



# St. Joseph/St. Robert School Newsletter

**FROM THE DESK OF MRS.  
DURKIN**

**January 15, 2025**

**During this busy week, let's remember, "I can do all things through Christ who gives me strength." Philippians 4:13**

Dear SJR Families,

As you likely know, this week, we've been experiencing a higher-than-usual number of student absences due to illness. In response, our teachers have increased their efforts to clean and sanitize classrooms, while our maintenance team is focusing on disinfecting shared surfaces such as cafeteria tables, railings, and door handles. We're doing all we can to maintain a healthy environment for everyone. I've been in touch with my Principal colleagues in all of the other Central Bucks County elementary schools and they are seeing the same thing. I am hopeful that this has almost run its course and the long weekend will help. As always, we encourage families to keep children home if they are feeling unwell and remind students to practice good hand hygiene. You are all in my prayers.

Be on the lookout for the Family Income Survey which will be coming home on Tuesday, January 21st. It's really important that every family fills it out and sends it back the next day because this survey helps us get important funding for things like:

- Direct services for students
- Instructional materials
- Staff training

As a little incentive, any student who returns the survey by Wednesday, January 22nd will get a dress-down day on Thursday, January 23rd!

Thanks so much for taking the time to fill it out and send it back immediately. Your support really makes a difference!

As today is Martin Luther King, jr.'s birthday, I'd like to share my favorite quote from him: "Life's most persistent and urgent question is, 'What are you doing for others?'" Thanks for all you do for SJR and for modeling a life of service for your children and for each other!

Gratefully,  
Mrs. Durkin







## School News!

***Be sure to buy a chance on the SJR Basket! It includes a \$500 tuition voucher for next year, reserved seating for next year's Christmas Pageant, and some awesome SJR swag! See the flyer and order form below.***

### Upcoming Events:

#### Annie, jr.

Our director, Mrs. Kostrzewski, is seeking a few more interested students in grades 3-8 for small speaking roles in our spring play! You can reach her at [mkostrze@comcast.net](mailto:mkostrze@comcast.net)

#### Young Rembrandts Next Session:

Please see the flyer to register for this popular after school art club.

#### Health Screenings:

There will be state mandated health screenings happening for all grades the morning of February 12th.

- Vision-all students in grades K-8
- Height and Weight-all students in grades K-8
- Hearing-Kindergarten, 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 7th grades
- Scoliosis-6th and 7th grades

Any parent who would like their child excused from any of the screenings will need to email at Mrs. Lauren Myrtetus at [Lmyrtetus@cbsd.org](mailto:Lmyrtetus@cbsd.org) stating they want their child excused and from which screening.

Parents will be notified if their student does not pass any of the screenings.

#### SJR at the Wings:

Please see the flyer below and plan to register and attend. We had so much fun last year!



