

Wolfpack Post

THURSDAY, APRIL 3, 2025

LOOKING AHEAD

Friday, April 4

FIRST FRIDAY MASS

Church of the Holy Family

8:20 a.m.

Friday, April 4

SPRING PEP RALLY

Gentile Gym

2:15 - 3:00 p.m.

Thursday, April 10

COLLEGE FAIR

TRADITION AND COMMUNITY THIS WEEKEND!



(A SNAPSHOT FROM LAST YEAR'S CLASS RING CELEBRATION)

Members of the Class of 2026 are on the cusp of something big! They are getting ready to step up into the leadership role that comes with being a senior at Saint Ignatius College Prep. As a school, we celebrate

Tully Hall, Gentile Gym

7:00 - 8:30 p.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



that with the Junior Family Mass and Class Ring Ceremony. Student Formation and Ministry invites all juniors and their families to attend this milestone Mass **(on Sunday, April 6 at 10:30 a.m at Church of the Holy Family)** and the reception to follow **(downstairs in Damen Hall)**. The goal is to bring our juniors together. This celebration of your community is for everyone -- you did not have to order a ring to attend. We hope to see you there, and we thank the Parent Organization in advance for helping to make this annual tradition possible!

FOR SAFETY'S SAKE...

We have an important reminder for parents and students. The parking lot off of Blue Island is for faculty and visitors. It is not a pick-up and drop-off point. Of late, there's been too much traffic in and out of that lot, which exits at a major crosswalk for our students and our community neighbors. We continue to see close calls at the crosswalk. Let's work together to make sure this part of our campus stays as safe as possible. **If you are not a faculty member who parks in that lot, please refrain from using it.**

A.M.D.G.

ACADEMICS

GREAT ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITY: CLASS OF 2027 RAY DASS MERIT PROGRAM INVITATIONS

The first cohort of Ray Dass Merit Program students from Saint Ignatius College Prep will be invited before Easter! Our partnership with Ray Dass (a test prep provider) includes online, asynchronous practice question modules through the Sara Program for all freshmen and sophomores and also a more intensive opportunity for selected students in the Class of 2027 through the Merit Program. The Merit Program is designed to be a more rigorous test preparation experience for students who scored at or above a threshold index score on the practice PSAT in October. Read more about the program [HERE](#).

A MESSAGE FOR ALL AP STUDENTS AND TESTERS:

AP testing begins on May 5, 2025. You will use your iPad and the Bluebook app to take most of your AP exams this year. It is crucial that you:

- Have a keyboard for testing
- Currently the Bluebook app works with the maximum: iPadOS 18.3.1
- Know your College Board username and password by heart. On test day, the autofill function will not work.

CLASS OF 2028: IMPORTANT DATE COMING UP!

We held the registration assembly for the Class of 2028. Students should be meeting with their counselors to finalize course requests. A student who wishes to take a course that he/she has not been recommended to take may submit a Google form asking for a review. This form is posted in a student's registration tile in Blackbaud. Counselors will follow up with students regarding these requests. All course requests for the class of 2028 are due on **Wednesday, April 16**. Student schedules will be posted in Blackbaud in July.

A GLOBAL OPPORTUNITY!

Saint Ignatius College Prep is looking for families to open their hearts and homes to give a student a once-in-a-lifetime experience! We are excited to welcome four young people from two Jesuit high schools in Lithuania for the 2025-2026 academic year. We are in need of host families for these rising juniors. By opening your home, you'll not only be giving a student an incredible opportunity, but you will also be enriching your own family's life in countless ways. If you are interested or open to learning more, please contact Assistant Prefect, [Beth Carney](#).

GRADUATION INFORMATION

We are weeks away! Graduation for the Class of 2025 is **Thursday, May 22**. Please find important information [HERE](#).

