



St. Joseph/St. Robert School Newsletter

FROM THE DESK OF MRS.
DURKIN

SEPTEMBER 24, 2025

The mission of schools is to develop a sense of truth, of what is good and beautiful. And this takes place through a rich path made up of many ingredients. True education enables us to love life and opens us to the fullness of life.

— Pope Francis

Dear SJR Families,

I love fall—pumpkin spice, crisp mornings, Eagles football, and playoff baseball just around the corner! Here at SJR, the season brings some of our favorite traditions: the Early Childhood Halloween Parade, Trunk or Treat, the 4th–6th Grade Halloween Dance, and the 7th & 8th Grade Hayride, just to name a few. In our Church, we also celebrate October as the Month of the Holy Rosary. I'm especially looking forward to spending time in our newly installed Rosary Garden out back. Thank-you to Josh Woods, an SJR alum, who created this beautiful space as part of his Eagle Scout project.

It may not have felt like fall yesterday, but the summer-like weather made for a perfect Rita's Water Ice "Dine and Donate" event! It was wonderful to see so many families and faculty enjoying a cool treat together. Thank you to everyone who came out!

A big congratulations to our 8th graders who took their High School Placement Test here at SJR yesterday—this is the first of many exciting milestones they'll reach this year!

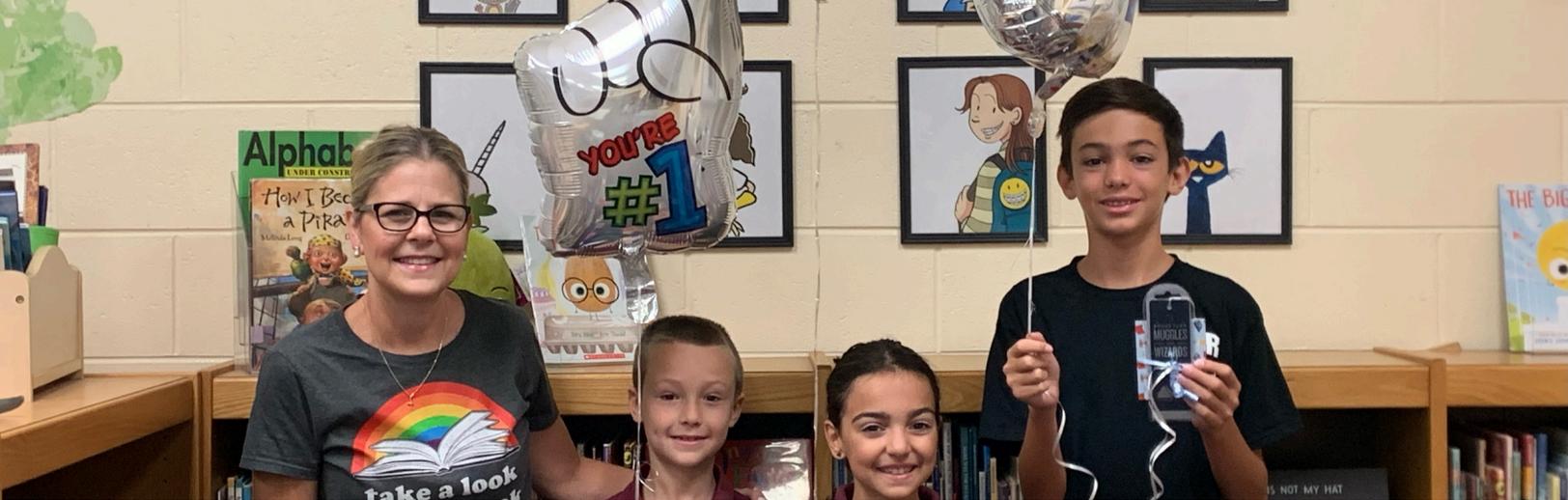
We'd also like to recognize our Summer Reading Challenge winners! Our students read an impressive number of books over the summer break—well done to all who participated and thank you to Mrs. Jacobsen, our wonderful librarian, for facilitating this important event. (Read below for more about this.)

Heavenly Father, as the leaves begin to turn and the air grows crisp, help us to be thankful for the beauty of this season. May we embrace the changes in our lives with faith and gratitude, reflecting Your love in our actions and appreciating the blessings You bestow. Amen.

Happy Autumn!

Mrs. Durkin





School News

Summer Reading Challenge Update

Our students logged 77,374 minutes of reading over the summer!

Congratulations to our top readers:

Val P. 3,037 minutes (lower elementary)

Guiliana F. 8,258 minutes (elementary)

Vincent M. 6,692 minutes (middle school)

Our top classes:

Grand Prize - 16,311 minutes is 8th grade! Prize to be announced.

Two grades earned extra recess time

K - 8,016 minutes

4th - 14,601 minutes

Young Rembrandt's Art Club

Please see the flyer below to sign up for this very popular art club.

It starts tomorrow!!

Basketball!

