

Assumption Catholic School
Back to School Night &
First FSA Meeting



September 11, 2025
6:30pm PK - 4th grade
7:00pm 5th - 8th grade

Assumption Catholic School nurtures, educates and empowers our diverse student community spiritually, intellectually, and social-emotionally with Catholic values and Ukrainian Tradition to Know, to Love, and to Serve God.

ACS Teachers and Staff











Our Sisters and Father







Religious formation: Faithful Connections, Sodality, First Holy Communion, World Language teacher, Theology of the Body, Substitute, Hallow Rollout

Our building: Summer Projects 2025













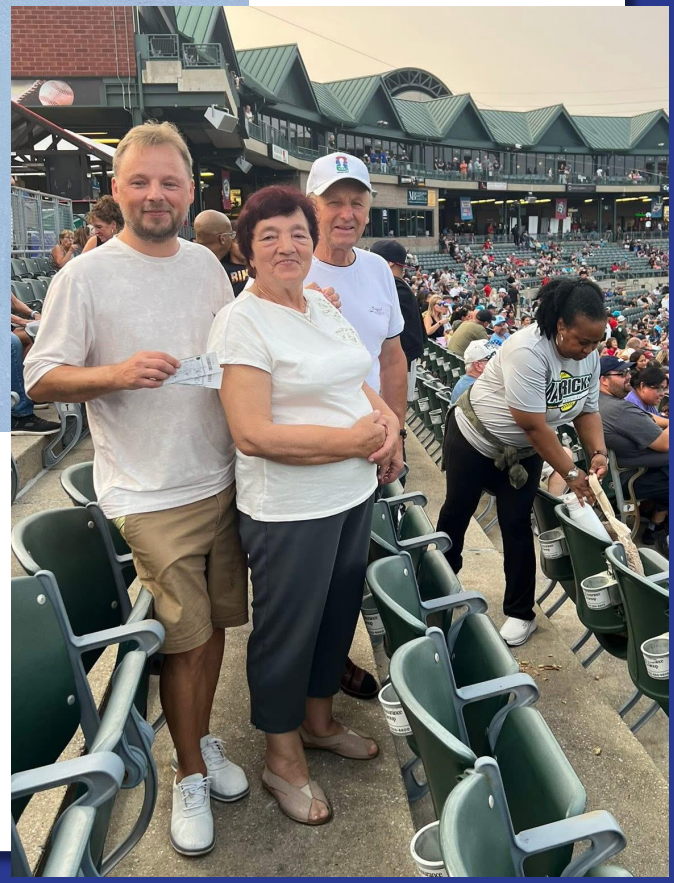


Father Ivan and Family









Meeting Agenda

1. Opening Prayer & Pledge of Allegiance
2. Introduction of FSA Board
3. Treasurer's Report—Brief Summary of 2025-2026 Finances
   a. Ending balance is: $27,383 START OFF: $10,000
4. FSA Presentation
5. Back to School Presentation
6. Mrs. Shumny, Father Ivan
7. Classroom Visits

FSA Executive Board 2025-2026

President: Mel Palhais Vice President: Jessica Mitchell

Treasurer: Jessica Mitchell Assistant Treasurer: Damaris Torres

Secretaries: Cassandra Carmona and Nora Gonzalez

Gertrude Hawk Coordinator: Jamelin Gordon

Fundraising Team: Christina Lyszyk, Kristen Scarpa, Jason & Zuleima Ballantyne, Yenni Miranda, Maria Santos-Jimenez, Tiffany Soderholm, Tess Gumbs

Scholastic Book Fair Coordinator: Melissa Mavica (SI in the house!)

Teacher Liaisons: Mrs. Bielak & Mrs. Florez

Principal: Mrs Lissette Shumny, **School Administrator/Pastor:** Father Ivan Turyk

Family & School Association (FSA)

- Organize and sponsor events and activities for the school community.
- Provide opportunities for fellowship within our school family.
- Participate in Assumption Catholic Church Parish activities.
- ALL of the fundraising proceeds go directly to providing the students of ACS with the support required to achieve academic excellence.

