

# Cavalier Newsletter

## January 26, 2024



### Heritage Panel: International Festival 2024

As a Catholic high school, John Carroll forms young people who are inspired by a passion for learning and seek to lead lives of significance in service to God and others.

**LEARN | LEAD | SERVE**

Dear Students & Families,

As principal, I am continuously inspired by your dedication, respect, and commitment to excellence. Your hard work in the classroom and in your various activities is a testament to the strong values and spirit that define our school community.

I encourage each one of you to continue to strive to be the best version of yourselves. I urge you to keep striving for excellence, not just in academics but also in your character and extracurricular activities.

Additionally, I want to take this opportunity to extend a heartfelt thank you to all our athletes, spirit teams, band members, coaches, the Athletic Booster Club, and our dedicated parent volunteers. Your collective efforts make our Green and White event a special night for John Carroll.

As we progress, I encourage you to think about how we can continue improving our school. Your ideas and suggestions are always welcome, as you are the heart of our school community. Let us work together to create an environment that is not only conducive to learning but also fosters kindness, respect, and a sense of belonging for all.

Thank you once again for your continued dedication.

God Bless & Go Cavs!  
Ronald Steele, Principal

## UPCOMING:

### JANUARY 26

Green & White Spring Sport Pep Rally

### JANUARY 28-February 2

Catholic Schools Week

(details in this newsletter)

### JANUARY 30

Bruster's Ice Cream Truck (3pm)

### FEBRUARY 9

Junior Retreat

### FEBRUARY 10

Queen of Hearts Dance (8pm)

### FEBRUARY 11

Super Jazz (3pm)

### FEBRUARY 13

Heavenly Donuts (7am)

## ENROLLMENT (2024-2025)

*Opens*  
**February 1**

**HOSTED BY:**  
JCCHS  
PTO

**LIVE AUCTION & RAFFLE**

**carrollights**  
*a celebration*

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17  
6:30PM  
Hoover Country Club

Music by *LiveWire*  
DINNER | DANCING | FUN

Tickets and Table Sponsorships  
Visit: [www.jcchs.org!](http://www.jcchs.org!)

**Tickets!**



# CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK



## 2024 CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 26TH**

Green & White Spring Sports Celebration 6:00-7:00pm (JCCHS gym)

***Dress-Up Days:** Throughout the week, students are encouraged to participate in our dress-up days to help us celebrate!*

*Guidelines for dressing up can be found below.*

**MONDAY, JANUARY 29TH**

Homeroom Hygiene Drive benefiting Food for Our Journey

Donations Welcome: hand- warmers, rain ponchos, hand warmers, crew-length socks, gloves, hats

**#WeAreCommunity**

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 30TH**

Be sure to grab a raffle ticket as you come into school. we'll be calling ticket numbers throughout the day for students to claim prizes!

***Growing Old Together:** seniors dress like senior citizens, freshmen like babies/kids, sophomores and juniors are having a mid-life crisis!*

Free treat for students at lunch and Bruster's Ice Cream Truck in student parking lot after school!

**#WeAreTheFuture**

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31ST**

Theology classes making spiritual bouquets for the JC alumni currently pursuing religious vocations

School-wide vocations assembly 9:15am

***What are you called to be?** dress as what you want to be when you grow up*

**#WeAreCalled**

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1ST**

Free Chicken Biscuits for parents in the carpool line starting at 7:15am

9:15am Mass celebrated - families welcome!

***JC Family:** Mass Uniforms*

**#WeAreFamily**

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2ND**

First Friday Mass at 7:15am in the chapel - all are welcome!

Teachers will be treated to lunch provided by our PTO and prizes given throughout the day! Faculty vs. Student basketball game at 2:15pm.

***Partnering Together:** grab your friends and imitate an iconic duo or group together*

**#WeArePartners**

### **Dress-Up Days Guidelines**

Students who choose to dress-up must stop by the concession stand before school to receive a hand-stamp approving their outfit. Any student who attends class dressed-up but does not have a hand-stamp will be considered out-of-uniform and should receive a PM.

