



**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2024**

**LOOKING AHEAD**

**Friday, September 13**

**SPIRIT WEAR FRIDAY FOR THE WHOLE WOLFPACK!! (THAT MEANS JEANS WITH A SAINT IGNATIUS TOP)**

**FRESHMAN MIXER**

**Tully Hall and Quad**

**3:00 - 6:00 p.m.**

**Saturday, September 14**

**FRESHMUN CONFERENCE (SIMUN**

**Library and 250s Classrooms**

**9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.**

**Sunday, September 22**

**MEET THE PARENTS!**



**FOOD, FOLKS AND FUN!!**

The annual **Backyard BBQ** is **TONIGHT, from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.** Parents and Guardians: This is a great opportunity to hang out with other Wolfpack families as we take over part of campus for a couple hours! The delicious Smoke Daddy is catering the event (with all the fixins' and even better veggie options), which will be in the Quad and Tully Hall. The fun

FRESHMAN/SOPHOMORE FAMILY  
MASS

Church of the Holy Family

10:30 - 11:45 a.m.

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

### GRAD-AT-GRAD VALUES

Open to Growth  
Intellectually Competent  
Religious  
Loving  
Committed to Doing Justice

### PRAY

### SPIRIT

### QUEST FOOD SERVICES



also will include a DJ and refreshments at five different stations. Parent Organization leaders Colleen McClain and Dawn van Kempen say, "The best thing about the Backyard BBQ is it brings together new and existing families, and it fosters community togetherness and heightened school spirit." Another huge plus: proceeds from the BBQ support the Post Prom party for our seniors! Van Kempen and McClain point out, "This is an opportunity to pay it forward. All of us will have seniors one day, and this is for them. It's the biggest fundraiser of the year for our seniors." The best part: seeing the students have so much fun in the Post Prom world the BBQ makes possible! Get your last-minute tickets right [HERE!](#)



## ACADEMICS

### CLASS OF 2028 MANAGED iPAD PROGRAM REPAIR POLICY

Students are expected to take responsible care to keep their iPads, keyboard cases and accessories in good working order. In the event of a need for repairs, students should bring their device to the Technology Department Help Desk which is located at the north end of the Beigel Resource Center. The repair policy is posted on the Resource Board in Blackbaud and can be found [HERE](#).

### NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLAR SEMIFINALISTS

The National Merit Scholarship Corporation named the semifinalists of its 70th annual program this year. Of the 16,000 students across the country to achieve the honor, six are

from Saint Ignatius College Prep! **Congrats to Sofia Alvarez, Abhiram Batchu, Francis Duffy, Yusouf Hakim, Connor Mangone and Veronica Rauch!**

These academically talented members of the Class of 2025 have an opportunity to continue in the competition for scholarships! Good Luck!!



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## ADMISSIONS



### JUNIOR WOLFPACK ALERT - LATIN DAYS!!

Join us for Latin Days V on **Saturday, October 28**. This is our annual day of fun dedicated to the ancient world, hosted by our Classics Club and Latin Honor Society. The event is open to 6th-8th graders. Come meet our Latin students and learn about the Romans and Greeks. Activities include myth reenactments, arts & crafts, Certamen (Latin quiz bowl), military reenactments and chariot races. The event is free of charge and comes with a t-shirt.

Please register via our Admissions Department's [Junior Wolfpack Events](#).

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## ATHLETICS NEWS

From field hockey to football, the Wolfpack is off to a very busy start this school year!

Athletic Director Mike Hurley '07 has our sports review and important information about upcoming events (like senior nights) for our student athletes and their families. Just click [HERE](#) for the round up...and **GO WOLFPACK!!!**



## COLLEGE COUNSELING NEWS

### PROGRAMMING AND NEWS FOR ALL CLASS YEARS

#### Chicago National College Fair

This college fair will be taking place on **October 5**.

Click [HERE](#) for more information.



