

## Notes from Mrs. Nash

Embracing curious minds. Nurturing compassionate hearts.

St. John Fisher School – Welcome Home Falcons!

September 2, 2022

Dear SJF Families,

Week 2 is check done and in the books! I can't begin to thank all of you for your energy and support as we dive into this new school year. We are grateful for all of the time you have spent at our recent social events including the Parish Picnic and "Back to School Night". Thank you to the Men's Club for hosting the Parish Picnic and providing all of the food and drinks. Thank you to the Women's Club and FSA for the raffle, face painting, jumpy and everything in between!

I hope you enjoyed "Back to School Night" as much as we did! Thank you for taking the time to visit the classrooms and teachers to see all of the wonderful things we have going on at SJF! Here is a link to the video presentation from Tuesday night in case you missed it. Thank you, Mrs. Corley, for this beautiful montage!

Today marks the last day of SJF's Inaugural Boot Camp. Our Falcons not only survived, but thrived this week as together we focused on being *Respectful, Responsible and Safe* in the classroom, hallway, lunch room, bathroom, parking lot, play lot and church. Please talk to your child(ren) about Bootcamp and our school expectations and feel free to utilize our 3 B's at home! Our Falcons are prepped and ready to have their best year yet!

Now more than ever is a great time to be a St. John Fisher Falcon! We are so grateful for our 300+ SJF Families. The future of our school and community is bright! Thank you for your continued support of Catholic education, but specifically St. John Fisher School. **Peace, Love, SJF**.

In unity and hope,

-Mrs. Maura Nash

#### **Important Announcements**

- REMINDER: There is **no school on Monday, September 6**<sup>th</sup>. Enjoy your long weekend!
- Forgotten Items: In an effort to emphasize this month's trait of the month, *Responsibility*, which is also one of our 3 B's from boot camp, St. John Fisher can *no longer accept forgotten assignments*, *supplies or Chromebooks before school*. <u>SJF will accept medication and lunches</u>.
- SJF will *no longer provide a loaner Chromebook* if a student forgot his/her Chromebook or forgot to charge his/her Chromebook. If a student's Chromebook is damaged and getting repaired, we will provide that student with a loaner Chromebook until his/her Chromebook is repaired.
- Please *read, sign and return our Electronic User Agreement* that went home in your packet on packet pick-up night.
- Early Dismissal & Absent Protocols: If your child is going to be absent or needs to be dismissed early, please email <a href="mailto:attendance@sifschool.us">attendance@sifschool.us</a>. You can also copy his/her classroom teacher. <a href="mailto:The teachers' email addresses can be found here">attendance@sifschool.us</a>. You can always call the office and speak to Mrs. Kris Houston at 773.445.4737 if you have questions. Thank you!
- Medical forms (sports physicals, dental, vision) and your family emergency card need to be turned into the Main Office as soon as possible.
- Extended Day has begun! As a reminder, this year Extended Day ends at 5 p.m. Visit this link to register your child. Reach out to Mrs. O'Grady with any questions, dogrady@sjfschool.us.

- The Hot Lunch menu has been updated and is open for September. Reach out to Mrs. Maxwell with questions, dmaxwell@sjfschool.us.
- **School Uniforms**: Please see pages 15-16 of our Student Handbook <u>linked here</u>. Uniforms can be purchased at Schools' Are Us, 3146 West 111<sup>th</sup> Street, Chicago 60655.
- **Falcon Spirit-wear Fridays!** Students are able to wear <u>any</u> Falcon spirit-wear tops on Fridays with their uniform bottoms. NO HOODIES or spirit-wear are allowed Monday Thursday. Thank you!
- Men's Club Father/Son White Sox Game: There are only 60 tickets left and we have to send in our final number to the Sox by September 7<sup>th</sup>! If you plan to attend, please let us know ASAP, sjfhns@gmail.com. Thank you!

#### **Athletics Update!**

- **Fall Athletic Spirit Wear Store is open!** Visit this link to order your spirit wear and support our athletic program. The store closes at midnight on September 7<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for your support!
- Future Falcon Cheer is Back! <u>Visit this link for more information and to register your child(ren)</u>. If you have any questions, reach out to Katy Collins, <u>kkcollins27@yahoo.com</u>.



## **Social & Emotional Learning**

- At SJF we continue to build upon our SEL goals. Each month of the school year will have an all-school focus on the trait of the month, helping students strengthen particular social skills with different lessons and activities at the classroom level and as an entire school. We encourage you to talk to your children about these traits at home for a consistent message and focus.
- The trait of the month program is building upon this year's behavior system and school mantra: Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be Safe.