ACS Tuition Plans

All Plan 1 Family Obligations

- Fall Gertrude Hawk with a minimum of $90.00 sold (or $150.00 assessment)
- 3 BINGOs (or $90.00 assessment)
- Christmas Bazaar 4 Hours work obligation (or $400.00 assessment)
- 50\50 Bazaar Raffle Tickets $60.00 worth before event (or $100.00 assesment)
- Spring Super Raffle: $160.00 - 8 tickets @$20.00 each(or a $300.00 assessment)
- Graduation Breakfast - chaired and worked by 6th and 7th grade parents - 6 Service Hours

All Plan 2 Families and Pre-K Obligations

- Work 4 hours for the Christmas Bazaar

FSA General Meetings - Sign in!

Thursday, September 11th, Back to School Night

Thursday, October 9th, 6:30 pm

Thursday, November 6th, 6:30 pm

Future Dates to be announced

Attend Every Meeting and you will be entered into the Tuition Raffle!

(First prize: $1,000 off tuition, second prize $500 off tuition, third prize, $250 off tuition)

Note: Please remember to sign in!

BINGO!

Plan 1 Families must work 3 Scheduled BINGOs!

BINGO Assignments

Call the School Office ASAP, if you did not receive your schedule

Don’t forget to bring a cake (or 2 enough for 12 slices - or $20.00) and arrive at 6pm SHARP :)

Unless you call 48 hours in Advance for your assigned dated, you will be assessed $80.00 and you will not be rescheduled. If you cannot work your scheduled BINGO, you must call Jessica Mitchell ASAP: (845) 987-4354

Spread the word to your families and friends about our BINGO held in the school auditorium on Wednesdays!

FSA FUNDRAISING

Pancake Breakfast

- Half Day Wednesdays sometimes bring a special treat: $5 Includes Pancakes, Sausage, Hash Browns, Juice & Milk
- Volunteers needed: set up, cook, serve, clean up
- Sign in at the office - Report to the office for 8:30 am

Pancake Breakfast











FSA Fundraising 2025-2026

Hawk: Books going home tomorrow

- 2025-2026: Goal is $9,000 profit

Clothing Drive: Makes between $300-500

Urban Air: Goal is $500

Restaurant fundraising nights: Buffalo Wild Wings, Texas Roadhouse, Taco Express, etc.

50\50 Raffles: Mother’s Day Tea

FSA Fundraising & Activities

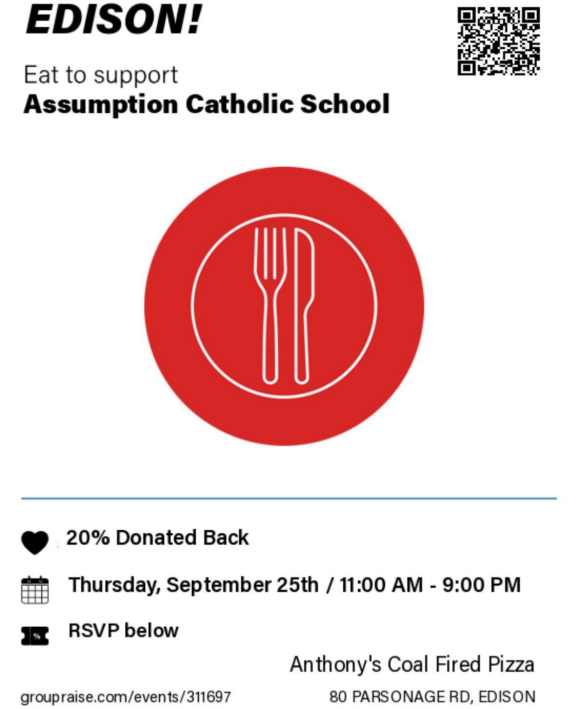
September: Prayer pins for our students and Grandparent Rosaries, 9/25 Anthony's Coal Fired Pizza

October: 10/17 Buffalo Wild wings, 10/27 to 10/31 Scholastic Book Fair, 10/30 Trunk or Treat Activity, 10/31 FSA Pancake breakfast, and Hispanic Heritage Month

November: Virtual Bazaar Week of 11/9, 11/16, and 11/30. Thanksgiving Feast on 11/26!

December: BAZAAR on DECEMBER 7th!!!







