



Your Wolfpack Post - November 2, 2023

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GRAD-AT-GRAD VALUES

Open to Growth
Intellectually Competent
Religious
Loving
Committed to Doing Justice

LOOKING AHEAD

SAVE MY SCHOLARSHIP...

In the last couple of *Wolfpack Posts*, we've written about how you can help save the Kids Act Tax Credit Scholarship Program also known as Invest in Kids. If you want to show your support for the program, you can pick up a yard sign in the Communications Office (4th floor across from the Brunswick Room). And if you really want to have a voice in the matter affecting students across the state (including more than 90 here at Saint Ignatius through Empower Illinois), now's the time to speak up!



Saint Ignatius College Prep alum Mercedes Curran '23 says it's important. Now studying political science at the University of Notre Dame, Curran says, "Invest in Kids gave me an opportunity to achieve outside of my financial means. In doing so, it opened an entire world of career paths and opportunities that otherwise would not have been possible for me. I would not be on the path I'm on today if it weren't for

Opening Night for the Harlequins' *Into the Woods*

7:30 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.

McLaughlin Theater

Click [here](#) for all the fall musical performance dates!

Thursday, November 9

Senior Cap & Gown Assembly

10:00 - 10:50 a.m.

McLaughlin Theater

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

PRAY

SPIRIT

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VENTRA CARD



the financial resources available to me through the tax credit scholarship program - and not just in the academic sense. My life path has been so enriched because of the schools I was able to attend with help from 'Invest in Kids.'"

That's what students stand to lose.

"We have reached a critical moment related to the 'Invest in Kids' program," says Superintendent of Catholic Schools Greg Richmond, "If legislators do not renew it in some form during their final session November 7-9, thousands of students will lose the opportunity to attend our schools. The ripple effect of this change will impact us all."

About the final push to reach state leaders, Richmond adds, "While the appeals to our legislators up to this point have not been successful, I have not lost hope."

If you want your legislator to support the Kids Act Tax Credit Scholarship Program/Invest in Kids, click below for the contact info.

Contact your Legislator/Contacta Su Legislador

WOLFPACK POST USER NOTES:

We're acting on some feedback! A number of you have said the *Post* is too repetitive. So starting today, we will be more mindful of the content we repeat. If you don't see something you remember from the last *Post*, and you'd like find the information, just go to this school year's archived editions. You can access the archive on the homepage of [Ignatius.org](#). Just scroll down to "Publications" or click [here](#).

Also, don't forget: When you get to the bottom of the *Post*, you should click on "View entire message" to see all the content.

Please let us know what you think about the changes to the *Post*. [Email here](#).

CAMPUS SAFETY



Our ever-evolving approach to campus security includes the following upgrades:

- We have access to a new and improved UIC camera on Morgan that covers the Barbara Jean Wright Homes and Rice Park.
- We've hired a daytime armed guard (from 7 a.m. until 3:30 p.m.)
- We've added an additional non-armed security person.
- We have two security cars. The unarmed car focuses on the student parking lot. The armed car makes the rounds at 15 minute intervals, covering the campus and the community including Rice Park and the UIC fields.

ACADEMICS

PEER TUTORING

NHS peer tutoring began on Monday, October 23. Students can get help with a range of subjects from an NHS peer tutor in the Beigel room during most periods. For a list of subjects and times, please see the "Resources" tab in Blackbaud.



WRITING LAB

Beigel is the place for all Wolfpack writers (and every single student is a writer!) to find some support to build their skills. The writing lab is up and running and ready to help you.

PSAT RESULTS

Students, your PSAT results will be published in Big Futures on **Monday, November 6, 2023**. If you did not download the Big Futures app during the Digital Readiness Checks, you can find a link to Big Futures in the Bluebook app that you used to take the test. If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact [Lisa Yanny-Tillar](#).

SAT SCHOOL DAY EXAM FOR JUNIORS

Mark your calendars for **Friday, March 8, 2023 from 8:00 - 11:00 a.m.** on campus. This will be a Faculty In-Service Day, so there will be no classes the day we host the exam. The cost for the exam is \$60. Registration will be done through Saint Ignatius. The testing fee will appear on your Blackbaud tuition management account in February. Look for additional registration details in future *Wolfpack Posts*. For more information, please contact [Lisa Yanny-Tillar](#).

ATHLETICS AT SAINT IGNATIUS COLLEGE PREP

MEET THE WOLFPACK!



The Saint Ignatius College Prep Boys and Girls Basketball programs are excited to invite you to our seventh annual Meet the Wolfpack event!

