Good afternoon SJS Community,

We had an amazing Christmas Shoppe and dress down today. I am always amazed at the generosity of our students and families – they are wonderful shoppers for their loved ones. The Christmas Spirit is truly here at SJS. Thank you to Tracey Davey for her year-round work on the Christmas Shoppe and all her elves who helped set up, shop, check out, wrap, and clean up. As I say a lot, it does take a village . . .

We continue the winter fun at SJS even after the holidays. The SJS Student Council Winter Movie Fundraiser will occur on Thursday, January 4, 2024, from 3:15-5:15. This will also serve as our traditional fundraiser for the St. Vincent de Paul Society. See attached for details and a sign up. All students are welcome for this awesome activity.

A few policy reminders today.

- -As per our lunch monitor policy, parents on lunch duty may not bring in an outside lunch for their child.
- -A student must have a coat to go out to recess.
- -During morning drop off, parents should not leave their cars to help their child(ren) out of the car. If your child needs support exiting the car, please park and walk them to the front door.
- -Please report absences due to health reasons to your child's teacher, the Main Office (Mrs. Sullivan suzanne.sullivan@sjscanton.org), and the school nurse (Mrs. Curran stephanie.curran@sjscanton.org).
- -If your child has a scheduled early dismissal, please email their teacher and the Main Office (Mrs. Sullivan).

SJS Calendar

Tuesday, December 19 - Pajama Day

Wednesday, December 20 - Christmas Hat Day (Regular Uniform)

Thursday, December 21 – Christmas/Red/Green/Ugly Sweater Day

Thursday, December 21 - NO NJHS Tutoring

Friday, December 22 (10:00 am) – Christmas Concert (St. Oscar Romero Church)

Tuesday, January 2 - First School Day of 2024

January Lunches

Lunch ordering for January is open through FACTS. Orders must be in by Thursday, December 21 at noon.

Christmas Concert

The SJS Christmas Concert will occur on Friday, December 22 at 10:00 am in the St. Oscar Romero Church. All members of our community are welcome to attend. Doors will open for the concert at 9:30 am (after 9:00 am Mass). All students will return to school after the concert and can be dismissed a few minutes after (side door for PS and PK and gym for K – Grade 8).

Christmas Concert Dress Code - Christmas Best!

Students should come to school on Friday, December 22 dressed for the concert. This is a "dress up" event. While choosing your child's outfit, please keep in mind it may be warm in the church.

Preschool - 8th Grade

-Dress in your Christmas best! Examples of this include a collared shirt (button down/polo), sweater, blouse, skirt, dress, dress pants (khaki or blue), blazer, dress shoes, or clean sneakers. No jeans or high heels. No logos or words on clothing larger than a quarter!!

Kindergarten

-Kindergarten students will dress as angels and shepherds for the nativity scene. All students should be in their school pants. If your child is playing an angel, they need a white turtleneck shirt. Everyone else should wear the school polo.

Second Notices

National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) Tutoring

NJHS tutoring occurs every Thursday from 3:15 – 4:15. These sessions are open to Kindergarten to Grade 3 students. There is no need to sign

up, just make sure your child's teacher knows they are going. Pick up is at the Main Entrance at 4:15.

Helpful Links Ebackpack - https://www.sjscanton.org/e-backpack 2023-2024 Calendar - <u>Click here</u>

Chris