

SHEHAN SNAPSHOT!



IMPORTANT DATES:

- Labor Day (SCHOOL CLOSED) 9/7
- Cheerleading Tryouts 9/9 @3pm-4:30pm
- Before/After Care Begins 9/14
- Basketball Tryouts 9/14-9/17
- **FALL MAP TESTING (Grades 1-5) 9/15**
- Coffee Talk with the Principal 9/17 @8:30am
- Grandparents Day 9/25 @9am-11am
- **FALL MAP TESTING (Grades 2-8) 9/28**



Take a look at the 'Cardinal Calendar' & upcoming school events!

Welcome Back to Cardinal Shehan School! Welcome Back Week was a great success at Cardinal Shehan School! We are especially excited and grateful to have **100% teacher retention** this school year. Our teachers are committed to our students, and we are blessed to have such a dedicated team.

We would also like to thank and recognize every parent who provided school supplies for their child's classroom. Your generosity helps our teachers create strong learning experiences for our students.

Our students received a special welcome on the first day of school from members of our administrative team. On Monday, we were blessed to have **Sister Patricia, the leader of Catholic Schools**, join us in welcoming our students and parents. On Wednesday, **Mr. Greg Farno, CEO of Catholic Schools**, helped welcome our students. On Friday, **Mr. Greg Komondor, our Area Superintendent for Catholic Schools**, joined us as well.

The support we receive from the Archdiocese is very important to Cardinal Shehan School. We are grateful for their continued support of our students, families, teachers, and school community.

Remembering Mrs. Betty Contino

This week, Cardinal Shehan School received the heartbreaking news that **Mrs. Betty Contino, Founder of the Women's Education Alliance (WEA)**, passed away.



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Mrs. Contino was a true partner in everything that matters to Cardinal Shehan School. Through WEA, she helped support our mission in so many important ways. WEA has provided funding for books, teacher stipends, professional development, sports equipment, our playground, student scholarships, and much more.

Under Mrs. Contino's leadership, WEA became and remains one of Cardinal Shehan School's most important partnerships. We will miss Mrs. Contino's personal love for our students, her kindness, and her **"get-it-done" spirit**.

Thank you, Mrs. Contino, for everything you have done for Cardinal Shehan School. **We love you and will always remember you.**

Basketball and Cheerleading

Basketball and cheerleading tryouts are coming up soon! Please review the flyers included in this edition of the newsletter for dates, times, and additional information.

Labor Day Holiday

School will be closed on **Monday, September 7, for the Labor Day holiday**. School will resume on **Tuesday, September 8, at 7:40 a.m.**

Thank You to the Wallace Family!

A special thank you goes to the **Wallace family** for their generous donation of new art tables for our Visual Arts program. Mrs. Arzu and our students will benefit greatly from this thoughtful gift. We are grateful to families who find ways to contribute to the growth and success of Cardinal Shehan School.

We encourage every family to look for ways to help strengthen the **climate and culture of our school**. Every contribution, large or small, makes a difference.

Our theme for the **2026–2027 school year** is: **"Math, That's What We Do!"** This year, Cardinal Shehan School is setting an ambitious goal. **We want to become the number one school in Baltimore for mathematics—and excellence in everything we do.** Parents, you play an important role in helping us reach this goal. Please talk with your children about the importance of mathematics and encourage them to take their work seriously.



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Remind your children to **slow down, focus, check their work, and do their very best.** Mathematics is all around us, and strong math skills will help our students succeed in school and in life.

Cardinal Shehan Reading Challenge

Mrs. Knorr, our new librarian, is kicking off the **Cardinal Shehan School Reading Challenge!** More details will be coming soon. Our school goal is to collectively read **more than 800 books** by a date that Mrs. Knorr will announce. If we reach our goal, we will have a **massive celebration for our students, teachers, and staff!** We want every Cardinal to discover the joy of reading, so start reading now!

Attendance Matters

We gave our students some grace when they were late during the first week of school. Beginning **Tuesday, September 8**, students who arrive late will receive a late slip from the Front Desk. Chronic lateness and frequent absences will be addressed by the school administration. Please make every effort to make sure your children are **at school every day and on time.** Being present and ready to learn is one of the most important things your child can do for academic success.

Thank you for your continued partnership and support. We are off to a wonderful start, and I believe **2026–2027 will be an outstanding year for Cardinal Shehan School!**

Soaring High Together!

Dr. Barney J. Wilson
Principal
Cardinal Shehan School

BEFORE & AFTER CARE

Before & After Care will begin **Monday, September 14, 2026.**

Registration is now open, and spots are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

****PLEASE NOTE:** Before & After Care openings for students in **PK3–Kindergarten** are now **FULL**. Spots are still available for students in **Grades 2–8**.

For more information, please contact Ms. Johnson at
ajohnson@cardinalshehanschool.org

FALL OPEN HOUSE

Know a family who may be interested in Cardinal Shehan School? Spread the word and invite them to join us!

**Wednesday, October 14, 2026
10:00 AM–1:00 PM**

We can't wait to welcome prospective families to our Cardinal community!
Spread the word. Share the Cardinal spirit!

Ready to Play?

Basketball tryouts are coming up! Bring your energy, skills, and Cardinal pride to the court!



WATER BOTTLES

Please send students to school each day with a full water bottle to stay hydrated!

Reminder: Water bottles must have a **NO-STRAW TOP**. This includes Stanley cups with straws.
Thank you for your cooperation!



CSS AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

Missed your chance to complete the Interest Form? There's still time! The deadline has been **EXTENDED!**

Student Ambassadors will have the opportunity to welcome new families, assist with school events and Open Houses, support school activities, and represent our Cardinal community throughout the year.



