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WOLFPACK POST

Principal's Office - September 6, 2018

GRAD-AT-GRAD VALUES

Open to Growth
Intellectually Competent
Religious
Loving
Committed to Doing Justice

LOOKING AHEAD

Thursday, September 6

Campus Visit Program
Begins

Saturday, September 8

Homecoming Dance
(7:00 p.m., Gentile Gym)

Monday, September 10

Yearbook Photo Week
(During Classes)

Sunday, September 16

Freshman and Sophomore
Family Mass and Reception
(Holy Family, 12:00 p.m.)

Thursday, September 20

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

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

QUICK LINKS

Dear Parents and Guardians,

In order to be considered a sponsored work of the Society of Jesus, all Jesuit High Schools must take part in a process called the Jesuit Sponsorship Review every six years. This academic year, our entire Ignatius school community will have the opportunity to evaluate and reassess our Catholic and Jesuit mission and identity. We will be visited by the Midwest Province Office for this important Sponsorship Review on February 4 - 6, 2019, and we need your help.

In order to prepare for this visit, we are asking that all parents of current Saint Ignatius students complete an opinion survey regarding our mission priorities that will help us assess our school competence in a variety of areas.

This survey should only take 10-12 minutes. Please know that your answers will remain anonymous and will only be used to help us identify and enrich our mission and identity.

Thanks in advance for considering this and for your thoughtful responses. May God continue to bless you and your families as we begin another year together in Christ.

To begin the survey, please click the link below:

[JSR Parent Survey](#)

Sincerely,

Fr. Lukas Laniauskas, SJ
Vice President of Mission Implementation and Integration

Deacon Chuck Thompson
Director of Adult Formation and Ministry

Academics

Eligibility for Co-Curricular Activities

The September 13 grade report will be the first grade report used to

Ignatius.org
[School News](#)
[Parent Student Handbook](#)
[PlusPortals](#)
[Jesuit Schools Network](#)
[Pray](#)
[Spirit](#)
[Tuition Payment](#)
[Quest Food Services](#)
[The Wolves' Den](#)
[Ventra Card](#)

determine eligibility for fall sports and co-curricular activities. Parents and students can find itemized grade reports each Thursday in their PlusPortals accounts.

Due September 30: Dual Enrollment for AP Courses

Students enrolled in Advanced Placement courses may choose to be concurrently enrolled at Saint Louis University (SLU) and earn college credit. The SLU credit is accepted for transfer at over 100 colleges and universities. Students may register at slu.edu/1818. The deadline for enrollment is September 30. For more information about this program, please contact Maura Maloney at maura.maloney@ignatius.org or 312-432-8305.

Parent-Teacher Conferences

Parent-Teacher Conferences will be held on Thursday, October 11, from 3:30 - 5:00 p.m. and 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.; and Friday, October 12, from 8:00 - 10:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Conferences are by appointment only.

Reservations must be made through the Virtual Paragon Parent Teacher Conference Scheduler. This online service allows flexibility to schedule appointments tailored to your needs. Time limitations allow parents to schedule only one set of conferences per student. While conferences are not mandatory, they can provide insight into your student's academic performance.

The Parent-Teacher Conference link for reservations will open on Monday, October 1, at 8:00 a.m. and close on Tuesday, October 9, at 3:00 p.m.

The conference site will be accessible from the In the Spotlight section on the Saint Ignatius home page starting on October 1.

Please check your PlusPortals account for detailed reservation instructions and information. You may find this information in your PlusPortals account under:

- School Announcements
- Fall Parent Teacher Conference Information

If you have questions regarding PlusPortals access, please email Kevin Bellie at kevin.bellie@ignatius.org. Questions regarding Parent-Teacher Conferences should be directed to Maura Maloney at 312-421-5900 (x. 305) or Michele Girgis (x. 448).