**Chicago National  
College Fair**

#### National Portfolio Day

The Chicago - School of the Art Institute is hosting an opportunity on **Sunday, October 6** at **280 South Columbus Drive** in Chicago from noon to 4:00 p.m. This is an opportunity for students to showcase their artistic evolution! Visit with counselors, artistic team members and faculty from art and design schools for a portfolio review before you apply to your schools of choice. Click [HERE](#) for more info.

#### CLASS OF 2025

**Senior Family Meetings - For Students and Parents/Guardians:** Each College Counselor has sent you and your parents/guardians a Calendly link which will allow you to set up a meeting with them. Students must meet with their College Counselor. The meeting is optional for parents/guardians. A great time to meet is when you have first period or last period free. You may not miss class for this meeting.

#### ACT Test Prep Class

The Refresher/Truncated test prep class runs **September 28 - October 24, and builds to the October 26 ACT test.** For more information, click [HERE](#). A minimum of 10 students are needed to run the class. The registration deadline is **September 22**. Financial aid is available if needed. Please contact [Kurt Schmidt](#) if you have questions.

**College Representative Visits (Class of 2025 and 2026)** - College reps are coming to campus now! Please check the Saint Ignatius Instagram page every Monday morning for who's going to be on campus. A full listing is also on Blackbaud under "Resources" and the "College" icon. **In-person visitors are on campus from 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. Occasionally we will have virtual visits at 3:05 p.m.** Visits are for students only and we highly encourage you to visit with some representatives. You may not miss class for a visit unless you have your teacher's permission to do so.

#### CLASS OF 2026

#### ACT Test Prep Class

The full test prep class runs from **October 21 - December 9, and builds to the December 14 ACT test.** Click [HERE](#) for more information. A minimum of 10 students are needed to run the class. The registration deadline is **October 13**. Financial aid is available if needed. Please contact [Kurt Schmidt](#) if you have questions.

#### Junior Family College Planning Nights

Here are your Save-the-Dates: **Wednesday, November 6, (in-person) and Thursday, November 7 (virtual). Both nights run from 7:00 p.m. - 8:15 p.m.** You only need to attend one of the evenings. Details to follow. Please direct general questions to [Janet Harrison](#). Her phone number 312-432-8351.

## CLASS OF 2027 & CLASS OF 2028

### College Counseling Coffee Talks

These are discussions with parents/guardians regarding trends in higher education and our programming throughout the high school years. There are four sessions, and all cover the same material.

Here are the Fall Semester Coffee Talk Registration Links:

**Tuesday, October 22, 2024 (In-Person)**

**8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m./BRUNSWICK** -- Registration [HERE](#).

**Wednesday, December 11, 2024 (Virtual) 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. /VIRTUAL.** The link to join will be emailed out one week before the event.

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## COMMUNICATIONS OFFICE

### SHHHHHH...HAVE TO KEEP THIS UNDER WRAPS FOR NOW!!

Saint Ignatius College Prep is going to be part of a big production (GET READY FOR YOUR CLOSE UP) that folks across Chicago will see when it airs on TV later this year!

We need volunteers:

Come learn some easy choreography on **Saturday, September 14 at 2:00 p.m.** in the third floor gym (and meet a local celebrity!). The football field number is the finale of the production and will feature our students, some parents and teachers. We'll record it with a big production crew on **October 11 on Fornelli '51 Field after the home game (at about 11:00 p.m.).**

AND THERE'S MORE:

We're looking for about 75 students to be extras for two additional scenes in the production. We'll be shooting those scenes in the third floor gym and in the quad during the football game (**roughly 7:00 - 9:30 p.m.) the night of the 11th.** All you have to do is show up in homecoming-type attire.

If you'd like to be part of the fun, please email [Communications Director Kristyn Hartman](#), and let her know your participation preference. Hope to see you!

This is a great way for a school in the heart of Chicago to give Chicago a great big hug!!

