

# School of the Incarnation Newsletter

## Thursday, January 2, 2025

Friday, January 3rd:	Spirit Wear Day
Tuesday, January 7th:	MAP testing for Grades 2nd - 8th 8:45 - 10:45 AM
Wednesday, January 8th:	MAP testing for Grades 2nd - 8th 8:45 - 10:00 AM
Friday, January 10th:	Spirit Wear Day T2 Progress reports sent home - see below PAC Middle School Skate-A-Palooza 5 - 7 PM
Wednesday, Jan. 15th:	MAP testing for Grades 2nd - 8th 8:45 - 10:45 AM
Thursday, January 16th:	School Mass for students in Grade 3-5 10:00 AM
Friday, January 17th:	Spirit Wear Day
Monday, January 20th:	School Closed - Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Wednesday, January 22nd:	House Meeting Day - students may wear their house color
Thursday, January 23rd:	Winter Clubs Picture Day
Friday, January 24th:	Spirit Wear Day
Saturday, January 25th:	Prospective Student Open House 8:30 - 11:00 AM
January 26 - February 1:	Catholic Schools Week
Monday, January 27th:	School Mass 10:00 AM
Wednesday, Jan. 29th:	Community Campaign Launch Party - more details coming soon!
Friday, February 7th:	Spirit Wear Day PAC Father/Daughter Dance 6:30 PM



### **Emergency & Weather Related Closing/Delayed Openings**

In accordance with Archdiocesan policy, the School of the Incarnation follows Anne Arundel County Public School System's decision for school closing, late opening, and early dismissal.

Announcements regarding these county decisions are made on WBAL, local television and radio stations. A message will be sent to parents via the communication system and posted on the school's Facebook page and website. Announcements regarding the cancellation of AM Kindergarten sessions do not apply to our kindergarten or full-day pre-K students, since these announcements only refer to half-day programs, but they do apply to our half-day pre-K students.



If school opening is delayed, the Extended School Program (ESP) Morning Care will begin at 8:00 AM for safety reasons, unless otherwise announced. If school should close early due to a weather emergency, ESP will remain open until 4:00 PM, unless otherwise announced. However, parents are asked to pick up children as soon as possible to assist staff who also need to travel in inclement weather.

In the case that Anne Arundel County is not in session or there is a need that is particular to the school itself, families will be notified via the alert system.

The Archdiocese of Baltimore policy regarding inclement weather days:

- Days 1-3 are true inclement weather days - no school, no instruction.
- Days 4 & 5 are asynchronous learning days - teachers will post assignments that students would be expected to complete.
- Days 6+ will result in days added to the end of the school year.

[Asynchronous Remote Learning Expectations](#) (Please note that the expectations for inclement weather are listed second)

New for the 2024/25 school year:

School of the Incarnation has identified three inclement weather days into the calendar: April 17th, May 12th, and May 23rd. Please note that for each inclement weather day we need to use to close school from August-April, we will take away one of the inclement weather (days off) identified in April-May. Families will be notified if school will be closed on any of those days in early spring.

### **T2 Progress Reports**

T2 Progress Reports (formerly called Interims) will be sent home on Friday, January 10th.

Just a reminder that reports are sent home as follows:

- Grade PK-2: in folders
- Grade 3-8: will be sent home via email

### **MAP Testing for students in grades 2 - 8**

The Archdiocese of Baltimore uses the MAP assessment for standardized testing. MAP is an online, untimed assessment that will be administered three times a year in the fall, winter, and spring to students in grades 2 - 8.

- ★ Reading: Tuesday, January 7th 8:45 - 10:45 AM
- ★ Language: Wednesday, January 8th 8:45 - 10:00 AM
- ★ Math: Wednesday, January 15th 8:45 - 10:45 AM

### **Save the Date!**

Building the Faith, Building the Future Community Campaign Launch Party

Wednesday, January 29th - event will be in the evening hours

More details coming soon!

### **Re-Enrollment 2025-2026 School Year**

Re-enrollment for the 2025-2026 school year for all **current** SOTI students has begun. The re-enrollment fee schedule for the 2025-2026 school year is:

- **\$115/student if paid between December 3rd and January 10th**
- \$175/student if paid between January 11th and January 31st
- \$250/student if paid between February 1st and February 14th
- If not paid by February 14th, your child's spot will be released



### **House Feast Day Celebrations**

*Monday, February 10th-*

Saturday, February 8th is the Feast Day of **St. Josephine Bakhita**. Her Feast Day will be observed on Monday, February 10th and students who are members of her house (Green House) may dress out-of-uniform. Students must wear the color **GREEN**. Students who have PE must wear sneakers. Please refer to the Parent/Student Handbook for out-of-uniform guidelines.