September	Responsibility
October	Respect
November	Gratitude
December	Kindness
January	Integrity
February	Friendship
March	Perseverance
April	Empathy
May	Optimism

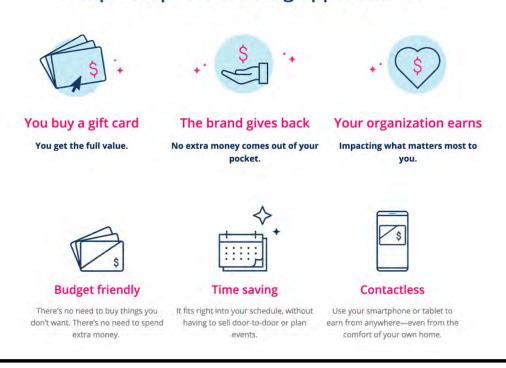


### **Manna Update**

Manna Update: Summer hours will continue through Sept. Monday 8 – 9 AM, Wednesday 6-7 PM, Saturday 8:30-9:30. We are trying to manage the costs of running the program, so it continues to be a good fundraiser for the school and to reduce tuition costs. We will continue to listen to feedback and review sales. With the improvements in the app and option to send home cards with students at school, we are hoping the reduced hours is not a big inconvenience for school families. Reminder on send home process: Manna orders made through the shop with scrip website or raise right app can be sent home from school with students for school families that choose this method. A few requirements:

- 1. PLEASE SUBMIT: <u>Manna Waiver Form</u> Agreement for gift cards to be sent home through school. Submitting this form will signal to the Manna team that you'd like <u>ALL</u> ORDERS to be sent home from school.
- 2. Use <u>www.shopwithscrip.com</u> or <u>Raise Right App.</u>
- 3. Place order by **10 AM on Sundays** and gift cards will be sent home on **THURSDAYS.** If you miss that deadline, your order will be sent home the following Thursday.
- 4. Note: if this is the method you choose, all orders submitted and paid for will be delivered this way. If you decide to revert back to picking up your orders at the convent, please email <a href="mailto:sifmanna@gmail.com">sifmanna@gmail.com</a> to be removed from the "Send Home" list. You are still welcome to stop in at the Convent to order gift cards in stock during hours. For more info on the program see <a href="Manna website">Manna website</a>. Email <a href="mailto:sifmanna@gmail.com">sifmanna@gmail.com</a> with any questions.
- 5. Tip: Use Reminders on shopwithscrip site under "Dashboard Account Settings Reminders." You can set up a Shopping Cart with regular orders to easily submit with a few clicks.

#### Simple steps for creating opportunities





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\*Below is a list of important dates for the 2022-2023 school year. Because of the unpredictable world we live in, these dates are subject to change. We are hopeful for a very "normal" school year ahead!

Labor Day – No School: 9.5

• School Picture Day: 10.4

• Parent Teacher Conferences: 10.5, 10.6

No School: 10.7

• Indigenous Peoples' Day – No School: 10.10

School Picture Make-up Day: 11.17

• 11.23 ~ 11:30 dismissal

Thanksgiving Break: 11.24 – 11.27 \*classes resume 11.28

• **12.21** ~ 11:30 dismissal

• Christmas Break: 12.22 – 1.4 \*classes resume 1.5

Martin Luther King Day – No School: 1.16

• Confirmation: **2.4** ~ 11:00 a.m.

• Graduation Picture Day: 2.8

Parent Teacher Conferences: 2.16

All-Staff Religious Formation & Professional Development (no classes): 2.17

President's Day – No School: 2.20

No School: 3.13

Faculty Professional Development – No School: 3.24

• Faculty Professional Development – No School: 4.5

• Spring Break: **4.6 – 4.16** \*classes resume **4.17** 

• First Holy Communion: 4.29

• Memorial Day – No School: 5.29

• Last Day of School for 8th Grade: 6.2

• Graduation: 6.4 ~ 1 p.m. in church

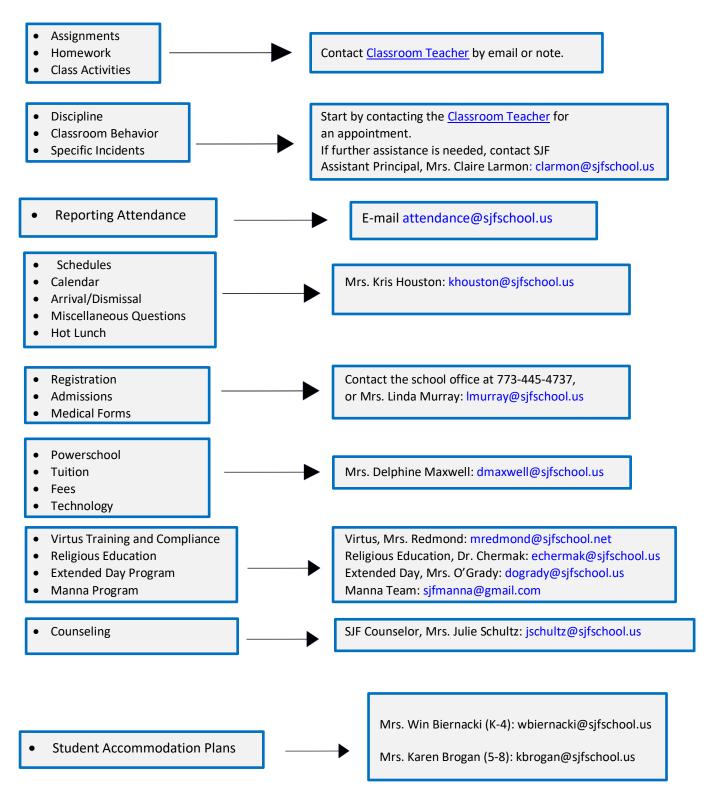
• Last Day of School: **6.8** ~ 10:30 dismissal

