

How To Support

SJS

A Guide for New Parents

Welcome to St. John the Apostle Catholic School. We are honored to have been chosen for your child's education. St. John School is the only school in Tarrant County, public or private, to receive a 2008 National Blue Ribbon Award from the U.S. Department of Education.

As your child begins this chapter of his or her life, it is important for you as a parent to visibly support their activities and this school. You, our St. John families, help us to make this the finest educational environment available for your child through your support. Here are just a few ways you can support SJS:

Be present for your children: Whether volunteering in your child's class room or just attending sporting events and special activities, children thrive when his or her parent is involved in the child's daily life. There is no greater gift you can give your child than the gift of time.

Volunteer: Many parents choose to volunteer for ESP hours. Parent volunteers allow SJS to not have to pay for certain services, and therefore we can keep tuition lower. You will find many opportunities to volunteer throughout the year to earn ESP hours and get involved. You may also contact Barb Kruger, our volunteer Volunteer Coordinator, for ideas of activities to fit your schedule and interests.

Support our Fun-Raisers and Fund Raisers: We have four primary fund raisers which provide funding for the entire school. By supporting them yourself, as well as encouraging your family and friends to support these, you not only enjoy some great activities but provide valuable funding for the future.

- **All year long**—By purchasing **SCRIP gift cards**, you benefit SJS and yourself without paying an extra penny! You pay face value of the gift card and a percentage is given back to SJS. In addition, you can earn 2% back towards tuition credit! Order your SCRIP from the SJS office or order online at www.shopwithscrip.com. Be sure to use code 5E45CDLL486L for SJS to get credit.
- **August/September**—Sign up to attend the new **Eagle Fiesta—Hot Latin Nights**. By paying your ticket in small amounts over 25 weeks, you spread the cost out and leave your checkbook at home when the hottest party of the year arrives in April!
- **September/October—Soar to Success Annual Fund Campaign**—The only 100% tax deductible fund-raiser, money goes to offset tuition costs for the following year's budget. A home-room competition is also held in the Spring (credit is given to payments already made). Our goal is 100% parent participation, no matter the size of the gift. This helps us leverage gifts from outside sources.
- **November—Boots 'N Bowties Auction**—SJS's oldest and largest fund raiser, this exciting evening provides great food, great fun, great entertainment and great live and silent auction items. Don't miss it!
- **May—Eagle Classic Golf Tournament**—A great way to end the year, this event provides door prizes, a full day of golf and great food and fun for the beginning golfer as well as the experienced golfer. Sign up by yourself or form your own team! Don't forget the Library Book Fair in January as well as Valentine Grams in February!

Advertise with us! If you have a business which you'd like to promote, SJS is the answer. We have corporate marketing opportunities to provide visibility for your organization year-round or meeting specific times of the year. Contact: Meg Pelzel, 817-691-9680.

Support our Special Programs! SJS has various fund raisers which you can take advantage of every week! Purchase gift certificates for birthdays, Christmas, dining out, groceries or any occasion through our SCRIPT program. Eat at Red Robin and Chuck E. Cheese on designated days, telling them you are without our school and SJS gets more money! It is easy! Watch the FYI for more information!

You Make a Difference! Welcome, We're Glad You're Here!