FSA Fundraising 2025-2026

Gertrude Hawk Christmas Candy sale

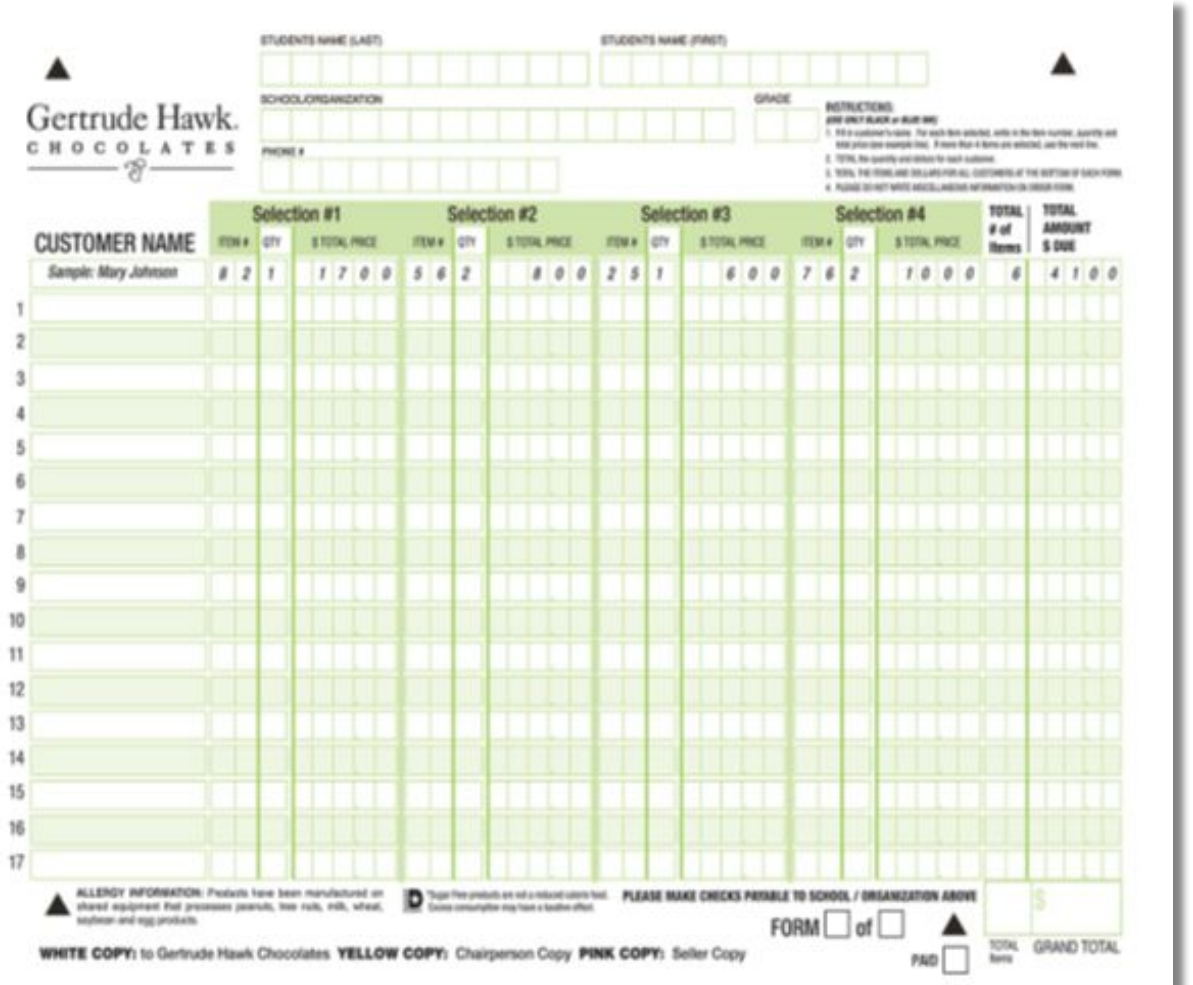
Paper Orders: Due November 4th

Delivery: Estimated Early-Mid December

Payment: Exact Cash Amount or check to Assumption Catholic School

Online Ordering
www.gertrudehawkfundraising.com

Group #121010
Ukrainian Assumption Catholic School
Perth Amboy, NJ



Paint & Sip Party----ADULTS ONLY Date TBD













FSA Fundraising 2025-2026

Scholastic Book Fair

October 27TH through October 31ST

Will be open for Trunk or Treat



Paint & Sip Hot Chocolate and Christmas Portraits

Interested? Google survey!!



