

• SAINT IGNATIUS COLLEGE PREP •

# Wolfpack Post

THURSDAY, September 4, 2025

## LOOKING AHEAD

### **Friday, September 5**

FIRST FRIDAY MASS; 8:20 a.m.

### **Friday, September 5**

FRESHMAN MIXER; 3:00-5:30 p.m.

### **Saturday, September 6**

SAN IGNACIO SOCIETY  
FAMILY FIESTA; 12:00 p.m.

### **Wednesday, September 10**

WOMEN'S SOCIETY OPEN  
HOUSE; 6:30 p.m.

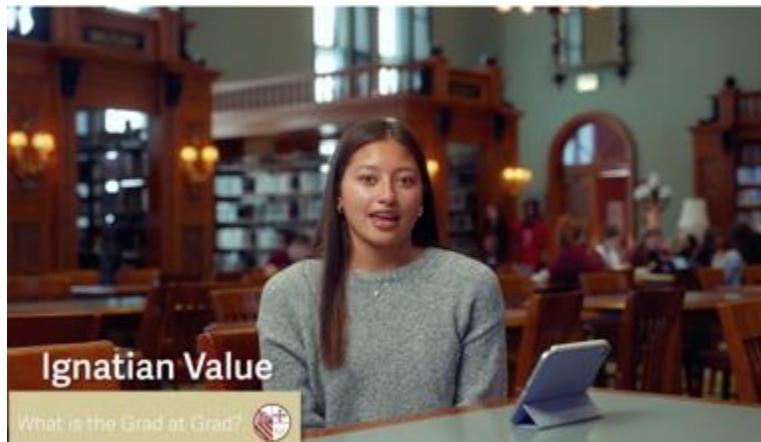
### **Thursday, September 11**

PARENT ORG BBQ; 6:00 p.m.

### **Sunday, September 14**

FRESHMAN/SOPHOMORE  
FAMILY MASS +  
RECEPTION; 10:30 a.m.

## RYTHYM, RITUAL AND REVERENCE



[Watch the video above to learn about all of the Grad at Grad values.](#)

On Friday, August 29, our community started the year by honoring an important hallmark of Jesuit schools: The Mass of the Holy Spirit. This special tradition acknowledged by all Jesuit academic institutions dates to the 16th century. For Saint Ignatius students, it is a powerful way to mark time, affirm purpose and remind us of our connection to our larger Jesuit Catholic community.

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

[PRAY](#)

[SPIRIT](#)

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GRAD-AT-GRAD  
VALUES

**Open to Growth**

**Intellectually Competent**

**Religious**

**Loving**

**Committed to Doing Justice**

During the second half of the day, students, faculty, and staff participated in our first Ignatian Values Day, focusing on two of the Grad at Grad values: Open to Growth and Loving.

Through listening circles and shared reflection, students dedicated time to building skills that help them grow as whole persons — attentive to themselves, others and God. These practices not only deepen relationships but also reflect our commitment to *cura personalis*, the care for each individual student, which allows us to strive for academic excellence while remaining rooted in love and community.

A.M.D.G.



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**ACADEMICS**

### ***Class of 2029 Parent/Guardian Welcome***

Thank you to all the freshman parents/guardians who joined us for the welcome presentation before Mini Class Night. If you were not able to attend, please view the [Presentation HERE](#).

### ***Advanced Placement (AP) Exams***

AP Exams take place during the first two full weeks of May and are required for students in AP courses. Students who are taking AP classes have already registered for their exam in the AP Classroom portal using their teachers' Join Codes. The fees for these exams will be billed through the Finance Office in the October tuition bill.

There are a couple of optional Exam Only AP tests available; they are as follows:

- **AP English:** All Juniors are encouraged to take the AP English Language exam, particularly if they plan to take AP English Literature as seniors. This exam is also open to seniors. Historically, our students score well enough to earn college credit. Use this [link](#) and join code to register.
  - AP English Language and Composition (Join Code: GD7WWM)
- **AP World History:** Freshmen have the option to take the AP World History exam. Students are encouraged to speak to their World History teacher to see if they would be a strong candidate for this exam. Use this [link](#) and join code to register:
  - AP World History (Join Code: G39Z74)

If you are interested in taking any other AP exam, please email the Testing Coordinator, [Lisa Yanny-Tillar](#) to complete that registration.

