### From the Principal's Desk



May 12, 2022



### Holy Spirit School Inspiring Minds/Igniting Hearts 2021/2022

"In work there is dignity"

## Field Day! Field Day! Field Day!

### Field Day is tomorrow!!!!

This annual event takes place rain or shine (and we are hoping the showers hold off until at least the afternoon)!

A few reminders for tomorrow that came last week from the PTO:

**Field Day T-Shirts will be distributed to students (Kindergarten – 7 <sup>th</sup> grade) on Field Day morning in their homerooms.** (Pre-K will have their own day of fun on May 20th). All students, Prek-Grade 8, will be provided a pizza lunch and ice cream sandwiches on Friday, May 13th.

Students should wear their gym uniforms and comfortable running shoes. Keep in mind they may get wet and dirty.

Students may bring labeled hats and sunglasses.

We will have water stations and cups. However, students may bring appropriately sized, labeled water bottles. Please do not bring any other drinks besides water, as they may attract bees.

**Apply sunscreen** to your students **before they come to school**! Sunscreen containers are not allowed at school.

Please ensure that your children eat an appropriate breakfast to prepare them for a day of

physical activity.

**Food:** We will provide popsicles during morning break, Domino's Pizza and water for lunch, and ice cream sandwiches during the afternoon. Students who are allergic to any of these items should bring their own snacks/lunches.

**Medical Conditions:** In the event that any children are currently suffering from some type of temporary physical disability or injury, or are currently wearing or using any assistive device, they will not compete in Field Day for their safety. Other accommodations will be made for these students. For those who suffer from allergies, please take into consideration that we will be outside most of the day.

The month of May is always busy and this year is no exception! We have had three different grade levels go on field trips this week (Woohoo! So happy spaces are opening back up to school groups!) and we have a number of "wrap-up" events that are scheduled in the next couple of weeks.

Be sure to keep watch both through this newsletter and announcements from classroom teachers as to events that pertain to your students.

A reminder that Friday, May 20th is an early dismissal day for teacher professional development; Extended Day will be open.

Friday, May 27th is also an early dismissal day as we head into the Memorial Day weekend; there is NO Extended Day. And Monday, May 30th is a NO school day for everyone.

Have you registered for the 5K Spirit Run to support our awesome Resource Department on May 21st? Are YOU faster than Father?

We are also in need of Course Marshall volunteers to help make the run a true success! Click below to sign up - thank you!

Volunteer at the 5K Race!

## -Maureen Ashby

Principal



READY TO SIGN UP?

SPONSOR INFORMATION



Lunch on the Si

### May 25, 2022

6, 7, 8<sup>th</sup> Grades 11:15-12:00 3, 4, 5<sup>th</sup> Grades 11:50-12:35 K, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grades 12:25-1:10 Prek - watch for information from your teacher as to the time

Students should bring a bag lunch and a towel/blanket on which to sit. We will eat on the parish lawn and enjoy the great outdoors!

Parents are encouraged to join us! Please do not forget there is NO hot lunch served this day.



# Holy Spirit Virtual Art Show 2022



When: Monday May 16<sup>th</sup>-Friday May 20th Link will be posted on Schoology pages

Where to view: Visit your child's Power learning page for Art and social media.

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## Don't Forget to Order This Year's School Picture!



CODE: SHIPFREE22

**ORDER SCHOOL PICTURES** 

EXPIRES: 8/30/22

## For those looking to get a jump... 2022/2023 Academic Year School Supplies!



### HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC SCHOOL 2022-2023 SCHOOL SUPPLY ORDERING INFORMATION

It's guaranteed to save you money, time and the hassle of finding that correct item! These kits match our school requirements for each grade.

This program is a safe and easy way to ensure your child has all the necessary items to start the new school year!

Grade Level 2022-2023	Cost Each
Pre-Kindergarten	\$87.00
Kindergarten	\$97.00
Grade 1	\$70.00
Grade 2	\$67.00
Grade 3	\$80.00
Grade 4	\$90.00
Grade 5	\$63.00
Grade 6 & New Middle School	\$95.00
Returning Grade 7 & 8	\$88.00

### **ONLINE ORDERING ONLY!**



For questions, please contact the school office at 703.978.7117

Teacher Approved • No Crowds • No Guesswork • School-Year Product Quality Guarantee

For those who prefer to shop themselves, the complete list of supplies by grade level can be accessed via the "Family Folder" below.

## Holy Spirit School PTO



#### Happy Spring!

**Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) Highlight:** Our next "PTO Member in the Spotlight" is Tom Fields. Tom currently serves as the PTO President. Tom saw the opportunity to give back to the school. He was impressed every year with the education his three children were receiving and wanted to be more engaged in the community. "My tenure in the PTO has clearly shown me what a wonderful community we have that supports the education of our children.", Fields said. He was also amazed to learn about the level of support the PTO gives to the school. Everything from direct classroom support to raising funds for the outdoor classroom, the media room, Chromebook leases, field trip buses, and teacher education. Students' tuition does not pay the full cost to educate our children and being a part of the PTO helps to raise funds for the school, as well as, enhancing the education through active parental involvement. Any questions about this or any other role on the PTO please feel free to e-mail <u>PTOPresident@HolySpiritFlames.org</u>

*Volunteer Coordinator Contact:* If you see an event that you are interested in, please email Mary Sonnen -<u>PTOvpmembership@holyspiritflames.org</u>

**2022** Field Day: All volunteer opportunities for the 2022 Field Day this May will only be available in <u>CONNECT1.IO</u>. It is easiest to set up on a computer, and each parent/guardian will need to have their own separate account. Questions email PTOPresident@HolySpiritFlames.org