WHEN: Friday, November 10, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

WHERE: The Gentile Gymnasium

It is going to be an awesome way to kick off the basketball season at Saint Ignatius and is our version of college basketball's Midnight Madness events!

The event will feature the following:

- Boys Scrimmages (varsity, sophomores, and freshmen)
- Girls Scrimmages (varsity, sophomores, and freshmen)
- Dancing with the Wolfpack Competition
- Performances by the band, cheerleaders, and dance team
- Half Court Shooting Contest
- Slam Dunk Contest
- Obstacle Course Relay Race
- Senior vs. Faculty Basketball Game (Faculty is currently 4-2 in competition!)
- And more!

Admission is FREE and everyone is invited. We hope you can attend!

To prepare for the event, we are looking for volunteers to play in the **Faculty vs. Senior Basketball Game**. The game is open to all **faculty** members (including coaches) and any **senior** who is not playing on the boys or girls basketball teams.

Please click [here](#) to sign up!

LOTS MORE TO TALK ABOUT IN WOLFPACK SPORTS...

Athletic Director Mike Hurley '07 has the compete sports roundup for this edition of the *Wolfpack Post*. To read all about what our teams are up to, and what you need to know, just click [here](#).

CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Church of the Holy Family invites you and your families to attend any of our Masses or concerts. We look forward to seeing you!

FIRST FRIDAY MASS

Friday, November 3 at 8:10 a.m. and Friday, December 1 at 8:10 a.m. - First Friday Mass followed by Coffee Hour - please register by clicking [here!](#)

LA CACCINA CHORAL CONCERT

Friday, November 10 at 7:30 p.m. - La Caccina Choral Concert. Featuring music by **Mia Makaroff, Stacey V. Gibbs, Orlando di Lasso, Alberto Grau, Jonathan Dove**, and La Caccina Artistic Director **Carling FitzSimmons**, this program will also include world premieres by Chicago composer **Elizabeth Rudolph** and our 2023-2024 Hearing in Color Young Composer-in-Residence, **Nyandeng Juag**. Click [here](#) for tickets and more information!

CARDINAL'S CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Sunday, December 10, from 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. - Cardinal's Christmas Concert featuring the City Lights Orchestra conducted by Rich Daniels. This is a free concert. Doors open at 1:30pm.

COLLEGE COUNSELING NEWS

COLLEGE REP VISITS



College Rep Visits

November 6th - 10th

11/6	Optional Senior interviews with Xavier University Sign up in College Counseling
11/7	Optional Senior interviews with Saint Louis University Sign up in College Counseling
11/9	National Louis University

ALL CLASS YEARS

Loyola University - Chicago

Open House option on November 4

Registration [here](#).

CLASS OF 2024

November 1 Applications

Congratulations on completing your applications for this deadline!

Feel free to add colleges with later deadlines to your Common Application and/or Naviance, and we will send your transcripts and recommendations by the upcoming deadlines.

CLASS OF 2025

MANDATORY JUNIOR FAMILY COLLEGE PLANNING NIGHTS

Mark your calendars now for Wednesday, November 8 (in-person), or Thursday, November 9 (virtual). Invitation [here](#). Both college planning nights start at 7:00 p.m. *You only need to attend one of the evenings.* Please direct general questions to [Ms. Janet Harrison](#). The phone number to call is 312-432-8351.

You can find the link to access the virtual session on November 9 [here](#).

Passcode: 684424

CLASS OF 2026 AND CLASS OF 2027

College Counseling Coffee Talks

We are offering College Counseling Coffee Talks for freshman and sophomore parents throughout the year. Here are the opportunities:

Tuesday, November 14, 2023 (virtual) [Registration Link](#)

Wednesday, December 6, 2023 (in person) [Registration Link](#)

Thursday, February 15, 2024 (in person) [Registration Link](#)

Tuesday, March 26, 2024 (in person) [Registration Link](#)

Wednesday, April 24, 2024 (virtual) [Registration Link](#)

COMMUNICATIONS OFFICE

The Chicago Departments of Planning and Development and Cultural Affairs asked us to share this message with our students:

City Civics Day is an all-day celebration where attendees can explore how to affect positive change through public engagement. The event will feature panel discussions, breakout sessions, artist performances, and more! Please check out our website [here](#) to explore the full programming schedule and a list of presenters. A catered breakfast and lunch will also be served to attendees. The FREE event runs from 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. on **Saturday, November 4** at the Epiphany Center for the Arts at [201 S. Ashland Avenue](#).

Note: The city has 500 tickets reserved for young adults ages 13 - 24.

