

#### **Income Determination Forms Due Oct.5-12**

Each year Income Determination Forms are used to decide our school's federal funding. The funds will benefit every child in our school! Let's work together and get 100% returns. This form was sent home on Friday with the youngest child in each family that has children in grades K-8. It was mailed to parents of distance learners. Information on the form is confidential and will be submitted anonymously.

Best strategy: take 3 minutes and fill out the form as soon as you get it. Be sure to fill out the form completely. Return it to your child's homeroom teacher on Monday, Oct. 5 -- but no later than Oct.12. Parents of distance learners can mail the form to Guardian Catholic School, 4920 Brentwood Avenue, Jacksonville, FL 32206. Or place it in a clearly marked envelope and drop it in the secure gray mailbox located on the school parking lot near the Admin Building between 7am and 6pm on weekdays.

## Family Empowerment Scholarship Checks – please sign this week!

If any of your children have a Family Empowerment Scholarship, please stop in the office as soon as possible to sign the first check. All checks must be signed by Friday.

# Book Character Day for Grades PK3 through 1st Grade October 30

Students in grades PK3-Gr1 are going to celebrate Literacy and Halloween with a Book Character Day! We would love for all the students to dress up as their favorite book character on Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup>. Check your bookshelves or digital library book shelves and start planning your costumes soon. Don't forget to read the book with your child!



Guidelines to remember when creating your child's book character costume:

- ✓ Students still need to be able to wear their protective face masks; other face coverings or plastic masks are not allowed.
- ✓ Students MUST WEAR school appropriate shoes
- ✓ Costumes must be safe for playground play and other activities. For example, avoid long costumes that would drag or cause the child to trip; nothing should be tight around the neck
- ✓ Dress up costumes must be school appropriate and comfortable so that they can be worn the whole day. There will be early dismissal @ 11:30 that day
- ✓ Most importantly HAVE FUN creating your costumes!

#### No Food from Outside Vendors in Cafeteria

Our participation in the National School Lunch and Breakfast program reflects our effort to provide healthy food choices and good nutrition. Parents are asked not to bring competitive food such as fast food or food prepared by outside vendors into the school cafeteria for breakfast or lunch. Breakfast and lunch are free for all students. Breakfast serving stops at 7:45. Children may bring a packed breakfast or lunch from home.

# **Student Birthdays**

Families are asked to not bring balloons and gifts to school to be delivered to students during the school day. Such deliveries are disruptive to the classroom and are more appropriate to be given at home.

## **Coming Events – Mark Your Calendars!**



Oct. 7 - Vision screening. Click here for details.



## Oct. 17 - Free Food Giveaway at Guardian Catholic. Click here

for details. This event is sponsored by Catholic Charities in partnership with Feeding Northeast Florida.



Oct. 19 - No School. Teacher Professional Day.



### TO GET STARTED, DOWNLOAD THE APP & REGISTER -- HERE'S HOW!

- ENGLISH Parent Guide Click Here
- SPANISH Parent Guide Click Here

## How do I announce my arrival to the school?

- 1) Parents can only announce at school. ANNOUNCE Yourself becomes active daily at 2:30 pm.
- 2) Make sure your **phone's location services are enabled** on both your phone and your PikMyKid parent app.
- 3) Starting at 2:30 pm, parents who are waiting must select the **GREEN ANNOUNCE** button on your PikMyKid app to announce yourself. Be sure to **SELECT <u>EACH CHILD</u>** in your family that you are picking up. If you don't select a child, that child's name will not appear on the school pick up screen.
- 4) The role of the staff member in the car line is to give you a place in the waiting line by moving you from the ANNOUNCE QUEUE to the WAITING LINE. It is not the staff member's role to look up your child's code and announce you.

# When Should I Keep My Child Home?

Knowing when to keep your sick child home is more important than ever during this pandemic. The CDC has published a Daily Home Screening tool to help parents do a quick check of symptoms. Click HERE to review the screening tool. If a student has had close contact (within 6 feet of an infected person for at least 15 minutes) with a person with confirmed COVID-19, the parent should keep the child home and notify Sr. Cynthia Shaffer, principal, right away.

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