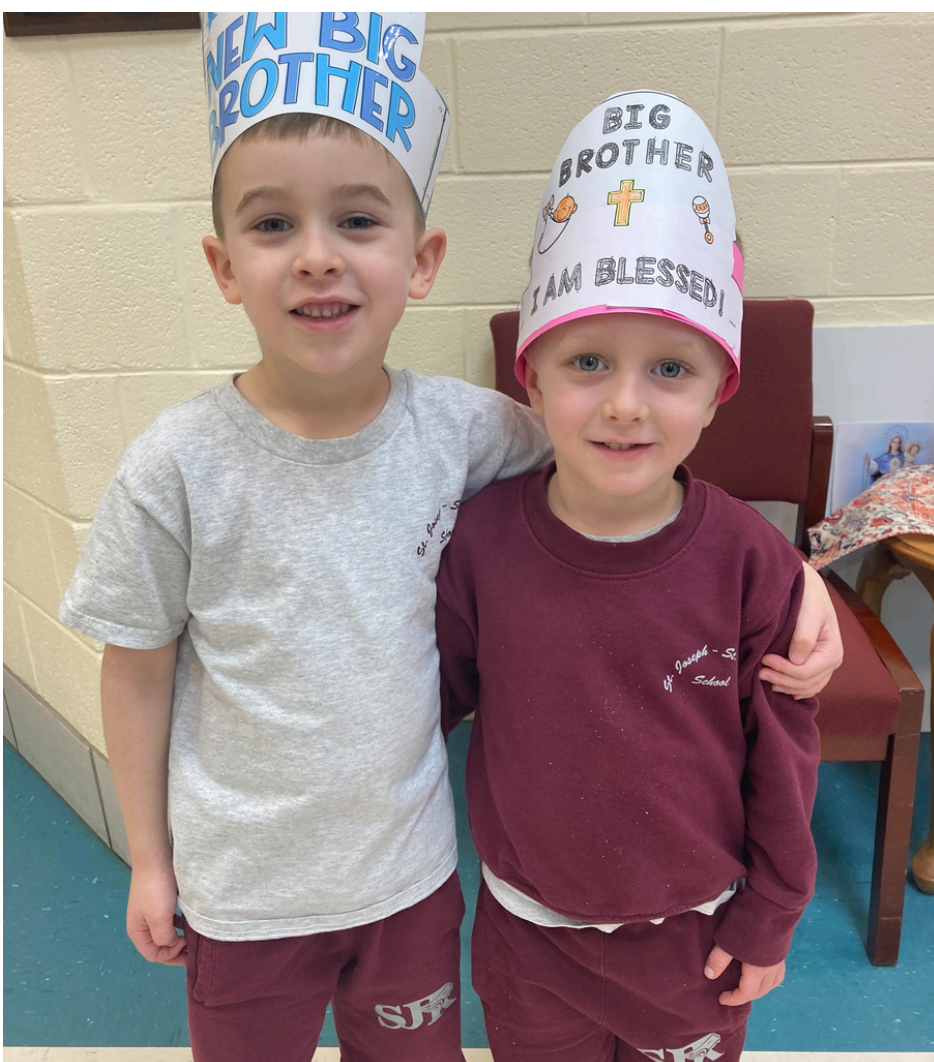
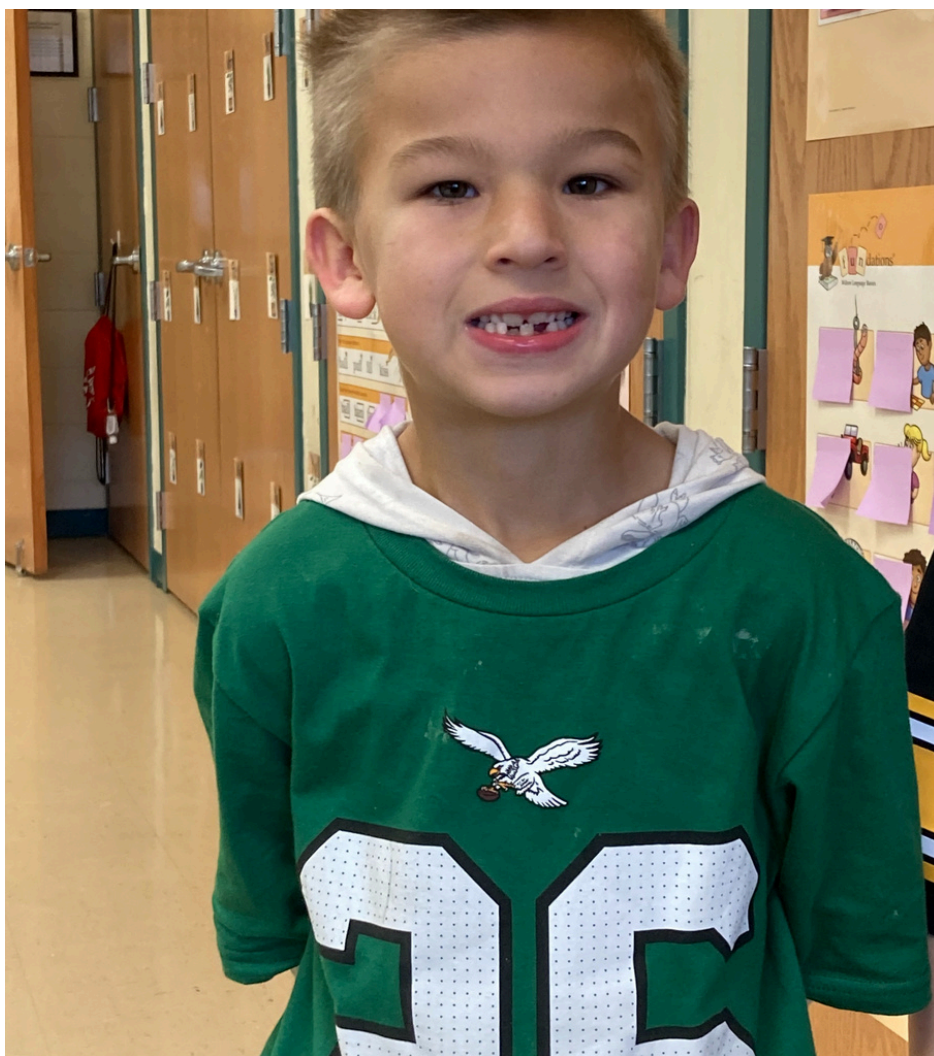


