

From the Principal's Desk



October 13, 2022



Holy Spirit School ***Inspiring Minds/Igniting Hearts*** **2022/2023** **"Joy"**

Boosterthon!

The PTO's biggest fundraiser of the year - Boosterthon - is up and running! The Booster Team arrives on campus next Monday, October 17th and the fun and excitement for your children begins in earnest.

If you have not yet taken the opportunity to register, see the information below. Be sure to spread the word! This a great time for family and friends to engage with our school.

The importance of supporting the PTO and the school through events like Booster cannot be understated. As you know, the financial support of the PTO is pivotal to the experience that your children have at Holy Spirit as those dollars assist with providing opportunities for your children to attend field trips, participate in co-curricular activities, and take part in many of the fun "extras" throughout the year.

When you, your family, your friends give to Holy Spirit School you are helping us bring to life the school's mission to inspire life-long learners and ignite servant leaders. Your generosity helps turn moments into memories for the students at Holy Spirit. The faith-filled community which you have chosen for your children thrives because of people like you.

I am thankful for each and every family here at Holy Spirit and I look forward to the "frenzy" of the coming week with Booster!

Holy Spirit Spirit Week!!

Oct. 24th -28th

Get ready for lots of fun!

Monday: Manic Monday (wild colors, tacky clothes)



Tuesday: Boosterthon Day (PE uniform, crazy accessories)

Wednesday:



PreK-5th= Disney Day (Dress as your favorite Disney character)

Middle School= Favorite Teacher Day (Dress as your favorite teacher)

Thursday: Throwback Thursday (Dress as any decade you want)

Friday: Trunk-or-Treat, No School

TON of L♥VE 2022

High grocery prices are hurting our less fortunate neighbors. As part of our annual Spirit Week, the Holy Spirit Student Council is sponsoring a school-wide food drive to help Catholic Charities' St. Lucy Project feed families for the holidays.

Please donate the following items from Oct 24-27th

Pre-K – Cereal

Kindergarten – Side Dishes (i.e. instant potatoes, stuffing, rice packets)

1st – Mac & Cheese Boxes

2nd - Canned Chef Boyardee Pasta

3rd – Canned or Individual Fruit Cups

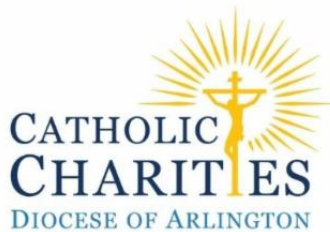
4th – Canned Chicken or Tuna

5th – Canned Green Beans or Corn

6th – Jelly/Jam (no glass please)

7th – Chunky Soups

8th – Canned Tomatoes



Food Drive





PARENTS IN STEM NEEDED!

MISS STEVENSON INVITES PARENTS
WITH CAREERS IN STEM TO SPEAK
TO HER TECHNOLOGY CLASSES
ABOUT THEIR CAREER AND THEIR
JOURNEY.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE
TIMES:**

**OCT 31 9:45-11:15 (2 CONSECUTIVE
CLASS PERIODS)**

OCT 31 12:00-12:45 (1 CLASS PERIOD)

***BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR MORE
DATES IN TRIMESTER 2&3!***

For interested volunteers, please go to [Connect1](#)
to register for a time slot.

Email Miss Stevenson with any questions:
estevenson@holyspiritflames.org

The FACTS Tuition Assistance Application for the 2023/2024 academic year will open on November 1, 2022. Applications must be submitted by March 15, 2023. Below is a brief overview. A full overview of the programs and eligibility requirements may be found by clicking on the "button" below. Awards for Holy Spirit School typically made in May after financial awards have been made by the Diocese.

**What is the program?**

The Diocesan Tuition Assistance Program provides financial assistance to families in Catholic schools in the Diocese of Arlington through funding from diocesan parishes as well as the *Rooted in Faith-Forward in Hope* Capital Campaign Endowment. It is open to all qualified students whose parents might not otherwise be able to pay the full cost of tuition.

Who is eligible?

