

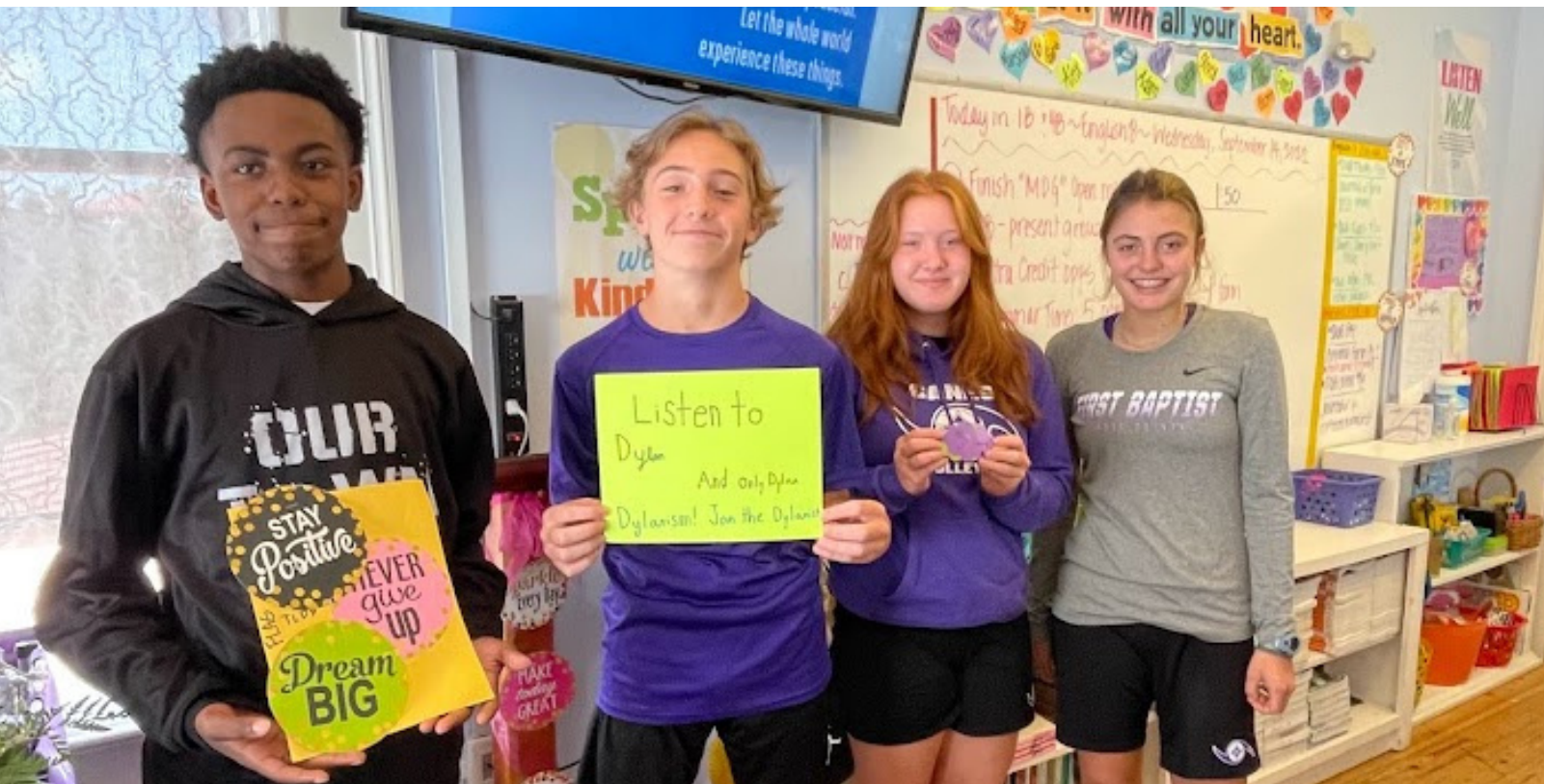
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THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF FIRST BAPTIST SCHOOL

October 2022

Monthly Newsletter



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Head of School Update

By Dr. Justin Mitchell

Greetings, First Baptist Community!

We are so excited about the progress we have made in getting the 2022/2023 school year off the ground. We have so many great things happening on both of our campuses as we all settle into our routines and really begin the hard work of the school year.

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We had a great turnout for "See You at the Pole" on September 28 when our FBS students joined students across our country to lift up in prayer our friends, families, teachers, school, and nation. While this specific day is dedicated to prayer across the country, we invite each of you to daily unite with us in prayer for our families, teachers, our school, and our nation, as we seek to honor and serve God in everything we do.