A MESSAGE FROM THE DEANS' OFFICE

LOCKDOWN DRILL

Each year Saint Ignatius College Prep holds a series of emergency preparedness drills -- everything from fire drills to weather drills -- as mandated by Illinois state law. Next Thursday, November 9, we will hold our annual lockdown drill in conjunction with the Chicago Police Department. The administration has worked with local emergency personnel to ensure that we follow the latest guidelines for all emergency preparedness drills. The Deans' Office will provide students with more information via homeroom announcements in preparation for the drill.

ANTICIPATED ABSENCE AND EARLY RELEASE FORMS

Parents, if your student has an upcoming anticipated absence, or requires an early release, please use the forms provided on the [Deans' Office page](#) on the school website. Once you complete the forms, please have your student bring them to Mrs. Pagels in the Deans' Office.

NEWS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL CULTURE - DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION

NOVEMBER 2023 BECOMING ONE WOLFPACK (B1WP) INSTALLMENT

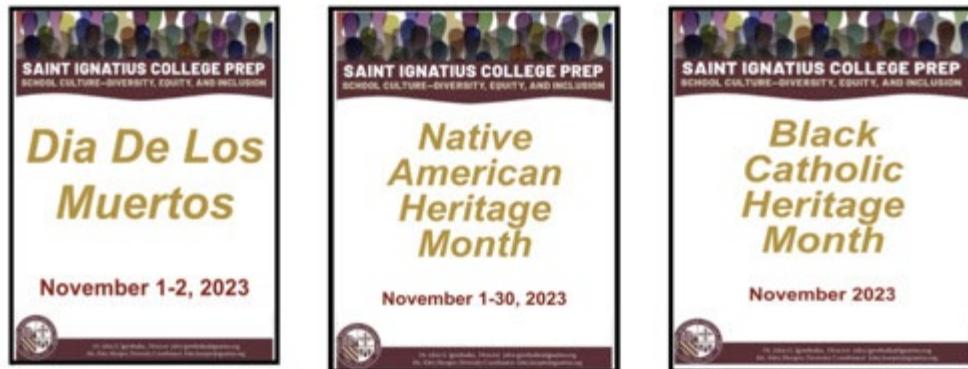
This November installment invites students to practical ways to live out anti-bullying lessons learned in the Peisner presentation (September) and the Upstander video (October). Freshman and sophomore students should check their e-mails for their B1WP dates and times.

2ND ANNUAL BLACK CATHOLIC HERITAGE MONTH CELEBRATION

Mark your calendars for Tuesday, November 28, 2023, from 9:55 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. (Activity Period) in the McLaughlin Theatre. Guest presenter: Bishop Joseph Perry.

HOLD THE DATE!

Our inaugural Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Inter-Cultural Prayer Breakfast is Saturday, January 13, 2024, 8 a.m. - noon in the Cuneo Chapel. We will be moving over to the fifth floor balcony space for the breakfast. Stay tuned for future registration information.



DEVELOPMENT NOTES AND EVENTS

WOMEN'S SOCIETY HOLIDAY SHOPPING EVENT AND PHILANTHROPY, NOVEMBER 11

The Women's Society is again partnering with Connections for Abused Women and their Children (CAWC) to collect formula, diapers (4-7), pull-ups, and wipes, along with new coats, hats and gloves for adults and kids. Here's the great and convenient piece of information: You can drop off your donations at the Holiday Shopping event, which you don't want to miss. We'll have more than 40 vendors from all over Chicagoland, plus our Spirit Store will be



open!

BUSINESS SOCIETY LUNCHEON - WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2023

Please join Business Society Members as we posthumously honor Laurence Msall '80, with The Alumni Award for Excellence in the Field of Business. We will also honor Julie Scott with The Award for Excellence in the Field of Business, and Burke Beverage Inc., with The Presidential Award for Distinguished Neighborhood Business Partner. We hope to see you Wednesday, November 15 at the Union League Club. Click [here](#) to register.

FORMATION AND MINISTRY - ADULT

PARENT AND ALUMNI SILENT RETREATS AT BELLARMINE JESUIT RETREAT HOUSE

The silent retreat for women is February 2 - 4, 2024. The title is **"A Heart Centered Approach to the Spiritual Exercises."** For more information please click [here](#), or email [Gail Krema](#).



The silent retreat for men is March 8 - 10, 2024. The title is **"The Conversions of St. Ignatius Loyola."** For more information please click [here](#) or email [Gail Krema](#).

FORMATION AND MINISTRY - STUDENT



JUNIORS: SUMMER IMMERSION TRIPS & SENIOR RETREATS

All members of the Class of 2025 had an assembly last month to learn more about senior programs with Student Formation and Ministry. Please make sure your junior student checks email for details from Mr. Nunez, Senior Class Chaplain, to ensure their trip/retreat preferences are noted for summer 2024 and senior year!

