

**Annual participation levels with a gift to the
SJB Cross Country and Track & Field Cougar Club**

Dear St. John the Baptist Alumni and friends,

Thank you for being a sponsor of the 2019 - 2020 SJB Cross Country and Track & Field teams. I am hoping that you will continue to support the teams by becoming a 2021 sponsor. The following are just some of the things that your sponsorship helped to pay for last year; The John Fred and Eileen Walsh Tobin Cross Country Scholarships of \$500 each. Trips to compete against National caliber competition to Brown University, Yale University, and more speed and agility equipment.

The teams had an extraordinarily successful year last year, and the following are just some of the highlights:

Cross Country: **In 2019**, Johnny O'Connell won the league championship, and the boys came in 2nd, just missing the win. Then at the CHSAA Championships, the boys team was the only boys team from the Nassau Suffolk league to qualify for the Federation Championship by coming in 5th place. The girls team also qualified for the Federation Championship by finishing in an awfully close 4th place. **In 2020**, Sabrina Spezia won the league championship race, and the girls came in 2nd place, missing first by only 4 points. Two weeks later, the girls team finished the CHSAA champs in 2nd place, their best placing since 2009! The Boys team won the CHSAA B-Championship and Fernando Sanchez was the individual champion.

Winter Track & Field: With 3 individual state champions and one individual and 2 relay state runner ups in the CHSAA Champs, the teams looked forward to a successful post season. At the NYState Federation Championships, Brian Healy came in 4th place in the 1000m in a school record time and Fernando Sanchez finished in 3rd place in the 600m also running it in a school record time. The disappointment came when the team was a day away for going to the Nationals with Fernando in the 400 and the Boys 4x800 having a legitimate chance of becoming All-Americans. However, the world shut down and they were not able to compete.

Spring Track & Field: Even though many of our athletes continued to train, hoping to still compete in a spring season, it never happened.

Again, we are looking for a \$25, or more, donation each year from our teams' alumni (and any friends and family who want to help). Our hope is that you have fond memories of St. John the Baptist, and even more, of your time on our teams. 100% of your donation will go directly to the St. John the Baptist cross country and track & field teams' booster club account. The first \$1,000 raised each year will go toward our two scholarships, and any money raised over that amount will be put toward equipment and travel for our teams.

If you would like to join our club again this year, please fill your information in on the bottom of this letter and make your check payable to St. John the Baptist. Whether or not you want to participate, we ask you to help us by forwarding this information to other alumni. We appreciate and thank you for your generosity.

Name: _____ Maiden: _____

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Cell Phone #: _____ e-mail address: _____

Year of graduation: _____ Amount of donation: \$_____

\$250+ Gold Level - \$125 Silver Level - \$50 Bronze Level - \$25 Individual Level \$100 Business Level

If this is your first year donating you will receive the item below, we just need the size you would like:

Gold Level – Jacket Size: _____ Silver Level – Sweatshirt size: _____ Bronze Level – T-Shirt Size: _____

Please mail this filled out letter along with your check to the following:

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