



Cavalier Newsletter

May 10, 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 we approach the end of the academic year I wish you all well on your final exams. Your hard work and dedication have been evident throughout the year, and I am confident that you will tackle these exams with the same commitment and excellence.

To our seniors, congratulations on reaching this significant milestone! Your journey at John Carroll has been marked by countless achievements and memories. As you prepare for the festivities and the exciting opportunities that await you, know that you will always be a cherished part of our school family.

This Spring season has been a testament to the vibrant spirit of our community, and I'm so blessed to celebrate all of our achievements with you.

We are proud of you all and look forward to a strong finish to the year.

God Bless & Go Cavs!

Ronald Steele

Principal

EXAM WEEK INFO:

Click on the link below for all the details!



2024-2025 SCHOOL CALENDAR



HONORING ALUMNI!

On Tuesday, May 7, JCHS was proud to honor four exceptional members of our Cavalier community. In 1964, Robert C. Smith '66, Fred Tyson '67, Diane Tucker Murphy '67, and Madeliene Humphrey Dobbins '66 (Not pictured) became the first black students to integrate into the school. A pink dogwood tree was planted at the front of the school to commemorate the 50th anniversary of this significant moment in our school and city's history and to honor these four individuals' bravery.

On September 1, 2024, John Carroll will host a special ceremony to unveil a plaque that will be placed alongside the tree.

Thank you to Amy Peterson '01 and Robert Schmalz '73 for being a part of the 50th anniversary committee and to Triple Care, LLC for selecting and planting the tree.

John Carroll Catholic High School Parent Teacher Organization



THANK YOU!

HOSPITALITY

Leah Holmes worked tirelessly all year to provide special events for incoming families, students, and our faculty. We provided special meals for faculty for back to school, Thanksgiving, exam snacks, and Catholic Schools Week.

SPIRITUAL LIFE

Wendy Thornton was the committee chairperson for Spiritual Life and worked hard all year to encourage spiritual growth. We had several opportunities to share our faith with students and faculty such as helping launder Mass linens for our weekly school liturgies and First Friday Adoration. **Our committee prayed for EVERY John Carroll student, staff and faculty member by name this year!** We provided prayer cards for all the students during Advent and Lent. We gave all faculty beautiful rosaries for Advent.

VOLUNTEER CIRCLE

We cannot thank Ginger Hails and the volunteers enough for the successes of 2023-24! Our volunteers served the school throughout the year at all the events listed above and went above and beyond to bring smiles to faculty and students. Our grade-level representatives also helped bring in volunteers for MANY events throughout the year through the GroupMe chats and emails.

SPIRIT EVENTS

Janell Rashleigh is the amazing volunteer behind the Spirit Events each month! The students are able to purchase treats and it is always much appreciated!

CARROLLIGHTS

2025 DATE: March 01, 2025 | Save the date! This is our biggest fundraiser of the school year. We were able to help the school replace all teacher laptops using the money raised at the February event. We grossed \$47,000! We are able to contribute more than \$22,000 to the school to improve faculty technology! A massive THANK YOU to chair Heather Rankin, Sarah Bailey, and Leah Holmes for pulling the event together!

A sincere thank you to Danielle Sparacio for acting as secretary and keeping us all on the same page! Talibah Bayles jumped into our treasurer/finance role. She has been critically important in creating a roadmap for future PTO success.

We have loved serving John Carroll Catholic High School! It has been an integral institution in raising our four children and we love it. Thank you for allowing us this opportunity! **We look forward to supporting the 2024-25 Presidents, Michael and Sarah Bailey!**

- John and Liesa Burke

Fast Facts



\$15,000

Donated \$15,000 to JCCHS for College Consulting



165+

Families welcomed through the Cavalier Companion Program



600+

Religious items (rosaries and prayer cards) gifted to students and faculty



Priceless

Monthly birthday cakes, snacks and special meals provided to all faculty year round



\$22,500+

Donated to the school for new laptops for faculty from Carrollights

SENIOR NEWS AND INFORMATION

Class of 2024

Click on the link below for all the dates and details of the Senior Class Celebrations!



