



NOTES FROM MRS. NASH

Embracing curious minds. Nurturing compassionate hearts.


ST. JOHN FISHER SCHOOL

FEBRUARY 28, 2025

Dear SJF Families,

Today marks the end of the second trimester! It is difficult to fathom that March 1st is tomorrow; time is flying! Our Falcons are soaring through this school year and making us proud! This month's trait of the month is perseverance. We pray that our Falcons are strong, determined, focused and able to persevere through any obstacle that may come their way. Please join me in praying for our wonderful, wise, empathetic, inclusive and kind 8th grade students and all of the people in their lives who have shaped them and guided them along their faith journey as they prepare to make their Confirmation on Saturday, March 8th. Our students have taken their preparation seriously and are ready to take this next step in their Catholic Faith. We are just so proud of this 8th grade class!

Our St. Pat's Party is right around the corner too. Please take a look at the flyer below and purchase your tickets today! Thank you to everyone who purchased new merchandise in support of this event! We are all oh so lucky to be Falcons!

Thank you for continuing to choose Catholic education, especially St. John Fisher. Thank you for entrusting your most precious gifts to us each and every day. You belong here. 

In unity and hope,

-Mrs. Maura Nash



**PLEASE TURN IN YOUR
FAMILY'S INTENT TO RETURN
FORM AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!
THANK YOU!**

OUR FALCONS ARE BRAVE, STRONG, IMPORTANT, SMART, KIND AND LOVED.

Important Announcements

- **Spring Soccer Registration** is open! See the flyer below for more details.
- **Extended Day:** Don't forget to sign up your Falcon(s) here. If you have questions, please reach out to Mrs. O'Grady, dogrady@sjfschool.us.
- **St. Pat's Update!**
 - Any Falcon who purchased **NEW** St. Pat's merchandise can wear it with their uniform bottoms on **MONDAYS during the month of March!** 🍀
 - **Tickets are now on sale!** See the updated flyer below to purchase!
- See the flyer below for **March ETC** offerings!
- Save the date for our 3rd annual **SJF Family Night, April 10th!**
- Please see the flyers below for our **Falcon athletic updates!**

Pro Labore Dei

- The **next lunch making session** for our friends in Robbins will be on **Saturday, March 1st @ 9:15 a.m.** in the rectory basement. We are looking for 5 -7 student volunteers to help. It usually takes about an hour and will count toward service hours. Looking forward to seeing you. Thank you!







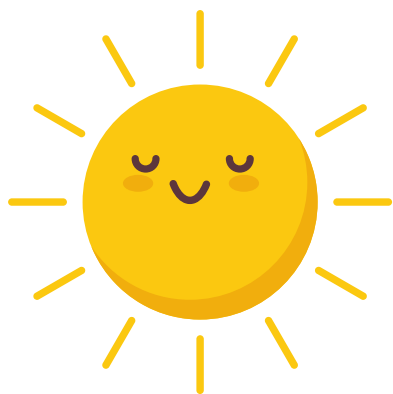
CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 8TH GRADE A VOLLEYBALL TEAM FOR MAKING IT TO THE SEMIFINALS IN THE SOUTHSIDE CATHOLIC CONFERENCE – TYING FOR 3RD OVERALL!



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Looking Ahead

Saturday, March 1st	<i>Manna Hours @ The Convent 8:30-9:30 a.m.</i>
Weekend Mass	Saturday, 4 p.m. Sunday 8 a.m. & 11 a.m. <i>All are welcome!</i>
Monday, March 3rd	 Happy Monday Falcons! ETC 3-4 p.m. Open Gym + DJ Raphi w. Mrs. Sefcik
Tuesday, March 4th	Ash Wednesday, 1 p.m. Mass hosted by our 8th graders HW Club 3-3:45 p.m. w/ Mrs. Ade, Mrs. Schiller & Ms. Dunlavy 
Wednesday, March 5th	<i>Manna Hours @ The Convent 6:00-7:00 p.m.</i> HW Club 3-3:45 p.m. w/ Mrs. Ade, Mrs. Schiller & Ms. Dunlavy Report Card Day ~ Way to go Falcons! 
Thursday, March 6th	Future Falcon Playdate 10:15 - 11 a.m. in gym
Friday, March 7th	 Happy Falcon Fri-YAY! Falcons can wear their favorite spirit-wear with their uniform bottoms!



