

St. Joan of Arc School

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Grounded in Faith, Focused on the Future

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September 2017 School Board Update

Enrollment

Current—189 students

- 55 new students
 - 3 students received BOOST scholarships--\$ 12, 200 (first round)
- 49 students left
 - o 18 graduates
 - o 7 to public school
 - 4 to private school
 - o 11 moving
 - 4 moving military
 - 4 non-payment
 - o 1 not accepted

<u>Staff</u>

- Mrs. Heidi Pesa, Kindergarten—not returning (Please remember to pray for her)
- Mrs. Sharon Amato, Grade 2—"stepping down to work as first grade classroom
- Mrs. Sheila Reuling, Middle School Language Arts—moves to part time, continue to teach 7th and 8th Grade LA as well as 7th Grade Religion
- Mrs. Robyn Barberry—will teach 6th Grade LA and Art (degree in English and some of you will know her as a Blogger for Catholic Review)
- Mrs. Wendy Baur—7th and 8th grade Math, (along with Mrs. Tokarski) allowing her to devote more time to Resource
- Mrs. Melissa Siglar—Kindergarten,
 - o 5 years in PreKindergarten program in Archdiocese of Baltimore
 - Bachelor's Degree in Education
 - o Certification in Early Childhood Education
- Mrs. Rebecca Simmons—2nd Grade
 - Coming from Trinity Lutheran School
 - o Began as an Environmental Educator at Anita C Leight Estuary
 - Has taught students of all ages in different settings
- Mr. Michael Adamowski—5th Grade Homeroom & Religion; 4th and 5th Grade Math & Science.
 - Graduate of Wheeling Jesuit University
 - o Elementary Education with Special Education endorsement
 - Has worked with children ages 3-11years of age
 - Operation Teach—2 year contract

Advancement

- STEM Recognition from Notre Dame of Maryland University
- Registered with Maryland STEM Festival, November 9th, 4-6PM—"The Martian" and other projects
- Applying for STEM accreditation with Advanced

Development

- \$ 40,185 earned last year
- \$85,000 Bequest from parishioner (Elma Wilson Estate)

Home and School:

- \$ 22,000 donation—strive to meet goal this year
- Meet and Greet at Broom's Bloom 8/20
- Officers
 - Nina Colon—President
 - o Jamie Ayd—Vice-President
 - o Jessica Zamora—Treasurer
 - Jackie Parks—Secretary
 - o Board Members—Ovalesca Hurley, Beth Ferry, Elise Muller
- Back to School Picnic—September 8th
- BooHoo YeeHaw Breakfast—September 7th
- Crab Feast—September 29th

Events:

- Teachers return—8/28
- Convocation at Cathedral of Mary Our Queen—8/31
- PreK, K, and 6th Orientation; Meet your teacher—9/1
- First day of School—9/5
- Gradual entrance for PreK and K—9/5 to 9/8
- 9/11 Remembrance Ceremony
- Band demonstration—9/14
- Back to School Night—9/14
- Opening Liturgy—9/15
- Student Council campaign and elections 9/18-9/22
- PBIS Kick-Off 9/28

Respectfully submitted, Ginger Bahr