# News from Advancement

Enrollment for 2025-26 School Year has Already Begun for Pre-K, Kindergarten, and First Grade. It is now open for all families. Tuition Rates for next year will be available by January 24th. Those who enroll by the end of February pay the early enrollment fee of \$100. This increases to \$200 on March 1st.

## Apply for Tuition Scholarships!!

- Applications for **BLOCS Tuition Scholarships** for SJR families for the 25-26 academic year are now open. We are excited that the family income limit has increased to \$112,348 plus \$19,775 per dependent. The limits with each additional dependent are as follows: 1 child: \$132,123, 2 children: \$151,898, 3 children: \$171,673, and 4 children: \$191,448. **Please apply and let us make Catholic education more affordable for you**
- See the flyer below for the guidelines for submission of your family application. **We encourage all families to apply.** Any questions, can be directed to Kathy Williamson at [kwilliamson@stjstr.org](mailto:kwilliamson@stjstr.org).





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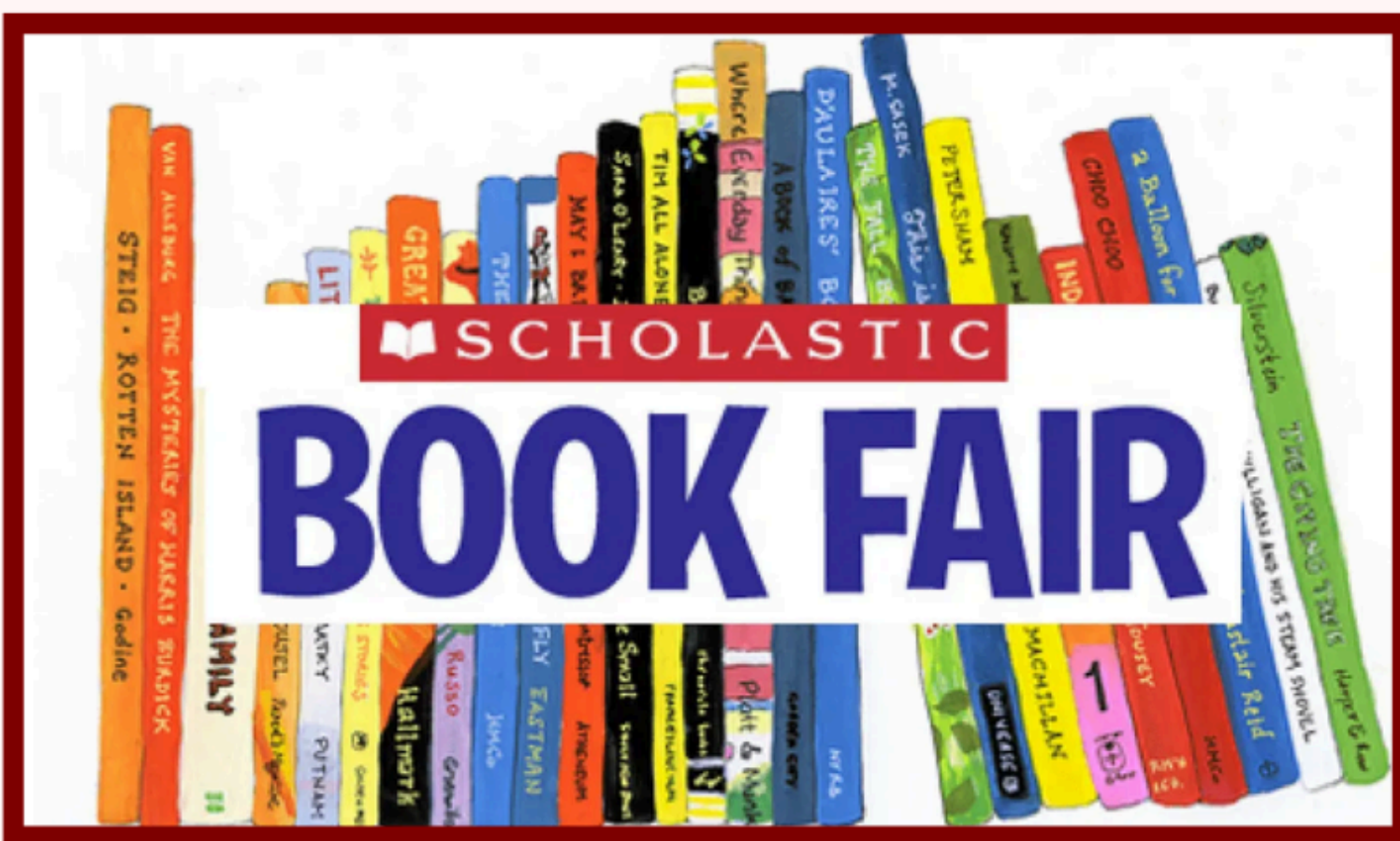
ST. JOSEPH/ST. ROBERT SCHOOL  
FOCUSED ON FAITH AND LEARNING