- Students attending or accepted by a Diocese of Arlington Catholic school (K-12).
 - Preschool and Pre-K are not eligible.
 - Not applicable to students of private independent Catholic schools associated with the Diocese and/or international students.
- Students who are Catholic and members of a parish in the Diocese of Arlington or military base parish.
- Families who reside within the boundaries of the Diocese of Arlington and are registered and active members of a diocesan parish or a military base parish.

How do I apply?

- Submit financial aid assessment application and all supporting tax documentation by due date. Applications will be completed electronically online at <https://online.factsmgt.com/signin.aspx>. **Only one application and processing fee is required per family.**
- Families with students in **ELEMENTARY AND HIGH SCHOOL** should follow the high school due date.

Due Dates

Elementary/Middle School students	March 15, 2023
Year of Tax Forms Required	2022

High School Students

• Bishop Ireton High School	January 6, 2023
• Bishop Denis J. O'Connell High School	January 7, 2023
• St. Paul VI Catholic High School	January 6, 2023
• Saint John Paul the Great Catholic High School	January 18, 2023
Year of Tax Forms Required if submitted by due date	2021
Year of Tax Forms Required if submitted AFTER due date	2022

*Families applying for financial aid for both high school **AND** elementary/middle school students will need to submit BOTH 2021 **AND** 2022 tax forms.

Awards

Awards are made for **ONE ACADEMIC YEAR** and are based on each family's demonstrated financial need. Individual schools determine the amount and the distribution of all awards for each academic year. The schools will contact families when award decisions have been made and will credit the tuition accounts of approved families.

\$3,688,974 awarded in 2022

● For more information ●

Questions regarding financial aid process

Bo Zamoyta 703.841.2551
Bo.Zamoyta@arlingtondiocese.org

Questions regarding application

FACTS Management 1.866.441.4637
<https://online.factsmgt.com/platform/customer-service>

Award decisions

Please contact your school.

Diocesan Tuition Assistance

<https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/Catholic-Schools/Tuition-Assistance/>

¿En qué consiste el programa?

El Programa Diocesano de Ayuda Económica para Estudios ofrece ayuda financiera a las familias de escuelas Católicas de la Diócesis de Arlington. El programa está abierto a todos los alumnos que califiquen cuyos padres no puedan pagar el costo total de la matrícula escolar.

¿Quién puede acceder?

- Alumnos que concurren o son aceptados para ingresar a una escuela Católica de la Diócesis de Arlington (K-12). *Los alumnos prescolares o pre-K no son elegibles.*
- Alumnos que sean Católicos y miembros de una parroquia de la Diócesis de Arlington o parroquia en base militar.
- Familias que residan dentro de los límites de la Diócesis de Arlington y estén registradas y sean miembros activos de una parroquia diocesana o una parroquia en base militar.

¿Cómo solicitar la ayuda?

Presentar una solicitud, junto con toda la documentación fiscal correspondiente antes de la fecha límite. Se pueden obtener solicitudes impresas en cada una de las escuelas.

También se pueden completar las solicitudes en forma electrónica en el sitio web <https://online.factsmgmt.com/signin.aspx>. Se requiere solo una solicitud por familia.

- Remitir el cargo por procesamiento.
- Las familias que solicitan ayuda para alumnos *TANTO DE NIVEL PRIMARIO COMO SECUNDARIO* deben acatar la fecha de presentación de la escuela secundaria.

Fechas de presentación**ESCUELA PRIMARIA**

El 15 de Marzo de 2023

Se requieren formularios de impuestos de 2022

ESCUELA SECUNDARIA

- Bishop Ireton High School El 6 de Enero de 2023
- Bishop Denis J. O'Connell High School El 7 de Enero de 2023
- St. Paul VI Catholic High School El 6 de Enero de 2023
- Saint John Paul the Great Catholic High School El 18 de Enero de 2023

Se requieren formularios de impuestos de 2021 si se envían antes de la fecha de vencimiento.

Se requieren formularios de impuestos de 2022 si se envían **después** de la fecha de vencimiento.

*Las solicitudes con estudiantes de secundaria y primaria deben presentar los formularios de impuestos de 2021 y 2022.

Asignaciones

Las asignaciones se otorgan por UN AÑO ACADÉMICO y se basan en las necesidades financieras comprobadas de cada familia. Cada escuela determina el monto y la distribución de las asignaciones para cada año académico. Las escuelas se contactarán con las familias después de tomar la decisión con respecto a la asignación. Una vez tomada esta decisión final, las escuelas acreditarán las cuentas de las matrículas de las familias aprobadas.

