

May 11, 2022



St. John Catholic School

Educational Ministry of St. John The Baptist Parish



ON THE HORIZON:

Sunday, May 15th

Family Mass (all encouraged to attend)
9:30am

Spring Showcase/Open House at SJCS

10:30am – 12:30pm

All current and prospective families welcome!

Monday, May 16th

Final STAR testing window opens

Dear Shamrock Family,

As you may know, staff contracts for the upcoming school year go out to current staff members in mid-April of each school year. Staff members who plan to rejoin the staff for the following school year return their signed contracts by the first Monday in May. The following are the anticipated SJCS staffing changes for the 2022 - 2023 school year.

Current first grade teacher, Ms. DeVost; current fourth grade teacher, Mrs. Able, and current middle school teacher, Mrs. Boerman will be leaving SJCS in June. They are each excitedly pursuing a new path. We thank them for their incredibly loving and dedicated service and wish them much success in their future endeavors, whether it be a change in occupation or role or spending more time with family.

Our current third grade teacher, Ms. White, will be moving up with her 3rd grade class next year and will take on a new role as 4th grade teacher for the 2022 - 2023 school year. It is my understanding that her students and the 3rd grade families are happy with this sense of consistency for the upcoming year.

The administration team and I are busy interviewing various potential teacher candidates. One hopeful candidate will even visit our school this Friday afternoon to conduct a demo lesson in kindergarten, for the opportunity to teach first grade at SJCS next school year. Further interviews and potential demo lessons will continue for both the third grade and middle school ELA and social studies teaching positions.

Attentively,
Ms. Paige Child

SJCS SPRING SHOWCASE/OPEN HOUSE:

Since our opportunity to have current parents gather and view student work at our annual January open house during Catholic Schools' Week had to be altered for reasons pertaining to Covid-19; we will be hosting a first annual SJCS Spring Showcase/Open House at which current and prospective families are welcomed to walk the halls and classrooms to adore student work, meet and speak with school families and staff members. Please plan to join us THIS Sunday, May 15th between 10:30am – 12:30pm. Hope to see you there! Please bring a friend or two as well. Masking is strongly encouraged.

SJCS SPRING CONCERT:

The Spring Concert will take place at 6:30pm on May 23rd, inside the gym. At this rate all parents/family members will be welcomed, regardless of vaccination status, and audience members are strongly encouraged to wear masks while in the gym (not necessarily students while singing).

There will be assigned seating for each class and a separate space for parents/guardians. Students are expected to meet their teacher inside the gym at their designated seating area at 6:15pm. After students have made their way to their designated spot, parents/guardians may establish their own seating arrangements.

MAY AUCTION UPDATE:

Although we will NOT be hosting our annual “Margaritas & Must Haves” fundraiser this year, classes are hard at work creating mementos that will be available to purchase via auction at the end of the school year. These items will be up for preview at our Spring Showcase/ Open House on 5/15/22 Keep a lookout for more information to come!

SHAMROCK SHOUT OUT:

Congratulations to our students who made their First Holy Communion over the weekend! May you know, feel and be God's love!



MAY CROWNING, 2022:

Today our 8th grade Mary court and 2nd grade students led our school community in honoring our Mother Mary at our May crowning mass. We adore Thee, Mother Mary!



TALENT SHOW:

If anyone missed the Talent Show meeting yesterday and is interested in participating, please fill out attached permission slip and return to Mrs. Elliott by Monday, May 16th. We will have a **dress rehearsal on Monday, May 16th right after school from 3:00pm-4:30pm**. The Talent Show will take place on Friday, May 20th at 6:30pm in the gym. All students/families are welcome to attend (masks requested)! Email Mrs. Elliott (kelliott@csdo.org) with any questions.

MANDATORY SURVEY:

Hello SJCS Families, Every six years, Catholic Schools are required to complete the accreditation process. At St. John, we completed our accreditation in March of 2018. Each year in between we are asked to assess our progress in certain areas. This year we are assessing "Prayer and Sacraments" and we need your input. Please fill out the survey using the link below by May 20th.

Parent Survey: <https://forms.gle/NUsdKjbUr1zWTpik9>

SERVICE HOUR OPPORTUNITY:

Field Day Supplies Needed!