Together let's build a school that we love.

*Do you ever wonder what our morning
Zoom announcements are like?*

Now you can see them for yourself!

*Visit this link to see recordings of our
latest and greatest morning moments. ENJOY!*



FALCON OF THE WEEK

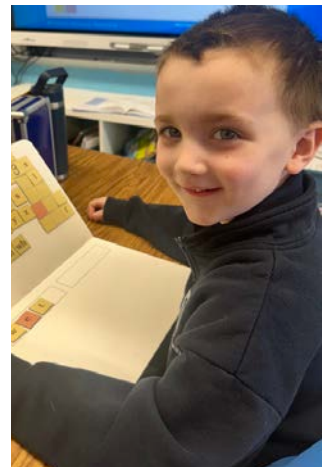
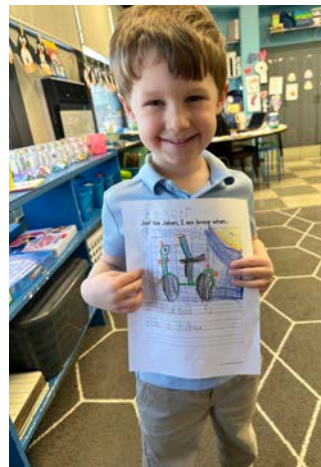
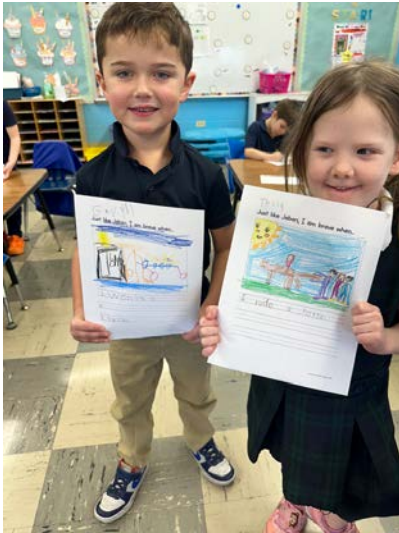
Mrs. Kate Keller, SJF Librarian



One of our school themes is “Fly Like a Falcon”. Falcons SOAR above, capturing an aerial view of what is going on below. We are encouraging our school community to “SOAR above” things that might bring us down, not allowing us to be our best selves and to be mindful of those around us who might need our help and support. We are on a school-wide crusade to “Fly Like a Falcon”, lifting one another up, celebrating the positive interactions, and kind behavior that our students and staff demonstrate each and every day. **This week we recognize Mrs. Keller.**

For Mrs. Keller, going above and beyond for the students at St. John Fisher is not just a random act; it's a way of life. This week marked our Scholastic Book Fair, a significant undertaking that truly benefits our school. The excitement among the kids fosters a positive culture within the building, and depending on the fair's financial success, we also gain free books for our library! While Mrs. Keller has helpers throughout the week, she takes on the majority of the workload herself. She loves this time of year and eagerly anticipates the book fair and the excitement it brings. A running joke at the school is that Mrs. Keller is faster than Amazon; she knows each student's reading preferences and is always searching for their next great read! Thank you, Mrs. Keller, for sharing your passion for learning and reading with us. We appreciate your genuine interest in our Falcons and for ensuring they always have engaging books on topics they love at their fingertips. Keep flying like a Falcon; you're making a difference!





The Fisher Falcon Education Foundation
Proudly Presents



ST. JOHN FISHER
St. Patrick's Day
CELEBRATION

March 8 @ SJF Gym 5:30 - 11:00

\$45 *per ticket**
**\$50 at door*

JOIN US FOR A SJF COMMUNITY EVENT
INCLUDING OPEN BAR, CORNED BEEF
SANDWICHES, SPLIT THE POT, AND LIVE
MUSIC BY THE WALK-INS!

Visit

<https://donorbox.org/events/733796>
to order your tickets now!