Otras consultas

FACTS Management
1-866-441-4637

Bo Zamoyta
703.841.2551
Bo.Zamoyta@arlingtondiocese.org

Rence Quirós White
Rence.White@arlingtondiocese.org

~Para más información~

Decisiones sobre las asignaciones

Por favor, contáctese con [su escuela](#).

Diócesis de Arlington
Escuelas Católicas



Diocese of Arlington Tuition Assistance Overview 2023/2024

As I am sure many of you are aware, we do have Flu A going around the school. Please - if your child expresses to you that he/she is not feeling well, keep him/her home. I promise you that if you dose your child with Tylenol, etc. and send them to school, it wears off before lunchtime, they let us know quickly that they came to school feeling unwell and we end up sending them home anyway. Let alone passing along the virus to their classmates, the most obvious problem is that if the teachers and staff continue to "go down" and we are unable to cover classes, we have a huge problem. Thank you!

Next Thursday, October 20th is our first scheduled PTO Spirit Gear Day! Students may come to school out of uniform as long as they are wearing purchased Spirit Gear from either this year or years past.

Students must follow dressdown guidelines as put forth in the handbook. Previously available pajama pants may NOT be worn to school.

Have you thought about costumes for Spirit Week? Be sure to take a look at the themes and get ready!

Bags for collecting food for the Ton of Love Food Drive will go home soon. Thank you in advance for your generosity for those in our community who are in need.

-Maureen Ashby

Principal

Holy Spirit School PTO



Upcoming Events:

October 17 – Boosterthon
October 28 – Trunk or Treat

PTO Meeting: The October PTO meeting will be held virtually on October 18, 2022, at 6:30 pm. It is a great opportunity to learn about upcoming events, meet fellow parents, and to get involved. The meeting attendance counts towards the PSSC hours. Please join us at the following link:

<https://holyspiritflames.zoom.us/j/87077053723?pwd=SkJiMEdsWHcvKzdVZC9qN09GdlgrZz09>

Meeting ID: 870 7705 3723 Passcode: 483688

Homeroom Parent Volunteers: We have a GREAT opportunity to earn all 20 PSSC hours and spend quality time with your child. The following classes are looking for Home Room Parents to assist the teacher in making this school year the best yet. Planning parties, communicating important information, and working closely with your child's teacher are just a few of the benefits. If you do not see your child's teacher on this list and are interested, please contact ptohomeroomcoordinator@holyspiritflames.org.

8th - Alvarado – 1

7th - Del Canto – 1

Recess Duty: Sign up for recess duty opportunities is now available through:
<https://app.connect1.io/volunteers/ta43kmlw3>.

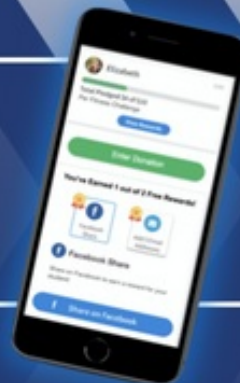
Connect1:

Parents, please update your child's grade in Connect1 so the PTO can finish setting up homerooms. Also, please match all names with the school registration information and use the nicknames block for your students' nicknames. If you signed up last year you still must update your child's grade. All Pre-K should be listed at Pre-K4. If you need more assistance with Connect 1 you can either contact Tom Fields at PTOPSSC@holyspiritflames.org or visit <https://app.connect1.io/volunteers/gmgujg6pp>

BOOSTERTHON!!

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

MYBOOSTER.COM



Holy Spirit School families!

We're only ONE week away from our Holy Spirit Flames Fun Run and our students and staff are so excited! We're looking forward to having fun and building community together.

Log into [**MYBOOSTER.COM**](https://mybooster.com) today to get started!

Register & share today to help our school reach our goal of \$40,000 for students & staff.

Check out this 30 second video about our upcoming event >> [**Click for Fun!**](#)

Thank you for supporting our school - we are grateful for our amazing school community!

TRUNK OR TREAT

Decorate your booth and fill it with candy!

Prizes:
-Best decorated booth!



