Saint Joseph Regional School ANNUAL REPORT 2023 - 2024



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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Saint Joseph Regional School Family,

With so much in today's society competing for our children's hearts and minds, Saint Joseph Regional School has become a haven. Our 2023-2024 school year proved that our mission to serve our students was of the utmost importance to the community. It gave families a faith based, academically focused school option for their children.

Our Saint Joseph Regional School students are the center of everything we do. The faculty and staff provide our students with an outstanding educational experience. We offer a nurturing gospel-centered environment. We provide Saint Joseph Regional School students with the core competencies. They learn collaboration, digital literacy, critical thinking and problem-solving that are required to thrive in today's world.



With each new school year comes new challenges, and opportunities, now more than ever before.

We have identified our spending priorities and continue to focus on:

- Integration of technology into all aspects of our school efforts
- Delivery of curriculum in Religion infused within all of our curriculum
- Continued professional development for our teachers to stay on the cutting edge of methods and materials
- School building improvements and enhancements inclusive of our HVAC system, security and maintenance

You know that tuition does not cover the costs to educate each Saint Joseph student. To sustain our successful school, it takes the continued generosity of supporters like YOU who believe in our mission.

Please join me in ensuring Saint Joseph Regional School continues to provide an exceptional educational experience. Your 2024-2025 Annual Fund donation will foster the development of every Saint Joseph Regional School student.

We are blessed to have you as a partner in our mission. Please remember that 100% of your donation stays here.

May God continue to hold you, your family and friends for peace and good health,

Janice DeCicco Fipp, Ed.D., Principal

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A STUDENT'S PERSPECTIVE

Dear Family and Friends,

I am extremely grateful for the opportunity to have been a Saint Joseph Regional School student from kindergarten through eighth grade. I became the class of 2024 student council president, just one of the many opportunities Saint Joseph's has given me to become a better student and person.

What makes Saint Joseph Regional School so special to me is that it became a home to me. Everyone who walks through the doors of that school day in and day out becomes more than teachers, students, and staff, they become family. Every single member of the staff pour their heart and soul into their work and the effect it has on the students is



life changing. The bonds students form with their peers as they fly through the years last lifetimes. Even as my class separates as we head into high school, our roots are all planted in Saint Joseph's and nothing will change that.

In an ever-changing world a quality catholic education can make all the difference. I not only flourished academically, my relationship with God did as well. Here at Saint Joseph's the quality in character and values is unrivaled. Saint Joseph has everything you need to succeed academically and religiously. Everyone can succeed at Saint Joseph's and will continue succeeding as time goes on. The lessons I've been taught, the memories I've made, the opportunities I took are timeless, and I will hold these dearly to my heart as I continue my journey at Egg Harbor Township High School. With your help Saint Joseph Regional School will continue to grow, flourish, and make more positive impacts on every student to come.

Thank you for your support!

Sincerely,

Elijah Hocbo
Class of 2024



2023 - 2024 SJRS EVENTS & HAPPENINGS

LIVE NATIVITY

Live Nativity all day at SJRS. A big thank you to Mrs. Crawford for organizing!







BISHOP MASS

Bishop Sullivan led the students in a special mass.

BAND HONORS CONCERT

We would like to congratulate the following SJRS band students for their successful performance this year in the South Jersey Elementary Honors Concert held at Egg Harbor Township High School.

Excellent job Students, we are very proud of you!



The students are: Kiora House on Flute, Grace Vizo, Bethany Lutz on Clarinet and Matthew Mankow on Alto Saxophone.

ROSARY IN THE PARK

SJRS students and their families, along with members of the church community, attended the Rosary Rally, in honor of Our Lady of Fatima, at Kennedy Park. One of SJRS' Grade Eight students led everyone in a decade of rosary. It was an afternoon filled with faith and family organized by Mrs. Patricia Hughes, an SJRS graduate.





SHORE MEDICAL **BOOK DONATION**

SJRS students, families and faculty donated over 300 books to Shore Medical's Pediatric Care Center. These books cover a wide range of reading levels and subjects and will help children hospitalized at Shore find some enjoyment while they're not

This project was Saint Joseph Regional School's March Outreach Project, with books selected in honor of Dr. Seuss' March birthday. The school's monthly outreach projects are such a wonderful way to teach children about the importance of giving

Pictured left to right in our Pediatric Care Center playroom is Sherri Richmond, MSN, RN, director of emergency services; Michael Smith, BSN, RN, supervisor for clinical development for ED & pediatric nurse liaison; Beth Dondero-Garvey, school counselor; and Sister JudithAnn Loschiavo, first grade teacher.

2023 - 2024 SJRS EVENTS & HAPPENINGS

DAY OF SERVICE

Sister Judy created a valuable year of service for our SJRS community. In honor of our patron saint, Saint Joseph the Worker, SJRS held our annual day of service May 1. We began with a school-wide prayer service in the gym, followed by a full day of the students making and delivering various items to our community.



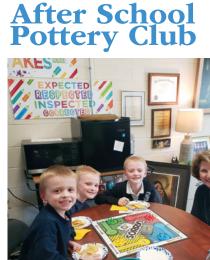






Thank You Volunteers!





GAMES WITH DR. FIPP





1st Annual **Pickleball Tournament**



SJRS thanks Andrew Pessano and his family for welcoming us to Proshot Pickleball. Thanks to Christine D'Alessandro, writing teacher who had students write pitch letters. Students and families had a great night of pickleball fun!