(A SNAPSHOT FROM GRADUATION 2024)



ATHLETICS NEWS

THIS EDITION'S SPORTS REPORT



What a week it's been for Wolfpack Athletics! We've witnessed incredible displays of grit, determination and teamwork across all our spring sports. From hard-fought victories on the field to outstanding individual achievements, our athletes have truly embodied the spirit of the Wolfpack. But more than just winning, they have also represented our school with pride, sportsmanship and integrity. For all the latest sports news, you'll find Athletic Director Mike Hurley's '07 bi-weekly write-up [HERE](#).

And **GO WOLFPACK!!**

CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY

We welcome our friends and families to join the Saint Ignatius College Prep community at any of our Masses or events at Church of the Holy Family. You may register for First Friday Mass and Stations of the Cross by clicking [HERE](#).

If you have questions, please contact [Wendy McCarthy](#), Development Director at Church of the Holy Family, at 312-492-8442, extension 3.

LENTEN SCHEDULE AT CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY

April 4 at 8:20 a.m.

First Friday Mass & Coffee Reception

April 11 at 8:00 a.m.

Stations of the Cross

April 14 - 7:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Palm Distribution in Church

April 17 - 6:00 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.

Maundy Thursday - Silent Prayer

Parking is available on May Street at Roosevelt Road

*For questions, please contact Wendy McCarthy,
Development Director, at 312-492-8442 ext. 3 or email
wendymccarthy@holyfamillychicago.org.*



COLLEGE COUNSELING NEWS

GENERAL NEWS

INCF - Illinois National College Fair -- Register [HERE!](#)

When: **April 5, 2025, 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**

Where: Moraine Valley Community College

34th Annual Saint Ignatius College Fair - (Class of 2026 and Class of 2027 should plan on attending -- **no RSVP required**)

When: **April 10, 2025, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.**

Where: Tully Hall and Gentile Gym



Register with StriveScan
BEFORE the fair to easily
connect with College Reps



THURSDAY, APRIL 10TH

Workshops: 6:00 PM

Fair: 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

WORKSHOPS

- Student Athletes / NCAA
- Performing / Visual Arts
- ACT / SAT Test Prep
- College Admissions Panel

CLASS OF 2025

Please Keep Your Team Up to Date:

- Please update Naviance and your college counselor regarding decisions received.
- We are available for discernment conversations.
- If you are on a Waitlist: A) please complete all requested or optional items and B) please keep your college counselor aware of your interest in specific schools. We are available to discuss appropriate communication with these institutions.

Scholarship Search:

- Please reference the scholarship search aggregators at the bottom of the College Counseling website. Click [HERE](#).

Financial Aid Offer Comparison Worksheet -- Click [HERE](#).

CLASS OF 2026

TOP PRIORITY:

Please plan on attending the Saint Ignatius College Fair on **April 10 from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. (no RSVP required)**.

Summer Session ACT or SAT Prep Classes:

- ACT and SAT test prep classes available **June 9 - 27**. A full schedule regarding dates and times, the registration link and a financial request link are available [HERE](#).

College Counseling and Becoming One Wolfpack

- We completed workshops in your March 17- April 2 B1WP sessions. Conversations focused on identity, community, belonging, college 'fit' and using *Naviance* and the SuperMatch tool. Keep using Naviance to research college options!

Priority "To-Do" List:

- If you have had your Junior Family Meeting, then there should be some colleges listed in your "Colleges I'm Thinking About" in *Naviance*. Please research those institutions.
- If you have not had your Junior Family Meeting, please arrange that appointment using our Calendly links:

Make an Appointment:

- [Mr. Gomez](#)
- [Ms. Granholm](#)
- [Mr. Jenkins](#)
- [Ms. Miranda](#)
- [Mr. Schmidt](#)

- Look to register for future [SAT](#) and [ACT](#) dates.

- We will be distributing a Teacher Recommendation Google Document later this month.

- We will be attending one of your future English classes to discuss College Essays.