New Interest Form Deadline: Friday, September 11, 2026



Open to: All students in Grades 6–8

Ready to get involved? Complete the Student Ambassador Interest Form today!
Questions or concerns? Contact Ms. Boykin or Ms. Wright for more information.



Ms. Boykin: kboykin@cardinalshehanschool.org



Ms. Wright: swright@cardinalshehanschool.org



Click **HERE** to complete the Student Ambassador Interest Form:

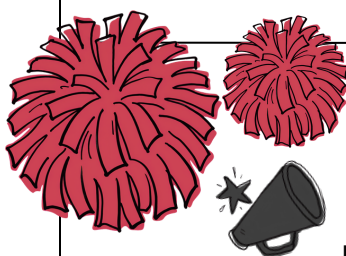
<https://forms.gle/9yHbfuQsd9Fidnwb9>

GRANDPARENTS DAY

Join us for Grandparents' Day on Friday,
September 25 ❤️❤️

Early registration is **HIGHLY ENCOURAGED** and will close on Sunday, September 20th

Click **HERE** or scan the QR code on the attached flyer to register today!



Calling All Cheerleaders!

Cheerleading tryouts are on **Wednesday, September 9!** Don't miss your chance to join the team!



CARDINAL SHEHAN SCHOOL

SCHOOL

Ambassador

LEAD | SERVE | REPRESENT



*Are you a leader? Do you have school spirit?
Do you enjoy helping others?*

Consider becoming a Cardinal Shehan School **STUDENT AMBASSADOR**
for the 2026–2027 school year

AS A STUDENT AMBASSADOR, YOU WILL:



REPRESENT

Cardinal Shehan School
with pride



WELCOME

prospective families
and guests to our school



ASSIST

with school events,
open houses, and more



DEVELOP

leadership skills and make
a lasting impact

WHO CAN APPLY?

Open to students
in **Grades 6th–8th**

QUALITIES OF A SHEHAN AMBASSADOR

- ✓ Leadership
- ✓ Responsibility
- ✓ School Spirit
- ✓ Positive Attitude
- ✓ Respect
- ✓ Commitment

Ready to Make a Difference?

APPLY TODAY!



Complete the interest form using
the link or QR code below:

<https://forms.gle/Ampw1BwjhbF26cYR6>



We can't wait to see our future leaders step up
and continue to make Shehan a stronger community!



2026-2027

Join the Cardinal Shehan Cheer Team!
Build friendships, meet new people, learn techniques and have fun!!

What to bring?

- ✓ Dress comfortably
- ✓ Bring cheer shoes & water
- ✓ NO SPANDEX/LEGGINGS

Wednesday September 9, 2026

3:00-4:30PM

CSS GYM

GRADES 2-8

Ms. Johnson

ajohnson@cardinalshehanschool.org



410-433-2775

COFFEE

WITH
THE

TALK

PRINCIPAL



BREWING CONNECTION. BUILDING COMMUNITY.

JOIN US FOR:



MEANINGFUL
CONVERSATIONS



SHARE IDEAS &
ASK QUESTIONS



PARTNER TO SUPPORT
OUR STUDENTS



DATE:
THURSDAY,
SEPTEMBER 17, 2026



TIME:
8:30AM

TOGETHER,
WE CAN ACHIEVE
GREAT THINGS!

WE CAN'T WAIT
TO SEE YOU THERE!

CARDINAL SHEHAN BASKETBALL

Home of the Cardinals

SEPTEMBER 2026

Basketball Try-outs are scheduled for Sept. 14-17 ONLY!

Try-outs sessions are closed. Only students participating in try-outs are allowed in the gymnasium at the designated times for each age group. Students are required to attend both sessions of their age group prepared to participate in gym uniform/clothes and sneakers.

Mon. 9/14/26	Tues. 9/15/26	Wed. 9/16/26	Thur. 9/17/26
3:30- 4:45p.m. 12-14 Boys	3:30-5:00p.m. *8-10 Girls *10-12 Girls *12-14 Girls	3:30-4:45p.m. 12-14 Boys	3:30-5:00p.m. *8-10 Girls *10-12 Girls *12-14 Girls
4:45-6:00p.m. 10-12 Boys		4:45-6:00p.m. 10-12 Boys	
6:00-7:15p.m. 8-10 Boys		6:00-7:15p.m. 8-10 Boys	

***ALL AGE GROUPS FOR GIRLS WILL MEET AT THE SAME DESIGNATED TIMES.**

Cardinal Shehan School

Grandparents Day!

Friday,
September
25, 2026

9am - 11am



All grandparents are welcome to join us for a morning of fun activities in celebration of Grandparents Day!

Please use the QR code to RSVP no later than Sunday, September 20, 2026 by 11:59pm

CARDINAL SHEHAN SCHOOL

OPEN HOUSE

A place to learn, grow, and be inspired!

**Wednesday,
October 14, 2026**

10am-1pm

5407 Loch Raven Blvd,
Baltimore, MD 21239

**REGISTER
TODAY!**



For more info:

Call (410) 433-2775



Visit us:

www.cardinalshehanschool.org



Register using the QR code or the GoogleForm link below:

<https://forms.gle/1HpDA93ZqwB5hUef7>



Join...

Learn. Lead.

BLOOM



Mentorship Program

with Ms. Wright

Who: Girls age 8-14

(2nd grade - 8th grade)

Time : 3pm-430pm

When: Every Monday

Where: Cardinal Shehan School

Program Highlights

- *Academic Support • Life Skills Development*
- *Leadership Development*
- *Social Emotional Support*
- *Strengthening Self-Belief*

A vision to help each young girl discover her strengths, build resilience,, develop healthy relationships, and believe in her ability to succeed!