FSA Fundraising 2025-2026

Christmas Bazaar & Gift Auction

Sunday, December 7th

11:00 am - 5:00 pm

We offer a full kitchen featuring homemade Ukrainian and Spanish foods. Dessert and Coffee Table, Vendors and Crafters, Children's Games, Grocery Wheel Game, Gift Auction, and 50/50.

Free Admission. Open to the public. Well advertised.

Largest Fundraising Event of the year!

Christmas Bazaar 2025

Decorations

The Kitchen— Cooking, Serving, Clean up

The Gift Auction—Solicitation Letter, Basket Wrapping and Prize Prep, ticket sales

Kids Games Station, The Grocery Wheel

Baked Goods & Coffee Station— Whole Cake Donations needed.

Vendors— Tables available,

50/50— Sell tickets

Set up & Clean up Crews

Saturday Bazaar Prep









Gift Auction





Vendor Tables





Kitchen Crew









50/50 & Ticket Sales





Grocery Wheel / Homemade Baked Goods





Christmas Bazaar 2025

Volunteer Forms

50/50 Tickets

Solicitation Letter

Planning Meeting: TBA

Ideas?

Color Run

Bike Run

Movie Night

LSC Family Night

Rita’s Ice Cream Day

Parent Drop off Night

FSA Communication

Flyers

School Calendar

Principal’s Newsletter

REMIND, Email or Text

Please Visit an FSA Board member!

Thank You!

Back to School Night Agenda

- Curriculum & Classroom Procedures
- Our Building, Technology and Security
- VIP Policies: Bullying Policy, Electronics & Technology Policy
- Dress Code
- Overview of a School Day
- Extended Care, Half Days & Pancake Breakfast, $3 Dress Down Days
- Student Clubs and Organization
- Communication
- Parent To Do List, REMIND Codes, Questions

Curriculum & Classroom Procedures

- Assumption Catholic School follows the Diocese of Metuchen Curriculum and the New Jersey State Student Learning Standards. Most classes have already taken a Baseline Assessment in both Reading and Math and we work quickly to address academic strengths and weaknesses.
    - **Break down of grades: tests 30%, quiz 25%, daily 25%, projects 20% (MS Religion: tests 25%, quiz 20%, daily 15%, projects 20%, service time 20%**
- Each teacher has their own grade appropriate procedures which they will share with you when you visit their classroom.

Our Building

We take pride in our school building!

Technology at ACS

Pre-K to Grade 2: 32 ipads, *Grades 3-8*: 1:1 Chromebooks

Grade Pre-K - 8 classrooms have Promethean Boards and teachers are trained.

Emergency Management Plan

ACS's Emergency plan was filed with the Perth Amboy Police Department and the Diocese of Metuchen. We discuss all our procedures and expectations with our students and have begun our drills.

Addressing Conflict vs Bullying

Conflict is an important part of growing up but bullying is not. Conflict teaches kids how to give and take, how to come to an agreement and how to solve problems. When it comes to conflict, it's good for kids to learn conflict resolution and resiliency skills. These skills promote listening and working together to come to an agreement or plan to move forward. Conflict resolution works based on the assumption that both people are in part responsible for the current problem and need to work it out. In this situation, both kids make compromises and the conflict is resolved.

Bullying is different. It is about the bully making a choice to intentionally hurt another person. There is nothing to work out. When bullying occurs, the bully is fully responsible for the situation. And the bully bears all the responsibility for change. Bullies usually do not negotiate with others. They want power and they blame others for their actions. Even if an adult can get them to apologize, bullies will often retaliate when no one else is around. As a result, it is crucial to recognize the difference between conflict and bullying.

Bullying Policy

Conflict is different than bullying. Not all disagreements and fights are bullying. Conflict is a normal part of human interaction and arises frequently in our day to day lives. Part of learning to be independent and grown up is learning how to deal with and respond appropriately to conflict at home, at school, and in your community. Recognizing the difference between conflict and bullying will help students, parents and teachers know how to respond.