We are grateful for your tremendous support in the Charleston Wrap fundraiser. We were able to collectively raise \$16,196.90, which will be used to fund our new program, The Social Institute. The Social Institute has been a huge success so far. The goal of this program is to provide our instructional resources which are aimed at promoting positive digital citizenship for our students and to help parents navigate the ever-evolving challenges in the era of social media. The Charleston Wrap fundraiser will also be used to fund advances in technology for our younger grades, as well.

We are excited to be hosting our FBS Friends and Family Oyster Roast on October 23rd at The Island House. Join us for a time of fun, fellowship, and great local oysters. [Click here to register.](#) We look forward to seeing you there!

Last year we began hosting a series of New Parent Coffees where our new parents are invited in small groups to have coffee with the FBS administrators, admissions, and enrollment personnel, as well as representatives of the PTO. The goal of our time together is to get to know each other and find ways in which we can support our new families in getting plugged in to life at FBS. New families, you will be receiving information regarding these sessions in the coming weeks.

Learning is in full swing at both of our campuses. I have enjoyed visiting classrooms and hard work of our teachers and students Downtown. We were so excited to return to our cherished Family Fridays, where families join us on campus for lunch for grades. In addition to Family Friday events, we are also pleased to announce resuming our annual Grandparents Day festivities for K2-4th Grades on October 24th. We look forward to seeing more great things from our Downtown Campus as the school year progresses.

Like our Downtown Campus, our James Island Campus has tons of activity. Our students are actively engaged in their coursework as our semester is now well underway. We are settling into the A, B, C Day schedule nicely. Due to Hurricane Ian, our Homecoming activities had to take a detour. Our new Homecoming game date is set for October 28th, and we will play Porter-Gaud. On that same day, we will host our 5th-12th grades on James Island for a Homecoming Pep Rally.

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We will also recognize our football and cheer seniors on October 28th, additionally, we will hold Homecoming Court during half-time. Our students are also excited that we will be hosting a Homecoming Dance on October 29th.

We invite you to stay up to date with current events by following First Baptist School's social media and our school webpage. #WeAreFB

Be blessed,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Justin Mitchell". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and a long, sweeping underline.

OCTOBER 2022

School Calendar

8	Hurricane 5K	
12	Half Day of school for K2 - 12th Grade PSAT for Grades 9-11 Staff Development	12:00-3:00 pm
13-14	Fall Break - No School	
23	FBS Friends & Family Oyster Roast	4:30-7:30 pm
24	Grandparent's/Special Friends Day	
28	Homecoming	7:30pm

[Click here](#)
for Athletic
Schedule



Join Us



FBS FRIENDS & FAMILY OYSTER ROAST

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2022
4:30-7:00 PM
THE ISLAND HOUSE | 2658 SWYGERT LANDING

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\$35 for Oyster Eaters
\$12 for Non-Oyster Eaters
(Oysters, Hot Dogs & Chili)

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT
bit.ly/fbs-oyster-roast
Please RSVP by October 16

[TICKETS](#)

IN THE KNOW

school happenings



Grandparent's Day

Grandparents/Special Friends Day is October 24th! Invitations have gone out, so please be sure to remind any grandparents or special friends to RSVP!

School Picture Make-Up Days

A reminder that school picture make-up days are Monday, October 10th for the James Island campus and Tuesday, October 11th for the Downtown campus.



PTO Dress Down Day

The next Dress Down Day will be Friday, October 21st. If you have not paid for participation for the whole year, please remember to bring your \$5.

FIRST BAPTIST SOCIAL MEDIA

Follow along with our daily happenings on our social media pages! Below are the official school social media pages.

SCHOOL



FINE ARTS



ATHLETICS



WANT TO SHARE YOUR PHOTOS WITH US? BE SURE TO TAG US AND USE OUR SCHOOL HASHTAG!

#WeAreFB



FIRST BAPTIST

Homecoming



Rescheduled!

Friday, October 28 at 7:30 pm
FBS vs. Porter Gaud
James Island Campus

CANES NEWS



First Baptist Basketball 3V3 Mini-Camp

Join us for this fun and intensive 3V3 Basketball Mini-Camp hosted by First Baptist School of Charleston. Registration covers the cost for all four dates. Non-FBS Students welcome!