Friday, October 28th
6:30 - 8:30 PM
On the School Grounds

Limited spaces available. For info and to reserve a spot,
Contact or email PTOtrunkortreat@holyspiritflames.org

(More than one family can share a spot.)

It's almost here!!!! Time sure is flying by!!!!

The winter uniform switch is headed straight for us this month on October 31! At that time, we will say goodbye to our skorts and shorts until spring! Come shop for all of your winter uniform needs as your children transition into pants, fleeces, and jumpers.

As always, we are accepting donations until the sale date. They can be given to the office or please contact MelanieAnneBennett@gmail.com to set up a time to meet. Thank you for supporting the PTO!

Used Uniform Sale



Sale Date- Tuesday, October 18 from 3:30-5:30

Where: Holy Spirit School – Quinn Room

Cost: \$5 per item (\$1 for socks/tights)

How to Pay: Cash or Check (made out to the Holy Spirit PTO)

ADDITIONALLY, PLEASE HELP STOCK the SALE!!!

DONATE ANY USED UNIFORMS, SCHOOL SHOES, OR SPIRIT WEAR THAT ARE NO LONGER NEEDED, TO THE OFFICE OR EMAIL - MelanieAnneBennett@gmail.com TO ARRANGE FOR CONVENIENT PICKUP/DROP OFF OF DONATIONS

Important Details-

- Enter and exit through the Quinn Room's **SIDE DOOR** (outside stairwell/follow sign)
- Plan ahead - bring a list of items and sizes needed

Support this PTO Fundraiser While Getting a Great Deal!

PTO Board 2022 - 2023

President - Christine Ploschke - PTOPresident@holyspiritflames.org

Vice President - **Vacant** - PTOVP@holyspiritflames.org

Treasurer - Danielle Hetzler - PTOTreasurer@holyspiritflames.org

Secretary - Lee Conroy - PTOSecretary@holyspiritflames.org

Volunteer Coordinator - Mary Sonnen - PTOVPMembership@holyspiritflames.org

Fundraising Coordinator - Toni O'Neill - PTOVPSDevelopment@holyspiritflames.org

Homeroom Parent Coordinator - Valerie Overstreet - PTOHomeroomCoordinator@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.

Parish Happenings!

**Family Oktoberfest
is Coming!**

**Bratwurst, Knockwurst, Frankfurters,
Hamburgers, Sauerkraut, German Potato
Salad, Big Soft Pretzels, German Desserts,
Sodas, Assorted Beers***

*Charge for Beer only, Food Complimentary



**DJ Deacon Malcom's
Polka Music**

7:15 pm - Family Movie

**Saturday, October 22, 2022
6 to 9 pm**

Holy Spirit School Gym



SOCCER CHALLENGE

Combined Council & District #14 Competition

When: Saturday,
October 15, 2022
Anytime between
9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Where:
Field behind
Holy Spirit School

Who:
Individual Boys & Girls
9 -14 years old

How:
Individuals kick soccer
penalty kicks (12 yards)
with scores for shot
location in goal. 3 warm-
up kicks, 25 kicks for
record.



Questions?
Contact Mike Poumade
703-425-8769 or email
poumade@prodigy.net

More rule info at:
<https://www.kofc.org/en/resources/faith-in-action-programs/community/soccer-challenge/4576-soccer-challenge-playbook.pdf>

Community Happenings!

ANNANDALE BOYS' & GIRLS' CLUB REGISTRATION
 4216 Annandale Rd., Annandale, VA 22003 703-941-ABGC (2242) FAX 703-941-4412
 Basketball Coordinators: Gary Wright garywright@ann.com (boys) Juan Colon jcolon@ann.com (girls)
 Commissioner: Juan Colon jcolon@ann.com
 Office Hours: Monday thru Friday 3 – 7 PM, Saturday 9 – 12 Noon
 EMAIL: play@abgc.org
 *REGISTER ONLINE AND SAVE \$5 @ WWW.ABGC.ORG

Basketball \$150
 First Time \$75
 K - 12th Grade

Wrestling \$150
 Ages 5 – 14

Boxing
 Ages 7 – Adult
 \$71-436-5983

The basketball fee includes clinics for 8-13 year olds. The registration fee of \$75 is only for "First Time" basketball players with the Annandale Boys' & Girls' Club. Basketball season is from Dec., 2022 thru March 2023. The wrestling program will begin in November and run through February. Registration will close Dec. 1, 2022. Teams are formed with a neighborhood concept by grade level. These materials are neither sponsored nor endorsed by the Fairfax County School Board, the Superintendent, or this school.