\*1 p.m. dismissals are scheduled for the last Wednesday of the following months for faculty meetings, PLC work and council collaboration: September 28<sup>th</sup>, October 26<sup>th</sup>, November 30<sup>th</sup>, December 14<sup>th</sup>, January 25<sup>th</sup>, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, March 29<sup>th</sup>, April 26<sup>th</sup>, May 31<sup>st</sup>.



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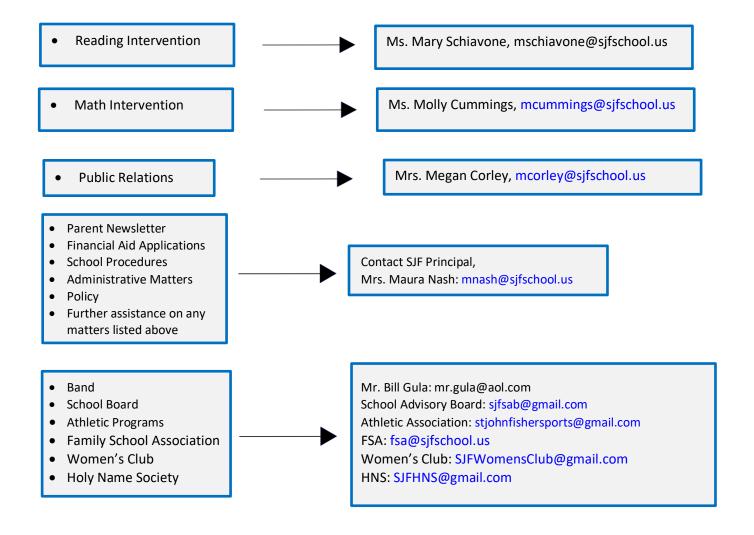
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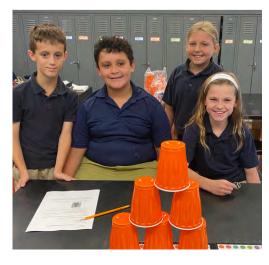


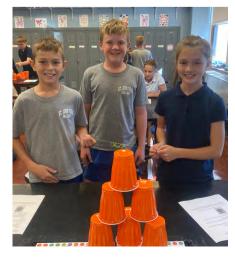


































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Horse Thief & Open Outcry Oktoberfest Beers,
Domestic Beers and 90+ Cellars Seasonal Wines
all available for purchase. Split the Pot & Raffle Baskets.

LOCATED IN ST. JOHN FISHER PARKING LOT



## St John Fisher Men's Club Father-Son Sox Game





Sunday September 25th
Noon: Bus Departs from SJF parking lot (beer included)
1:10pm: First Pitch

20 Min. after Final Out: Bus Departs Bus Lot A for SJF

Game Ticket: \$30
Bus and Game Ticket: \$45



# St. John Fisher FSA PIZZA SETUP Fundraiser



**Support SJF FSA & Shop Local!** 

Must be redeemed at 3804 W. 111th Street location

DUE: Friday, September 9th (cash or check to SJF FSA)

-		Contact # (if needed)	Contact # (if needed)		
		Teacher/Room#			
12" thin (3 pizzas)	Each Includes 1 pound of mozzarella & pint of pint of homemade sauce	Cheese \$15 each	Sausage \$20 each (Includes 20 oz of homemade pizza meat)	Pepperoni \$20 each (Includes ½ pound of pepperoni)	Total \$
7" thin (10 pizzas)	Each Includes 1 pound of mozzarella & pint of pint of homemade sauce	Cheese \$18 each	Sausage \$22 each (Includes 20 oz of homemade pizza meat)	Pepperoni \$22 each (Includes ½ pound of pepperoni)	Total \$
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10" gluten free (3 pizzas)	Each Includes 1 pound of mozzarella & pint of pint of homemade sauce	Cheese \$20 each	\$23 each (Includes 20 oz of homemade pizza meat)	Pepperoni \$23 each (Includes ½ pound of pepperoni)	Total \$

Contact Erica Cahill with any questions: ericacahill@gmail.com Total amount \$\_\_\_\_\_