ACT PREP SUMMER CAMP!

ACT PREP SUMMER CAMP

July 8-12
8am-Noon
JCCHS
Rising 10th-12th Graders

- ✓ Fun & engaging instructional review
- ✓ ACT Certified teachers and content expert educators
- ✓ Affordable Cost: \$200
- ✓ Convenient location: JCCHS

Questions?
Dr. Katie King (kking@jcchs.org)

REGISTRATION:
WWW.JCCHS.ORG
QUICKLINKS
ACT PREP

JCCHS is proud to offer a fun and engaging ACT Prep Summer Camp (July 8-12)!

The camp is ideal for rising 10th - 12th grade students.

Click on the link to register today!

REGISTER NOW



ACT Certified teachers and instructors leading the camp:

Dr. Susan Lagrone

Mrs. Julie Clifton

Dr. Katie King

Mrs. Lee Ann Fuller

Dr. Amanda Giles

AND... Mr. Bev (VIDAL Access)

FINE ARTS

BAND NEWS

Congratulations!

John Carroll Band

SUPERIOR RATINGS!

Alabama Bandmasters Association Solo
& Ensemble Festival Results

Isabella Berry, Flute
Daniel Bowers, Percussion
Sydney Driggers, Flute
Kayla Evans, Clarinet
Ty Fisher, Trumpet
Larissa Garrett, Flute
Caiden Gaines, Alto Saxophone
Max Holsomback, Trumpet
Lauren Hill, Clarinet
Abner Maldonado, Trombone
Amaya Malone, Percussion
Edinio Pascual, Trombone
Fischer Patun, Percussion
Katherine Smith, Flute



BAND



**JCCHS
Marching
Band**

*2024-2025
Band Captain*

**Larissa
Garrett**



**JCCHS
Marching
Band**

*2024-2025
Drum Major*

**Veronica
Walker**

USED UNIFORM & BOOK SALE

On Saturday, May 18th JC will have a used uniform and book sale from 8:00am until noon. Bring cash (small bills) and several checks to the sale. Each book or uniform will have an envelope attached for payment.

Thursday, May 16th is the turn in day for books and uniforms. Skirts, blazers, ties, and shirts are accepted for the sale. **NO PANTS.** If you have items you would like to place in the sale please use the forms (attached). There is a \$2 fee for selling items and instructions on the correct way to bring in items. All uniforms must be on a clothes hanger with an envelope that includes your name, uniform size, and price.

Fill out the attached form if you are placing books in the sale. Please put an envelope in each book with your name, book title, and price. Also, write your name inside the front cover.

There is also a information sheet listing books that are no longer used at John Carroll and will not be accepted in the sale.

SAVE THE DATE!

**USED
UNIFORM &
BOOK SALE**

**Saturday, May 18th
8am-noon
JCCHS Commons**

Cash Only:
Small Bills

Recommended



Available Items:
Books
Shirts
Skirts
Ties
Jackets

[Book Take In Form](#) >

[Uniform Take In Form](#) >

[Other Instructions](#) >

CAVS IN SERVICE

SUMMER SERVICE HOURS!

Summer is almost here and for many of you this is a great time to earn your community service hours!

Below are the basic details of our service hour requirements. For more information, including how to log in and check your hours, details regarding reduced requirements for transfer students, what does and does not count for hours, and ideas of how to begin the process, please see the service page of the John Carroll website:

CLICK HERE

Additionally, the John Carroll Instagram and Facebook regularly posts service opportunities, so be on the lookout for ones that you may be interested in!

- The first set of hours (15 hours) can be completed during or after Freshman year, and are due no later than September 1st of Sophomore year.
- The second set of hours (30 additional hours, 45 total) must be completed and approved by September 1st of Junior year.
- The third set of hours (30 additional hours as the completion of 75 total hours) must be completed and approved by September 1st of Senior year.

*As a reminder, any volunteer work done here on campus with your sports team (i.e. summer sports camps) counts for half-hours.

Cavaliers
IN
Service

**SERVICE
OPPORTUNITY**

Alabama
Kidney
Walk & Celebration

is in need of volunteers!