REQUESTED COACH _____

SPECIAL REQUESTS _____

MAIL OR DELIVER FORM AND FEE TO: ABGC, 4216 Annandale Rd., ANNANDALE, VA 22003

Player's First Name (Type or Print) _____ Last Name _____
 Boy _____ Girl _____ Date of Birth _____ School _____
 Address _____ City _____ Zip _____
 Grade in Sept. 2022 _____ E-mail _____
 Telephone (H) _____ (C) _____

WE RELY ON VOLUNTEERS. PLEASE PARTICIPATE IN ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:
 NO FEES: \$10.00 Refund Assistant Coach Will be a spectator
 Coach League Commissioner

I hereby give permission for my child to play _____ (sport). I have insurance to cover all risks of injury or doctor's bills that might be incurred and accept all responsibility for my child's safety at practice and at games.

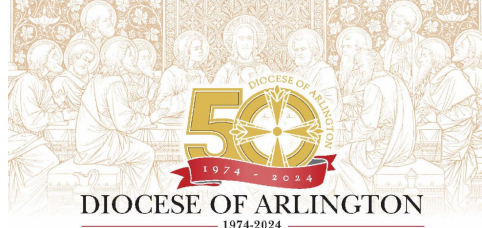
I also understand that there are no refunds. In the event I cannot get the team of my choice, I will accept an assignment made by ABGC.

IF YOU ARE NOT A FAIRFAX COUNTY RESIDENT, THERE IS A \$30 FEE Amt. Paid _____

IF YOU ARE A SCHOLARSHIP PLAYER, THERE IS A \$55 NON-REFUNDABLE FEE Amt. Paid _____

Parent's Signature _____ Amt. Paid \$ _____
 Check Cash Cr. Card

Print Parents' First & Last Names _____ Date _____



EUCCHARISTIC SYMPOSIUM

with Most Reverend
Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap.
Archbishop Emeritus of Philadelphia

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22

CATHEDRAL OF SAINT THOMAS MORE
 3901 Cathedral Lane, Arlington, VA 22203

9:00 – 9:45 a.m. HOLY MASS IN CATHEDRAL

Celebrant: BISHOP BURBIDGE | Homilist: ARCHBISHOP CHAPUT

Coffee Break in Burke Hall

10:30 a.m. REFLECTION BY ARCHBISHOP CHAPUT

11:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. ADORATION AND BENEDICTION

Dismissal

LIMITED SEATING CAPACITY. Please respond as soon as possible via the link below
arlingtondiocese.org/eucharistic-symposium



YEAR ONE: REMEMBER

"Do this in remembrance of me."

Remembering the past with gratitude

FOCUS: THE REAL PRESENCE OF JESUS IN THE EUCHARIST AND THE MEANING OF THE MASS

Learn more at

► JUBILEE.ARLINGTONDIOCESE.ORG



2022 DIOCESAN CATECHETICAL CONFERENCE

THEME: **MY SPIRIT REJOICES IN GOD, MY SAVIOR**

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2022; 8:00 AM – 3:30 PM

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

(MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW MID-SEPTEMBER)



SHERATON RESTON HOTEL, RESTON, VIRGINIA



The following flyers may be found in the folder labeled "October 13, 2022" on the website. For your convenience, some flyers are repeated.

Family
Folder

School Flyers:

1. Parents with STEM Careers flyer
2. Partners in Faith (October) newsletter
3. Used Uniform Sale flyer
4. Spirit Week flyer
5. Ton of Love Food Drive flyer
6. Trunk or Treat flyer
7. Diocese of Arlington Tuition Assistance Overview

Parish Flyers:

1. Oktoberfest flyer
2. Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge flyer

Community Flyers:

1. Diocese of Arlington - Eucharistic Symposium flyer
2. Annandale Boys and Girls Club Winter Registration flyer
3. Diocesan Catechetical Conference flyer