Conflict

- Conflict is a disagreement in which all parties have equal power to solve the problem
- All parties have an equal interest in the outcome -parties are of relatively equal size, age or status
- A conflict can be resolved by talking or working things out together or with help from an adult.

Bullying

- Bullying is not a disagreement and is a repeated form of mistreatment where the victim cannot defend him/herself
- There is an imbalance of power – usually one person is either bigger or older than the other or has a higher social standing (is more popular) and uses this against the other person
- Usually involves repeated acts of harassment, harm or humiliation

Electronics & Technology Policy

Students are <u>not</u> allowed to bring electronics to school!

Cell Phones: Only students who walk home, take the bus, or cab home may bring it to school. A parent must sign the permission note sent from the office and must be approved by the Principal. The phone is turned into the office in the morning and returned to students at dismissal.

*Note: Classroom Teachers have these forms

Parent Information Available - Middle school parents, please take one of each!

Dress Code – A picture is worth a thousand words





Full Uniform
Hair and Nails








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Gym Days Uniform

1. Tops:
   a. Blue or yellow ACS T-shirt
   b. Gray sweatshirt (optional)
2. Bottom:
   a. ACS gray sweatpants
   b. OR ACS blue shorts
3. Socks:
   a. White
4. Sneakers:
   a. Any color low or mid top



Extended Care: Before and Aftercare

Before Care – 7am to 8am

After Care – 3:00pm to 5:30pm Grades PK - 2

Cost - $6 per hour

ACS Clubs

Grades 3 to 8

Starting September 15th

Assumption Catholic School After School Progam September - October

	Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday	
3:00-4:00	Gr. 3-8	Ukrainian Dance, Ms. Lawrence	Gr. 3-6	IXL/Games Club, Mr. Burzynski, Mrs. Bielak, Mrs. Derevenska	Gr. 3-8	Chimes & Show Choir, Ms. Lawrence	Gr. 3-8	Choir, Sr. Veronica, Sr. Trijsi, Sr.Svitanku	Gr. 3-5	Karaoke/Music Club, Ms. Suarez
	Gr. 3-6	Arts & Crafts, Mrs. Florez	Gr. 3-6	Sewing, Sr. Veronica, Sr. Trijsi, Sr.Svitanku	Gr. 3-5	Painting Club, Mrs. Zambrowski	Gr. 3-4	JR Drama (Thanksgiving & St.Nick play) Mrs. Bielak & Mrs. Derevenska	Gr 6-8	Scrapbooking / Painting Club, Mrs. Zambrowski
	Gr. 6-8	Karaoke/Music Club, Ms. Suarez	Gr. 7-8	Culinary, Mrs. Zambrowski	Gr. 6-8	Math Survivors, Mrs. Lawrence	Gr 5-8	History Club, Ms. Perez		
4:00-5:00	Gr. 3-4	Culinary, Mrs. Florez	Gr. 3-6	Recreation, Mr. Zambrowski	Gr. 3-4	Jewelry Club, Mrs. Zambrowski	Gr. 3-5	Basketball Club, Ms. Guzman/Mrs. Florez	**Only one club on Fridays :)**	
	Gr. 5-8	Drama, Ms. Shumny/ Mrs. Pickering (Winter Production: The Grinch Stole Christmas)	Gr. 7-8	Culinary, Mrs. Zambrowski	Gr. 5-6	Culinary, Mrs. Florez	Gr. 6-8	Anime Club, Ms. Perez		
					Gr. 7-8	Service Club, Mrs. Shumny				
	BC	Mrs. Florez	BC	Mrs. Florez	BC	Mrs. Florez	BC	Mrs. Florez	BC	Mrs. Florez
	AC	Mrs. Zambrowski	AC	Ms. Perez	AC	Mrs. Perez	AC	Mrs. Zambrowski	AC	Mrs. Perez

ACS Half Days & Dress Down Days

- **The First Wednesday of the month is generally a half day, EXCEPT February when it's the first Friday.**
  - (After care is available on half days - Lunch is NOT served, please send lunch from home)
- Half Day Wednesday – When announced we have Pancake Breakfast: $5.00: Juice, Pancake, Hash Browns, Sausage. (Exact Change Requested and NOT part of the regular lunch program)
- **Dress Down Days $3 - 50/50 Tuition Raffle**