Are you looking for last minute service hour opportunities for the 2021-2022 school year? Typically the cut off for service hours is April 30th, but we have made an exception this year.

7th grade is in need of a couple items to help put on an amazing field day for all our students. Service hours will be awarded at \$25/hr. So every \$25 spent equals 1 service hour.

Our wish list can be found

here: https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2IT9B0VZNB0X6?ref=wl_share

Please include your name on any donations sent to the school so we can credit your service hours appropriately. Please email Ms. Boerman at kboerman@csdo.org with any questions.

SCRIP IS NOW RAISERIGHT!:

On May 1st, Shop With SCRIP became RaiseRight! It is the same program you know and love, just with an updated design. Reminder: There are only 2 more orders left this school year. This is a perfect time to get a head start on your 2022-2023 fundraising obligation!

Have you ever wondered what RaiseRight is and how it benefits St. John Catholic School?

What? RaiseRight is Fundraising While You Shop! It turns everyday shopping into cash for your organization when families use retail gift cards to pay for everyday purchases (like gas and groceries) instead of the usual credit/debit card or other money.

How? Profits from your purchases count toward your family's annual \$300 fundraising obligation. Be sure to pay attention to the percentage that each card earns to accurately calculate your contributions.

Please refer to www.RaiseRight.com for a complete list of participating vendors. Orders can be placed through RaiseRight's website or the attached paper form. RaiseRight orders are due on May 5, 2022. Please contact Ms. Aimee at asire@cndo.org for more information on the RaiseRight program or information on how to enroll online.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FUNDRAISER:

The Knights of Columbus will host a fundraiser for seminarians and Catholic education in support of the St John Catholic School, confirmation classes, and special education ministries within St. John parish. A 55" LG SMART TV will be raffled off, with tickets \$5.00 each. Raffle tickets will be available after school and after masses from Knights of Columbus Council members.

Similarly, On FATHER'S DAY, June 19th, after the Sunday 7:30am; 9:30am; and 11:30am masses- coffee and pastries will be available to raise funds for Catholic education (SJCS, confirmation classes, and special education ministries.) at St John. For info contact Michael McCarthy, GK. @ the parish office.

FAITH FORMATION:

Family Formation

<https://www.familyformation.net>

STUDENT LEARNING EXPECTATIONS:

Shamrocks are students who learn about and actively live the Catholic Faith.

Shamrocks are students who understand and value the importance of serving others and participate in service activities as stewards of God's creation.

Shamrocks are students who are life-long learners and work diligently to grow and achieve academically, spiritually, and socially in order to improve themselves and the world around them.

Student Mantra-

We live our faith. We serve others. We are life-long learners. We are people of integrity. We are Shamrocks

RICE BOWLS DUE!:

Rice bowls must be turned in no later than this Friday 5/13/22. FINAL COLLECTION DATE.

8TH GRADE, C/O 2022 STUDENT SPOTLIGHT:



Hi everyone, I'm **Masiela Aguilera**. I have been at St. John's for 10 years now, ever since Pre-K. I am delighted to say that I'm going to Arroyo High School. In 6th and 7th, I was the class representative. I was on the cheer team and cross country team throughout my years here at St. John's. I love to dance, cook, read, run, and listen to music. My favorite memory at St. John's is dancing with Enevy and Shyla at the Fall Festival. I am still a competitive dancer. I started performing at small events; now I perform at Disneyland, Universal CityWalk, and Great America. A piece of advice for others, love yourself and forgive yourself for your mistakes. St. John's helped me become the person I am today. I'm excited to start a new chapter in my life!



Hello there! My name is **Rikyla Alcantara**, nice to meet you! I have been at St. John Catholic School since the 5th grade. In 7th grade, I was the Commissioner of Publicity, but now I am the Vice President in the Student Council. I am quite excited to say that I will be attending Arroyo High next school year. My favorite things to do are dancing, cooking, ice-skating, photography, and sleeping :) My most memorable moment in St. John was actually when I first came here. My two classmates and friends, Grace Burrell and Masiela Aguilera-Calderon, asked me to stand next to them in line because they wanted to be friends with me. But... since they were really short during 5th grade, I thought that they were 3rd graders, so I ended up standing in line alone. For any younger students at St. John, I advise you to never be ill-mannered to anyone, including the people who have been rude to you in any shape or form. If you respect your peers, they'll have the same respect towards you. Another piece of advice is to have ambition, and if you already are, be more ambitious. It is such a wonderful feeling to have reached your goals in your academic studies, or in any manner. Well that's it. I am now very proud to say that it is such an honor to be a part of Class of 2022 :)



