

• SAINT IGNATIUS COLLEGE PREP •

Wolfpack Post

THURSDAY, APRIL 24, 2025

LOOKING AHEAD

HONORING POPE FRANCIS

Saturday, April 26

SENIOR PROM

Grant Quad, Fornelli '51 Field and
Tully Hall

6:00 - 10:00 p.m.

POST PROM FOLLOWS...

The Link/Gyms

10:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m.



Monday, April 28

FRESHMAN SPRING SERVICE
DEADLINE

When you walk through the Link at Saint Ignatius College Prep, you'll see this portrait honoring Pope Francis who passed away Easter Monday. Perhaps more than we realize, he

Wednesday, April 30

SPRING CANON BALL ART SHOWCASE

Immaculate Heart of Mary
Center/Room 1

4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

SPRING BAND CONCERT & SENIOR
NIGHT FOLLOWS...

McLaughlin Theater

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**

was a man with whom we had much in common. As we aspire to live our Ignatian values, so did he. Pope Francis was the first Pontiff from the Society of Jesus. In keeping with his Order, his focus was to discern what God calls us to do. As the leader of the Catholic Church, he (among many other things) was called to advocate for the Poor and to define what it means to care for our common home. Both of these Universal Preferences are more than ideas here on campus. They have motivated Ignatian Value Days and student service. The life and work of Pope Francis will continue to challenge us to consider how we, too, will "go out and set the world on fire."

A.M.D.G.



ACADEMICS

IMPORTANT SEMESTER EXAM INFORMATION!



All students will take their exams in their regularly scheduled classroom with their teacher as the proctor. The exam periods are 100 minutes in length. All students will have 90 minutes to complete an exam that was designed to be completed in 60 minutes. The exam schedule is:

Monday, May 19 - A, B, I

Tuesday, May 20 - C, D, E

Wednesday, May 21 - F, G, H

No classes are meeting on these days. Students are not required to attend the scheduled class meeting time unless they are taking an exam.

All students will receive a personalized exam schedule the week of May 12.

If a student has three exams scheduled for one exam day, and he/she would like to reschedule his/her last listed period exam, the student will be asked to complete a Google form request to reschedule the exam to another exam day.

Students who have three exams scheduled for one day have received an email containing a link to this Google form. **This form is due by April 30.** All requests will be reviewed, and an approval email with the rescheduled exam details will be sent by May 9.

If you have any questions regarding exams, please contact your student's School Counselor.

AP TESTING DETAILS...

The AP Tests begin on **Monday, May 5, 2025**. Please take a look at AP exam info from Ms. Yanni Tiller by clicking [HERE](#).

BE A STUDENT'S CHANCE TO SEE THE WORLD!

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 thrilled 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 be giving a student an incredible opportunity, and you'll 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](#).

FINE ARTS NEWS: CATCH A CONCERT!

We welcome you to join us at the Spring Band Concert and Senior Night on **Wednesday, April 30, 2025 in the McLaughlin Theatre at 7:00 p.m.** Admission is FREE. The students will be performing movie soundtrack music including selections from *Star Wars*, *Moana*, *La La*

Land and more. We also will be celebrating our senior band students for their final performance at Saint Ignatius College Prep. We hope to see you there!



ANOTHER FINE ARTS GATHERING!