Schedule Overview

- Drop off on Meredith Street between 8:00 am to 8:15 am

  PLEASE DO NOT DOUBLE PARK!! (This should be a slide in itself)
- Prayers, Pledge, announcements before going to class
- Special Classes – Monday: Music, Tuesday: Spanish (gr PK,K,5-8), Ukrainian (gr 1-4) Wednesday: Art, Thursday: Physical Education, Friday: Divine Liturgy
- Snack & Lunch: Snack & hot lunch are offered daily, menu is sent home at the beginning of the month and posted on website and REMIND.
- Dismissal – Pre-K at **2:45pm** (office door), K-4 – ACS playground at ***2:55pm***, and 5-8 at **3pm** (office door)

Honor Roll

Academic Honors are recognized for students in grades 3-8. All subject averages are used to determine student honor roll status.

- First Honors: An average from 93-100, with no grade below a 92
- Second Honors: An average from 85-92, with no grade below a 85
- Honorable Mention: Exemplary effort & attitude, nothing lower than a 78

A guideline for homework: Kindergarten = 10 minutes, Grade 1 = 20 minutes, Grade 2 = 30, Grade 3 = 40 minutes, Grade 4 = 50 minutes, Grade 5 = 60 minutes, Grade 6 = 70 minutes Grades 7 = 80 minutes, Grade 8 = 90 minutes

Communication

- Newsletter – sent home every other Friday
- Planners $8
- Teacher & Principal email – all on the website and newsletter
- PowerSchool – link on our website
- REMIND - calendars, reminders, and homework
- Send money and information into school:

Envelopes - which should be addressed:

Name: Student Name & grade Re:

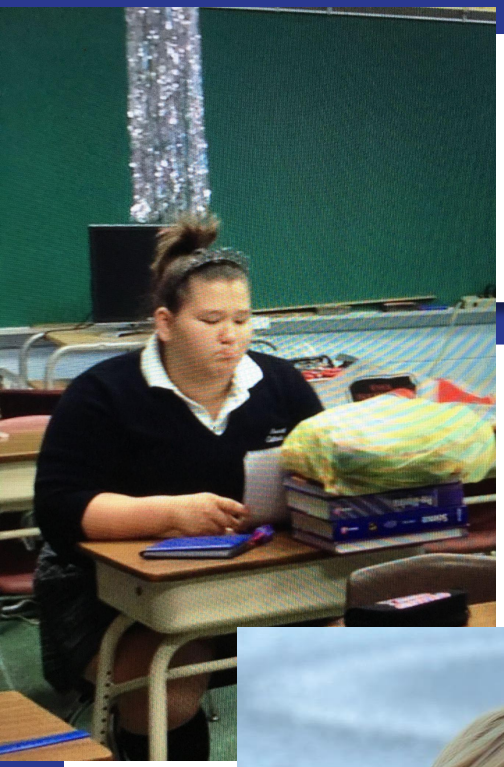
PARENT TO DO LIST!

- 6th grade parents - WE NEED IMMUNIZATION RECORDS - PK WE NEED FLU SHOT!
- Physicals for all our new students
- Sign Family Handbook Acknowledgement Form & Ethical Use of Technology
  Download REMIND app, PowerSchool and STOPit.
- Like us on facebook & save our website as a favorite!