The deadline for AP registration is Thursday, September 11. You will be billed \$100 for each exam through your Ignatius Blackbaud Tuition Management account.

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### **ATHLETICS NEWS**

The fall season is off to a strong start for the Wolfpack, and there are a lot of firsts to celebrate! Our Girls Flag Football Team celebrated their inaugural game with an exciting victory on August 27, and our Girls Varsity Tennis Team will play their first home match on the new courts on September 4. Our Varsity Football team takes on DePaul Prep in their first home game of the season this Friday at Fornelli '51 Field.

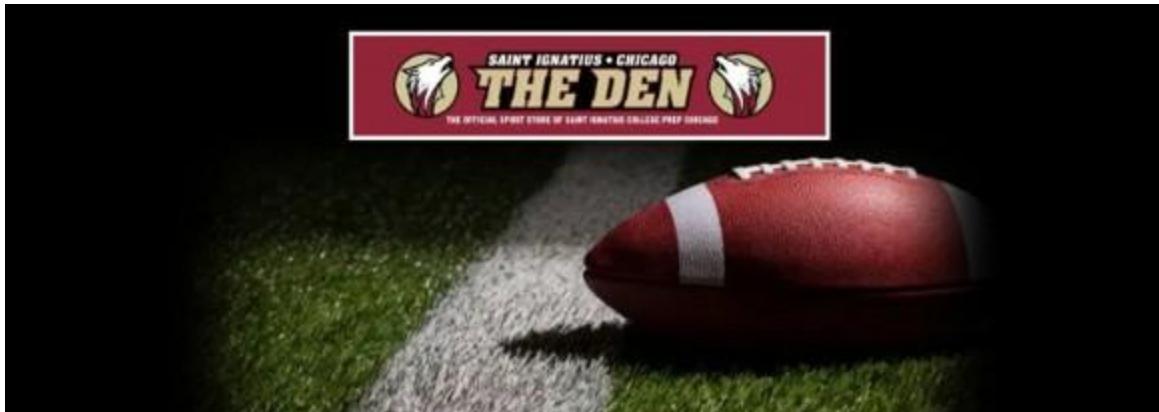
[For a full report, check out Mike Hurley's Athletic Update.](#)

Never miss a game in person or online.

- For tickets: [GOFAN tickets](#)

- For livestreams: [HUDL TV](#)

GO PACK!!!



**Visit the Spirit Store  
INSIDE the school during  
Friday Night Football!**

We will be open from 4:00PM until the end  
of halftime of the varsity Football game!

**\*September 5th\***  
**\*September 19th\***  
**\*September 26th\***  
**\*October 17th\***

If you have any questions, please reach out to [tina.bobor@ignatius.org](mailto:tina.bobor@ignatius.org)

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#### CAMPUS SAFETY

As we begin a new school year, our campus is full of energy each morning and afternoon. With so many students, families, faculty, and staff arriving and departing, it's important that we all keep safety top of mind — especially when crossing busy intersections near **Roosevelt Road and Racine Avenue**.

For everyone's well-being:

- Please use only **marked crosswalks**.
- Cross **only when the signal indicates it is safe**.
- Drivers, stay alert when dropping off or driving near campus.

Thank you to all community members for helping to keep Saint Ignatius safe.

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## CLUBS + STUDENT ACTIVITIES



Thank you to everyone who helped make the Activities Fair a success! Nearly 80 clubs were represented this year. You can view the full list of clubs and activities [here](#).

Students should use the Activity Period to explore interests and attend club meetings. Check the schedule on Blackbaud for meeting times and/or reach out to moderators directly.