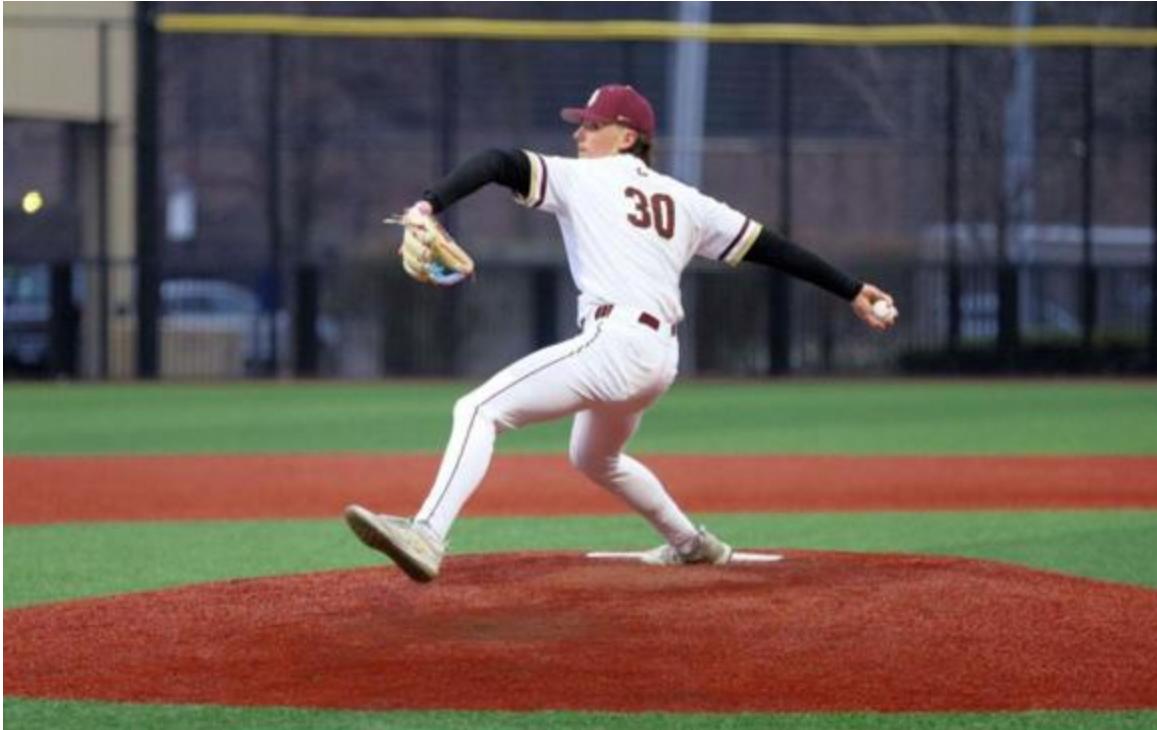
We love highlighting our students' artistic abilities -- case-in-point: **the flyer you see is the work of Laryssa Olmedo '25**. And now's your chance to come see what all of our students have been creating in class at the Canon Ball Spring Art Showcase. This gallery-style open house will be a celebration of our second semester visual arts students. The showcase (with refreshments) is **Wednesday, April 30 from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.** on both floors of the IHMC. We hope to see you there!

POMP AND CIRCUMSTANCE...

SENIORS: Did you know cap and gown distribution is **Wednesday, April 30** in Tully Hall during all lunches?! It's right around the corner...and the date is set! Graduation for the Class of 2025 is **Thursday, May 22**. Please make sure to take a look at what you need to know by clicking [HERE](#).



ATHLETICS NEWS



Our spring student athletes have been giving their sports their collective "all." Athletic Director Mike Hurley '07 covers everything from Saint Ignatius College Prep Baseball celebrating Senior Night to what he describes as an "epic battle" in girls soccer. Click [HERE](#) for the round up....

