in front of the church. Let's gather in the church entry for informal conversation with fellow members of the school community, including members of the administrative team. We look forward to speaking with you and praying together for our school community.

Used Uniform Sale

Please remember to donate any of your gently used uniforms to our next used uniform sale! We desperately need more uniforms so we can have another sale in the spring. As you go through your closets this holiday season, please consider donating your outgrown uniforms. We collect all year round. Bring your uniforms in a bag to the front office and let them know it is for the Spring Used Uniform Sale. Thank you in advance!

Admissions News

Re-enrollment is now open! To re-enroll, log into your SchoolAdmin account.

Referral Program

Spread the Love! With Open Enrollment right around the corner, keep in mind the referral program that SJRCS offers! Current families can receive \$350 of tuition credit for referring new students to St. John's. ***The referred contact must be listed on the new student's application as a referral and the new student must fully enroll for the current SJRCS family to receive credit.***

Advancement Corner

NCEA Day of Giving to Catholic Schools

On Wednesday, February 1st, we will kick off our Annual Fund Day of Giving to SJRCS. If you are interested in providing a matching fund or large gift, please reach out to Mrs. Schumacher to discuss a donation to our Fund for St. John. The Annual Fund has a tremendous impact on the daily lives of our students. Our goal this year is to raise 100K in a Day! We ask that all families consider renewing their sponsorships at this time as well. Thank you!

Gala Planning

Save the Date! On April 29th, we'll be going Back to the 90's! If you would like to help us plan this event, please contact Chairwoman Mrs. Allison Dunn at Allison.Newhouse@gmail.com with any questions.

Auction Committee Meeting

The Auction Committee Needs You! Please join us for an amazing opportunity to support St. John Regional Catholic School! The Gala and Auction are one of the major fundraising efforts we have each year. Last year, we raised \$112,000 toward safety improvements at SJRCS. The money we raise this year will be used to improve the playground.

In order to make these improvements, we need your help! Please consider joining the Auction Committee to help with sponsorships and donations. We have two volunteer options in the next two weeks.

- We will have a Zoom meeting on January 25 at 7:00 PM for anyone who is unable to join during the day, but would like to help.

If you are interested in helping, but can't make any of those meetings, feel free to reach out. There are many opportunities to earn volunteer credit outside of school hours!

Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions. We hope to see you soon! Aly Giampapa and Emily Long (auction@sjrcs.org)

Eighth Grade Semi-Formal Dance Committee

The Advancement Office is creating a committee to help with the executing and planning of the Eighth Grade Semi-Formal on Friday, May 12th. Any parents interested in participating in the event, should please email Mrs. Schumacher at Lschumacher@sjrcs.org. The committee will host a planning meeting in the next few weeks – stay tuned for more information.

Home and School Association News (H.S.A.)

Catholic Schools Week

Catholic Schools Week is quickly approaching, and we have many great events planned to help celebrate Catholic Education here at SJRCS! Click on the following SignUp Genius link and check out the volunteer opportunities available! <https://www.signupgenius.com/tabs/6327edb01a6c8efc71-sjrsoopportunities#/>

Cereal Drive for Community Service Project

While you're grocery shopping this weekend, don't forget to pick up a few boxes of cereal to benefit the Frederick Food Bank! Boxes will be collected at both entrances during drop-off every morning next week. The more we collect, the more epic our Community Service Day Domino Event will be!

Chick-Fil-A Lunch for Student Appreciation Day (1/31) DEADLINE EXTENDED

Due to some initial glitches with loading the order form to MySchoolBucks, the deadline has been extended to next Wednesday, 1/25. Just go to MSB using the school website link or the MSB App, make your child's entree selection, and place your order! Please Note: there will be no additional fee added.

Please Note: The Chick-Fil-A Lunch Option for Student Appreciation Day is available to students in Kindergarten thru 8th grade.

“Daddy and Me, Under the Sea” Father Daughter Dance

The HSA is hosting SJRCS' 6TH annual father daughter dance on February 11th . All girls and fathers are invited! Invitations will go home this week. Please complete the RSVP form on the back and return with payment to the front office by January 27th . If you have any questions, please email Molly Gilbreth at mollygilbreth@gmail.com or Katie Crunkilton at k.crunkilton@gmail.com.

The Father Daughter Dance committee need your help to make this a fantastic evening for the girls and dads. Please consider volunteering to help or donating to this event. Donations are needed for prizes for the games at the dance. Please have donations sent into the front office by Friday, February 3rd, clearly labeled “Father Daughter Dance.” <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0549ABAF28A1FC1-father4>

Join in on the "Under the Sea" fun! We are in need of volunteers to help with the dance so sign up today! All volunteer hours will go towards tuition credit. All volunteers must be VIRTUS certified. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0549ABAF28A1FC1-father5>

Thank you to our sponsors!

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