Admissions

Campus Visit Program

Do you know a student and family interested in Saint Ignatius? Eighth graders are invited to spend a day as an Ignatian! Registration for the 2018 Campus Visit Program is open. [Sign up for a campus visit today!](#)

Admissions Coffees

Parents of prospective students are invited to attend a Saint Ignatius Admissions Coffee this fall. An Admissions Coffee will offer an introduction to the Saint Ignatius family experience and admissions process. Each Coffee event will also include a tour and student panel presentation. Fall 2018 Admissions Coffees are offered from 9:00 -11:00 a.m. on:

Tuesday, September 18
Thursday, October 4

Monday, October 15
Wednesday, October 31

[Register to attend an Admissions Coffee here!](#)

Parent Ambassador Program

Want to help spread the word of the Saint Ignatius experience? Come learn about the Saint Ignatius Parent Ambassador Program on Wednesday, September 26, at 2:00 p.m. in the Brunswick Room.

The Parent Ambassador Program, founded in the fall of 2016, is a group of current Saint Ignatius parents who support outreach initiatives for prospective students and families. We welcome new members to help promote our great school throughout the Chicagoland area. Questions? Contact Amy Brown at parentambassadors@ignatius.org.

Athletics

Athletic Updates

The Wolfpack had a strong Labor Day Weekend with varsity football defeating Fenwick 34-0; varsity boys and varsity girls cross country both coming in 1st Place at the Ignatius Connelly Invite; and varsity girls volleyball going 3-2 at the West Aurora Invite for girls volleyball. Check www.ignatius.org and [@SICPWolfpack](https://twitter.com/SICPWolfpack) for regular updates on athletic events, upcoming contests and news for all Saint Ignatius athletic teams. View this week's athletic update summary [here](#).

College Counseling

All Class Years

[Chicago National College Fair - September 29](#)

[Chicago Performing and Visual Arts College Fair - October 25](#)

Class of 2019

Financial Aid Workshop (optional): Juniors and Seniors and their families are invited to this event on Thursday, September 20, from 7:00 - 8:30 a.m. in McLaughlin Theater. [Click here](#) to view a printable flyer.

Thank you all for attending the College Application Workshops in August! We hope you found the evenings to be informative and productive.

If you have not done so already, please take a moment to review our [Welcome Letter](#) and important information regarding your senior year.

Senior Family Meetings: Please set up a family meeting with your College Counselor. See the Welcome Letter above for details.

Senior Autobiographies: These were due Thursday, August 30. [Click here](#) for more instructions.

Class of 2020

Financial Aid Workshop (optional): Juniors and Seniors and their families are invited to this event on Thursday, September 20, from 7:00 - 8:30 a.m. in McLaughlin Theater. [Click here](#) to view a printable flyer.

PSAT: Juniors will take the PSAT at school on October 10. The PSAT is the determining factor for consideration for National Merit Scholarship Recognition. We have set up a class with an accelerated curriculum for students who want to prepare for this test. The students that would get the most out of this course are those that scored a Selective Index of 175 or higher on the PSAT taken sophomore year. Score reports was returned last December, and the Selection Index score is located on the top of page 3. [Click here](#) for class details.

ACT Test Prep: Ignatius will offer a [fall session](#) and [spring session](#) of after-school ACT test prep for students through Academic Approach. Financial aid is available for these classes.

Junior Family College Planning Workshops: The College Planning Workshops will be held on November 7 and 8. Families can come to either of the two nights. The program runs from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. This is the only **mandatory** group event of the year.

College Representative Visits: Over 250 colleges will be visiting Ignatius throughout the fall semester to meet with students during the lunch periods. A master list of those visitors is available on your Family Connection account and the College Counseling website.

Class of 2021

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Class of 2022

Platform Access: During an Activity Period assembly two weeks ago, students received registration codes to access Naviance Student and x2VOL. These websites allow students to do research on colleges and careers and to log their required service hours.