And **GO PACK!!!**

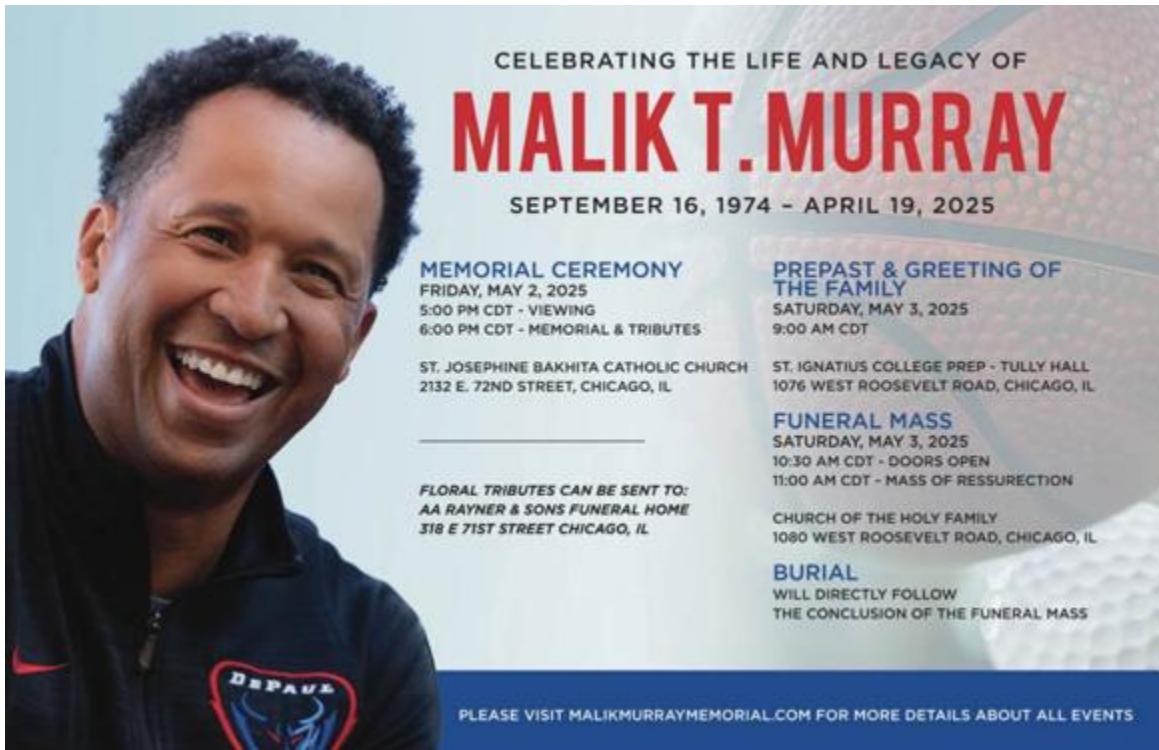
CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY

REMEMBERING OUR FRIEND AND SAINT IGNATIUS ALUM, MALIK MURRAY '92

The Funeral Mass for Malik Murray '92 will be at the Church of the Holy Family on **Saturday, May 3 at 11:00 a.m.** There will be a gathering before the Mass in Tully Hall at Saint Ignatius College Prep at 9:00 a.m.

It was with heavy hearts that we shared the news last weekend of Malik's passing. He was a passionate Ignatian. He cultivated the ties he established as a young man at 1076 West Roosevelt Road in ways that served current students and alumni. Malik was a Saint Ignatius Board Member from 2017 through 2023. He was the founding Chair of the School Culture DEI Committee and a founding member of our Tolton Society. He was so proud of his alma mater and of his classmates. When the Wolfpack was part of big projects or events, Malik never failed to send a kind word, or

a "way to go." We will so dearly miss his caring presence and his true understanding of the phrase, "Ignatius begins with 'I' and ends with 'us.'"



COLLEGE COUNSELING NEWS

GENERAL NEWS

THANK YOU for attending and actively participating in our 34th Annual College Fair.

The college representatives were thrilled to meet with you and were highly complimentary regarding your engagement and thoughtful questions.

CLASS OF 2025

Please complete the **Grad Survey 2025** which was electronically distributed on April 24.

- 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.
- 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 Saint Ignatius College Counseling web page. Click [HERE](#).

Financial Aid Offer Comparison Worksheet -- To get to the worksheet, please click [HERE](#).

CLASS OF 2026

Summer Session ACT or SAT Prep Classes:

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

Priority "To-Do" List:

- If you have had your Junior Family Meeting, you should have listed some colleges 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 around **May 2**.
- We will be attending one of your English classes between **April 23 and May 1** to discuss College Essays.

CLASS OF 2027

Enrichment Programs -- For more information, please click [HERE](#).

Resources:

Go to Blackbaud. to Resources, to the College icon:

Videos available on:

- Sophomore College Counseling and Course Planning Webinar
- Introduction to Naviance
- How to calculate a GPA and the Honors/AP Weighting System
- Coffee Talk -- an overview of the College Counseling timeline

CLASS OF 2028

Enrichment Programs -- For information, please click [HERE](#).

Resources:

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Videos available on:

- Introduction to Naviance
- How to calculate a GPA and the Honors/AP Weighting System
- Coffee Talk -- an overview of the College Counseling timeline

DEANS' OFFICE

PROM

Our goal is to host and have a happy and safe Senior Prom. To that end, seniors please note that coming to prom under the influence of alcohol and drugs, or consumption of alcohol and

drugs at the dance, will lead to significant disciplinary action. That could include not participating in graduation, suspension or even expulsion.