CLASS OF 2027

TOP PRIORITY:

Please plan on attending the Saint Ignatius College Fair on **April 10 from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. (no RSVP required).**

College Counseling and Becoming One Wolfpack

- We conducted workshops in your March 17- April 2 B1WP sessions. Discussions were centered around *Multiple Intelligences* and using our *Naviance* platform. Feel free to share some of the results with your parents/guardians!

College and Course Planning Webinar

Thank you to those who were able to attend. If you were not able to attend, you can watch the 57-minute video in Blackbaud. Click on "Resources" and then the "College" icon.

Coffee Talk -- One left -- Virtual:

Wednesday, April 23, 2025 from 8:00 - 9:00 a.m. -- virtual meeting

We will email the link to join one week before the event.
Register [HERE](#).

CLASS OF 2028

Advisories:

Reminder: College Counseling visited the Freshmen Advisory Sections (students only) February 11-21. Feel free to talk with your student about the exercise we completed regarding "Multiple Intelligences" using a survey in Naviance.

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DEANS' OFFICE

GUEST WORK...

Seniors who plan on taking an out-of-school guest to Prom must return a guest form to the Deans' Office by the end of the day on **Monday, April 7**. For easy access to the form, click [HERE!](#)

AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM THE SCHOOL NURSE REGARDING REQUIRED DENTAL EXAMS AND A MAY FIRST DEADLINE

All 9th grade students are required by the State of Illinois to have a dental exam. School dental exams must be completed within 18 months prior to May 15, 2025. **A copy of your child's dental exam must be uploaded to Blackbaud no later than May 1, 2025.** Please ensure that all paperwork is signed by a licensed provider. Please contact school nurse, [Erica Montagna, RN](#) with any questions or concerns.

DEVELOPMENT NEWS

BUSINESS SOCIETY WOLVES DEN PRESENTATIONS

We invite you to join us **April 15, from 3:30 - 5:30 p.m. in the McLaughlin Theater and the McLaughlin Room** as the students in the 2024-2025 Entrepreneurship Class present their projects to Business Society Members and the community. Click [HERE](#) to register.

BUSINESS SOCIETY SPEAKER EVENT

We are happy to share the registration link [HERE](#) for "Leadership Lessons from Paul Darley '81." The event is called "Leading with Heart: Harnessing Emotional Intelligence for Transformative Leadership." Mark your calendars for **April 24, from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. in the Brunswick Room.**

GLORIAM 2025 SIGN-UP PARTY #2 - THEATER ON THE LAKE

Join us for a night of live music on **Wednesday, April 30, from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.** with classics performed by cover band Tributosaurus. Tickets are \$300 per person with cocktails and delicious hors d'oeuvres included. Buy your tickets [HERE!](#)

SAN IGNACIO SOCIETY'S CELEBRACIÓN

The Saint Ignatius College Prep San Ignacio Society invites you to what will be a very special evening! Join us **May 3** for the inaugural fundraising gala, Celebración ~ De Corazón a Corazón.

5:00 - 6:30 p.m.: Cocktails reception in the Quad
6:30 - 8:00 p.m.: Program & Dinner in Tully Hall
8:00 - 11:00 p.m.: Dancing and Dessert

We are so excited to welcome award-winning actress and producer Gina A. Rodriguez '02 as our Guest of Honor. Click [HERE](#) to register.



WOMEN'S SOCIETY SIGNATURE DINNER

Mark your calendars for **May 8**! The Women's Society cordially invites you to our annual Signature Dinner, a joyful celebration of community and achievement. This year, we're thrilled to honor Julie Davis '86 with the prestigious Golden Rose award for her outstanding contributions to our school community. Register [HERE](#)!



DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION

ARAB AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

During April, we celebrate, recognize and uplift Arab Americans and Arab-speaking students and families in our community.

HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY

Holocaust Remembrance Day (Yom HaShoah) begins on **Wednesday, April 23, and ends on Thursday, April 24.**

APRIL 2025 BECOMING ONE WOLFPACK: GLOBAL JESUIT LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT SERIES

The April 2025 installments of "Becoming One Wolfpack (B1WP) for Freshman Advisory" focus on recapitulating learnings from the 2024-25 academic year. We will use a Jeopardy-style game to facilitate the review. Freshmen, please check Blackbaud for your scheduled dates and times for April. As a warm reminder: Your B1WP times have been scheduled since the beginning of the year.