My name is **Kayla Borowsky**. I have been at SJCS for 10 years now, ever since Pre-K. I am a student council representative for the 8th grade class. I am going to LPS next year. I don't have many hobbies, but I do enjoy baking. One of my favorite memories from SJCS was when Tahlia and I did a twin telepathy trick in front of the class in 5th grade. No one could figure out how we were able to read each other's mind, and we still keep it a secret today. I'll miss times like that where I'd just have fun at St. John. My advice to younger students is to always give your best effort. Times will get hard, but don't let that stop you! Have goals and make sure that you follow through with them.



My name is **Tahlia Borowsky**. I have been at St. John for ten years, ever since Pre-K. The high school I am going to next year is LPS. On student council, I am a representative for the 8th grade class. One of my hobbies and what I really enjoy is baking. One of my favorite memories of SJCS is when Kayla and I made a poem about Christmas cookies in 3rd grade and said it at the Christmas concert. My advice for younger students is to always put your best effort into your work and studies, even when things can get hard. Have good intentions with everything you do. Always set goals for yourself and don't be afraid to achieve them. Make sure to also have fun at St. John. Make happy and fun memories that you will always remember, as I did here.



Hi!! My name is **Grace Burrell**. I have been blessed with the privilege of attending SJCS for 5 years. I will be attending Moreau Catholic High school next year, and I hope to make great memories there!! I am a member of the cross country team, serve as Secretary on Student Council, and I am a member of St. John's first ever Academic Decathlon Team and managed to win second place in the literature quiz- (I still question how I even got 2nd place to this day). A memory that I will always treasure from St. John is the entire experience. I have had many good memories and experiences there and I hope to learn from them. To all underclassmen: study and work hard!! And always, always remember where you came from.

St. John Catholic School

SPRING SHOWCASE

&

OPEN HOUSE

SUNDAY, MAY 15 ~ 10:30 - 12:30



Come see the great things that are happening at St. John!
Meet faculty, staff, families, and students.

You Belong Here!



Visit St. John Catholic School and discover how our dedicated faculty and staff are building a foundation for your child's success academically, socially, and spiritually



St John Talent Show Permission Slip

This permission slip ensures that you are allowing your child to participate in the talent show held on **Friday, May 20th at 6:30pm in the gym**. By signing this permission slip, you not only give permission for your child to participate in the talent show, but you and your child are agreeing to the following rules and conditions stated below.

Rules and Conditions

1. Please list your talent here: _____
 - a. Send Mrs. Elliott your song/lyrics by Monday, May 16th.
 - b. Your costume needs to be approved by Monday, May 16th.
 - c. There will be a **dress rehearsal on Monday, May 16th from 3pm-4:30pm** in the gym.
2. Students whose performance is deemed inappropriate by talent show coordinators will be advised to make more appropriate adjustments to act, or will be asked to withdraw from the talent show.
3. Talent Show performances may be no more than 2 minutes long.
4. We encourage all students participating in the talent show to practice outside of school, on their own time.

I, _____ allow my child to participate in the SJCS talent show held on Friday, May 20th.

****Please submit this permissions slip along with your music and costume by Monday, May 16th****



St. John CYO Cheerleading and Cross Country Sign Ups!

Attention all BOYS and GIRLS entering grades K-8!
It's time to sign up for
CHEERLEADING and CROSS COUNTRY!

When: May 9th- May 20th

Where: ONLINE ONLY
<https://stjohncyo.weebly.com/>

Cost: \$85 paid online
Cheer uniform costs will vary. Cheer uniform fitting day
TBD. NO cheer sign ups will be accepted after 5/20.
Cross Country Sign Ups will be open through August.