Please join us for our

# OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, January 26, 2025

10:00 AM-1:00PM




**Door Decorating Contest**

**Passport Hunt**

**Light Refreshments**

 [STJSTR.ORG](http://STJSTR.ORG)

 850 Euclid Avenue,  
Warrington, PA 18976

 215-343-5100



# Home and School News

## Talent Show Registration:

We're extending registration for SJR's Got Talent until Monday. Please use the link below to register your musician, magician, dancer, or other talented child!

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfN6TCjboYM8tBTCukHeMCJKczWzkwVD9zVnxDRgqvVzCXNdw/viewform?usp=sharing>

## Support our Community Partner

During Catholic Schools Week we'll be delivering donations to The Next Step Program in Doylestown. Please see the sign up genius that was sent home yesterday. Please feel free to reach out to Nikki DeGuida at [Nmartella1@comcast.net](mailto:Nmartella1@comcast.net) with any questions.

## **Upcoming Events:**

### Mother/Son Bowling

has been moved to Sunday 2/23. This will be held from 3-5pm. More info to come

Spirit Night at Urban Air will be 3/13. More info to come.

### Bingo!

Ladies, join us for a "Wicked" good time on February 8th. Please see the flyer below. Those who want to sit together should register together. At the event there will also be many baskets to take chances on. One basket, The SJR Basket, includes a \$500 tuition voucher, reserved seating at next year's Christmas Pageant, and awesome SJR swag. Tickets for this basket are on sale separately through the end of January. See the flyer below.

### Valentine's Day Candygrams:

The HSA cupids will be delivering candygrams for Valentine's Day. See the flyer below to purchase. Please send orders to Mrs. Kulp c/o Keegan Kulp, grade 8.





Archdiocese of Philadelphia

# Jubilee 2025

Pilgrims of Hope



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## News from our Supporting Parishes


### St. Robert Bellarmine

Please see the flyer below for the “Acts of Love” weekend on February 8th and 9th at St. Robert’s. This provides multiple ways that your family can participate in a service opportunity. It’s important for families to model service to the community as a way to live out Christ’s call to love our neighbors and nurture a spirit of generosity and compassion in our children. I’m grateful that our school community has this opportunity.

### St. Joseph Church

St. Joseph’s Church also allows us opportunities to serve. St. Joe’s will be holding a monthly drive for the collection of baby diapers and wipes. It will be on the 3rd Sunday weekend. The proceeds will be going to A Baby’s Breath center and to Legacy of Life Foundation, both local to the parish. They appreciate your generosity to the “little ones” in need. The next drive is this weekend, January 18th & 19th.