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## A MESSAGE FROM THE DEANS' OFFICE



## HOMECOMING

The homecoming dance is scheduled for **Saturday, October 5, at 7:00 p.m. All students must arrive by 8:00 p.m.** The dance ends at 10:00 p.m., but students are free to leave at any time. Students bringing out-of-school guests should have the guest and their school dean fill out a special form which you can find [HERE](#). Please submit forms to Mrs. Pagels by the end of the day on **Tuesday, October 1**.

## IMPORTANT HOMECOMING GUIDELINE

Students, with homecoming season upon us we want to remind you that showy "homecoming proposals" that ask people to accompany you to the dance are prohibited during the school day and could result in a Saturday detention. This covers, but is not limited to "asks" that involve balloons, flowers, signs, etc.

## CONTRACTOR LOT ENTRANCE

A gentle reminder to students that the entrance in the contractor parking lot on May street is off limits to students for morning arrival.

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## DEVELOPMENT NEWS

### TOLTON SOCIETY PRE-GAME KICK-OFF

We hope you'll join us for a kick-off reception on **Friday, September 13 from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.** in the Fornelli '51 Field Alumni Lounge. Please register [HERE](#).

### WOMEN'S SOCIETY OPEN HOUSE

The Saint Ignatius Women's Society is comprised of a diverse community of parents, alumni and friends of the school. We support the school's mission through philanthropic efforts, service and events. Come meet our leadership team and learn more about how you can get involved. Join us **September 18 from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.** in the Brunswick Room at Saint Ignatius College Prep. There is no cost to attend. Click [HERE](#) to register.

### BUSINESS SOCIETY SPEAKER SERIES

We have a great forum in the works! Mark your calendars for **Thursday, September 19**. Register [HERE](#) for our AI Panel Discussion on security.

### ARE YOU READY TO HIT THE LINKS?!

The Saint Ignatius College Prep 38th Annual Golf Classic tee time is **Thursday, September 26** at Cog Hill Golf and Country Club. Participation supports tuition assistance for our

wonderful students! Click [HERE](#) for information on registration and sponsorships.

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## DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION

### CULTURAL HERITAGE CELEBRATIONS IN OUR DIVERSE COMMUNITY



The Saint Ignatius community continues to celebrate the cultural heritages within and among our diverse school community. Current community celebrations include **Hispanic Heritage Month (Sunday, Sep 15, 2024 – Tuesday, Oct 15, 2024); Mexican Independence Day (September 16, 2024); and, the Mid-Autumn Festival (Tuesday, September 17, 2024)** which is also known as the Moon Festival or Mooncake Festival.

### HONORING STUDENT NAMES

Saint Ignatius College Prep has launched a digital name-recording tool available for the 2024-2025 school year. This functionality catalyzes our ongoing efforts to foster a high sense of belonging and inclusion. The feature embeds an audio-recorded name pronunciation on teacher rosters for every student in our community. We need your help to ensure your child's name is recorded. Access the instructions [HERE](#).

### LISTENING CONFERENCE - GUANACASTE 2024

The 4th Annual Guanacaste: The Transformational Listening Conference will be held from **Thursday-Saturday, October 24-26, 2024**. Our theme is "Listening: A Path to Peace in a Polarized World." We explore how we harness the power of listening to forge paths of peace personally, interpersonally, and professionally. All are welcome. Please complete the registration form [HERE](#). We look forward to seeing you.

### SAVE THE DATE: SECOND ANNUAL CYBERBULLYING AND SOCIAL MEDIA PRESENTATION

Mr. Ed Peisner, National Director of Education of the Organization for Social Media Safety (OFSMS), is slated to present again to students, parents, guardians and caregivers this Fall, **Monday, October 21, 2024**. Mr. Peisner's organization provides social media safety presentations at schools nationally. This presentation furthers the work at Saint Ignatius to raise awareness regarding cyberbullying, guard against unconscious bias, and cultivate a community culture of care. More information to come...

