



SAINT IGNATIUS

COLLEGE PREP

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WOLFPACK POST

Principal's Office - September 14, 2017

GRAD-AT-GRAD VALUES

Open to Growth
Intellectually Competent
Religious
Loving
Committed to Doing Justice

LOOKING AHEAD

Wednesday, 9/20

Food Allergy Info Meeting for
Students
(7:30 a.m., Damen Room)

Friday, 9/22

Freshman Spirit Day and
Mixer
(3:00 p.m., Tully Hall)

Wednesday, 9/27

Financial Aid Night for Juniors
and Seniors
(7:00 p.m., McLaughlin
Theater)

For a full list of events,
please see our [school
calendar](#).

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Academics

Grade Reports

Parents and students can find the itemized grade report only in their PlusPortal account by clicking on the grading icon, then choosing "Combined Reports." You may scroll down to see itemized details from all classes.

Today's grade report will be used to determine eligibility for fall athletes.

PlusPortals Mobile Apps

Parents and Students can get access to student schedules and other key information using the PlusPortals Mobile Apps. These apps, called Parent Plus and Student Plus are available from Rediker Software for both iOS and Android devices. Once you install the app, you will be prompted to login with your PlusPortals credentials and to register our school name. Please enter the school name accordingly: **stignatiuscollegeprep** (This is **NOT** case-sensitive and there are no spaces or other characters).

At this time, grade reports are not visible using this app. We have included links to each app below:



Parent Plus Apps:

[Click here for iOS.](#)

[Click here for Android.](#)



Student Plus Apps:

[Click here for iOS.](#)

[Click here for Android](#)

PlusPortals Questions?

Each parent/guardian has access to PlusPortals via the email address on file with the Principal's Office. If you haven't activated your PlusPortals account, need to change your email address or are not seeing all of your students from your PlusPortals account, please contact Kevin Bellie at 312-432-8307.

For general PlusPortals questions or questions about installing the app, you may contact the school's help desk at helpdesk@ignatius.org or 312-432-8555.

Admissions

Information for Prospective Families

The 2017 [Campus Visit Program](#) runs from September 6 - November 17, 2017.

The Admissions Office is offering two [Admissions Coffee events](#) this fall for parents of prospective students. The next event is scheduled on October 5, 2017.

The [Saint Ignatius Open House](#) is Sunday, November 12, 2017.

The Entrance Exam for the Class of 2022 is Saturday, December 2, 2017. Information regarding the application process is available [HERE](#).

Athletics

How many Ignatius teams are still undefeated? Which team has yet to be scored upon? Which Ignatius student-athletes met famous professional coaches in the last week? Which Ignatius swimmers from last school year have been named All-Americans? Senior Nights are coming up! Field hockey is this Friday, and football is next Friday, kicking off these annual fall ceremonies. For answers to the questions above, and for more information on Ignatius teams, check out this week's [athletic update](#).

College Counseling

All Class Years

[Chicago Performing and Visual Arts College Fair - October 3, 2017](#)

[Chicago National College Fair - October 14, 2017](#)

College Representative Visits: Over 225 colleges will be visiting throughout the fall semester to meet with students during the lunch periods. A master list of those visitors is available on your Family Connection website and the College Counseling website. These visits are for students only.

Class of 2018

Welcome Back! Please see the [Welcome Back Letter](#) for important information regarding your student's senior year.

Senior Family Meetings: Please set up a family meeting with your College Counselor. If you have Mr. Gomez as your College Counselor, please contact Ms. Lisa Yann-Tillar at lisa.yanny@ignatius.org or 312-432-8351. She will schedule you with one of the other College Counselors. Mr. Gomez will return to the office in mid-September.

Financial Aid Night: This optional evening for junior and senior students and families is scheduled for Wednesday, September 27, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m., in the McLaughlin Theater.

Class of 2019

PSAT: All Sophomore and Junior students will be taking the PSAT/NMSQT exam on October 11, 2017 during the school day. In preparation for the exam, students will receive an information booklet and practice test in their Religion classes by Friday, September 15. More information regarding the PSAT/NMSQT can be found on the [College Board website](#).

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ACT Test Prep: Test dates for the ACT are available in the [fall](#) and [spring](#). Financial aid is available for these classes. Contact College Counseling for more information.

Junior Family College Planning Workshops: The College Planning Workshops will be held in November.

Class of 2020

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Students have been given registration codes to access Family Connection and x2VOL. These sites allow students to do research on colleges and careers and to log their service hours.

Deans

Fall Dress Code Reminder

All outerwear (jackets, fleeces, athletic pullovers) must be placed in

the student's locker or backpack upon arrival to school. Sweaters and Saint Ignatius half-zips and crew neck sweatshirts may be worn throughout the school day.

Parking, Student Drop-Off and Pick-up

Traffic into the Roosevelt/Blue Island lot for student drop-off and pick-up is prohibited. Students should be dropped off on Roosevelt Road. Parents *should not park in this lot* to wait for students at dismissal time. After 3:30 p.m., students may be picked up at the student waiting area located at the back of the Gentile Gym.

Students may only park in the Roosevelt/Racine lot if they have purchased a parking permit through our Operations Department. Permits should be displayed at all times. Cars without permits may be towed. Please refer to page 37 of the Parent and Student Handbook for parking information.