### **2024-2025 School Year**

Remote Day for Students - Friday, February 28, 2025

School Closed (Professional Day) - Friday, March 21, 2025

School Closed - Monday, March 24, 2025

Easter Break: April 18 - 25, 2025

Last day of classes for 8th grade students: Friday, May 23, 2025

Last day of classes for Pre-K students: Friday, May 30, 2025

8th Grade Graduation: Saturday, May 31, 2025

Last day of classes for students (Grade K-7): Thursday, June 5, 2025



\*link to school calendar:

<https://www.schooloftheincarnation.org/events/calendar>

## **Sibling Applications for the 2025-2026 School Year**

Applications for new students (**not current students**) are now available on our school website. Below is a chart explaining three paths for admissions. Each admissions path has its own deadline and each path will follow our admissions priorities. Students applying for grades 1-8, can get an admissions decision prior to Christmas following the early action timeline below.

SCHOOL OF THE INCARNATION			ADMISSIONS TIMELINE		
EARLY ACTION	FIRST ROUND	ROLLING	EARLY ACTION	FIRST ROUND	ROLLING
<u>Grades 1-8</u> Apply and complete application by December 1st	<u>Grades 2-8</u> Apply and complete application by January 10th Screening Day February 3rd	<u>Grades 2-8 Applications</u> after January 10th  <u>Grades PreK - 1</u> Applications after February 3rd			
Screening appointments at a mutually convenient time between completed application submittal and December 15th	<u>Grades PreK-1</u> Apply and complete application by February 3rd Screening Day February 14th	Screening appointments at a mutually convenient time after completed application submitted			
Decisions by December 20th	First Round decisions on or before March 1st	Decisions within 2 weeks of screening			

### **From the Cafeteria**

The cafeteria is currently looking to hire a few part time employees. Please see the attached flyer for more details.

### **The Spirit Wear store is always open!!**

The new Spirit Wear store will stay open year round. Items may change based on the season or special events. These items will be shipped directly to your home.

<https://chesapeakedistribution.com/collections/school-of-the-incarnation>

### **Volunteer Certification**

If you are new to School of the Incarnation and would like to volunteer or chaperone for an upcoming event or field trip, you must complete Virtus training. Please follow the steps outlined on our website. The link can be found here: <https://www.schooloftheincarnation.org/resources/parent-volunteering>

If you need assistance or have questions, please contact Lisa Hanson, Volunteer Screening Coordinator, at [lhanson@schooloftheincarnation.org](mailto:lhanson@schooloftheincarnation.org)

Returning parents who have already completed Virtus training can contact Lisa Hanson to check your Virtus status.

### **ESP Teachers/Aids Needed for 24-25 School Year**

Do you know a college student or older high school student who loves to work with children and is looking for some part-time work? Our ESP program is hiring staff for the afternoons (3:15-5:30 PM). In order to be considered for ESP Teacher positions, the candidate must be 18 years old. Teens 16-18 are eligible to be considered for assistant positions. Please contact Lisa Bucci, [lbucci@schooloftheincarnation.org](mailto:lbucci@schooloftheincarnation.org) for more information.

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### **BEYOND PROGRAM INFORMATION**

#### GENERAL INFORMATION REMINDERS

- At the end of each club meeting, students are brought to the front doors to meet parents for pick up. Thank you for being on time, parking in the lot, and walking to the sidewalk to let the volunteers and/or Miss Santini know that you're taking your child. ESP students are taken back to their ESP class for pick up if parents haven't arrived.
- Snacks are optional and are meant to be a quick, healthy food item (fresh or dried fruit or vegetable, applesauce pouch, tree nuts, and a small protein bar are great options). Please...NO candy, chips, cookies, etc. Labeling the food item with "club snack" is helpful to avoid it being eaten at lunch.

If you have any questions or ideas for a club, please contact our school's Auxiliary Services Coordinator, Amy Santini at [asantini@schooloftheincarnation.org](mailto:asantini@schooloftheincarnation.org)

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The God Spot

### **Adoration Volunteers are needed for Friday, January 10th**

Friday, January 10th we will have Adoration in our school chapel. We are looking for volunteer adorers to provide coverage for 30-60 minute blocks between the hours of 8:30-2:30. This will allow the teachers to bring their classes in for adoration according to their schedule throughout the day.