MUSIC  DRINKS  FOOD  DANCING

This is a 21+ Event

FOR QUESTIONS OR VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES, PLEASE EMAIL ST.PATRICKS.DAY.SJF@GMAIL.COM

ST. JOHN FISHER BASKETBALL

SCC CHAMPIONSHIPS

Join us for an exciting day of basketball
featuring some of Fisher's best teams!

DATE

MARCH 1ST

LOCATION

BROTHER RICE
HIGH SCHOOL

TIME

12PM, 1:30PM
& 2:30PM

5th vs CK

12pm

Back Gym

7A vs CK

1:30pm

Main Gym

7B White vs Mike's

2:30pm

Back Gym



"The court is our stage, let's put on a show!"



MARCH 2ND AT 5:30 PM | MARIST HIGH SCHOOL

FISHER VOLLEYBALL
CHAMPIONSHIP
● **5TH GRADE WHITE**

4A | 20 | 15
GATE | ROW | SEAT



123-456-7890

ST. JOHN FISHER



BOYS VOLLEYBALL EVALUATIONS

SUNDAY, MARCH 2ND

EP SPORTS COMPLEX

2700 W 91ST ST, EP

6TH, 7TH & 8TH GRADE

11:00 AM-12:00 PM

NO EVALS FOR 4TH & 5TH!

***BRING KNEE PADS & A WATER BOTTLE**

ALL BOYS MUST COME TO EVALS

QUESTIONS: MKROCHE2@CPS.EDU



ST. JOHN FISHER SPRING SOCCER REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

2025 SPRING SEASON.
BOYS AND GIRLS

- VARSITY (7TH & 8TH)
- JUNIOR VARSITY (5TH & 6TH) AND
- JUNIORS (3RD & 4TH).

THE SEASON RUNS FROM MID-MARCH-MAY
WE WILL BE COMPETING AGAINST FELLOW
SOUTHWEST CATHOLIC PARISHES.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE
EMAIL: SJFFALCONSOCCER@GMAIL.COM

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REGISTER HERE

ST. JOHN FISHER

SCC 8TH GRADE GOLF LEAGUE

**SUNDAYS - MARCH 30TH, APRIL 6TH,
APRIL 13TH, APRIL 27TH,
MAY 4TH (CHAMPIONSHIP)**

TEE TIMES RANGE FROM 12 PM – 4 PM

**THE MEADOWS IN BLUE ISLAND
FRONT 9 HOLES EACH WEEK**

**REGISTER
HERE**





MARCH ETC

The St. John Fisher Enrichment and Tutorial Center (ETC) is an after-school program designed to offer students a wide variety of classes not normally covered in the regular curriculum. Classes are a fun way for friends to explore areas of interest. The March session runs from March 3rd - March 24th. Classes meet in the designated classroom for the designated times. The cost is \$30.00 per class; \$50 per family per class. Please scan the QR code to sign up for classes and to pay.



Monday Class: March 3rd, 10th & 24th 3:00-4:00

Open Gym + DJ Raphi: After a quick snack, students can explore a variety of equipment and engage in free play. Let your child be creative and learn new skills all while having fun with their friends! We'll end with a DJ Raphi dance (think The Macarena, The Cha Cha Slide and the Paca Paca) to end this March ETC! Students will be dismissed at the main office.

Mrs. Sefcik

PreK- 3rd

Gym

Monday Class: March 17th 9:00AM- 12:00PM

ST. PATRICK'S DAY: We will have so much fun celebrating all things St. Patrick's Day. We will make some adorable crafts, explore some rainbow theme science projects, and even learn a jig! **Class will be dismissed from the preschool doors under the bridge.**

Mrs. Garza

Room 107

Thursday Class: March 20th 3:00-7:00 PM

MARCH MADNESS: Gather your friends and stay after school to watch the NCAA Tournament games on the big screen. The games will be playing on the big screen in the gym. Enjoy pizza for dinner, shoot some baskets, play a pick-up game, and other games. If you can't come for the whole time, come for part of the night.