Fill out paperwork online and email to
shamrockcyo@gmail.com

Visit: <https://stjohncyo.weebly.com>

Please contact Kristen Elliott with any questions
510-331-1525 shamrockcyo@gmail.com



Mariner Explorers '22 Summer Camp

June 20th
through
June 30th



For Rising
6th-9th
Graders

- Photography (*Online*)
- Theatre Arts
- Visual Art
- Creative Writing



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June 27-30, 2022



Mock Trial Camp | July 11-15, 2022
for rising 7th-9th graders

SUMMER ATHLETICS CAMPS

Co-ed Basketball Camp | Coach Frank Knight III

Campers will be divided by age and level during the sessions. Campers may attend 1 or 2 sessions.

Open to: boys and girls, entering grades 2nd-9th

- Session #1 June 13th - June 17th (9am to 2pm) Cost: \$200*
- Session #2 June 20th- June 23rd (9am to 3pm) Cost: \$200*

Bring your own lunch & basketball

Contact: Frank Knight, fknight@moreaucatholic.org

Girls' Basketball Camp | Coach Rachel Tripplett

Open to Girls entering grades 3rd - 8th

- 3 days; June 9th from 9am-1pm, June 10th from 9am-1pm, June 11th from 9am-noon

Cost: \$125*

Bring your own basketball & water bottle

Contact: Rachel Tripplett, rtripplett@moreaucatholic.org

Girls' Volleyball Camp | Coach Donny Hui

Open to Girls entering grades 6th-9th

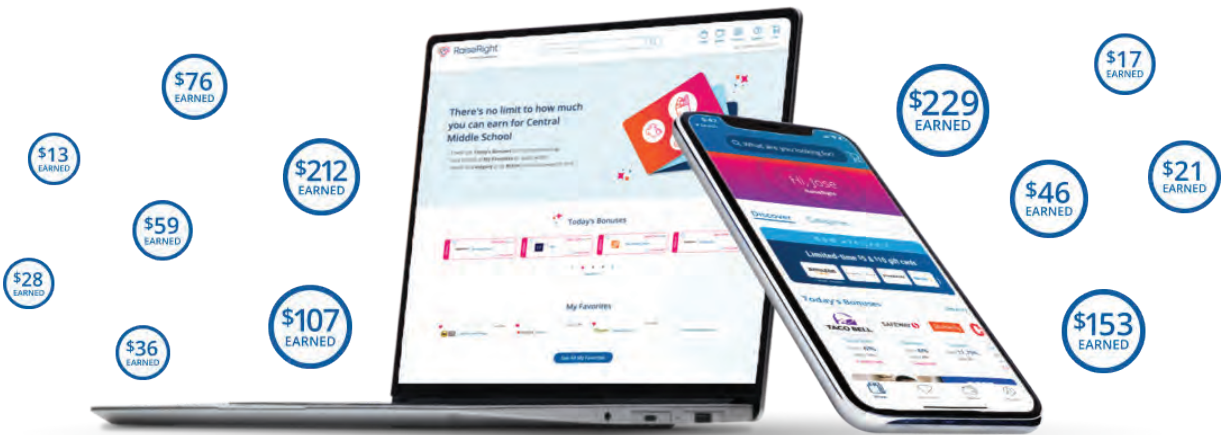
- June 27th - June 30th (6:30pm - 8:30pm) Cost: \$125*

Bring your own water bottle

Contact: Donny Hui, dhui@moreaucatholic.org

**T-shirt included with all camp registrations.*





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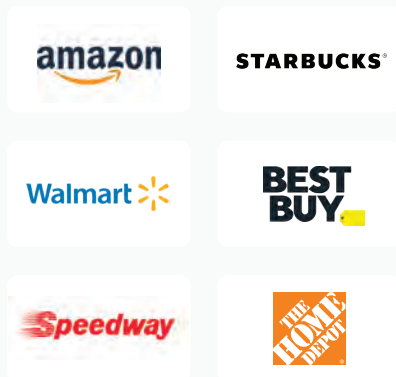
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Expense Category	Monthly Budget*	RaiseRight Earnings Avg	RaiseRight Annual Earnings
Groceries	\$400	4%	\$192
Gasoline	\$300	3%	\$108
Dining Out	\$250	10%	\$300
Entertainment	\$200	8%	\$192
Clothing	\$250	8%	\$240
Home Improvement	\$100	4%	\$48
		Total	\$1,080

*Based on average spend for a household family of 4