### ***Freshman Spirit Mixer: Friday, September 5***

All freshmen and Arrupe Mentors are invited to this fun and free event right after school offering pizza, a DJ and lots of school spirit. Students are then invited to Fornelli '51 Field to support our Wolfpack football teams.

Friday, September 5; 3:00-5:30 p.m.

Tully Hall

### ***Fall Spirit Week: Monday, September 22 - Friday, September 26***

Our first Spirit Week of the year celebrates the return to school and our fall sports. Student Council is planning for this exciting week! Spirit Day themes and other events will be communicated soon to the entire student body. (Follow us on Instagram [@saintignatiusstudentactivities](#)). The Homecoming Football Game is on Friday, September 26 against St. Viator.

### ***Homecoming Dance: Saturday, September 27***

Tickets will go on sale the week of September 22. Students must turn in out-of-school guest forms to the Deans' Office before purchasing a guest ticket. Forms are now available in the Deans' Office.

Saturday, September 27; 7:00-10:00 p.m.

Check-in at Tully Hall

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## **COLLEGE COUNSELING**

### **PROGRAMMING FOR ALL CLASS OF YEARS**

#### ***100 Black Men of Chicago, Inc. College Scholarship Fair***

Saturday, October 11; 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

UIC Forum

Click [here](#) for more information

### **PROGRAMMING FOR THE CLASS OF 2026**

#### ***NEW: Weekly E-Newsletter for Senior Parents/Guardians***

For seniors and parents/guardians only, we will be sending out a weekly E-Newsletter up through November 1. The E-Newsletter will include a to-do list, links to college programming conducted locally, a featured college/university and a listing of all the upcoming college representatives visiting the following week. The E-Newsletter will go out on Fridays in September and October.

#### ***Common Application***

Common Application: Please "match" to Naviance if you have not done so already. This will allow your College Counselor to send Transcripts and Recommendations to your colleges.

#### ***ACT Prep Class - Senior Class Option***

This 12-hour course is designed for seniors who plan to retake the ACT in October. The class will review the most common question types and key testing strategies. Students would need to sign up for the ACT separately. Financial aid is available. The Registration deadline: Sunday, September 14.

We will need a minimum of 10 students to hold the class. Click [here](#) for registration and financial aid consideration.

#### ***Senior Family Meetings***

Times will be available starting Monday, August 25. Each college counselor will be in touch with the students and families in their caseload. "Calendly" links to set up a meeting:

- Dr. Kurt V. Schmidt <https://calendly.com/kurt-schmidt>

- Mr. Dana Jenkins [https://calendly.com/danajenkins\\_sicp](https://calendly.com/danajenkins_sicp)
- Mrs. Katie Granholm <https://calendly.com/kathleen-granholm>
- Mr. Rene Gomez [https://calendly.com/rgomez\\_sicp](https://calendly.com/rgomez_sicp)
- Ms. Margaret Miranda <https://calendly.com/margaret-miranda>

### ***Senior Reflection***

This short assignment helps your college counselor have better context and insight into your personal application process. It is due by Friday, September 5. Click [here](#) to see the assignment.

## **PROGRAMMING FOR THE CLASS OF 2027**

### ***Junior Family College Planning Night: Tuesday, November 4 (virtual)***

Mark your calendars for Tuesday, November 4 from 7:00-8:00 p.m. Stay tuned for details and a link. Please email questions to Janet Harrison, or call her at 312-432-8351.

### ***ACT Test Prep***

There is an after-school program starting October 27 that includes 24 hours of instruction and three practice tests. This prep course builds up to the December 13 ACT. Students need to register for the ACT separately.

Registration, schedule and financial aid consideration are available [HERE](#).

## **PROGRAMMING FOR THE CLASS OF 2028 & THE CLASS OF 2029**

### ***College Counseling Coffee Talks***

We will be offering these talks for freshman and sophomore parents/guardians throughout the year. We suggest attending one session throughout the academic year. The content is similar for each session.

