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Dear Morning Star Families & Friends,

Welcome back! We hope everyone had a blessed and restful Thanksgiving holiday.

I'm happy to report that our annual fund drive is off to a good start. Thank you to those families who are helping us promote the campaign and have donated. Our annual fund helps us bridge the gap between the actual cost to educate a student and our average tuition.

This year, our average tuition is \$11,200. Our average cost is \$13,500. That leaves a "gap" of \$2,300 per student. With 140 students, our need is \$322,000.

Please consider helping us promote this important campaign to the businesses you frequent and have personal relationships with. As parents, family members and friends of the children we serve you can share personal stories and talk about the amazing things we accomplish every day. The month of December is a wonderful "giving" month! No amount is too small and all donations are tax deductible. Help us achieve 100% parent participation.

Download our **ANNUAL FUND LETTER** [HERE](#)
Link to our **ANNUAL FUND WEB PAGE** [HERE](#)
Make a **SECURE ONLINE DONATION** [HERE](#)

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR OUR 2020 GOLF TOURNAMENT!

"Shoot for the Stars" our 12th annual golf tournament is scheduled for Monday February 24, 2020. Money raised at this event will also be applied to our annual fund. Give yourself, or someone you know, the gift of golf! [Click HERE to register!](#)

Let's work together, pray for success and spread the word!

GOD bless and THANK YOU!

Jean Barnes, Principal

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CLICK HERE TO MAKE A DONATION
No amount is too small!

REMINDERS

Spirit Night at HARP'S



This Thursday, December 5th is Morning Star School's Spirit Night at HARP'S (Harpoon Louie's - 4070 Herschel Street, Jacksonville, FL 32210). Please join us and support our school. We look forward to seeing everyone there! A portion of the proceeds from sales for the entire day will be donated to our school.

Volunteer to Supervise our Students



Thursday, December 12th our teachers will attend Father Boddie's luncheon. We need volunteers to cover for the teachers from 10:30 - 12:00 while they are enjoying their lunch. Volunteers must have taken Protecting God's Children and have been fingerprinted. Click [HERE](#) to sign up to help.

No Lunch Orders This Week



There will be no lunch orders delivered the first week of December. Please make sure your student has a lunch every day that week. The order form for the week of December 9th thru 13th will be sent home on Monday, December 2nd and is due back by Friday, Dec 6th by 8:00 am.

Noon Dismissal & Dress Down Day



This Friday, December 6th is a noon dismissal and a non-uniform day. After school care will be available that day.

Trash Free Lunch Next Monday



Monday, December 9th, is trash free lunch day.

Christmas Spirit Dress Down Day



Monday, December 9th is a Christmas spirit dress down day for a \$1.00 donation.

Last Chance to take Protecting God's Children Class in 2019!



CLICK [HERE](#) TO REGISTER
Where: Catholic Center (Jacksonville)
When: Wednesday, December 11, 2019 at 9:30 AM
Estimated length of session: 3 hrs 30 min
Spaces remaining: 14 of 25
Language: This session will be conducted in English
Wheelchair accessible: Yes
Notes: No children under the age of 18 are permitted at this training. Doors close promptly at 9:30 and no one will be permitted to the session late. Call Sister Elise for additional information.

Talent Show



This Friday, December 6th at 10:30 am our annual talent show will be held at Christ the King gym. Please join us to share in our students unique talents.

'Twas the Night Before Christmas High School Winter Formal



Friday, December 13th from 7:00 to 10:00 pm the High School Winter Dance will be held in the media center. The cost is \$10.00 per student. The theme is *'Twas the Night Before Christmas*.

We are looking for parent volunteers to help organize and decorate for the dance. Decorating will begin at 2:30 the day of the dance. If you can help, please

Annie Jr. the Musical - **DATE CHANGE**



DATE CHANGE FOR ANNIE JR. MUSICAL
NEW DATE - Wednesday, December 18th, 6:30 pm

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KIDS HEART CHALLENGE

We are in our final week of fundraising for the Kids Heart Challenge and we need your help to reach our goal of \$3000. You can help us make an impact by making a donation today and help the American Heart Association change the lives of people living in our community. Every little bit helps and your gift will make a big difference.



It only takes a second to register online, make a donation and become a Heart Hero. Click [HERE](#), find Morning Star School Jacksonville and help us change lives for the better.

Thank you for your continued support!

Coach Bryan & Coach Whitson

WOLFSON CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL TOY DRIVE



December 2nd - 16th we will hold a toy drive sponsored by Gianana C. through the Florida State Cinderella Tot program, to benefit Wolfson Children's Hospital.

Click [HERE](#) to view a list of specific items requested. (Please donate toys unwrapped).



EVENTS

SANTA SHOP

WHEN: December 9th-13th
WHERE: Media Center

To volunteer/help with the Santa Shop click [HERE](#).



The SANTA SHOP is coming next week! This is an event held at school where students get to do their own Christmas shopping! The items are always fun, inexpensive Christmas gifts for the entire family. And, all gifts are priced between \$5 to \$10.

PRIMARY NEWS

Our Primary Thanksgiving luncheon was successful! Thank you to our parents for making memories with us!



Primary is ready for Christmas!



JUNIOR HIGH NEWS

Junior High students engaged in the engineering design process by taking measurements for a bridge in our Peace Garden. After considering any constraints that might take place, they drew a blueprint of their designs.



SHOP [AMAZON SMILE](#) this holiday season and support **MORNING STAR SCHOOL!** It's exactly like Amazon but you'll make a difference!

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1. Visit **AmazonSmile**
2. Select **Morning Star School of Jacksonville** as your charity of choice and start shopping!
3. Bookmark the **AmazonSmile** link and use it each time you shop with Amazon! (Proceeds will only be donated if you are logged into AmazonSmile).

Download the **NEW** Box Top App Today!

Box Tops is a great way to earn fundraising dollars! **And now there is a new phone app which makes it easier to earn points for our school!** Shop as you normally would, then simply scan your store receipts to find participating products. The app will automatically credit your school's Box Tops earnings online. It's a much easier way to help us earn dollars.



Download the new Box Tops App [HERE](#).

Watch a video about the new process [HERE](#)

You may still clip Box Tops and send them to school. Physical Box Top clips are being phased out of production, but may continue to be found on many products throughout the store.

A FEW THINGS TO REMEMBER...

- Turn in your box tops weekly. They do expire.
- Be sure to NOT cut the code off. We cannot use it if the code is missing even one of the digits
- Place them in a zip lock bag and send them in with your student.

Thank you for supporting our fundraising efforts! Questions? Please reach out to Jackie Rodriguez, our Home & School Box Top Coordinator at jaco_rodriquez@yahoo.com

SUBMIT A STORY

Would you like us to share a story about Morning Star School or one of our students? We love showcasing the many talents of our students and their families. To submit a news item for our publications and social media please click the button below to go to our "News" web page then click on the "submit a story" button to use our online communications form.

[Submit a Story!](#)

Our School Mission Statement

Rooted in the Gospel and strengthened by the sacraments, the mission of Morning Star School is to provide a unique, inspiring education empowering students with learning differences to achieve their full potential.



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