SENIOR ASSASSIN

A gentle reminder that students are strictly prohibited from playing "Senior Assassin" at Saint Ignatius. The game, which is played by seniors across the country, has received significant attention (click [HERE](#) for an example of media coverage) due to the inherent risks of the game. Our greatest concern stems from the possibility that law enforcement could mistake the game for a real threat leading to a confrontation. We strongly discourage students from participating in this tradition - even outside of Saint Ignatius - due to these associated dangers.

SENIOR SKIP DAY

Traditionally, seniors choose a day to skip school as their time here comes to a close. Please note that all attendance policies are still in effect for the skip day:

- Parents are still expected to notify the attendance office.
- Any student who is absent will not be permitted to attend after-school activities, athletics or otherwise.
- Skip days are still included in attendance totals.
- Students with excessive absences should strongly consider NOT participating in senior skip day.

Thank you for your attention to all of the above information!

DEVELOPMENT NEWS

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. We'll be enjoying 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. Registration information is [HERE](#).



IN HONOR OF OUR MOTHERS...

The Women's Society is excited to launch the 2025 "In Honor of Our Mothers" program, a heartfelt and meaningful way to send love and gratitude to mothers and mother figures who have made a difference in our lives. In turn, donations help the Women's Society make a difference in the lives of Ignatius students through support for the tuition assistance program. Please click [HERE](#) for more.

DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION

WELCOME TO OUR NEW REPRESENTATIVES!

Saint Ignatius College Prep is pleased to introduce the newest representatives to the Board of Trustees School Culture: Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee. Historically, student leaders on this committee have helped produce the SAFE Report Form, created the culture and community climate surveys, and they've led other school-related belongingness-based projects.

Congratulations to Gabriel Morales, Christopher Murphy, and Mayra Vasquez!



2025 SPEAK LIFE VIRTUE TREE

During Lent, the Department of School Culture: Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion posted the Speak Life Virtue Tree. This visual display encouraged the practice of loving language by encouraging students to write words of life onto the leaves of paper that we placed on the limbs of the "Speak Life Tree." The Speak Life Initiative reminds us that words have power -- for good and for ill. Hence, words should be spoken with care, compassion, and consideration because death and life are in the power of the tongue. **Speak Life, Saint Ignatius.**



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

COME PRAY WITH US!

On May 7, 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.

A reminder that all are welcome to join our school community in prayer on the first and third Wednesdays of the month with other parents and alumni. We will gather on Google Meet on **May 21 from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.** If you are interested, email [Gail Krema](#) for the Google Meet link.

Stay tuned for information about our Prayer Service for Father's Day.

FORMATION AND MINISTRY - STUDENT

14TH ANNUAL HEALING GARDEN PRAYER SERVICE FOR CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION

Saint Ignatius College Prep will host the 14th Annual Archdiocese of Chicago Pinwheels for Prevention Prayer Service in the Healing Garden (1080 West Roosevelt) on the west side of the Church of the Holy Family. **On May 1 at 11:00 a.m.** Saint Ignatius students will engage with 100+ Catholic School elementary children in song, prayer, activity and fellowship to foster a community of hope, healing and prevention.

MISSION AND THANKSGIVING MASS

On **Friday, May 2 at 9:30 a.m.** we will celebrate the Holy Eucharist at the last all-school Mass for the 2024-2025 school year. This celebration at the Church of the Holy Family kicks off the last week of classes for our Seniors. We will acknowledge the alumni (Jubilarians) who graduated 50+ years ago, venerate the Virgin Mary with May Crowning and highlight several students with class awards for their exemplary work and dedication to being true Ignatians. We also will honor all women who have been witnesses of Faith and motherhood for our community.

CLASS OF 2025 BACCALAUREATE MASS



The Class of 2025 will gather for their Baccalaureate Mass on **Wednesday, May 21 at 6:00 p.m.** in the Church of the Holy Family. Seniors will get all the information in their Theology classes by May 2. Each graduating senior receives four seats for family members and other guests attending. Graduates are included in the four seats. As seating is limited, please email [Ms. Kate Trinley](#) in the Student Formation and Ministry office if you have special circumstances, and you require extra seats (includes providing accessible seating for students and guests with disabilities and mobility concerns). We look forward to celebrating this special night with our seniors and their families!

FRESHMAN SERVICE HOURS

This is a reminder that the Freshman Service Deadline (10 hours) is **Monday, April 28. Click [HERE](#) for our running service opportunity document.