#### **IN PERSON:**

- Thursday, October 23; 8:00-9:00 a.m.; register [HERE](#)
- Wednesday, March 18, 8:00-9:00 a.m.; register [HERE](#)

#### **VIRTUAL (Google Meet links to follow):**

- Tuesday, November 11, 8:00-9:00 a.m.; register [HERE](#)
- Tuesday, April 21, 8:00-9:00 a.m.; register [HERE](#)

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## **COUNSELING**

### ***Freshman Student Meetings***

We are so happy to be meeting with members of the freshman class these first few weeks of school! Please remind your student to sign up for a meeting with their counselor. They can find information on how to do so in the email sent by their counselor, or students can reach out directly.

### ***Freshman Parent/Guardian Event: Navigating Freshman Year: What You Can Do to Support Your Student (virtual)***

The Counseling Department is excited to again offer a virtual event for parents/guardians of the Class of 2029. The discussion will include using Blackbaud, supporting your student's involvement at school and tips for student time management and self-advocacy.

Wednesday, September 17; 6:30 - 7:45 p.m.

Virtual

Attendees will be able to meet with individual school counselors at the inks are below.

[Mrs. Honeycutt](#) ; [Mrs. McNellis](#) ; [Mr. O'Connor](#) ; [Mr. Ramirez](#) ; [Ms. Suglich](#) ; [Mr. Tilkes](#)

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### **DEANS' OFFICE**

#### ***Homecoming Dance***

Students who would like to bring an out of school guest to the Homecoming Dance on Saturday, September 27 will need to submit an "Out of School Guest" form to the Dean's Office by Tuesday, September 23. Forms are available in the Deans' Office.

#### ***Lost and Found***

The lost and found has already accumulated many items. Please label your belongings (water bottles, sweatshirts, calculators, etc.), so that we can help get them back to their owners. Items will only be retained in the Dean's Office for 10 school days.

#### ***Dress Code***

Reminder: Hoodies are not part of the dress code during the school day. Students must wear a collared shirt under quarter-zips — quarter-zips alone do not meet the requirement. Anyone without a collared shirt will be issued a JUG.

#### ***Attendance Communication***

Parents, please note if your student reaches six whole day absences in a semester, you will receive a communication from the Deans' Office regarding your student's attendance. We do so in an effort to be as transparent as possible regarding student attendance - these communications are not intended to be punitive in any way. Your student's absences can be found on Blackbaud. Reminder: absence figures will be displayed according to period absences.

For example, students typically have five classes a day, so if your student misses a day of school, Blackbaud will display five absences.

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## **DEVELOPMENT**

We are looking forward to seeing everyone at one or more of our upcoming events!

### ***Business Society Tailgate Social***

Join the Business Society before the Wolfpack Varsity Team takes on DePaul College Prep at 7:30 p.m. *All attendees receive free admission to the game.*

Friday, September 5, 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Fornelli '51 Alumni Lounge

RSVP: [Register HERE](#)

### ***10th Annual San Ignacio Society Family Fiesta***

Please join us for a celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month and to welcome new and returning students and their families

Saturday, September 6; 12:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Fornelli '51 Alumni Lounge

RSVP: [Register HERE](#)

### ***Women's Society Open House***

The Women's Society is a diverse community of parents, alumni and friends. We engage, reflect and support the school's Mission through philanthropic efforts, service and events for the Ignatius family to connect together in a meaningful way. Please plan on joining us for a fun night to kick off the school year. We'll have sign-up sheets for volunteer committees that support our events during the year. Light refreshments will also be available.

Wednesday, September 10; 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Brunswick Room

### ***The Tolton Society Tailgate Social***

Join The Tolton Society before the Wolfpack Varsity Team takes on Mt. Carmel at 7:30 p.m. All attendees receive free admission to the game.

Friday, September 19; 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Fornelli '51 Alumni Lounge

RSVP: [Register HERE](#)

### ***Business Society Courtside Conversations***

The Business Society is sponsoring Courtside Conversations: The Intersection of NIL, College Recruitment and the NBA. All current students and Saint Ignatius College Prep community members are cordially invited.

Wednesday, September 24; 5:00- 7:00 p.m.