  assumptioncatholicschool.net

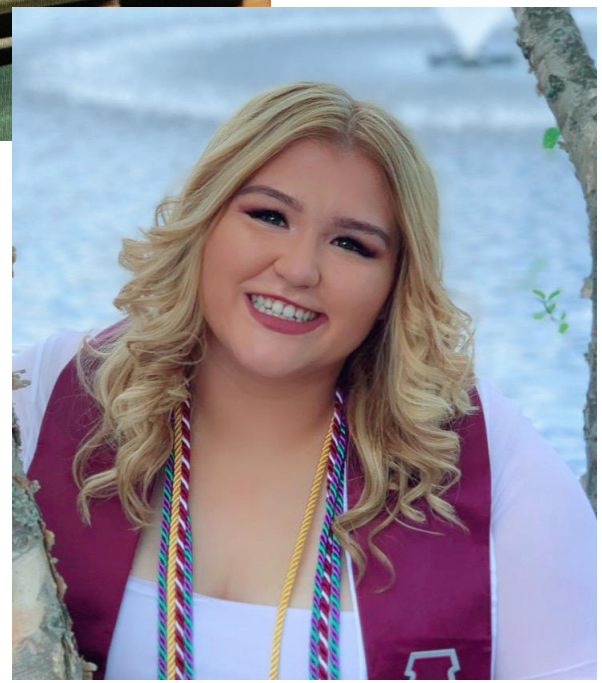
  Special Mention: COGNIA



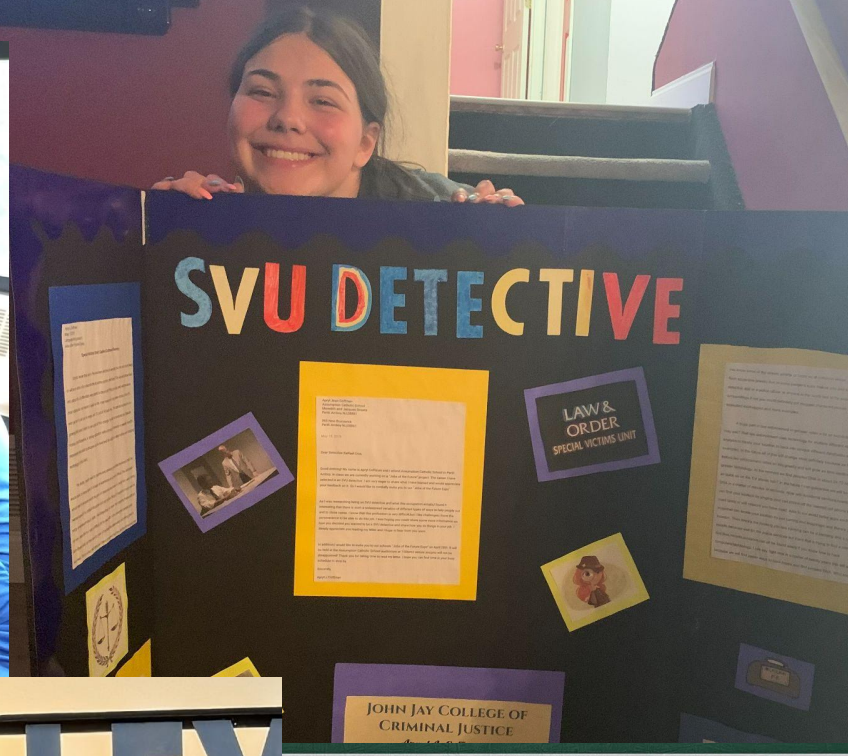


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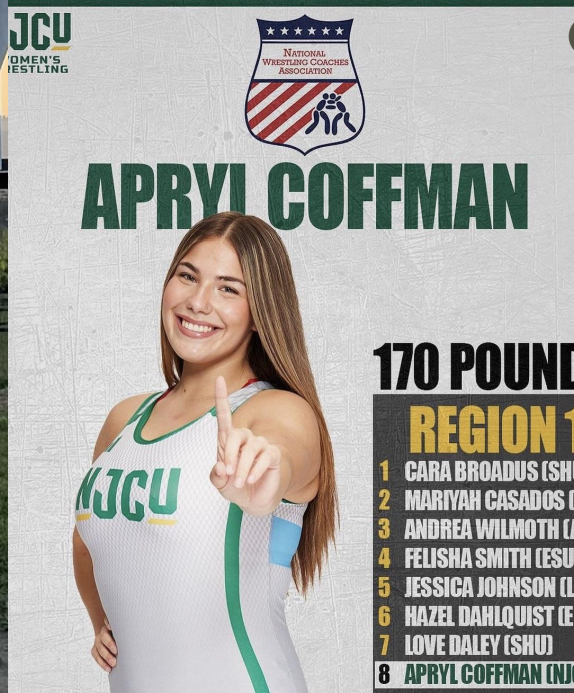
every minute











Questions?



Father Ivan

50/50 raffle



Please go to your child's classroom so you can meet our teachers!