SJR-CYO Basketball registration is open for boys and girls in 3rd-12th Grade. Registration closes on 10/20/25.

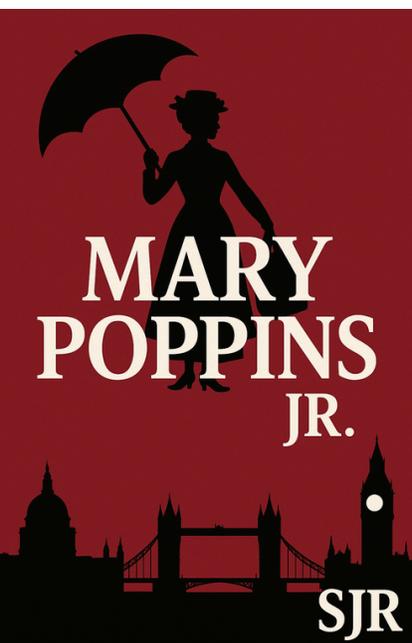
Please note, the registration fee is non-refundable, and a \$50 late fee will be applied, if registering after registration closes.

<https://stjosephstrobertcyo.sportngin.com/register/form/158884518>

Please contact Sarah Jaskowiak, sarah.g4@hotmail.com with any questions

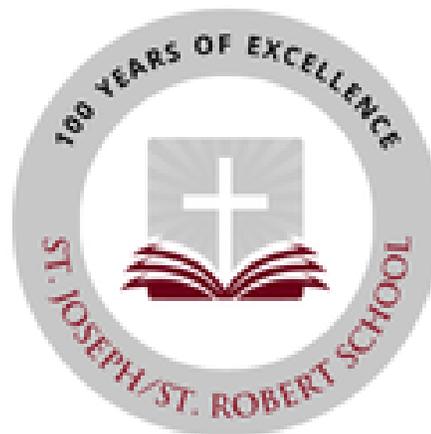
Drama Club

- First Meeting: Wednesday, October 1st.
- Stay Connected: Join the Band app if you haven't already.
- Dues: Please pay Drama Club dues via the HSA Venmo.



**ST. JOSEPH/ST.
ROBERT SCHOOL**

**OPEN
HOUSE**



**Sunday, October 19th
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM**

**Apply Now for 2026 - 2027
Pre-K, Kindergarten & 1st to 7th Grade**

Call 215.343.5100 OR VISIT STJSTR.ORG

**From the Director of Enrollment
Mrs. Kathy Williamson**

I am excited to continue to promote our core school mission, “Focused on Faith and Learning”. I value “spreading the word” to the community related to our students’ many service projects, academic achievements, and school events.

Please Like, Comment, and Follow Us on Facebook and Instagram

Instagram - @sjrschool and @sjr_homeandschool

Facebook - St. Joseph/St. Robert School, SJR Home and School Association

Please like and share our social media platforms with family and friends!

It’s hard to believe, but we are already gearing up for our Fall Open House for new families interested in joining SJR for the 2026 - 2027 school year. They are invited to join us on Sunday, October 19th, from 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon for a fantastic opportunity to explore all that our school has to offer.

Please share with family and friends. They can call the school at 215.343.5100 to RSVP or register online at www.stjstr.org. We look forward to welcoming everyone and sharing the joy of our community.



HSA News

Spirit Night at Rita's!

What fun and what a great turn out! The owners reported their highest sales ever during 7:00-8:00p.m. What wonderful support. Thank you!

Cherrydale Fundraiser

Today is the last day of our fundraiser. Thank you to everyone who supported it- you'll be hearing more about our top-sellers as we total things up. However, it's already apparent that the sale was a huge success and we'll be able to replace even more technology than we anticipated. Thanks you! And thank you to Mrs. DeGuida who coordinated this effort.

HSA Meeting Postponed

The scheduled meeting for September 29th is postponed. Please plan to join us on Monday, February 9th for a speaker meeting. In the meantime, continue to look for updates in our newsletter.

Trunk or Treat

Friday, October 17 - Please see the flyer below to join in the fun! This year, there is no charge if you are decorating a trunk. There will be a small fee to trick or treat - \$3 for one child, \$5 for two or more. Here is the link to RSVP: <https://forms.gle/SfJrM7NSuGG4u2jR7>

Halloween Dance - Grades 4-6

The Halloween Dance will be on Saturday, October 25th for those who are current SJR students in grades 4-6. Mark your calendar and look for more information to come.

Haunted Hayride - Grade 7&8 on Sat., Oct. 25

Mark your calendar and look for more information to come.





Parish News

St. Joseph's Parish

Please plan to join us on September 30th from 7:00-9:00p.m. for a night of reflection on "The Spirituality of Being Pro-Life."

Parish Picnic – Rain or Shine! Sunday, October 5th - 2:00pm Grassy area next to the parking lot (indoors if it rains!) Bring your lawn chair and your favorite covered dish (potluck style). We'll provide some drinks, and you bring your appetite and your game face! Enjoy live music from Bill Monaghan & the Contemporary Group, plus games like corn hole and more! Let's eat, laugh, and make memories together as a parish family.