To volunteer, please click on this link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0849AFA92AA5F5C25-53772868-volunteers>

For general information on Adoration, you may want to visit the following website for Catholic articles and resources: <https://catholic-link.org/how-to-go-to-adoration-eucharist/>

### **Weekly Rosary**

Parents, faculty, and staff are invited to participate in saying the rosary on Wednesday mornings at 7:15 a.m. in the chapel (enter through front doors – chapel through door to immediate right). We hope that you can join us for all or part of the rosary! Questions - please contact Ms. Hinton at [chinton@schooloftheincarnation.org](mailto:chinton@schooloftheincarnation.org)

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## Parent Advisory Council News

### **Save the Dates!**

- Coming Soon: PAC presents the first SOTI Skate-A-Palooza! A Middle School Skate Night, January 10th 5-7 PM
- Next Up: Father-Daughter Dance, February 7th 6:30 PM

### **Parent Advisory Council**

Do you have questions or ideas? Please email the PAC at [pac@schooloftheincarnation.org](mailto:pac@schooloftheincarnation.org)

### **PAC Facebook Page**

Did you know the PAC has an [official Facebook page](#)? Join today to stay up to date on important PAC news and events!

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**January 2025 Lunch Menu**  
**TOMMY'S FOOD SERVICE @ School of the Incarnation**  
**"Great Food for Great Kids"**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1	2 <b>Breakfast for lunch</b> Pancakes or French Toast Sticks, Sausage, Tater Tots, Cinnamon Apples	3 <b>Pizza Day</b>  Better Ingredients. Better Pizza.
6 <b>Chicken Tenders</b> Potato Wedges Mixed Vegetables	7 <b>Rotini</b> in marinara sauce, meatballs and tossed salad	8 <b>Cheesburger/ Hamburger</b> French Fries Veggies	9 <b>Breakfast for lunch</b> Pancakes or French Toast Sticks, Sausage, Tater Tots, Cinnamon Apples	10 <b>Pizza Day</b>  Better Ingredients. Better Pizza.
13 <b>Corn Dog / Chicken Nuggets</b> Homemade Mac & Cheese Mixed Vegetables	14 <b>Cheese Ravioli</b> in marinara sauce, meatballs and tossed salad	15 <b>Chicken Fajitas</b> served on a flour tortilla with rice, black beans and corn	16 <b>Breakfast for lunch</b> Pancakes or French Toast Sticks, Sausage, Tater Tots, Cinnamon Apples	17 <b>Pizza Day</b>  Better Ingredients. Better Pizza.
20 <b>School Closed</b>	21 <b>Rigatoni</b> in marinara sauce, meatballs and tossed salad	22 <b>Baked Potato Bar</b> With Cheddar Cheese, Bacon Bits, Steamed Broccoli, Butter and Sour Cream	23 <b>Breakfast for lunch</b> Pancakes or French Toast Sticks, Sausage, Tater Tots, Cinnamon Apples	24 <b>Pizza Day</b>  Better Ingredients. Better Pizza.
27 <b>Chicken Sandwich</b> French Fries Carrot Sticks  <b>School Mass</b>	28 <b>Shells</b> in marinara sauce, meatballs and tossed salad	29 <b>Walking Taco,</b> Spanish Rice and Corn	30 <b>Breakfast for lunch</b> Pancakes or French Toast Sticks, Sausage, Tater Tots, Cinnamon Apples	31 <b>Pizza Day</b>  Better Ingredients. Better Pizza.

**Combo lunch** is \$6.50. It includes the entrée, sides listed and a choice of milk, juice or water. **Hot dogs or grilled cheese** plus the sides and drink (milk, juice or water) is also a combo lunch. **See below for available daily items. The only exception is pizza day:** hot dogs and chicken nuggets are not available. Nachos are available on Wednesdays. Ice cream is available on Tuesdays and Pizza days. We do not deep fry any food. **Prices and menu are subject to change without notice.**