Please see the service log in, verification, and approval process under the Sophomore text as the same procedure applies to you.

SOPHOMORE SERVICE HOURS

The Sophomore Service Deadline has passed. Students who have asked for an extension form should be finalizing those hours and submitting them to Mobileserve for approval. Click [HERE](#) for our running service opportunity document.

If a student is having difficulty with a site supervisor verifying their logged hours on Mobileserve, they should come into FAM for help.

PARENT ORGANIZATION

WE'RE PREPARING FOR POST-PROM!



Dear Saint Ignatius Parents and Guardians,

We are excited to remind you about opportunities to participate in Prom and Post-Prom for the Saint Ignatius Class of 2025!

Prom will be held on **Saturday, April 26**, from 6:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. under heated tents and a starlit sky. An indoor Post-Prom, organized by the Saint Ignatius Parent Organization, will take place immediately afterward from **10:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m.**

Post-Prom is a time-honored tradition at Saint Ignatius. It originated as a partnership between the Saint Ignatius Administration and parents to offer a safe, inclusive and fun night for seniors.

Tully Hall, Gentile '42 Gym and the Third Floor Gym are transformed with a festive theme, games, music and a Senior Raffle. Details are kept under wraps to ensure plenty of surprises!

Post-Prom comes together thanks to the time, talent and treasure of many parents and guardians from all grade levels. The Parent Organization invites parents and guardians to support the event in several ways. **Contributions are completely voluntary. Senior Raffle donations from the Amazon Wishlist have been delivered. But you can still help in the following, much-appreciated way:**

Share a Monetary Donation

To provide a cash donation, which covers Post-Prom costs, please click [HERE](#) to give via credit card, etc. Enter a dollar amount and click the designated drop-down for "Parent Organization Fund."

We look forward to working with you to create a fun, memorable and safe Post-Prom celebration for the Class of 2025!

Should you have any questions, please reach out to [Dawn van Kempen](#) and [Colleen McClain](#). Thank you for your continued generosity and unwavering support!

The Saint Ignatius Parent Organization

SCHOOL COUNSELING

THANK YOU, STUDENTS!

We want to extend our gratitude to all students for taking the time to meet with their School Counselors and complete course requests for the upcoming school year. Your dedication to planning your academic journey reflects your commitment to personal growth and lifelong learning—thank you!

STRESS BE GONE!

As we approach the final weeks of school and begin preparing for final exams, we encourage you to take a moment to click [HERE](#) and watch a brief video from the *Child Mind Institute*, offering helpful tips for managing stress during this busy time.

If you have any questions or need additional help, feel free to stop by the Saint Ignatius College Prep Counseling Offices or reach out via email. We're always happy to connect.

SPRING HOWL!

CALLING ALL FACULTY AND STAFF MEMBERS...

Mark your calendars for **Friday, May 10 from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.** It's time to unwind, laugh, and enjoy the sunshine with fellow faculty and families! Check out the flyer -- We hope to see you there!



SAVE THE DATE!

2 ND ANNUAL SPRING HOWL!!!!

SATURDAY, MAY
10TH FROM 11AM–
1PM

*We're bringing the fun
with:*

- A Bounce House*
- An Ice Cream Truck*
- Free Food & Face
painting*

-And plenty of good vibes!

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

SENIOR PROM IS THIS WEEKEND!!!



We are so excited for a fun and memorable Prom and Post-Prom for the Class of 2025 this **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:

- **Arrival for Prom is from 6:00 - 6:30 p.m. All seniors and guests must arrive and check in by 6:30 p.m.**
- Prom is from 6:00 - 10:00 p.m. and Post-Prom is from 10:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m. All

students and guests attending Prom only must stay until 10:00 p.m. All students and guests attending both Prom and Post-Prom must stay until 1:00 a.m. Students attending Post-Prom should bring a change of clothes.

Thank you to the Senior Prom Committee and to the Saint Ignatius College Prep Parent Organization who have been tirelessly and generously working to make Prom and Post-Prom happen!

CELEBRATING OUR SENIORS...

We are also excited for the next two weeks celebrating the Class of 2025 with our Senior Weeks taking place from **April 28 - May 9**! Seniors should check their email for all info on Senior Week Themes.

