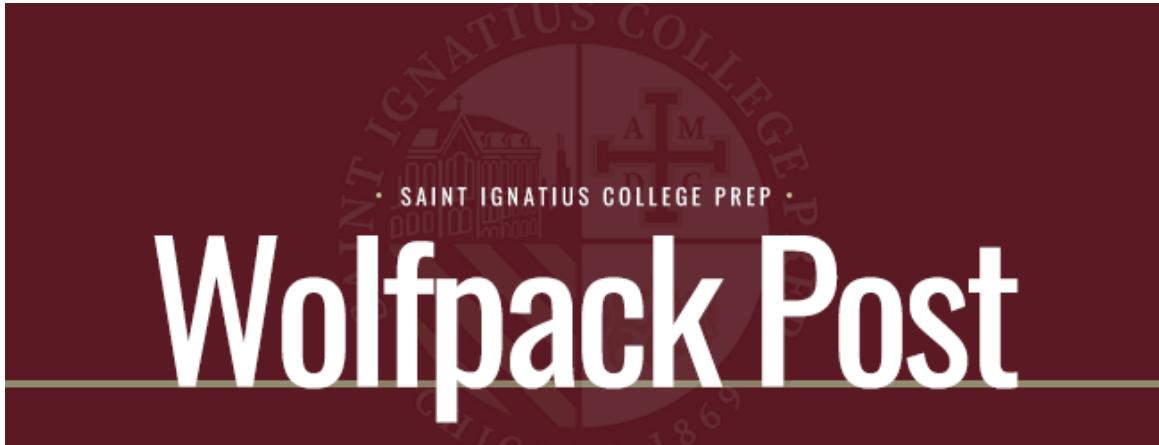

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THURSDAY, MARCH 21, 2024

LOOKING AHEAD

Thursday, March 21

WINTER SPORTS AWARDS NIGHT

Tully Hall, McLaughlin Room, Gentile
Gym, G40, G45, 141 and 143

6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Saturday, March 23

JUNIOR PROM (J-PROM)

Tully Hall, 7:00 - 10:00 p.m.

Wednesday, March 27

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Church of the Holy Family, 8:20 - 9:45
a.m.

CELEBRATING A SUCCESSFUL GLORIAM!



It was a night to remember!

Thank you to everyone who invested in Saint Ignatius College Prep at GLORIAM 2024. We are so grateful for our co-chairs Jay and Shawna Owen, Elizabeth and Michael Cole, and Valerie Barker Waller '83 and Steve Waller. They brought incredible vision and support to what is our largest annual fundraiser for tuition assistance.

Thursday, March 28

EASTER BREAK BEGINS

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



A special note of thanks to Dr. Dointé Wiggins '07. He moved the room with his humble and heartfelt presentation about how his time at Saint Ignatius (made possible in part by tuition assistance) helped make him the person he is today. GLORIAM 2024 raised more than \$3.7 million, which will make our Jesuit Catholic, well-rounded education possible for so many students! Thank you all for being Men and Women for Others.

The first selected picture shows Events Director Libby Lucas with the co-chairs. The second photo shows President John Chandler with Dr. Wiggins and his family.

[Click HERE](#) to see the complete photo gallery from this amazing event.



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ACADEMICS

FREE ACT FEEDBACK!

Academic Approach is offering all Saint Ignatius College Prep students a complimentary 60-minute consultation to analyze their results from the practice ACT. To sign up for a time, please click [HERE](#), or call 773-348-8914.

DATE CHANGE FOR THE SCHOOL-DAY SAT WITH ESSAY EXAM

For all the Juniors who registered for the School-Day SAT with essay exam, it has been moved to the Tuesday, April 9, 2024 date. This is to avoid a conflict with the retreat program. Each student has received an email regarding the details of their test.

EMPOWER SCHOLARSHIP TESTING

There is MANDATORY testing for students who receive the Illinois Tax Scholarship (Iika) also known as the Empower Scholarship. The tests are scheduled for the first week after Spring Break on the following schedule:

- Tuesday, April 9, 2024: Juniors

- Wednesday, April 10, 2024: Sophomores
- Thursday, April 11, 2024: Freshman

The tests will occur during the school day, and all students have received an email regarding the details of their test.