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## FORMATION AND MINISTRY - ADULT

### COME PRAY WITH US

We invite all parents and alumni to gather to pray with Scripture from 8:00 - 9:00 a.m. on the first and third Wednesdays of the month. Our first gathering will be on **Wednesday, September 18**. We have a wonderful community and would love for you to join us. Please email [Gail Krema](#) for the Zoom link.



## MASS INTENTIONS

The Jesuits at Saint Ignatius welcome your Mass intentions for our 7:30 a.m. daily school liturgy. Please email your request to [Fr. Patrick Fairbanks, S.J.](#) If you wish, you may make an optional donation to the Jesuit community with your request.

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## FORMATION AND MINISTRY - STUDENT

**FRESHMAN AND SOPHOMORE FAMILY MASS** Freshman and Sophomore Family Mass - Sunday, September 22 10:30a

Saint Ignatius College Prep cordially invites members of the Class of 2027 and the Class of 2028 (and their families) to the Freshman and Sophomore Family Mass on **Sunday, September 22 at 10:30 a.m.** at the Church of the Holy Family. We look forward to seeing you as we pray as a faith community together!

**SERVE AS AN ALTAR SERVER AT MASS THIS YEAR!**



All students are invited to attend altar server training on **Monday, September 16 from 3:15 - 4:15 p.m.** in the Church of the Holy Family. Click [HERE](#) for more information. We hope you

can join us!

## SOPHOMORE AND JUNIOR RETREAT SCHEDULING

Attention all sophomore and juniors! Be on the lookout for the sophomore and junior retreat rosters which indicate your assigned retreat date. Once the rosters are posted please review IMMEDIATELY and mark your calendars. If you notice a conflict with an important family event or extenuating circumstance, please fill out the form right [HERE](#) to request a change by **September 20th**. Please note that these assignments have already been reviewed by Saint Ignatius moderators and coaches. We have limited ability to make changes (i.e: we are not able to accommodate circumstances outside of Ignatius clubs, sports or commitments) due to program limits (retreat house size, number of bus seats, etc.).

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## JUNIOR WOLFPACK

### BOYS BASKETBALL FALL CAMPS FOR GRADES 5-8



Saint Ignatius College Prep will be hosting grade school boys basketball camps throughout the Fall.

Saint Ignatius College Prep Head Boys Basketball Coach Matt Monroe and the rest of the boys basketball coaching staff will lead the camps, which will focus on dynamic skill development to prepare players for their upcoming seasons.

Each individual camp session costs \$20 and payments should be made upon arrival at camp. All camps will be hosted at Saint Ignatius College Prep ([1076 W. Roosevelt Rd., Chicago, IL](http://1076 W. Roosevelt Rd., Chicago, IL)). To register multiple campers, please submit a new form for each individual sign-up. Register [HERE](#).

If you have any questions, please contact [Matt Monroe](#).

### GIRLS FALL BASKETBALL LEAGUE FOR GRADES 6-8



Saint Ignatius College Prep can help you **Grow your Game!**

**Monday, September 9, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.**

**Monday, September 16, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.**

**Monday, September 23, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.**

**Monday, September 30 6:30 - 8:00 p. m.**

**Monday, October 7 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.**

Work on your skills and get better this fall with Saint Ignatius coaches. Clinics will be organized to develop players through skill work and game play. Sign up for individual sessions or all six offerings. Register [HERE](#). Reach out to [Cara Doyle](#) with questions.

Location: Gentile Gym

Open to 6th-8th Grade Girls

Cost: \$90 for all sessions, \$20 per individual session

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## PARENT ORGANIZATION

### **WILKOMMEN CLASS OF 2025 PARENTS AND GUARDIANS!**

Come say "Guten Tag" at Oktoberfest!! All senior parents and guardians are invited to this adults-only event on **October 9th at 6:00 p.m.** in the tents on Fornelli '51 Field. Please purchase your tickets [HERE](#).