- The Senior Bonfire will be held on Fornelli Field on **Thursday, May 8 at 7:00 p.m.**
- The Senior Clap Out takes place on **Friday, May 9. Congratulations Class of 2025!**



STUDENT COUNCIL SPEECHES

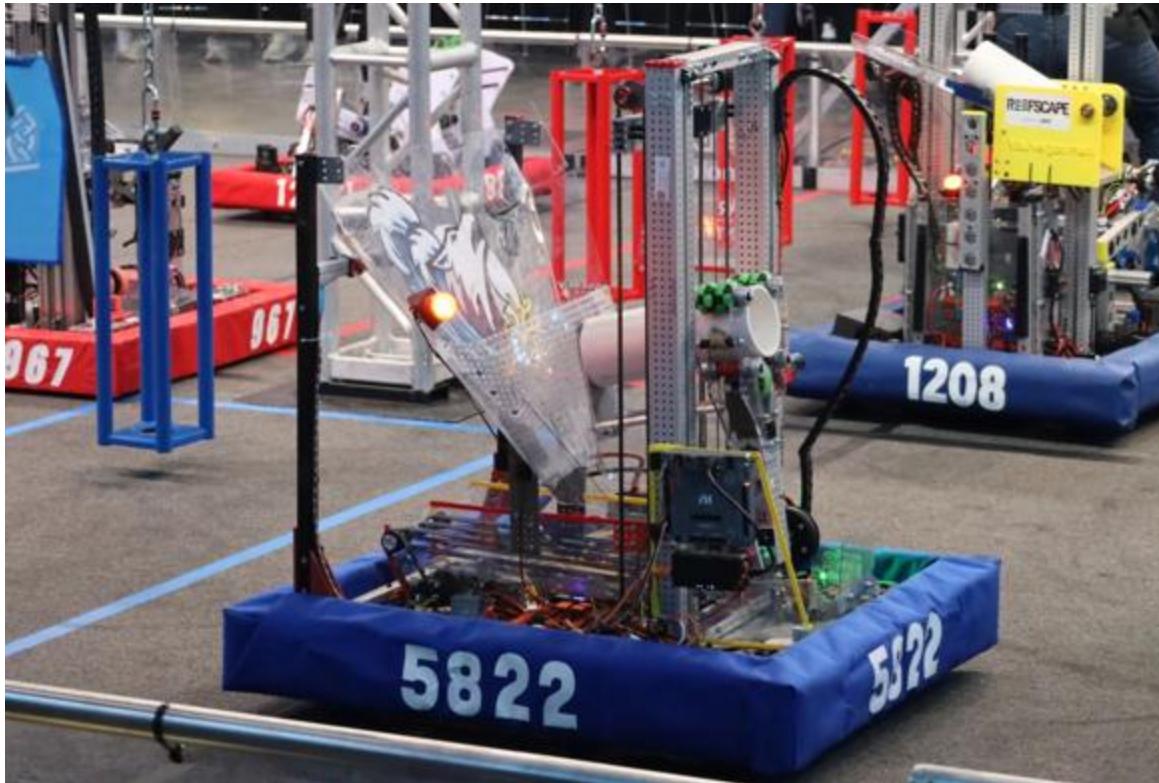
Student Council Speeches for rising sophomores, juniors and seniors were held today. Class Representatives for the 2025-2026 school year will be announced next week!

SHOUT-OUTS!



CELEBRATING A SEASON OF GROWTH AND LOOKING TO THE FUTURE!

WolfByte Robotics showcased future growth and resilience during the 2025 FRC Season - Reefscape. This year Wolfbyte competed at St. Louis Regional, placing 29th overall in a competitive field. Building on that experience, WolfByte went on to compete in the Midwest Regional, ranking 27th. Their efforts and strategy earned them a spot in the playoffs as the 2nd pick of the 5th-seeded alliance, marking a strong step forward in alliance play and teamwork. Throughout the season, the team demonstrated perseverance in the face of challenges, learning how to adapt under pressure and refine their technical skills. One of the key takeaways from this year was the importance of computer-aided design (CAD) in streamlining the robot development process. With valuable lessons learned, WolfByte is looking ahead with a renewed focus on utilizing CAD more effectively in future seasons to enhance design precision and overall build efficiency **as they look forward to celebrating 10 Years of WolfByte Robotics next year!**



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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