**SJR**  
**BASKET**

\$500 Tuition Credit

\$150 Flynn O'Hara

SJR Swag

Stanley Tumbler

Reserved Seating  
For the Christmas  
Pageant

**\$10**

**Per Ticket**



**SJR BASKET  
\$10 per ticket**

**Family name**\_\_\_\_\_

**Phone number**\_\_\_\_\_

**Number of tickets**\_\_\_\_\_

**Circle form of payment: Venmo Cash Check**

**Checks make payable to: SJR HSA, notes: SJR basket  
Venmo: @SJR-HSA, comment: SJR basket**

**Return completed form**

**Attention: Samantha Williams c/o Val Williams 2nd grade.**





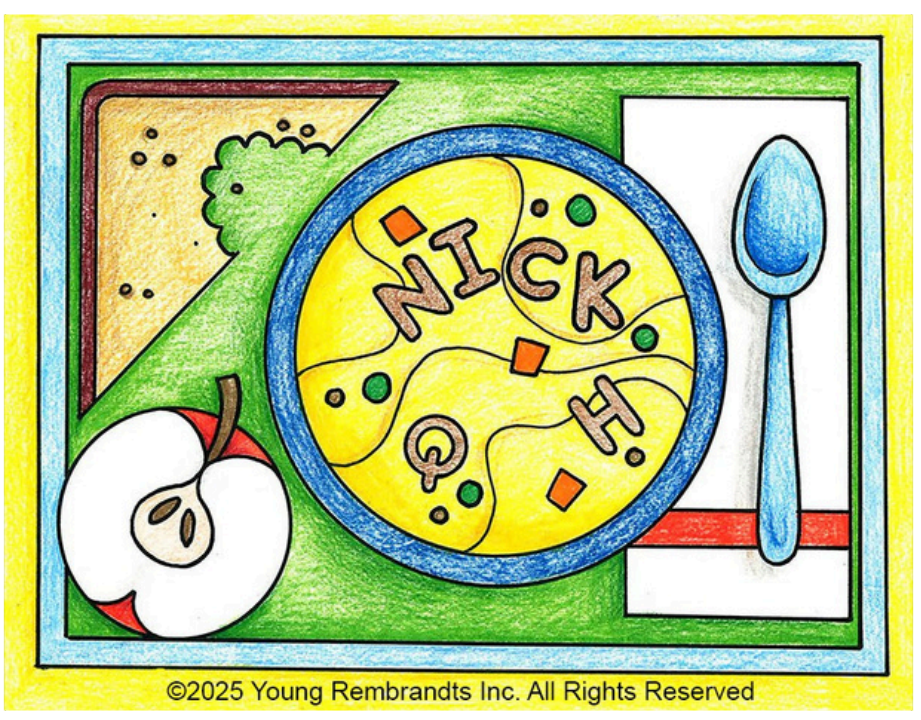
# Elementary Drawing

## Classes for Kids



Young Rembrandts

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## ALL NEW LESSONS EVERY SESSION!

### Join us at St Joseph St Roberts

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  
3:15 PM - 4:15 PM  
02/06/2025 - 03/27/2025



### Tuition

\$140.00  
(8 Week Session)



### Enrollment

ENROLL ONLINE at  
[www.youngrembrandts.com/buxmont-pa](http://www.youngrembrandts.com/buxmont-pa)



Scan or visit  
[youngrembrandts.com](http://youngrembrandts.com) to find  
a class near you



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ST. JOSEPH ST. ROBERT SCHOOL PRESENTS

JANUARY 27, 2025

*SJR's  
Got Talent*

TALENT SHOW

MONDAY JANUARY 27, 2025

1:30 PM

**DO YOU HAVE TALENT TO SHARE?**

**ALL TALENT WELCOME!**

**DANCING, SINGING, COMEDY,**

**INSTRUMENTS AND MORE!**

**SIGN UP THROUGH THE GOOGLE FORM**

**PROVIDED TO REGISTER YOUR ACT!**







**Acts of Love Service Weekend  
February 8th and 9th**



Please choose an activity listed below and return your "Act of Love" to the church narthex the weekend of February 8th / 9th. You are welcome to do more than one if you wish.

Please let us know if you will be providing an item by using the sign up genius <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0B45AAAD2BA0FA7-54286172-acts> or contact Donna Heeney at 215-343-9433 [donnaheeneydre@gmail.com](mailto:donnaheeneydre@gmail.com)

**Casseroles for St. John's Hospice**



Pick up a tray in the narthex. Here are some suggestions for casseroles. Please return it frozen. Directions are below <https://saintjohnshospice.org/recipes/>



**Birthday Cake Kits**

**Warminster Food Pantry**

**St. Catherine of Siena Food Pantry**

**Liz's Birthday Closet**

9 x13 disposable pan, box of cake mix, tub of frosting, can of soda, birthday candles, plates and anything else you would like to add.