CLASS OF 2024 GRADUATION INFORMATION

Saint Ignatius College Prep wants our Class of 2024 students and families to have easy access to commencement information. That's why we are republishing a link with the most important details right [HERE!](#)



ATHLETICS AT SAINT IGNATIUS COLLEGE PREP

An important **form reminder**, some great Girls Track & Field news and a Saint Ignatius College Prep Volleyball victory in the home and season opener! Athletic Director Mike Hurley '07 included that information and more about our sports programs in this *Wolfpack Post* review. Just click [HERE](#).



CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Church of the Holy Family will be hosting these upcoming events. If you have any questions, please contact development director, Wendy Guido McCarthy '84 at 312-492-8442 ext. 3 or email at wendymccarthy@holyfamilychicago.org.

PALM DISTRIBUTION

Monday, March 25, from 7:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. we will be distributing palms to anyone who visits.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS



Wednesday, March 27, at 8:20 a.m. Register [HERE](#).

MAUNDY THURSDAY

Thursday, March 28, from 6:00 - 10:30 p.m.

The church will be open for silent prayer and reflection.

Chris Jarrett: Tales of Our Times

Sunday, April 21 at 7:00 p.m. we will welcome Chris Jarrett, who comes from a family of musicians born in Pennsylvania. Residing in Germany, he has toured Europe, North Africa, Australia and the Far East with his piano compositions and improvisations, with organ music and in various ensembles. Tickets are \$35. Tickets for people with disabilities are \$25 at the door. Reserve under 'concerts/tickets' at www.chrisjarrett.de. Free parking is available in the lot west of the church. For more information, reach out to F. Chris Stewart at 847-636-0153.



Click [HERE](#) to read more about Chris Jarrett.

COLLEGE COUNSELING NEWS

ALL CLASS YEARS

THANK YOU for your participation in the 33rd Annual Saint Ignatius College Fair. The college representatives were very complimentary on your level of preparation and questions.



EASTER/SPRING BREAK

Whether you are traveling or staying local, there are MANY college campuses that you could take some time to visit.

Sign up for an informational session or tour. Drive around campus and the surrounding area. Have lunch on or near campus.

All exposure to campus life and campus communities can help students reflect on their personal needs in choosing colleges down the line.

UPCOMING COLLEGE FAIR OPTIONS

In-Person: Illinois National College Fair (INCF)

Saturday, April 6, 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Location: Moraine Valley Community College

Click [HERE](#) for more information.

CLASS OF 2024

Thank you to our National Honor Society students who volunteered at our annual College Fair. We appreciate your efforts.

Please update Naviance with your college decisions.

College Counselors are available for discernment conversations as you gather your final college decisions and financial aid packages.

CLASS OF 2025

Set up your Junior Family Meeting. **Students must complete their portion on the Junior Questionnaire prior to scheduling a family meeting.**

CLASS OF 2026 AND CLASS OF 2027

Next Coffee Talk: Thursday, March 26 - In-Person
Register [HERE](#).

COMMUNICATIONS OFFICE

A SPECIAL VISIT

A big **THANK YOU** to everyone who helped welcome ABC7 to campus on Tuesday. Morning Anchor Terrell Brown was here with his team to scout Saint Ignatius College Prep as a potential location for *Countdown Chicago: 2025*. The annual New Year's production offers top-notch storytelling and choreography. It's also widely viewed across the Chicagoland area. Here's to hoping [1076 West Roosevelt](#) gets the nod!

POST POSTPONED...

Due to the Easter break, you won't see the next *Wolfpack Post* until April 11. Have a blessed holiday!

A MESSAGE FROM THE DEANS' OFFICE

STUDENT PARKING REMINDERS

Students who park in the student lot without a sticker will receive a JUG. There are no spots left in the student lot for this school year, but there are spots available at the UIC-Roosevelt and Halsted lot. If you are interested in a spot in the UIC lot, please contact [Ms. Lisa Reyes Botich](#) in the Operations Department.

Also, as you heard last week during announcements, the City of Chicago has enacted new parking restrictions on Blue Island. Students who park on the east side of Blue Island during the school day (7:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.) will get a ticket.

REMINDER FOR STUDENTS WHO LEAVE EARLY

Please remember, if you have the last period of the day free, and you decide to leave campus, you cannot re-enter the building until 3:00 p.m.