RSVP: [Register Here](#)

### ***39th Annual Saint Ignatius College Prep Golf Classic***

Courses 1 and 3 are SOLD OUT! Courses 2 and 4 are still available. Buy your Wolfpack Raffle tickets for a chance to play on one of many courses around the Chicagoland area!

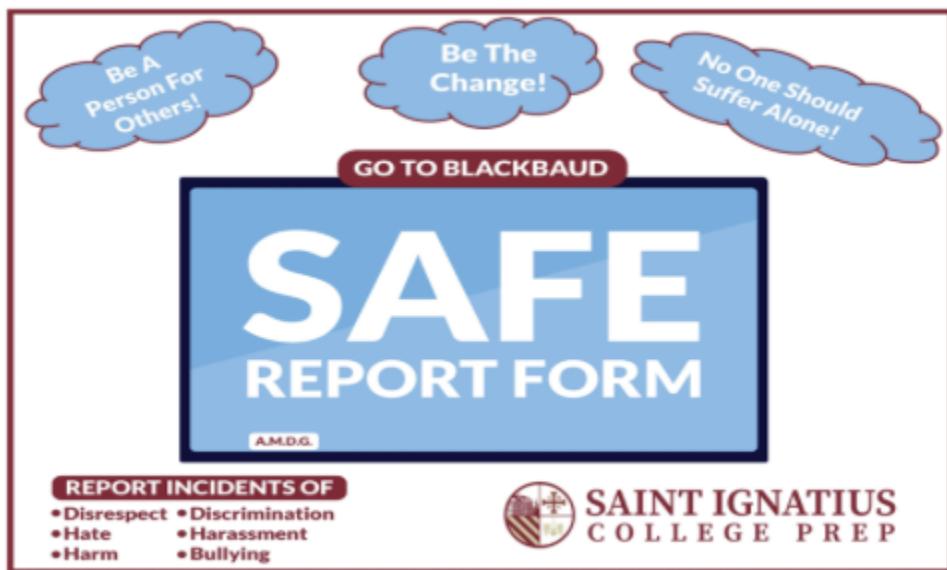
Thursday, September 25

Cog Hill Golf & Country Club

Registration, Sponsorship and Raffle Tickets [Click Here](#). To volunteer for this event, [Click Here](#).

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### **DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION**



### **SAFE Form**

For students to achieve their highest potential at Saint Ignatius they must be and feel SAFE. Saint Ignatius deployed the SAFE Form over two years ago as part of school-wide efforts to optimize

safety and foster student well-being. It is accessible in the Parent/Student Handbook or through the [School Culture--DEI Webpage](#).

### ***2025-2026 Student Representatives of the Board of Trustees School Culture: Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee***

Saint Ignatius College Prep is pleased to introduce the student representatives to the Board of Trustees School Culture: Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging Committee. These student leaders have helped produce the SAFE Report Form, created the culture and community climate surveys, and fostered other school-related, belongingness-based projects.

The representatives are as follows: Mariposa Arroyo, Catalina Flores, Josephine Haaf, Harper Harris, Jameel Meeks, Gabriel Morales, Christopher Murphy and Mayra Vasquez.

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## **FORMATION AND MINISTRY - STUDENT**

### ***Retreats***

Sophomores, juniors, and seniors — please take a moment to check your posted retreat assignments. If you need to request a change, the deadline is Friday, September 5. Change requests will only be considered for important family events or extenuating circumstances. To make a request, please visit your class chaplain in FAM (Suite 140). *Requests cannot be accepted by email.*

We look forward to journeying with you on retreat this year!

### ***Freshman and Sophomore Family Mass: Sunday, September 14***

All freshman and sophomore families are invited to this feast day celebration, The Exaltation of the Holy Cross, as we begin the new academic year together in prayer, worship, and community. Following Mass, the Formation and Ministry Department together with the Saint Ignatius Parent Organization will host a light reception in Damen Hall. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact [Sr. Edelquine Shivachi](#), First Years Chaplain.