2025 STUDENT IGNATIUS LEADERSHIP SEMINAR (SILS) PLANNING COMMITTEE

SILS is an Ignatian-centered leadership development experience for rising sophomores, juniors and seniors at Saint Ignatius College Prep. SILS certification is a determining factor in selecting students for school leadership positions. 2023 and 2024 SILS-certified students who are interested in serving on the planning committee for the 2025 SILS summer leadership program should email both [Mr. McKeon](#) and [Dr. Igwebuike](#).

FORMATION AND MINISTRY - ADULT

LENTEN RESOURCES



Bread Alone 2025.

Father Patrick Fairbanks, S.J., has come up with a list of Lenten Resources. There is something for everyone, offering different prayer experiences. The link to all the information is [HERE](#).

Parents, have your student stop by the Adult FAM Office (Room 147) for a small prayer booklet, *Daily Reflections for Lent: Not by*

COME PRAY WITH US!

A reminder that all are welcome to join us in prayer on the first and third Wednesdays of the month. We will gather on Google Meet from **8:00 to 9:00 a.m. on April 16**. If you are interested, email [Gail Krema](#) for the Google Meet link.

On **Wednesday, May 7 (from 8:00 to 9:00 a.m.)** we will be holding "A Special Mother's Day Prayer Service" on Google Meet. We hope that you can join us. Please submit the names of mothers (living and deceased) so we can pray for them that day. Please click [HERE](#) to register.

FORMATION AND MINISTRY - STUDENT

FIRST FRIDAY MASS - **APRIL 4**

The Saint Ignatius student body and adult community will gather to celebrate the fourth Friday of Lent. Students continue to share their gifts in various ministerial roles including: Altar Servers, Call to Worship leaders, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Gift Bearers, Lectors, Cantors, Musicians and Singers. All are welcome to participate fully in our monthly First Friday Masses.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS - IVD #3 - **FRIDAY, APRIL 11**

We will celebrate our last Ignatian Values Day (IVD) of this school year before we enter Holy Week. Students will participate in the Way of the Cross - reimagining the last steps of Christ before His crucifixion and death on the cross. After time spent in Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament, students and staff will participate in our last IVD of this school year: "Exquisite Mutuality: The Call to Love and Serve." Fr. Greg Boyle, S.J., the founder of Homeboy Industries - the largest gang-intervention, rehabilitation and re-entry program in the world, will share stories from his 30+ years in ministry. Seniors who participated in our

inaugural Senior Service Capstone Project will share insights and observations about Faith, love and service through panel discussions with the entire student body.

FRESHMEN SERVICE HOURS DEADLINE

For freshmen, 10 total service hours will be due on **Monday, April 28**.

Here are the [FRESHMAN SERVICE HOUR REQUIREMENTS](#).

Please see more details on “service hours verification” and our “service running opportunity document” after the next Sophomore paragraph as that applies to the Freshmen as well.

SOPHOMORE SERVICE HOURS DEADLINE

Here are the [SOPHOMORE SERVICE HOUR REQUIREMENTS](#).

Sophomores had 15 total hours to fulfill. The deadline was on Monday, March 17.

For those students who have not yet finished the required 15 hours, we are offering them an extension. Please encourage them to come into FAM, discuss their service plan with us, and complete a service extension form. Many thanks to the 90 students who have successfully done this, but I still need to see more than 60 of these students! **Please note that this service extension form will be closed TOMORROW, Friday, April 4.** Students should try to complete their remaining hours by the dates that they have indicated on the extension form.