**Tuesday: Ice Cream    Wednesday: Nachos    Thursday: Cinnamon Buns    Friday: Ice Cream**

Available Daily	Price	Available Daily	Price	Extras When Available	Price
Hot dog	\$2.75	Cookies	\$1.25	French Fries	\$2.75
Grilled Cheese	\$2.75	Chips	\$1.25	Rice or Potato	\$2.75
Chicken Nuggets	\$3.75	Soft Pretzels or	\$1.50	Waffle/Curly Fries/Tater tots	\$2.95
<b>Homemade Soup</b>	\$2.75	Pretzel Logs or Bites	\$1.95	Buttered Noodles	\$2.75
Chicken Noodle or		Fruit (Apple or Orange)	\$1.50	Chicken Patty Sandwich	\$3.95
Tomato or		Fresh Fruit in a Cup	\$2.50	Chicken Tenders (3 pcs)	\$3.75
Vegetable		Yogurt (Yoplait)	\$1.75	Cheesburger/Hamburger	\$3.95
		GoGurt Yogurt Tube	\$1.00	Corn dog	\$2.75
<b>Salad/Sandwiches</b>		String cheese	\$0.60	Meatballs (4 pcs)	\$2.50
Chicken, Tuna, Egg, Lg. Garden	\$4.75	Veggie (tossed salad,	\$2.00	Meatball Sub	\$4.00
Garden Salad	\$2.00	carrots or sliced cucumber		Pancakes (3)/French toast sticks (3-4)	\$3.50
<b>Beverage</b>		Pudding/Jell-o	\$2.00	Philly Cheesesteak	\$4.50
Milk or Juice	\$0.90	<b>Tuesdays and Pizza Days ONLY</b>		Pizza (1 slice)	\$2.85
Bottled Water	\$1.00	Ice cream cup	\$1.00	Mac and Cheese	\$3.95
Gatorade/Propel	\$1.75	Twister	\$1.75	Cheese Ravioli (7 pcs)	\$3.95
		Scooter Bar	\$1.50	Walking Taco	\$4.25
		<b>Wednesdays ONLY</b>		Fish sandwich	\$4.00
		Nachos, Chips and Cheese	\$2.75	Baked Potato W/Fixings	\$6.50

Please call us at the school cafeteria 410-519-2285 Ext. 2504 or E-mail us at [lunch@schooloftheincarnation.org](mailto:lunch@schooloftheincarnation.org) for any inquiries.

[Nutritional Info](#)

*Thank you, Tommy and Arianna*

**BUILDING THE FAITH**



**BUILDING OUR FUTURE**

2024 Capital Campaign

SAVE THE DATE

JANUARY 29, 2025

Community Campaign Launch Party

Event will be in the evening hours.  
More details coming soon!



# New Family Referral Program

Our current Incarnation families are by far the best ambassadors for spreading the word about our school! Our New Family Referral Program rewards current families with a one-time \$250 tuition credit for referring a new family who applies and enrolls. Here's how it works:

- If you know of a family that you believe may be interested in School of the Incarnation, complete the "New Family Referral Form" below and submit to the school office.
- Reach out to the family and share your experiences at School of the Incarnation. Share with them the reasons you have chosen Catholic education and why you think they should do the same. Let them know that you have or will refer their information to the school and that an admissions representative will call or email them to provide more information.
- For each new family that applies and enrolls at least one full-time student, a \$250 tuition credit will be awarded to the current referring family after the new student has been in attendance for 30 days.
- Siblings of current students and previously enrolled students do not qualify as new families. Staff members are not eligible for the referral credit.
- Note that this form must be on file in the front office before the new family has contacted the school on their own for information or to visit so it is best to submit the form as soon as possible after speaking with the new family. In other words, the referral form is not retroactive and you are not eligible for the referral if the family contacts school before the referral.
- This referral program is open to all families with students currently enrolled in PreK4-Grade 8.
- Referral fees are limited to one per family per academic year.

## Current Family

Parent name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Student name(s) /Grade(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, MD \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

## New Family

Parent name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Student name(s)/Grade(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

**How do you know this family?** Work Friend Relative Neighbor

Church Community Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Any information we should know?** \_\_\_\_\_

By signing below, I confirm that I personally know this family and have shared the good news about School of the Incarnation with them. I understand that an Admissions representative from the school will be contacting this new family to provide more information and invite the family for a tour. I have read and understand the guidelines of the New Family Referral Program. Contact Casey Boswell at 410.519.2285 with any questions.

**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

<p><b>-Office use only-</b> Form submission date _____ Contact date _____</p> <p>Enrollment date _____ \$250 tuition credit date _____</p>
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# HIRING in the Cafeteria! Referrals Appreciated!

Hello, SOTI's school and Church colleagues!

I would like to tap into the extended SOTI community and your local networks.

## **We are hiring a part-time employee (maybe two or three!)**

Ideally, I'm hoping to build a network of VIRTUS-cleared folks who I can call if we have an employee out for sick or personal time.

*Do you know a person who is looking to stay busy a few hours each day, or a couple days each week? Perhaps someone who already volunteers here would like a few paid hours as well?*

This job is great for people of all ages and abilities and may be particularly aligned for those who have school-aged children, are retired, in college, or working an evening job and looking for daytime hours!

Please share the QR code links below with anyone you think would be interested!

**THANK YOU for your help as we continue to build our team and serve the SOTI community!**

Arianna Pepino

Hiring Manager – Tommy's Food Service



Part-Time Staffers