Sunday, September 14; 10:30 a.m. Church of the Holy Family

[Please RSVP by Friday, September 12.](#)

### ***Senior Capstone***

During their first day of the school year, seniors learned extensively about their trailblazing role in implementing the new [Senior Service Capstone](#) taking place in January 2025. Students were provided a [working Capstone program manual](#) and were asked to complete a Capstone Discernment Google Form. This form allowed students to express preferences and share input into their capstone site placement. Included in this were notes about transportation and carpooling, ranking types of service, site location needs, and any other questions, needs or

hopes. Please ask your son or daughter if they have filled out the form, as there are a small number who have yet to do so. *This Google Form was due on August 25.*

We will be in touch soon with more details about Capstone and site placements. Please reach out to [Mr. Corrigan](#) if you have any questions or concerns.



[Watch this video to hear a Saint Ignatius parent talk about the impact of the Capstone experience.](#)

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## PARENT ORGANIZATION



The Saint Ignatius Parent/Guardian community is unlike any other, as evidenced by the overwhelming turnout at the Class of 2026 Senior Parent/Guardian Tailgate. Our senior class parents/guardians enjoyed a beautiful evening on Fornelli '51 Field on August 26. Tents were packed and all had an amazing time reconnecting after a great summer. We want to thank our hardworking Senior Class Liaisons and all the creative, dedicated and organized volunteers that helped to make the event such a success!

For anyone that did not get a chance to purchase a vintage-style Saint Ignatius Class of '26 t-shirt, you can [click the link to purchase here](#).

***Meet Your Class Liaisons***

In addition to the many generous parent volunteers that comprise the Parent Organization, each class has dedicated "Liaisons" to both help plan class-specific social events, as well as to serve as helpful resources. You will receive an introduction from your class liaisons in the coming weeks as your class events begin to take shape. Thanks to each of our liaisons for taking on this important role!

- Class of 2026 - Amy Stern, Aimee Tracy, Jackie Bush
- Class of 2027 - Annie Barlow, Sam Kelly, Carla McLaughlin
- Class of 2028 - Leann Lineahan, Lucia Lopez, Denise Poole, Heather Zimmerman
- Class of 2029 - JoAnn Falato, Francesca Madden, Sarah Sullivan

Welcome to all new and returning parents and guardians! We are excited to start a new school year and for the many fantastic events and programs we support for both the amazing group of parents/guardians and our students.

***Stay Connected!***

[Click HERE](#) to be added to our mailing list, and you will receive an email sign-up for each new volunteer opportunity. We are grateful for any amount of time you are able to share with our community.



***Join us for the Back Yard BBQ***

Parents/Guardians of all Classes '26-'29

Thursday, September 11, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Tully Hall

RSVP: [Register HERE](#)

Don't miss our biggest event of the year - everyone's favorite Backyard BBQ! Join us for delicious BBQ from Smoke Daddy, while we sip, savor, and recap the start of this new school year with friends old and new. Enjoy the beauty of the gardens this time of year with yard games and great conversations and this indoor/outdoor event.

Thank you to the many parents who have already signed up to volunteer! There are still spots available should you want to assist. [Volunteer HERE](#)

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***Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities***

We have many ways to support our school through volunteer work. Help the school while building community and having a little fun. See below for upcoming events:

***Backyard BBQ***

[Backyard BBQ Volunteer Sign Up Link](#)

***The 39th Annual Saint Ignatius Golf Classic at the Cog Hill Golf and Country Club***

[Golf Outing Parent Volunteer Sign Up Link](#)



## WHO WE ARE

The [Parent Organization at Saint Ignatius](#) includes all parents and guardians within our community. The mission of the organization is to foster fellowship and community amongst the SICP parents and guardians, as well as to support various student activities, including Post Prom. Through volunteerism and sponsorship, we help to promote fellowship and community at family masses, parent/guardian social events, and more. As a bonus, we manage to have quite a bit of fun as well!

## QUESTIONS?

Email the Parent Organization Board at [sicpvolunteers@gmail.com](mailto:sicpvolunteers@gmail.com)

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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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