Students who dress up must follow the instructions provided and be in FULL costume — meaning students may not just wear shorts with a t-shirt or plain clothes, unless it is obvious what their character is representing. Any student that DOES NOT wish to dress up, will be expected to be in full school uniform. Students who do not follow the instructions provided and/or wear inappropriate costumes may receive a PM, lose the privilege of participating in future out-of-uniform days, or be required to call home if they are not in dress code.

Students should dress in the spirit of each day. Attire can be fun but should be modest. Any questionable clothing will be referred to the Administration for action. Absolutely NO BODY PAINT (face paint is ok as long as it is not distracting, for instance: full face paint). Undergarments should not be visible. No spandex or tights should be worn without proper coverage over these items - shirts or t-shirts must be worn on top and shorts (boys) or shorts/skirts (girls) must be worn on bottom over spandex/tights. Students may not wear full face masks or anything that covers their face and head. Students who are unsure of their costume(s) may see the Assistant Principal for prior approval.

Happy  
Catholic  
Schools  
Week!

# QUEEN OF HEARTS



## 2024 NOMINEES

### 9TH GRADE

Ella Hale  
Lacey Polzin  
Julie Cate Gray  
Kieran Ford  
Kyle Heberlein  
Max Sullivan

### 10TH GRADE

Riley Campbell  
Lele Holland  
Kaylynn Nutter  
Chris Smitherman  
Ryan Wagley  
Keegan Woodard

### 11TH GRADE

Mary Caroline  
Acevedo-Adams  
Abbey Gray  
Nicole McKie  
Luke Holmes  
Nathaniel Rohling  
Vince Truitt

### 12TH GRADE

Amaya Carroll  
Emma Kirkpatrick  
Kati Plaia  
Charles Farr  
Hayden Greer  
Fischer Patun

**DONATE**



## Queen of Hearts Dance

Saturday, February 10th (8:00pm-10:00pm) in The Commons

Link to purchase tickets:

**TICKETS**

Dress for the dance is semi-formal, and guidelines can be found on page 20 of [the Student Handbook](#). Please note that students who are bringing a guest from another school as their date must have a Guest Approval Form completed and turned in by the end of the school day Thursday, Feb. 8th. These forms can be picked up from Mrs. Hayes in the front office or click on the link below. Additionally, please be sure to purchase these non-JC students a "Guest" ticket.

**[Guest Form](#)**

Queen of Hearts is a charity dance, and our students on the Queen of Hearts court have been busy raising money over the last few weeks to contribute to our Carroll Student Modeling Christ (CSMC) donations fund, which are distributed throughout the year to local, national, and international charity organizations. To donate follow the link

**DONATE**



Lead-Out for those on our court will begin promptly at 9:00pm in the JC auditorium, with our King and Queen of Hearts crowned around 9:15pm. Parents and guests are welcome to attend lead-out.



# ATHLETICS

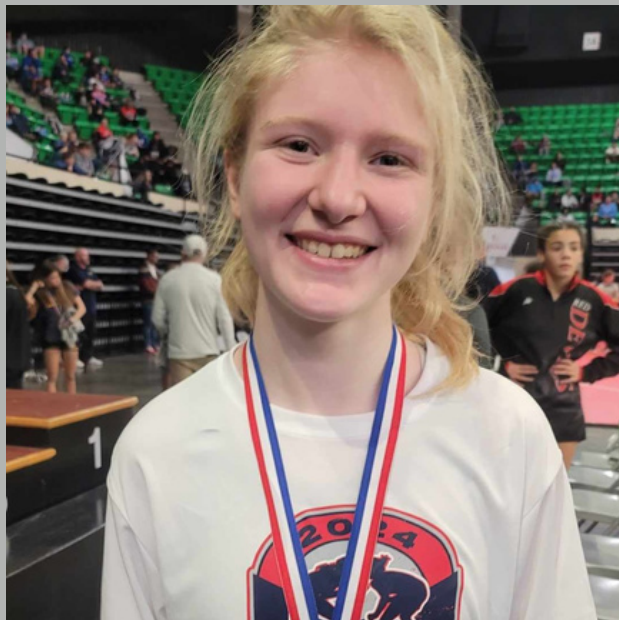


## Regional Champs!

The JCCHS boys bowling team won the 1A-5A Regional Championship this week and is headed to Mobile, February 1 and 2 for the AHSAA State Championships! The team will be competing against Scottsboro, Etowah, and East Limestone!