#### **CLASS OF 2026 PARENTS AND GUARDIANS SAVE-THE-DATE**

We are having a fall social for parents and guardians of the Class of 2026. Mark your calendars for **Wednesday, October 23 at 6:00 p.m.** in Tully Hall. Invitation to follow...

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### **SAFETY ON AND AROUND CAMPUS**

#### **DOOR SAFETY**

Folks in our Operations Department say students get an "A+" for paying attention to guidelines regarding not propping open school doors. Following directives keeps our campus safe for everyone.

The great grade doesn't mean there isn't room for improvement in other areas. This week we've had a couple cases of kind students opening the Walsh Garden door for adults who didn't have any identification. Please remember, all visitors need to go to the main entrance, where staff can "buzz" them into the building.

#### **BUSY WEEKEND - BUSY (AND SOME CLOSED) ROADS THIS WEEKEND DOWNTOWN AND NEAR SAINT IGNATIUS COLLEGE PREP**

As you and your students come to campus this Friday and Saturday, please be aware the city is closing some streets to manage traffic for Mexican Independence Day festivals and celebrations. In the past, especially at night, observances have led to gridlock on some thoroughfares. Please check local TV station websites for guidance on closures and access points. [HERE](#) is preliminary information from NBC 5.

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### **SCHOOL COUNSELING**

**Virtual Event for Class of 2028 Parents/Guardians**

The School Counseling Department is excited to again offer a virtual event for parents and guardians of the Class of 2028: **Launching Freshman Year: What You Can Do to Support Your Student**. This is a voluntary virtual event for freshman parents and guardians with a focus on navigating the "ins and outs" of Saint Ignatius. The event will be held on **Tuesday, September 24, from 6:30 - 7:45 p.m.**

Session topics will include:

- Blackbaud 101
- Supporting Your Student's Involvement at Saint Ignatius
- The Successful Saint Ignatius Student: Time Management + Self Advocacy

No registration is required. Zoom access will be issued to parents and guardians via email in advance of the event. We hope you will join us!

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## STUDENT ACTIVITIES

### ACTIVITY PERIOD

Students, be active during Activity Period! You can reference a list of clubs and activities right [HERE](#) for information on our more than 70 student organizations that you can get involved in this year! Check the Activity Period schedule posted on Blackbaud for meetings and/or email a moderator to get involved!

### FRESHMAN MIXER



Hey Class of 2028! The Freshman Mixer is **TOMORROW, September 13, right after school from 3 - 5:30 p.m.** in Tully Hall. Come to this FUN, FREE, and memorable event for your class and enjoy pizza, a DJ, and lots of school spirit before heading out to Fornelli '51 Field to support our football teams!

### FALL SPIRIT WEEK

Our Fall Spirit Week begins **September 30 and runs through October 4**. Themes for Spirit Week will be in our next *Wolfpack Post* and will be communicated to students via email and social media (Instagram: @saintignatiusstudentactivities). Out-of-school guest forms are now available through the Deans' Office (we have a link in that section in this *Post*) for the Homecoming Dance which is **Saturday, October 5 from 7:00 - 10:00 p.m.** Those forms are due by **Tuesday, October 1**. Stay tuned for more details and **Go Wolfpack!**

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## SHOUT-OUTS...



This shout-out is from social studies teacher, Mr. John Tuley:

"I have an Ignatian Value Day # 1 shout out: Arrupe Mentor, Francesca (Franny) Kromkowski '25, displayed outstanding leadership skills and initiative during the Homeroom Reflection period of IVD # 1. She expertly led my homeroom of 28 freshmen through the various activities, and she was also the only student who (correctly) understood that thin crust pizza is superior to deep dish pizza. Franny did an awesome job, and I was thankful to have her in my classroom."

Way to go, Franny!

## A.M.D.G.

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### 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 Catholic social justice for the greater glory of God.

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