DONORS 2023 - 2024

SJRS giving levels were established in order to acknowledge the generous support of our donors:

SJRS Angel Club (\$25,000 +), 1958 Society (\$10,000 - \$24,999), Principal's Club Gold (\$5,000 - \$9,000), Principal's Club Silver (\$2,500 - \$4,999),

Principal's Club Bronze (\$1,000 - \$2,400), Blue & Gold Society (\$500 - \$999), Patron of St. Joseph (\$250 - \$499), Sister Frances Kane Club (\$100 - \$249), Kettle Club (\$1 - \$99)

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We are thankful for support of family, friends, and local businesses.

and appreciate the continued

2024 SPRING GALA

Saint Joseph Regional School Gala 2024 was thrilled to the Atlantic Coast honor Alarm Family, a visionary leader and an industry trailblazer in providing 24/7 security solutions to homes and businesses and, most importantly, a constant supporter of Saint Joseph Regional School.

In 1967, Frank Toner and his partner started Atlantic Coast Alarm. Today, Atlantic Coast Alarm remains a family-owned and operated business. Leading the way is Andrew Toner as president, Carolyn Toner-Polistina as vice-president, and









Mary Toner-Fabietti as vice-president; three siblings who continue to support their father's long-term vision and maintain their family values with deep roots in the community.

The core values instilled by The Atlantic Coast Alarm Family have become the guiding principles for Atlantic Coast Alarm's success. Integrity, honesty, trustworthiness, accountability, commitment to customers, continuous learning, constant improvement, leadership, diversity, innovation, and teamwork are not just words on paper but pillars that shape the company's culture. These principles and have chosen to send their children to Saint Joseph Regional School. For the family, the strong moral values, high quality education, and the religious foundation with daily lessons in the Catholic faith drew them to Saint Joseph. Atlantic Coast Alarm continues to provide the security for the school so that future generations can continue to grow in faith and achieve a high level of success both academically and personally.



We celebrated The Atlantic Coast Alarm family for their outstanding contributions to the security industry, their philanthropic endeavors, and their commitment to Saint Joseph Regional School. The school community remains fortunate enough to have The Atlantic Coast Alarm family as members of our school family.

> Thank you to all the wonderful and generous donors! Your generosity and support have made the Gala an extraordinary success!

SPECIAL HONOREE:

The Atlantic Coast Alarm Family Andrew Toner, President Carolyn Toner-Polistina, Vice President Mary Toner-Fabietti, Vice President

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SPORTS UPDATE 🏂







The SJRS yearbook was dedicated to Coach Nick Walker. Thank you Coach Nick for all your hard work and dedication!



Our boys and girls basketball teams won the championships!



SJRS Track & Field led the pack all year, and our students placed 1st in most events at the championship meet.

SJRS GRADUATING CLASS 2024



TIS THE SEASON FOR...



Our May Crowning Court and our grade eighth students.

GIVING TUESDAY



A Big Thank You To Anchor Financial For Their Generous Donation On Giving Tuesday!



GRAD AWARDS



Annual Hawk Walk



CHRISTMAS CAROLS





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Katie's Corner



Katie's Korner in memory of Katie
Weiss Simpson is readied by her Aunt
Maureen Sullivan and her mom and
Dad, Lisa and Brian Weiss, for the
Christmas Season. Katie's Korner
hosted local artist, Kathy English.
Kathy led a watercolor workshop for
the 4th grade classes. The children
enjoyed painting snowmen and
learning watercolor techniques from
Mrs. English. Another successful year!

School Garden NEWS UPDATE

What a great year for our School Garden. A BIG thank you to Mr. House, Mr. Ludgate, Mrs. Lacy and Sister Judy. Our 5 very energetic 6th graders built 4 beautiful raised beds with water irrigation in all 4 beds. With all our improvements the garden area is filled with wonderful herbs and vegetables. As well as a fantastic pumpkin patch.

We are looking forward to another great year with many new ideas.

Blessings,

Sister Judy









SJRS Think Team



The SJRS Think Team participated in competitions at Mainland Regional High School, and Holy Spirit High School! They were challenged in various categories including science, math, literature, history, arts, and sports. Thank you to SJRS teachers Christine D'Alessandro and Angela Franzoni, who have dedicated hours of their time. Great job students!

Camp invention



SJRS held summer camp, Camp Invention with Mr. Joe Giardina and Mrs. Sylvia McFadden. The students had a great time this summer learning and creating!



Dear Parents, Friends and Alumni,

I am sure we all agree that this summer just flew by! As we start this new year, I would like to salute everyone from our amazing principal, Dr. Janice Fipp, to the teachers, workers, parents, grandparents and friends. Thank you for giving your time, talent or treasure. Without your contributions we would not be able to provide our students with the events and activities, religious, social and recreational.

Our Fall Fest was a HUGE success thanks to all the volunteers and Christine Ulrich, our phenomenal Advancement Director! Super 50-50 was a success as well.

We are looking forward to outstanding year.

God Bless,

Barbara A. Ridge

Barbara A. Ridge School Board President

SJRS SCHOOL BOARD 2023-24

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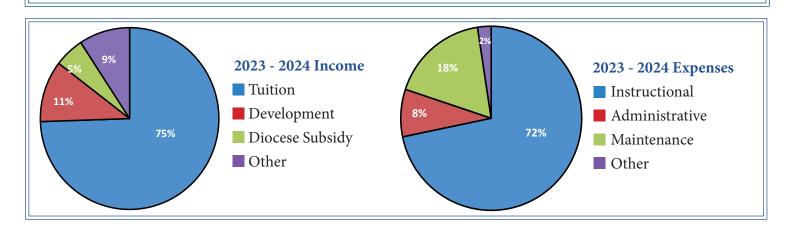
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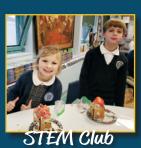
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Saturday, March 22, 2025
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Fall Fest

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