**Put all items in the pan and secure it tightly with saran wrap.**

**Family Care Kits**

**Local Food pantries**



**St. Cyprian Parish**

Using a large plastic grocery bag include several bars of soap, deodorant, shaving cream, a few disposable razors, shampoo and conditioner, several toothbrushes and a large toothpaste, skin cream. You can add any additional items you would like. The items should accommodate more than 1 person

**The Baby Bureau, Warminster**

New baby clothes sizes 0-2T

Onesies and Sleepers 6 months-2T

New Baby Board Books

Diapers (NB, 1 and 2)

Baby hats, shoes, socks





# SJR'S DONATION DRIVE

Benefiting



Once again, this year we have the privilege to help **The Next Step Program!** We will be collecting supplies that participants of the Next Step Program can use for their daily activities as well as skill building lessons. We will be setting up a SignUp Genius with a list of items. We will be asking families to sign up for an item or two, you would be willing to donate. All donations would be due on January 24th. We would deliver the donations to The Next Step Program on January 29th during Catholic Schools Week. The link will be sent out the week of January 13th. More Information will be provided at that time.

**TO KICK OFF OUR DONATION DRIVE.. THERE WILL BE A DRESS DOWN DAY ON MONDAY, JANUARY 13TH for a \$2.00 donation. All money collected will be used towards the additional “higher priced” items TNS needs.**

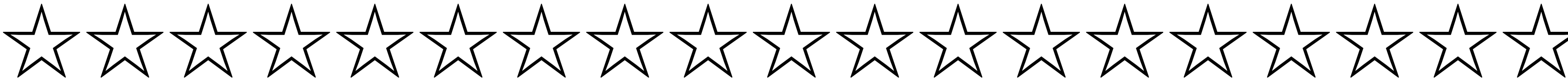


Founded in 2015, The Next Step Programs, is nonprofit organization dedicated to creating opportunities for people with disabilities as they age out of the public school system.

“Our programs help students and adults with disabilities build skills for employment, independent living, and planning for their futures. We also work with community employers and businesses around the region to provide training and support for hiring and accommodating workers with disabilities.”

For more information about the program, go to <https://tnsprogram.org>.





# My Hero

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ is a hero to all especially to  
\_\_\_\_\_ (my name).

Branch or Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_



In the box is a photograph or drawn picture of my Military Hero or First Responder Hero