- Go to: Connect1.io
- Select: Sign In
- Select: Sign Up (school code), enter your email address and school code of L41VP6
- You will get a confirmation email with a 6-digit code, enter the confirmation code
- Follow the steps to enter your profile

#### Important upcoming dates to remember:

May 13 – Field Day

**Ongoing Fundraisers:** 

Mabels Labels: https://mabelslabels.com/en\_US/fundraising/support/

BoxTops: Download App, scan your receipt; Referral code: A7RD91XB

#### Connect 1 School Engagement App Make Community Engagement <u>SIMPLE</u>, <u>FUN</u>, and Full of <u>HEART</u>

Connect 1



#### Three Engagement Functions in One App

- 1. Volunteering
- 2. Community Directory and Talent Center
- Prayer Board



#### Volunteering



- Secure and Only Accessible by School Community
- Digital Volunteering Board with all Events in One Place
- Talent Linking to Volunteer Roles
- Track Virtus Training Status for Volunteers
- ✓ Define Volunteer Points NO MORE HOURS TRACKING
- Gaming Earn Points, Advance in Levels, Attain Status
- New Award Center to Recognize Volunteers

#### **Community Directory and Talent Center**

- Community Contact In formation at Your Fingertips
- Easily Filter by Grade, Teacher, Talent or More
- NewTalent Center See Talents / Skills of Parents
- Automatically Get Directions Through Google Maps
- Separate Faculty vs. Family Contact Pages



#### Prayer Board



- Saint Avatars to Represent Your Family in the App
- Request Prayers from Your Community
- See Prayers of Community on "Prayer Board"
- An swer Prayers with a Single Click
- Gaming Achieve Increasing Status to Sainthood by Answering More Prayers

Visit www.connect1.io or download the app by searching for "Connect1 Mobile" in your AppStore or PlayStore

#### PTO Board 2021/2022

President - Tom Fields - PTOPresident@holyspiritflames.org Vice President - Heather Howard - PTOVP@holyspiritflames.org Treasurer - Danielle Hetzler - PTOTreasurer@holyspiritflames.org Secretary - Lee Conroy - PTOSecretary@holyspiritflames.org

Volunteer Coordinator - Mary Sonnen - PTOVPMembership@holyspiritflames.org Fundraising Coordinator - Carolyn Rutherford - PTOVPFundraising@holyspiritflames.org Homeroom Parent Coordinator - Valerie Overstreet - PTOHomeroomCoorindator@holyspiritflames.org

#### Volunteering

Please remember that you must be fully compliant with the Child Protection policies of the Diocese in order to perform recess duty and to volunteer in activities where students are present.

## **COVID-19 Dashboard Information**

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - COVID-19 Community Level: **Medium** Last updated 5/5/2022

https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/your-health/covid-by-county.html

Holy Spirit School - Total new COVID positive cases while on campus during the infectious period (student and/or faculty/staff): **5** Time period: May 6 - May 12, 2022

## Think about a Daily Health Observation before sending your child to school

Symptoms of COVID-19 may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. People with these symptoms may have COVID-19:

Fever (100.0F) or chills Cough Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing Fatigue Muscle or body aches Headache New loss of taste or smell Sore throat Congestion or runny nose Nausea or vomiting Diarrhea

If your child has experienced any of these symptoms in the last 24 hours, please keep your child home, contact your physician, and let us know (attendance@holyspiritflames.org).

If someone in your household has tested positive for or is exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19, keep your child home and let us know (attendance@holyspiritflames.org).

If someone in your household is currently being tested for COVID-19, please keep everyone home until the test results are received.

## **Parish Happenings!**





WARREN COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

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#### **SAVE THE DATES!**

TRENT HORN

#### FRIDAY, JUNE 17 Hard Sayings: A Catholic Approach to Answering Bible

Difficulties 7-8 pm, Holy Spirit School cafeteria

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 18 **Persuasive Pro-life:** How to Talk About Our Culture's

**Toughest Issue** 10-11 am, Holy Spirit School cafeteria Ever get tongue-tied trying to explain why you're pro-life? Trent presents the non-religious reasons to oppose abort and equips you to graciously make yo case in the public square.

#### ABOUT TRENT HORN

ore information about these events, email <u>respectlife@holyspiritchurch.us</u> Holy Spirit School, 8800 Woodland Way, Annandale, VA 22003



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e Catholic faith. Trent Horn earned master's de ilosophy, and bloethics. He serves as a staff apo ere he specializes in teaching Catholics to grad those who disagree with them.



### **Altar Server Appreciation** 10:30AM Mass

The Knights of Columbus, on behalf of the entire Holy Spirit Community, would like to thank our senior altar servers and their families for their careers here at Holy Spirit. We offer our prayers of thanksgiving and our petitions for their success as they move forward with their lives.

Private Reception following Mass for the Senior Servers and their Families

## **Community Happenings!**







## **FAMILY FOLDER**

The following flyers may be found in the folder labeled "May 12, 2022" on the website. For your convenience, some flyers are repeated.



School Flyers:

- 1. PTO Connect One App flyer
- 2. Lunch on the Lawn flyer
- 3. Online Art Show flyer
- 4. Spring Picture Order flyer
- 5. EPI Online School Supply Sale flyer
- 6. School Supply lists for 2022 2023

#### Parish Flyers:

- 1. Vacation Bible School flyer
- 2. Diocesan Family Festival flyer
- 3. Trent Horn flyer

#### Community Flyers:

- 1. Spotlight on the Arts flyer
- 2. PSA Soccerfest flyer