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Deans' Office

Dress Code Change

Regular dress code will take effect on Monday, September 10. Casual dress code (shorts and capris) will no longer be permitted.

Attendance FAQ's from the Deans' Office

Parents: When you need to report an absence, request an early dismissal, or notify us of a late arrival, please [click here](#) and read specific answers to the most frequently asked questions regarding these important attendance matters. Thank you!

Safety Reminder

For your safety and the safety of others, please remember to be aware of your surroundings when you are in the neighborhood and avoid behaviors that are distracting. Students should obey all traffic laws. This includes crossing streets only at intersections and, when applicable, with the "walk" signal. If you are being dropped off by car, please be sure to check the bike lane before opening your door to avoid any potential collisions.

Development

Upcoming Events

- Law Society Networking Reception: September 11
- Business Society Wolfpack Meal: September 14
- Parent Org. and Gloriam 2019 Backyard Barbecue: September 21
- Women's Society Open House: September 27
- 4th Annual Alumni Co-Ed Soccer Game: September 29
- Boston Alumni and Friends Gathering: October 10
- National Hispanic American Heritage Month Breakfast: October 11

If you would like to read more about these events or register to attend, please visit the [Event Registration page](#). We hope to see you there!

Laughing at the Lake: A Post-Gloriam 2018 Party

Join us Wednesday, September 19, from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. at the newly opened Theater on the Lake for a Post-Gloriam 2018 Party featuring entertainment from The Second City. For registration details and a printable invitation, [please click here](#).

Diversity

This year, the Diversity Department is looking forward to partnering with the Student Formation and Ministry Department on the ADL's "No Place for Hate" initiative. On Friday, August 31, we kicked things off by giving the entire school community the opportunity to sign the "Resolution of Respect" as part of Ignatian Values Day #1.

We have a wonderful committee of students and adults, and we will start work very soon planning our next activity. Please keep an eye out for more updates. If you have any questions, please feel free to email them to Ms. Kitty Hooper, Diversity Coordinator, at kitty.hooper@ignatius.org or Mr. Peter Corrigan, Director of Student Formation and Ministry at peter.corrigan@ignatius.org.

Formation and Ministry

Classes of 2021 and 2022: You're Invited!

Formation and Ministry and the Parent Organization invite all freshman and sophomore students and families to the Freshman and Sophomore Family Mass at noon on Sunday, September 16, in Holy Family Church. We are excited to celebrate the Eucharist with you! A reception hosted by the Parent Organization in Tully Hall will follow mass.

Sophomore Service Commitment Goals

Direct Service: You work directly with the people being served by the

organization. While all service is valuable, this requirement gives you the opportunity to be in direct contact with those in need.

Out of Comfort Zone: Your service pushes you to try new things, work with people different from you and reach out to people who are poor or marginalized. You should work with a socio-economic, ethnic, cultural, age or geographic population different than your own.

Build Relationships: Completing 20 hours of service at the same location during the school year allows you to build relationships with the people being served by the organization.

Sophomore Service Requirements

- Twenty (20) hours during the school year of direct service to a poor, vulnerable, or marginalized community at one pre-approved site; ten (10) of these hours are due during the first semester.
 - First 10 hours due: Thursday, November 29
 - All 20 hours due: Thursday, April 11
- Site pre-approval, as well as all service-related questions, must be addressed in person with a staff member in Formation and Ministry. Site approval must occur by Wednesday, September 26.
- All hours logged, verified, and approved on x2VOL.com
- Two (2) chapel reflections within the Sophomore Religious Studies course
- Written Service Reflection submitted at the end of the year

Freshman Service Requirements

- Ten (10) hours of service to the St. Ignatius or Chicago communities at pre-approved sites; completed during the school year
 - First 5 hours due: Tuesday, November 27
 - All 10 hours due: Tuesday, April 9
- Site pre-approval, as well as all service-related questions, must be addressed in person with a staff member in Formation and Ministry.
- All hours logged, verified, and approved on x2VOL.com

Guidance

Coming Up: Sophomore Parent and Student Night

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 designed to address issues surrounding teenage drug and alcohol use.