**Saturday, May 11th
at John Carroll!**

Visit tinyurl.com/2024kidney
to register as a volunteer

OLS FOURTH OF JULY FESTIVAL:

Volunteers needed

May 18th Parish workday (meet in the gym)

Contact Clark Turner at 205-721-0507

TAMBURELLO PROTECTIVE SERVICES:

Tamburello Protective Service, Inc. is actively seeking a High School Graduate to train as a Certified Alarm Technician. Program, Install and Service Residential and Commercial Burglar Alarm Systems, Access Control Systems and CCTV Security Camera System.

Tamburello Protective Service, Inc. is a 48 year old Security Provider for Central Alabama. We will teach and get a qualified candidate to be a Certified Alarm Technician Certified in the State of Alabama.

Qualifications: High School degree, Trustworthy, Good Driving Record and No Criminal Charges. Call Vincent Tamburello at 205-979-4481 for further information or to Schedule an Interview.



ATHLETICS

INTEREST MEETINGS:

FOOTBALL: Monday, May 13 (6pm) Pat Sullivan Field



TRACK & FIELD

State Runners-Up!



JC
Fall 2024
FOOTBALL
INTEREST MEETING
MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL
MEETING:
MONDAY, MAY 13
6PM
PAT SULLIVAN FIELD

John Carroll Athletics
Sports Physicals

JC ONLY \$10 

05 MONTH **13** DAY **24** YEAR

MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL:
2:30PM-5:30PM
JCCHS
[CHECK-IN IN THE COMMONS]

RIISING 7TH - 12TH GRADE STUDENT-ATHLETES:
ANYONE INTERESTED IN PLAYING SPORTS (MIDDLE SCHOOL OR HIGH SCHOOL)
FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR IS ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND!

EVERYONE RECEIVING A PHYSICAL MUST HAVE AN UPDATED
DRAGONFLY ACCOUNT!
(VISIT [DRAGONFLYMAX.COM](https://www.dragonflymax.com) TO LOG IN/SIGN UP)

SUMMER CAMPS

Registration Now Open!



REGISTER NOW

ATHLETICS CONT....



LYDIA HAMILTON
Track: Spring Hill College



CARSON MCFADDEN
Football: US Military Acedemy,
West Point



MAX PLAIA
Football: Rhodes College



ZACH ARCHER
Football: Huntingdon College

CONGRATULATIONS!
BOYS SOCCER
All-Metro Team
1st Team: Charles Farr (defender)
2nd Team: Sebastian Guerrero (forward)

Honorable Mention:
Fletcher Hughey (forward)
Yossef Awad (midfielder)
Christian Ortiz (midfielder)
JC Martinez (defender)



The JCCHS JV and Varsity cheerleaders had the recent opportunity to serve at the Let's Move Cheer Competition the Birmingham CrossPlex. This event serves our inner city youth cheerleaders and coaches, allowing teams to showcase their dynamic routines! This year's event had record breaking numbers and with over 250 athletes, Coach Ricia alongside her JCCHS Cheer athletes had the opportunity to help athletes at warmup, organizing transitions between routines and at awards! There was an outpouring of appreciation, kindness, support and encouragement shown by the John Carroll cheerleaders - even having the opportunity to take pictures with athletes of JC alumni who had athletes competing!

Other Opportunities...

UNITY IN THE BODY OF CHRIST JULY 26 & 27, 2024

Hosted by The Catholic Charismatic Renewal
of the Diocese of Birmingham

Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church Family Life Center
1728 Oxmoor Road • Homewood, AL 35209

Special Guests



Richard Lane



Father James Hedderman



Father Paul Asih



Father Franklin



Sister Anne Marie
Schellmer



Dan Gardner



Amy Russo

Conference Price
Individuals \$30
Family (3 or more) \$85

For more additional information call Sally Smith at 205-983-4150
or Ray Makofsky at 205-999-8947 and to register, please go to our website:
www.catholiccharismaticrenewal.org • EVERYONE IS WELCOME!
You can also register at the Conference.



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High Schools