Mrs. Ade & Ms. Dunlavy

3rd- 8th

Gym



St. John Fisher Family Night

**Join us for an evening of games and
crafts for the whole family!**

**April 10
6:00-7:30**

Be on the lookout for details about this
fun-filled night and a photo op with a
special guest!





Fisher Fest Sponsor Committee

Hello Fisher Families!

We are excited to announce the launch of a new committee to support Fisher Fest! This event is a wonderful opportunity for our school community but it requires substantial funding to get started. To make this happen, we are forming a team to help secure sponsorships for the event.

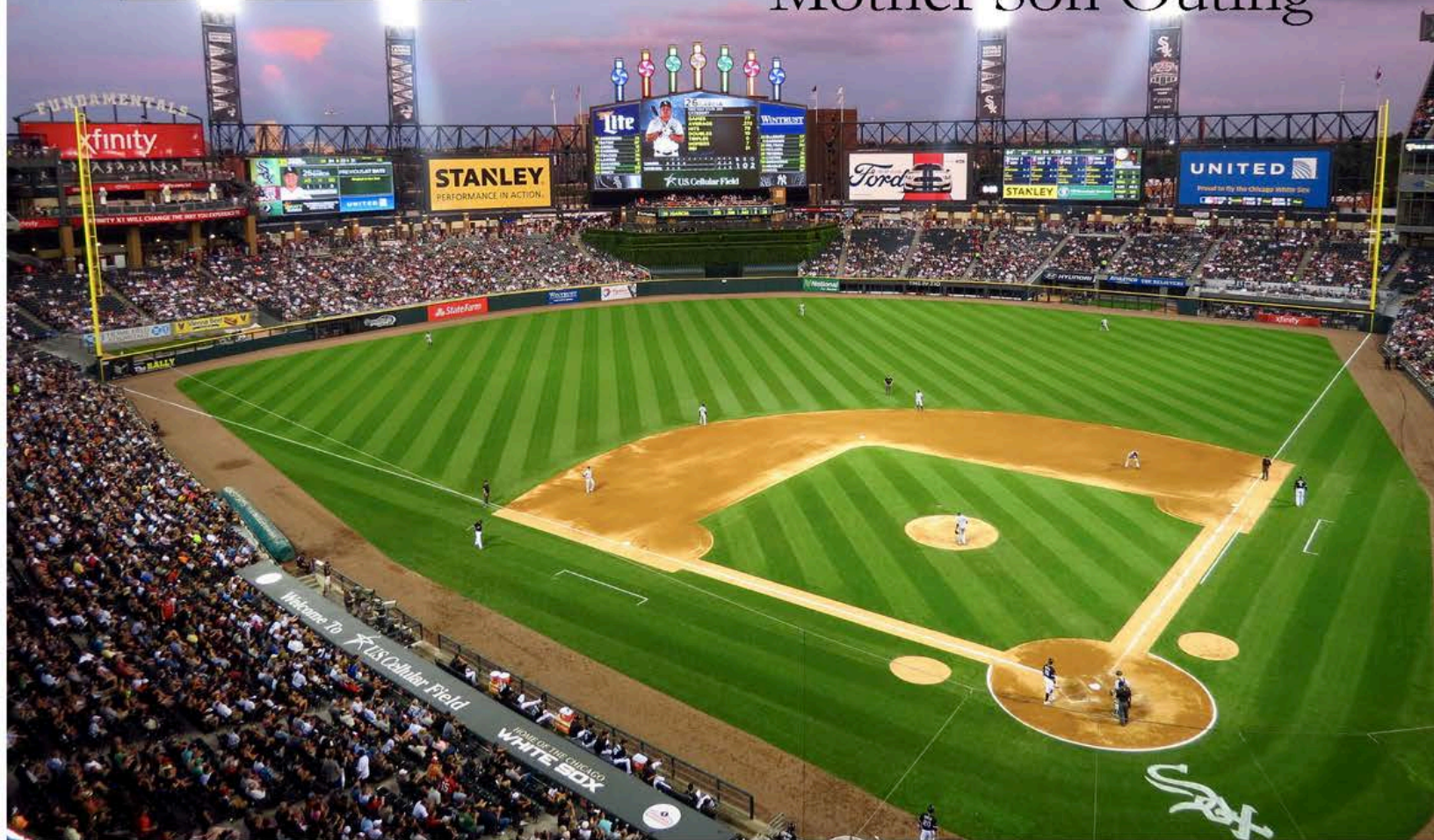
The more people involved, the more support we can gather, the more successful the event will be!