Quest Services Dietary Needs Meeting

Students with food allergies or dietary restrictions are invited to attend a brief meeting on Wednesday, September 20, at 7:30 a.m. in the Damen Room. Quest Food Services will have their registered dietitian, Rose Pencak, available to answer questions about safe food choices in Tully Hall. If you have any questions, please stop by and see Nurse Balogh in the Dean's Office.

Class of 2018 Vaccination Requirements

All seniors are required to submit proof of having received two doses of meningococcal conjugate vaccination (MCV). The first dose should have been received on or after the 11th birthday, and the second dose should have been received on or after the 16th birthday. If you have not submitted this information to the Nurse's Office, please do so by September 30.

Fine Arts

SICP Luthier Project - a service project for musicians!

This fall, the SICP Music Department will begin a collaboration with alumnus Mr. Terry Miles '64 (a pilot, aircraft designer, musician, teacher and violin repair instructor) and the String Wizards program.

The String Wizards Intern Workshop will open on the SICP campus and will train interested SICP students in string instrument maintenance and repair. The project will serve both the school community, maintaining the SICP orchestra instruments, and the local community, repairing instruments connected to a thriving North Lawndale tuition-free string program.

The new Luthier workshop will be housed in the convent building. We are seeking 4-5 students to commit to about 2 hours per week to launch the program and work with Mr. Miles. If you are interested, please contact Ms. Schneider, maryellen.schneider@ignatius.org.

Guidance Counseling

Sophomore Parent and Student Night (*mandatory*)

At Saint Ignatius, we are concerned with the education of the whole person. We are committed to partnering with parents in the holistic formation of their sons and daughters. To that end, the Guidance Department would like to invite you to our Sophomore Parent and Student Night, which is a mandatory event designed to address

issues surrounding teenage drug and alcohol use.

Sophomore Parent and Student Nights will be held on Tuesday, October 3, and Thursday, October 5. It is only necessary to attend one night. This is a mandatory program for students, and it is very important that one or both parents also attend.

The program will begin promptly at 7:00 p.m. and conclude by 8:30 p.m. Student sign-in begins at 6:30 p.m. The program consists of a panel presentation coordinated by The Alliance Against Intoxicated Motorists (AAIM) that students and parents will experience together.

Please [CLICK HERE](#) to register by September 31!

Mathematics

Math help is available for all students in the Math Resource Center (MRC) in room 246. Students are always welcome during periods in the schedule that include a math teacher's name. The schedule for the MRC is [available here](#).

Parent Organization

Back to School Barbecue - September 22, at 5:30 p.m.

Please join the Parent Organization for a Back to School Barbecue on Friday, September 22, at 5:30 p.m. We will celebrate with a tailgate party prior to the varsity football game vs. Saint Joseph. Tickets are \$20 each and include beer, wine, burgers and chips. Participants should be 21 and over, please. [Registration is now open!](#) Parking is available in the May Street Lot, accessible via Taylor/May.

To view the Ignatius September calendar of events, [CLICK HERE](#).

Seniors

Senior Portraits

The schedule for senior portraits is available on PlusPortals under School Resources folder. The schedule is 3 pages so please scroll through to find your student's name.

We schedule seniors in alphabetical order by last name. If your student's name is not on the attached list (approx. 12 seniors) it is because we ran out of time slots once we got to the end of the alphabet. These seniors will have their portraits taken on the November 13-14 or January 10 photo dates.

If your student had their portrait taken over the summer, their name will not appear on the attached list. The attached schedule is for seniors who have not yet had their portrait taken. These next photos days in October are NOT for retakes. We will start retakes on the November photo dates and will send more information soon.

You can pre-order photos online at www.shop.hrimaging.com or order after your portrait session.

Student Activities

Freshman Spirit Day and Mixer

On Friday, September 22, Student Council and the Arrupe Mentors

will be hosting our annual Freshman Spirit Day and Mixer! This is a fun, FREE event for all freshmen and their Arrupe Mentors to dance, eat, and grow together as a Wolfpack.

We offer face painting, poster making, food and a DJ. In addition, our Cheer Team and Pack Pride members will teach SICIP cheers to all freshmen to prepare them to cheer the Wolfpack on to victory at the first Varsity Home Football game of the season that evening!

The mixer is from 3:30 - 6:00 p.m. in Tully Hall. Students are allowed and encouraged to change into jeans and spirit wear or other comfortable, appropriate clothing for the party. At 6:00 p.m., students can head into the Wolves Den to get their seats for the Varsity Football game against St. Joseph. No RSVP or cost required. We will check-in each freshman student as he/she arrives that afternoon.

Please email Emily Valencia, Director of Student Activities, with any questions (emily.valencia@ignatius.org).

MISSION STATEMENT

Saint Ignatius College Prep, a Jesuit Catholic school in the heart of Chicago, is a diverse community dedicated to educating young men and women for lives of faith, love, service and leadership. Through outstanding teaching and personal formation, the school challenges its talented student body to intellectual excellence, integrity, and life-long learning and growth. Inspired by the gospel of Jesus Christ, this community strives to use God's gifts to promote social justice for the greater glory of God.