St. Robert's Parish

Plan to join in the fun at St. Robert's Oktoberfest! It's on Sunday, September 28th from noon - 5:00p.m. See the flyer below for more information

See the flyer below for Teen Game Night!



Congratulations!!

Adrian (8th) and Sophia (6th) have been selected as the recipients of the AAU Middle Atlantic All Academic Award. This recognition is given to student-athletes who demonstrate excellence both in the classroom and through participation in sports. To be considered, students must maintain outstanding grades and participate in Mid-Atlantic District AAU events with an application process signed by the coaches. Adrian and Sophia met these requirements while also representing St. Joseph/St. Rober School through their involvement in Track & Field District Qualifier, Taekwondo District Championship, and Basketball leagues.

We are very proud of their hard work and dedication!

Congratulations, Adrian and Sophia!





SEPTEMBER 28, 2025

12:00 – 5:00 PM

St. Robert Bellarmine
856 Euclid Ave
Warrington, PA



Bring your family and join your neighbors and friends for a great day of food, music, games, crafts and fun. There is something for everyone at the annual St. Robert Bellarmine Oktoberfest.

For more information visit

kofc17887.com/oktoberfest

FREE ONSITE PARKING

Food Tents

Italian, Polish, German, and American foods

Beer & Soft Drinks

Carnival Games & Activities

Craft Fair & Baked Goods

Raffles & 50/50

Music by

**Springbrooke
Eagles Tailgate**

Watch the game on our big screen





TEEN GAME NIGHT

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29TH
7 TO 9PM
PARISH LOUNGE AND GYM**

**ALL 7TH TO 12TH GRADE STUDENTS ARE
INVITED TO THIS FUN EVENT
FOOD, PRIZES, FUN AND GAMES
INFO EMAIL MOMPALO@AOL.COM**





SJR's 2025 TRUNK OR TREAT



Join us for a spooktacular evening of family fun!



Friday, October 17, 2025



5:30 PM – 8:00 PM



SJR Parking Lot

Event Highlights:

- Trick-or-treating from decorated trunks
- Costume contest (prizes for best costumes!)
- Games & activities for kids



Bring the whole family and plenty of Halloween spirit!

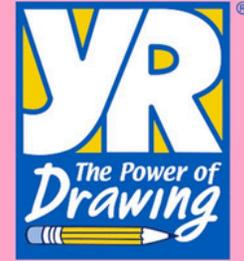


Admission: \$3 for one child and
\$5 for two or more siblings

RSVP: <https://forms.gle/L4MNeEwPoDkCiLhV7>

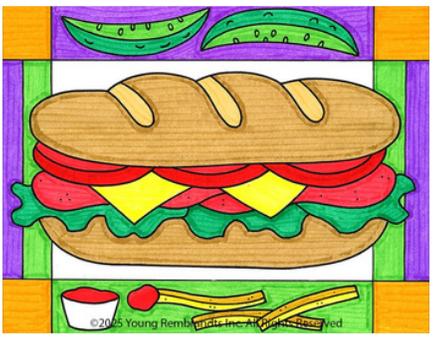
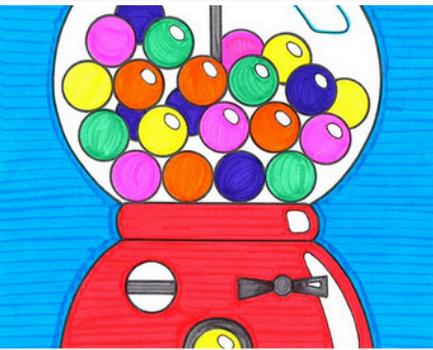
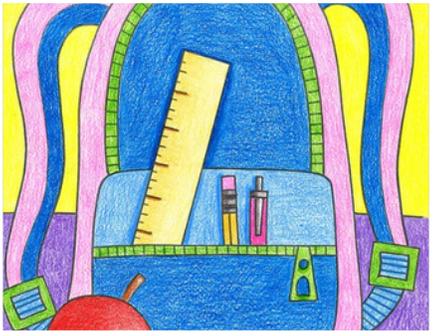


Elementary Drawing Classes for Kids



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ALL NEW LESSONS EVERY SESSION!

Join us at St. Joseph St. Roberts School

Make this a memorable time by signing up your elementary child in a Young Rembrandts drawing class. Your child will learn about design, composition and illustration using our unique step-by-step drawing method. Besides strengthening your child's drawing and coloring skills, he or she will also learn about art history as we present lessons featuring a master artist. Don't miss out, enroll now!



Classes

Thursday
03:15 PM - 04:15 PM
09/25/2025 - 11/20/2025
(No class 10/30)



Tuition

\$140.00
(8 Week Session)



Enrollment ENROLL ONLINE at

www.youngrembrandts.com/buxmont-pa



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a class near you



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