Dates:

- Saturday, October 8th
- Saturday, October 15th
- Saturday, October 22nd
- Saturday, October 29th

Time: 1:00 pm-3:00 pm

Grades: 6th-8th grade

Hosted by: First Baptist School of Charleston

Cost: \$125 a player for four, 2-hour, Saturday Sessions

[REGISTER](#)



Middle School Volleyball



8th Grade girls' volleyball will play this week to determine if they will move on to the Championship games if they win this week!

Please come and support the MS volleyball teams!

First Baptist Baseball Oyster Roast

Join the BTeam, JV and Varsity Baseball teams on December 3rd for an Oyster Roast and Silent Auction on beautiful Truluck Island.

[TICKETS](#)





FIRST BAPTIST
SCHOOL

UPCOMING ADMISSIONS EVENTS

Prospective Families

DOWN TOWN

Open House
for Prospective K2-8th Grade
Families

Multiple Dates, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

[REGISTRATION](#)

JAMES ISLAND

Open House
for Prospective 9-12th Grade
Families

October 20th, 5:30-6:30 pm

[REGISTRATION](#)

Know families
interested in FBS?

We'd love for you to share
the above events with
them to learn more!

ADVANCEMENT OFFICE NEWS

*Sustaining Academic Excellence with a Christian Perspective
for generations to come*

Oyster Roast This Month!

Beth Switzer, switzerb@fbschool.org

*Director of Advancement
& High School Admissions*

Be sure to join us for our Friends and Family Oyster Roast on Sunday, October 23rd at The Island House! Lowcountry Oysters and Chili Dogs will be served - tickets available [here!](#)

Grandparents are also invited to visit on Monday, October 24th. Invitations with further details have been sent!

ADVANCEMENT EVENTS

FBS FRIENDS AND FAMILY
OYSTER ROAST
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2022
4:30 PM - 7:00 PM
THE ISLAND HOUSE, 2658
SWYGERT BLVD., JOHNS ISLAND
29455

GRANDPARENTS/SPECIAL
FRIENDS DAY
MONDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2022
K2 - K5 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM
1ST GRADE - 4TH GRADE
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

GIVE ONLINE



CHARLESTON WRAP FUNDRAISER

Thank you to everyone who participated in our annual Charleston Wrap fundraiser! With your efforts, we raised...

\$16,196.90!!

Money raised will go toward The Social Institute for grades 5-12, in addition to new Accelerated Reader classroom technology for the Lower School.



Around Campus



The Social Institute: Balancing Tech

*By Rose M. Cummings, LPC
First Baptist School Counselor*



As you may have seen in a previous email, our lower and middle school students have begun a new and exciting program called The Social Institute!

Knowing that 95% of teens regularly use a smartphone and 45% say they are almost online constantly, we want to get ahead of the game and transform the way our young people view and use the internet as well as social media.

The #WinatSocial program empowers students, parents and educators to navigate social experiences -ONLINE & OFFLINE- in healthy high character ways. Every family in our school can access the parent portal by logging onto www.thesocialinstitute.com and click login and create a new account. If you need the code to activate the account, please reach out and email me. Then you can access playbooks which feature expert breakdowns of the most popular apps right now including TikTok, YouTube, Instagram, Snapchat, Among Us, Fortnite and more. You can find everything you need to know about these platforms in a language that is easy to understand.

The Social Standard we focused on in September was STRIKE A BALANCE. This standard is all about balancing our time and attention on technology with the people around us.

- 5th grade focused on balancing their time on tech to reach their goals
- 6th grade worked on sharing strategies to help friends and family balance their time on tech
- 7th concentrated on breaking down when to text vs when to talk
- 8th grade worked on how to strike a balance with technology

We are very excited about this new program and hope that you use this as a springboard for conversation at home. We will keep you updated on subsequent month topics and all of the fun and interesting things to come with The Social Institute!

FIRST BAPTIST SCHOOL

RESOURCES



RENWEB
LOGIN



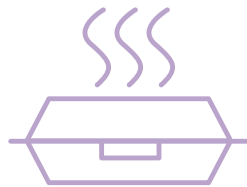
STUDENT
HANDBOOK

PTO

PARENT TEACHER
ORGANIZATION(PTO)



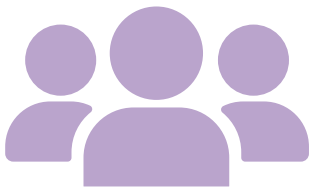
SMART TUITION
LOGIN



SCHOOLHOUSE
FARE LUNCH



DRESS CODE



FACULTY/STAFF
DIRECTORY



ACADEMIC
CALENDAR



ONLINE
GIVING

These resources can always be found on the [Resources](#) page of our website.