If your students haven't completed this form, please encourage them to come into FAM and complete this extension form. You can easily tell the total hours that these students have served on the Mobileserve App on their iPads. **Please note that after the end of the extension day tomorrow, those who need to and haven't completed the service extension form, will be required to attend an after-school mandatory service support meeting at the end of the month.** We want students to know that we are here to support them. Please help us to encourage them to fulfill this requirement as soon as possible.

SERVICE HOURS VERIFICATION

I have noticed that many of our freshmen and sophomores have put their service hours in Mobileserve, but those hours are waiting for supervisor verification. All students should check that their supervisor email is spelled correctly. If the email is correct, and the supervisor has not replied, please encourage your student to send an email reminder to the supervisor for hours that are unverified. To parents who serve as supervisors for your children's service hours: Please note that you should receive an email from Mobileserve. Be sure to verify those

hours by clicking the “Verify” tab on the received email. We need that verification to finalize the approval of students' service hours. **Unverified hours will remain pending, and the student's service hours will be incomplete.**

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES!

[HERE](#) is our running service opportunities document. Please take note of the on-campus Clothing Swap, where students can get service hours. The Saint Ignatius Fashion Club runs this event scheduled for **April 8**. The Clothing Swap team needs 30 more people to assist on **April 7**, the eve of the event, and on **April 8**.

Please encourage students to sign up [HERE](#) to serve at the Clothing Swap!

Questions? Please reach out to [Sr. Edelquine Shivachi](#).

We wish you all a blessed fourth week of Lent.

PARENT ORGANIZATION

WE'RE GETTING READY FOR POST-PROM 2025



(SNAPSHOT FROM POST-PROM 2024)

We have a detailed message from the Saint Ignatius College Prep Parent Organization about Post-Prom. The letter to Parents and Guardians has (among other things) important details and information on how you can make the Post-Prom Raffle the best one yet! Please click [HERE](#) to learn more.

SCHOOL COUNSELING

A MESSAGE FOR THE CLASS OF 2028

If you have not yet met with your school counselor to discuss your course requests for 2025 - 2026, please do so as soon as possible. **The course registration window closes on April 16.**

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

CLOTHING SWAP - DONATE CLOTHES AND REFRESH YOUR WARDROBE

Saint Ignatius students: Clean out your closets and get ready for our annual fashion club Clothing Swap! This is a great way to give your gently-used clothes a second life while finding something new to you—for free!

Donation Drop-Off:

We've been collecting clothing donations since **March 31 and will continue to collect donations until April 7**. Drop off your clean, gently-used items at the Student Activities office.

How It Works:

Donate clothes you no longer wear. Come to the swap on **April 8** and pick out new pieces for free! All sizes and styles welcome.

Swap Date: Tuesday, April 8

Location: Brunswick Room

Time: 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.



We will donate leftover items to a local charity.

Let's make fashion fun, affordable and eco-friendly. Spread the word!

SENIOR PROM IS RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER...



We continue to be excited for and plan for a memorable Prom and Post-Prom for the Class of 2025 on **Saturday, April 26!**

Seniors and parents/guardians should refer to the email they received on March 10 with all details, but a few reminders and updates are below:

- Prom & Post-Prom tickets will be on sale from **Monday April 7 - Thursday April 10** during all lunches in the Link. We accept cash, credit/Apple Pay, and check. All students and guests must have purchased their tickets by the end of third lunch on **Thursday April 10**.
- Out-of-School Guest Forms are available through the Deans' Office and are due to the Deans' Office no later than **Monday April 7 at 3:00 p.m.**

- Seniors are asked to submit photos for the senior slideshow to the Google Form [HERE](#) by **April 16**.
- Seniors received an email with a Google Form to request prom dinner seating arrangements from Ms. Hipple on April 1. All seating arrangement requests are due via the Google Form by **Monday, April 14 at 3:00 p.m.**

GET READY TO SHOW YOUR SCHOOL SPIRIT!

Saint Ignatius College Prep Spring Spirit Week continues tomorrow with our spring pep rally! We are looking forward to celebrating our spring sports, activities and school community.

GO WOLFPACK!!!

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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