If you are interested in helping out and making Fisher Fest a success, please join in Kane Hall on Tuesday, February 25th at 6:30 PM. Together, we can make a big impact!

Thank you for your support!
Mary Winter and Erin Jarmusz



Please join us for the
SJF FSA Sponsored
Mother Son Outing



White Sox vs Detroit Tigers
June 4th, 2025 at 6:40 PM
Tickets are \$20-\$25 each.
Limited Tickets Available!

To purchase your seats: [CLICK HERE](#)

Please email Carrie Erwinski at
Carrie726@gmail.com with any questions.

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SCHOOL

St. John Fisher Backs the Blue!

St. John Fisher is proud to be
home to 120 students
whose parents are
Chicago Police Officers.



Thank you to those men and
women who protect and serve
us each day!

TOTALLY
80'S



SAVE THE DATE

MARCH 29, 2025
6PM - 9PM

SUF FATHER
DAUGHTER
DANCE

The Odyssey

19110 S. Ridgeland Ave.
Tinley Park, IL 60477



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PLEASE FILL OUT A REGISTRATION FORM BY STOPPING IN OR AT SJF WEBSITE FOR GOOGLE FORMSUMMER
Selling HOURS at the Convent: WEDNESDAY 6-7 PM AND SATURDAYS 830-930 AM



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SJF Chess Club

- Monthly gatherings to play games & sharpen our skills.
- All skill levels are welcome!
- **Kane Hall following the 11:00 a.m. Mass, 3.9, 4.13, 5.4**
- Join us when you can.
- Feel free to bring your own chess set!
- All children **MUST** be accompanied by an adult!



Social & Emotional Learning

At SJF we continue to build upon our SEL goals. Each month of the school year will have an all-school focus on the trait of the month, helping students strengthen particular social skills with different lessons and activities at the classroom level and as an entire school. We encourage you to talk to your children about these traits at home for a consistent message and focus. The trait of the month program is building upon this year's behavior system and school mantra:

Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be Safe.

September	Responsibility
October	Respect
November	Gratitude
December	Kindness
January	Integrity
February	Friendship
March	Perseverance
April	Empathy
May	Optimism



**Be Respectful, Responsible & Safe.
Be a Falcon.**



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*Below is a list of important dates for the 2024-2025 school year.

These dates are subject to change.

- No School: **3.17**
- All-Staff Professional Development and Planning Day – No School: **3.31**
- All-Staff Religious Professional Development – No School: **4.16**
- Spring Break: **4.16 – 4.27** *classes resume **4.28**
- May Crowning: **5.9** ~ 11:30 a.m. dismissal
- Memorial Day – No School: **5.26**
- Last Day of School for 8th Grade: **5.30**, 10:45 a.m. “Clap-out”
- Graduation: **6.1** ~ 1 p.m.
- Last Day of School: **6.4** ~ 10:30 a.m. dismissal

You belong here.



**DON'T
FORGET!**

***1:30 p.m. dismissals** are scheduled for the last Wednesday of the following months for faculty meetings, PLC work and council collaboration: **September 25th, October 30th, January 29th, February 26th, April 30th, May 28th.**