## AVA KOCH

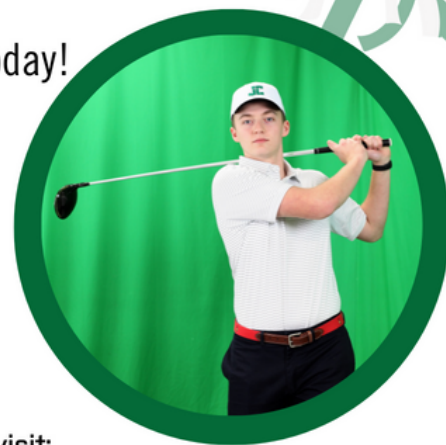


Ava placed 8th at the AHSAA Girls' Wrestling State Championships this past week at the Birmingham Crossplex. She competed in a crowded field of over 36 female wrestlers in the 114lb weight class ranging from 1A to 7A schools from across the state. Congratulations Ava and good luck to the boys wrestling team who has four athletes with the potential to qualify for state this year!

## ATTENTION SPRING SPORTS FAMILIES!

Order Your Spirit Buttons Today!

**DEADLINE:**  
Monday  
January 29th



Use the QR Code or visit:

[www.jcathletics.org](http://www.jcathletics.org) > More > Athletics Booster Club

[Click here!](#)



## Batter Up! HIT-A-THON

Fundraiser

**Saturday, February 10**  
11am-2pm

Inclement weather make up day: Sunday, February 11

**PROCEEDS BENEFIT "THE BULLPEN CLUB"**

Come out and support your 2024 Cavalier baseball players and enjoy food, families, and fun!

### 1ST PLACE INDIVIDUAL PRIZE

44'S Custom Baseball Glove (\$250 value)

### 2ND PLACE INDIVIDUAL PRIZE

Bruce Bolts Batting Gloves Gift Card (\$125 value)

### 3RD PLACE INDIVIDUAL PRIZE

Dick's Sporting Goods Gift Card (\$75 value)

- Each player will be given 10 pitches.
- Longest ball hit will be recorded
- Donors can pledge per foot or make a flat donation

Players are encouraged to raise a minimum of \$200

**SPECIAL DRAWING:** Yeti M20 Backpack Cooler (\$325 value)!  
Raffle tickets (\$5 each) will be sold prior to the Hit-A-Thon.  
You do not have to be present to win.

## 8th Annual Mattress Sale Fundraiser

Benefiting JCCHS Athletics

Sunday, March 3 | 11am-4pm | JCCHS Commons

Name brand mattresses 30%-40% less than retail!



Save the Date!

Financing and Delivery Available



# Senior News



**JOHN CARROLL SENIORS**  
ORDER YOUR ANNOUNCEMENTS, SENIOR  
SUPPLIES, AND CLASS RING AT  
JDRGRAD.COM [CLICK HERE](#) OR SCAN



**ANNOUNCEMENT ORDER DEADLINE IS  
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16.**

Class ring order deadline to  
receive by graduation is **March 1st**

Announcements + printed items are shipped  
directly to YOU in **March**  
All other items ship to you in **2-3 days**

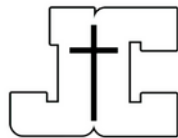
**More information  
coming soon for  
the Class of  
2024!**



**The JCCHS Theatre Department  
Presents:**



**MARCH 15-18 (FRIDAY-MONDAY)**  
7PM Friday, Saturday, & Monday  
3pm Matinee on Sunday  
JCCHS Auditorium



*4th Annual*



**Casino Night**

**at John Carroll**  
Saturday, April 13  
6:30pm-11pm