# SJR VALENTINE'S DAY

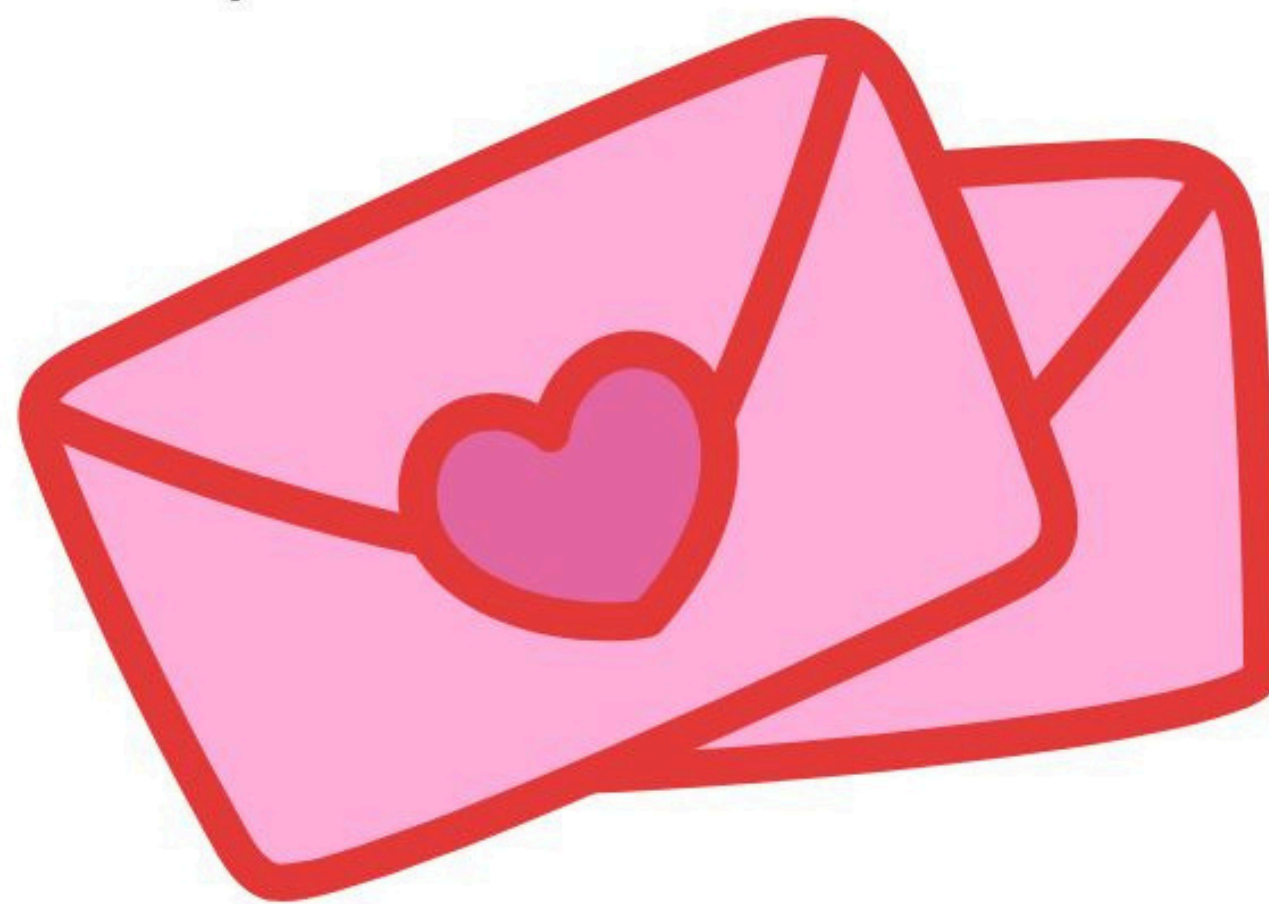
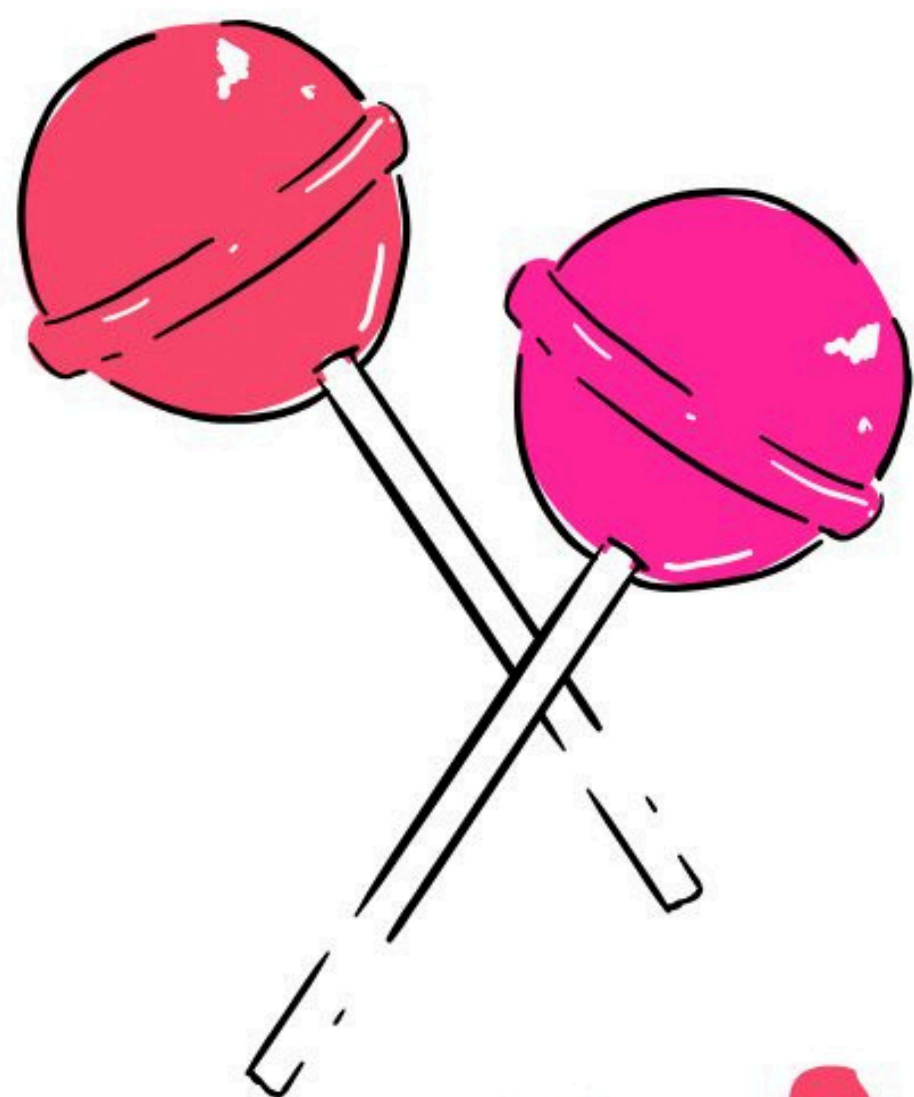
## CANDY GRAMS