DEVELOPMENT NEWS

AN AI DISCUSSION WITH THE BUSINESS SOCIETY

Please mark your calendars for **April 11**. That's when the Business Society will present an AI Panel Discussion. It's called "Unlocking Tomorrow: Navigating the Business Landscape with Artificial Intelligence," and it's at **5:30 p.m.** Registration for this informational event will open next week.

WOMEN'S SOCIETY SIGNATURE DINNER



We are very excited to host the annual Signature Dinner on **May 2 at 5:30 p.m.** This event brings together more than 300 women in the spirit of community and friendship. All proceeds will go towards supporting our school's Tuition Assistance program. Each year we recognize the Golden Rose Award recipient at the dinner. We are pleased to announce that our 2024 honoree will be Margaret Brabec Skalski. Margaret's children and grandchildren attended Saint Ignatius and she was instrumental in creating our school's first fundraiser. She has been a stalwart supporter of our mission for decades and we can't wait to celebrate her next month. Thank you, Margaret, for being a woman for others! The registration link will open soon.

ENTREPRENEURSHIP CLASS/BUSINESS SOCIETY NEWS

Please save this date and time: **May 3 at 3:30 p.m.** Students in the Entrepreneurship Class will present their products to members, friends and families of the Business Society.

DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH ON CAMPUS

Mark your calendars for **Friday, March 22.**

As Women's History Month continues, the International Women's Day Committee invites our female students to visit the Brunswick Room this Friday for a pop-up "women's lounge". From **10:50 a.m. - 1:10 p.m.**, all female students are invited to stop in for fellowship, treats, and conversation with the amazing adult women who share in the Saint Ignatius College Prep community.

NEW STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES SCHOOL CULTURE - DEIB COMMITTEE

The Board of Trustee's School Culture - Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging (DEIB) Committee will be seeking student representatives to fill seats soon to be vacated by graduating seniors who are completing their final terms on the Board Committee. Student representatives to the Board advocate for the student body on matters appertaining to improving diversity, equity, and inclusion and further enhancing the safety and well-being of all students. Click [HERE](#) for the New Student Representative Application Form. Please contact Dr. John G. Igwebuike (Director of School Culture--Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion) if you have any questions.

ASSURING ACCESSIBILITY FOR SPRING 2024 GRADUATION

Saint Ignatius College Prep will continue to incorporate Sign Language interpreters for its spring 2024 graduation to broaden access for all our graduates and their families, friends and loved ones. We are thankful for the collaboration with the Catholic Office of the Deaf and the Chicago Hearing Society.

ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

It's always nice to spotlight student achievement. Teacher Rachel Turkowski wrote, "Another student in my Creative Writing class, Jackson Mangone '24, has been published by Teen Ink. I've linked Jackson's work [here](#)."

Congratulations Jackson, and many thanks to Ms. Turkowski for sharing the good news!

FORMATION AND MINISTRY - STUDENT

HOLY WEEK STATIONS OF THE CROSS

As we enter into Holy Week, Saint Ignatius will gather to pray the Stations of the Cross on Wednesday, March 27 at 8:00 a.m. in the Church of the Holy Family. All are welcome to join!

JUNIOR FAMILY MASS AND RING BLESSING



Join us as we celebrate our the Class of 2025 on **Sunday, April 14 at noon in the Church of the Holy Family**. All juniors and their families are encouraged to attend the Mass and blessing regardless of ring distribution. No RSVP is necessary. A light reception will follow Mass in Damen Hall. Many thanks to the Parent Organization for their support and participation in making this annual tradition possible.

FRESHMAN AND SOPHOMORE SERVICE REQUIREMENT UPDATES

Please check in with your students about their progress towards the freshman and sophomore service requirements. End-of-year deadlines for service are now just one month away: **April 24 for freshmen and April 26 for sophomores. Sophomores will also have a final service reflection due May 1.** Students should have received emailed instructions on March 18. As a reminder, all students should see Mr. Doyle to discuss each new service opportunity before beginning service. For more detailed requirements for service hours, please see [this document for freshmen](#) and [this document for sophomores](#). If you have questions, please contact [Mr. Doyle](#).