2024-2025 School Mass and Prayer Service Schedule

Wednesday, March 5th at 1 p.m. Ash Wednesday All School Mass, 8th grade

Saturday, March 8th at 11 a.m. Confirmation for 8th graders

Saturday, March 15th at 4 p.m. Saint Patrick's Mass, 3rd grade

Wednesday, March 26th at 1 p.m. Stations of the Cross, 7th grade

Sunday, April 6th at 11 a.m. Spring Sports

Tuesday, April 15th at 1 p.m. Holy Week All School Prayer Service 8th, grade

Wednesday, April 16th - Religious Enrichment for Faculty Professional Day

Saturday, May 3rd at 1 p.m. First Holy Communion

Friday, May 9th at 10:30 a.m. May Crowning, 8th grade

Friday, May 23rd at 8:15 a.m. Ribbon Mass 8th grade

Sunday, June 1st at 1 p.m. Graduation Mass 8th grade

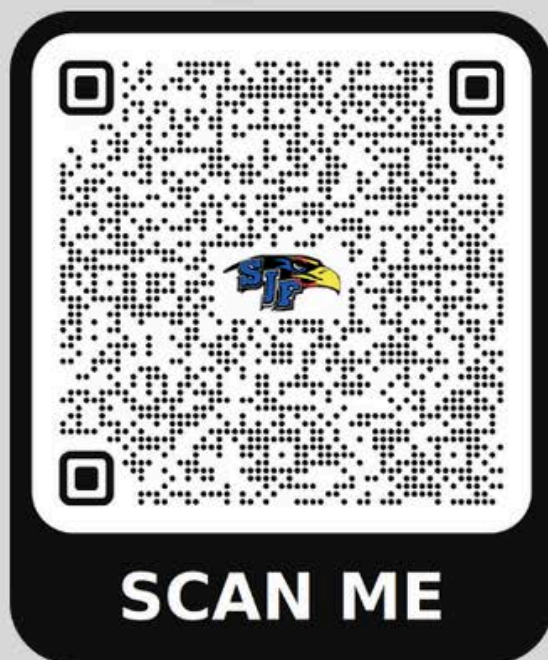
Thursday, June 4th at 9:15 a.m. Last Day of School Mass 7th grade

**Dates are subject to change*



THE ST. JOHN FISHER ATHLETIC BOARD
IS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS FOR THE
2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR

Join our team!





2024-2025 St. John Fisher School Contacts

If you have a question or concern about...

CONTACT US



- Assignments
- Homework
- Class Activities

Contact [Classroom Teacher](#) by email or note.

- Discipline
- Classroom & Academic Support **after** contacting the teacher
- Behavior/Specific Incidents

Start by contacting the [Classroom Teacher](#) for an appointment.
If further assistance is needed, contact SJF Assistant Principal, Mrs. Claire Larmon: clarmon@sjfschool.us

- Reporting Attendance

E-mail attendance@sjfschool.us

- Schedules
- Calendar
- Arrival/Dismissal
- Miscellaneous Questions

Mrs. Kris Houston: khouston@sjfschool.us

- Registration
- Admissions
- MedicalForms

Contact the school office at 773-445-4737, or Mrs. Linda Murray: lmurray@sjfschool.us

- Powerschool
- Tuition & Fees
- Technology
- Hot Lunch

Mrs. Delphine Maxwell: dmaxwell@sjfschool.us

- Virtus Training and Compliance
- Religious Education
- Extended Day Program
- Manna Program

Virtus, Mrs. Redmond: mredmond@sjfschool.net
Religious Education, Dr. Chermak: echermak@sjfschool.us
Extended Day, Mrs. O'Grady: dogrady@sjfschool.us
Manna Team: sjfmanna@gmail.com

- Student Services

Assistant Principal, Mrs. Claire Larmon: clarmon@sjfschool.us

- Student Accommodation Plans

Ms. Mary Schiavone (K-4): mschiavone@sjfschool.us
Mrs. Karen Brogan (5-8): kbrogan@sjfschool.us



2024-2025 St. John Fisher School Contacts

If you have a question or concern about...

CONTACT US

- Reading Intervention

Ms. Mary Schiavone, mschiavone@sjfschool.us

- Math Intervention

Ms. Molly Cummings, mcummings@sjfschool.us

- Public Relations

Mrs. Megan Corley, mcorley@sjfschool.us

- Parent Newsletter
- Financial Aid Applications
- School Procedures
- Administrative Matters
- Policy
- Further assistance on any matter listed above
- Academic/Classroom support following communication with Mrs. Larmon

Contact SJF Principal,
Mrs. Maura Nash: mnash@sjfschool.us

- Band
- School Board
- Athletic Programs
- Family School Association
- Women's Club
- Holy Name Society

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