The SJR HSA cupids will be delivering Valentines on Friday,  
February 14.

Buy a candy gram for friends, teachers, staff, or family!

Send \$1 for each gram in an envelope and fill out your message by  
February 12th. Candy grams will also be available for the kids to  
purchase during lunch on Monday, February 10th and Tuesday,  
February 11th.

Each gram will include a lollipop and will be delivered to classrooms  
on February 14th.



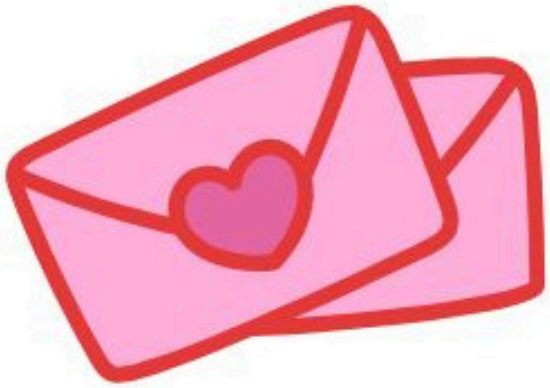


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Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_



Happy Valentine's Day!

Message: \_\_\_\_\_

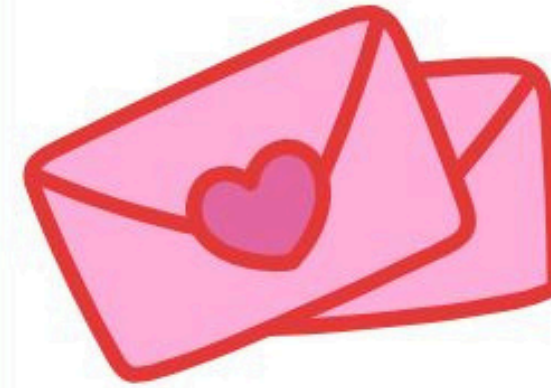


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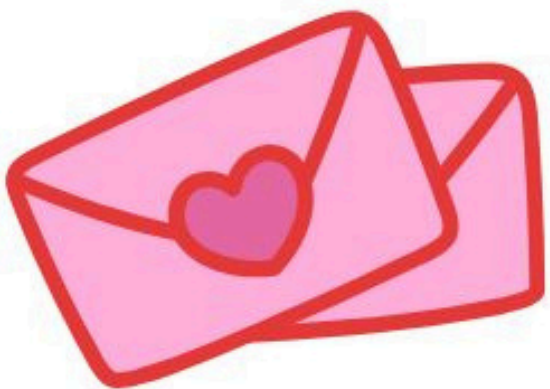


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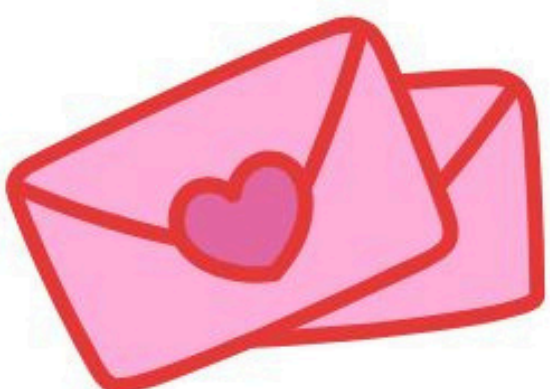


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WINGS

# PHILADELPHIA WINGS DAY!

March 15th 1:00pm!



***Come out and cheer on the Philadelphia Wings  
Lacrosse team! Use the google form to get your  
tickets starting at \$25!***

***Deadline is January 31st for tickets!***

***[CLICK HERE FOR GOOGLE FORM!](#)***