FRESHMAN/SOPHOMORE SERVICE REQUIREMENTS: DEADLINES APPROACHING!

Deadlines for freshman and sophomore service hours are almost here!

- Five hours for freshmen are due by **Wednesday, December 6**.
- Sophomores have to complete 10 hours by **Friday, December 8**.

As a reminder, all students should see Mr. Doyle to discuss each new service opportunity before beginning service. You can find requirements and FAQ's for freshman year service [here](#). Please find requirements and FAQ's for sophomore year service [here](#).



PARENT ORGANIZATION

SAVE THE DATE!

Mark your calendars for the Parent Organization's annual Trivia Night! Prepare to bring your "A" game, and expect to have plenty of fun with the Saint Ignatius College Prep community **January 20, 2024**.

Interested in joining the Parent Organization's volunteer database? We welcome any and all assistance, please sign up [here](#).

SCHOOL COUNSELING

VIRTUAL COUNSELING

Our Virtual Counseling Office is live! You can check it out on Blackbaud by going to the "School Counseling" folder in the "Resources" tab and on each school counselor's Bulletin Board page.

RESOURCES FOR TALKING ABOUT GLOBAL CRISIS

The conflict in the Middle East can spark a range of emotions. We have reached out to individual students via email inviting them to process thoughts or feelings with their School Counselor. In that same communication, we offered our offices and common area if a student needs a safe space during the day. We have also reached out to teachers to offer support if they have conversations about it in class. Below are some parent resources for talking to your student about war and other difficult news.

[Talking to Children About War](#)

[Talking to Students about Shocking or Disturbing News](#)



SCHOOL COUNSELING GROUPS

School Counseling Groups have started. Below is a list of groups that plan to run this semester. If you think your student would benefit from participation in any of these groups, please reach out to their school counselor.

- Anxiety/Stress Group
- Boys Group
- Divorce Group
- Self-Esteem Group
- Teen Issues Group

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR NOVEMBER 6 - 10!

Students Committed to Social Action will be running a collection for the NICU at Rush Hospital. Boxes will be in the Link on those dates and we are collecting NEW white noise machines, soft plastic toys, cardboard & paperback books, mini notebooks, ink pads, & baby toys.



SAVE THE DATE FOR CHRISTOPHER CHRISTMAS: DECEMBER 4

For more than 20 years, Saint Ignatius College Prep has sponsored Christopher Christmas at [The Walter S. Christopher School](#). The tradition will continue this year! After a wish list/Christmas gift collection, Saint Ignatius brings faculty, staff and students to the school for a morning of holiday cheer. Student Council is hard at work planning for the morning, which will take place on **Monday, December 4**.

All members of the Saint Ignatius community are encouraged to support this year's Christopher Christmas by taking a wish list card from the tree in the Link during the week of November 13-17. Gift collection is scheduled for the week after Thanksgiving break. Gifts are due no later than Friday December 1, 2023.

WINTER FORMAL UPDATE: "FROPH FORMAL" ON JANUARY 27

After conversation with students, families, and school leadership, the Winter Formal will be an event for our underclassmen. This year, the newly named Froph Formal will take place on Saturday, January 27 from 7 -10:00 p.m. here at Saint Ignatius. Student Council is excited to plan this fun dance for our freshman and sophomore students!

GET INVOLVED!

Students, remember it's not too late to get involved and this [list of clubs](#) serves as a helpful resource with info about our variety of clubs & contact information for moderators and student leaders. Please reach out to [Ms. Hipple](#) with any Student Activities questions.

REASONS TO BE PROUD OF THE PACK!

Starting with this edition of the *Wolfpack Post*, Saint Ignatius College Prep student Natalie Kim '24 will be taking a look at points of pride around [1076 West Roosevelt Road](#)! This week she's focusing on Saint Ignatius Model United Nations or SIMUN. Check out her video [here](#).

FINAL THOUGHT...

Here at Saint Ignatius College Prep, we prepare our young people for lives of Faith, love, service and leadership. It's not just something we say. It's something we live. And it's why we're taking a little time to share just one manifestation of how we "walk our talk." A mom of one of our freshmen students sent us this picture of the JV Hockey Team working together outside of practice to help other people. On October 21, the boys volunteered at the Greater Chicago Food Depository. Parent, Helen Fitzpatrick, wrote, "I thought it would be a nice way to share as the students work towards their service hours, how they're doing them together." Indeed!



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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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