

The Linking Lions Program

We are excited to announce *The Linking Lions Program*, open to students from grades 3 through 12 currently enrolled in the Academy. The goal of this program is to form a connection with students in all three schools, Pope John High School, Pope John Middle School, and Rev. Brown School; fostering mentor-mentee relationships.

Students in the Academy interested in joining the *Linking Lions*, will be grouped with other students in the program based on application approval and review by the program's advisors. The Linking Lions will meet monthly immediately after dismissal. Meetings may consist of helping with a community service project, creating a fun seasonal craft, playing games together, or assisting with academics. Our first meeting date will be Thursday, October 18th, immediately after dismissal. Future dates to be determined.

If your child would like to be a part of this program as a Linking Lions Big Brother or Sister; or a Linking Lions Little Brother or Sister, please complete and submit the application below. Be sure to include the required student essay and teacher recommendation.

We respectfully request that all middle school applications be returned by Friday, September 21st, to the attention of Mrs. Velivis. The program advisors will meet shortly thereafter to review all submitted applications.

The *Linking Lions Program* is seeking to connect students in a meaningful way, creating bonds within our school community that can truly make a difference in a student's life.

Your interest and support is greatly appreciated.