Sophomore Parent and Student Nights will be held on Tuesday, October 2, and Thursday, October 4. 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 28!

Language

Four Chilean students from Jesuit schools in Santiago are living with Ignatius families and joining our school community for the first semester. This program has been part of our Language Department for nearly 15 years and also offers sophomore and junior students the opportunity to study in Chile in the summer.



Math

Math Resource Center

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

Parent Organization

Mini-Class Night

Thank you to all that helped make Mini-Class Night a big success! Our appreciation is extended to the Administration and their team as well as our Alumni Parent Volunteers. We hope that all visiting parents enjoyed walking in their student's shoes as they navigated their daily schedules. And, a special thank you to the teachers and staff who extended their days to make this evening possible.

Save the Date: Sunday, September 16 Freshman and Sophomore Family Mass and Reception

Saint Ignatius cordially invites freshman and sophomore students and their families to the Freshman and Sophomore Family Mass on Sunday, September 16, at Holy Family Church. This is a lovely opportunity to pray as a school community while deepening and integrating our relationship with God and one another. The Parent Organization will host a reception following the Mass in Tully Hall. Please stay tuned for further information in the weeks ahead.

Save the Date: Friday, September 21 Back-to-School Barbecue

Please join the Parent Organization and the Development Office for a

Back-to-School Barbecue on Friday, September 21, from 5:00 - 7:30 p.m. We will celebrate with a tailgate party prior to the varsity football game vs. Loyola Academy. Tickets are \$25 each and include beer, wine, and Smoque BBQ! Participants should be 21 and over! All proceeds will support Post-Prom efforts as well as Gloriam. Parking is available in the May Street Lot, which is accessible from Taylor Street. [Online registration is now open!](#)

Student Activities

BOSS Family and Friends Cookout

BOSS invites all students and their families to a cookout before the homecoming game this Friday, September 7, at the Fornelli Lounge (1019 S. May Street)! The cookout is scheduled from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. Come for the food and the company, stay for the game! [Click here for a printable invitation!](#)

Homecoming Dance

The Homecoming Dance is this Saturday, September 8, from 7:30 - 10:30 p.m. in the Gentile Gym. Tickets are \$15 per person and will be sold from the Spirit Store Wednesday - Friday, September 5 -7, during all lunch periods (cash or check only).

There are no ticket sales at the door, so all students planning to attend must purchase their tickets in advance.

For questions, please contact Emily Valencia, Director of Student Activities (emily.valencia@ignatius.org or 312-432-8401).

Underclass Yearbook Photos: September 10-13

School photos are scheduled next week, September 10-13. Freshmen will go with their science classes to have photos taken; sophomores will go with their religion classes and juniors with their English classes. Please visit www.shop.hrimaging.com for ordering information. You can pre-order online, send the student with payment during the photo session, or order online after photos are taken. Order forms are also available in the Deans' Office. There will be a photo make-up opportunity on October 24 for students who missed photos or who want a retake. There are no appointments needed for the make-up/retake day. Walk-ins are welcome in the Damen Room on a first come, first served basis from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Senior Portraits: October 15-17

If your senior student did not take a senior portrait over the summer, (s)he has now been scheduled to have portraits taken on one of the October dates. Students will have their portraits taken during a free period or lunch period. This schedule will be shared with seniors. Only six (6) students were scheduled per class period. As a result, approximately 20 seniors are not on the October portrait schedule. If you do not see your student's name on the list, s/he will take portraits November 12-13. All photos will be taken in the Damen Room.

Please note that the October portrait dates are NOT for retakes. Retakes will be accommodated November 12-13; no appointment necessary. We will communicate additional information as these dates approach.

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.