



SAINT IGNATIUS

COLLEGE PREP

A Jesuit school founded in 1869.

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Dear Freshman Parents/Guardians,

The Guidance Department at Saint Ignatius would like to welcome you to Saint Ignatius College Prep! Each freshman is assigned a counselor, and generally the student remains with that counselor for his or her four years at Saint Ignatius. The counselor's name is printed on the student's schedule. There are six counselors in our department.

Sharon Byrne - Department Chair

Andre Bouey

Roy Carney

Annie McNellis

Eileen Novak

Beth Shannon

Throughout the year, counselors meet with the students individually and in groups. Students are encouraged to see their counselor whenever necessary. We will begin meeting with the freshmen this week in order to introduce ourselves, get to know them, and to familiarize them with the Guidance Department services. We like to tell our freshmen students, "My goal is that you are happy and successful at Saint Ignatius. If anything gets in the way of you being happy or successful, I'd like to know, so I can help you." We also love to hear from students when things are going well too! Please encourage your student to stop in or email us with any questions that they may have, especially during these first few weeks of school.

Communication between the parent and counselor can be beneficial to the student. You can feel free to stop into the Guidance Department on Mini-Class Night on August 30th from 7-9:30pm. We are located on the 3rd floor of the building. Also, we will meet briefly with freshman families before our Freshman Parent and Student Night in early November. And finally, when registering for Parent-Teacher Conferences later in October, you will also have the opportunity to schedule a brief meeting with your student's counselor. Please feel free to contact us at any time.

We look forward to working with your son or daughter as their counselors.

Sincerely,

The Guidance Department

P.S., Please encourage your student to get involved in co-curricular activities this year! Visit our Student Activities page on the SICP website to see all we have to offer, in addition to the many athletic opportunities. Being an involved student helps students feel connected to their school and helps to build positive social relationships. Our Activity Fair will be held on August 29th during Activity Period. Students will be able to learn more about our offerings then, and also by visiting <https://www.ignatius.org/students/student-activities/>