Students who do not complete their service requirement (hours logged, verified, and approved - and service reflection submitted for sophomores) by the above dates, will have to attend a mandatory after-school service support meeting at a to-be-determined date in May.

Students who did not complete half of the yearly total by the fall semester deadline have received an incomplete mark for service on their report card. That incomplete will remain until the hours are completed. Anyone who has questions about an "incomplete," should see Mr. Doyle as soon as possible. Beginning April 1, students will no longer have "incompletes" removed for fall semester. Instead, fall "incompletes" will be removed along with completion of the year's full service requirement.

LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT

MORE STUDENT STRIDES TO HIGHLIGHT

The AP French 4, and French 5H classes worked on units about poetry and literature this January. Students had the opportunity to submit original poetry to *Mille Feuille*, DePaul University's French language literary magazine for consideration for publication. French students from the Chicagoland area are invited to participate, and selection for publication is a great honor. The students who will have their work published in DePaul's *Mille Feuille* are: Sophia Madden '24, Xavier Miyazaki '24, Laryssa Olmedo '25, and Maddie van Kempen '25. Sophia, Xavier, and Laryssa are students in Anca Guiu's French 5H course. Maddie is in AP French with Kellye Guzik. Congratulations all around!!

LEARNING ABROAD



Get ready for an incredible voyage! The Saint Ignatius College Prep Language Department is heading to Taiwan this Easter break, with 20 students in tow. From March 28 to April 6, we'll be exploring Taipei, Juifen, Tamsui, Taroko, Hualien, Yilan, Sun-Moon Lake and more! But this isn't an average tour – we're diving deep into Chinese/Taiwanese culture with hands-on activities, interactions with the local high school students and we are celebrating Easter Mass at the Holy Family Church in Taipei in Mandarin Chinese! We are looking forward to an unforgettable journey filled with fun, learning and cultural immersion. Taiwan, here we come!

PARENT ORGANIZATION

2024-2025 PARENT ORGANIZATION LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



If you are interested in serving in a leadership capacity or as a class liaison for next year's Saint Ignatius College Prep Parent Organization, we would love to hear from you! Please reach out to [Colleen McClain](#) with your name, contact information, year(s) of your student(s) and interest. Opportunities include:

- *The Executive Board:* There are two open positions on the Board next year, which require a two-to-three year commitment. The Executive Board is a connection between parents/guardians and the school. The Board leads volunteers and hosts and supports events and activities throughout the year.
- *Class Liaison:* There are two-to-three Class Liaisons per grade level. Liaisons typically host an annual event for the parents/guardians in their class, they share important information and they welcome ideas.

PREFECT OF MISSION

LOOK FOR A PARENT SURVEY IN YOUR EMAIL SOON!

From Dr. Geoff Miller:

"Every six years Jesuit schools undergo a Sponsorship Review process in order to assess their vitality as a Jesuit institution. As part of that process, surveys are sent to various stakeholders in the community, including students, parents, faculty/staff and board members. Students are completing this survey in homeroom this week. **Next week parents will receive an email with a link to the survey, which will take less than 10 minutes to complete.** Please look for an email early next week, and thank you in advance for helping us reflect on and strengthen our Jesuit identity."

SCHOOL COUNSELING

SPECIAL PRESENTATION!

School Counseling and the Parent Organization are collaborating to host an in-person presentation on **April 23 at 6:30 p.m. in the McLaughlin Theater.** It's called "**Essentials to Effective Parenting: The One Hour Road Map to Raising Kids Who Thrive.**"

If we have learned anything from living through a global pandemic, it's that today's kids need to be able to adjust and recalibrate and to manage everyday challenges with confidence and composure. But how do we ensure that our kids are prepared to roll with the inevitable punches of daily life, and function well in both good times and hard times? And how can we be sure that as parents we are equipping them to succeed rather than accidentally handicapping them?

Dr. Heather Tedesco will give the science and the strategies for how to develop the skills kids need to become more adaptable, resilient humans, capable of self-motivation, managing anxiety and tolerating uncertainty so they are best prepared to thrive long-term.

Dr. Tedesco is a licensed Applied Psychologist with a Ph.D. in Social Psychology and a well-known parenting expert in the Washington D.C. area. She has a private practice in McLean, Virginia, where she works exclusively with parents to help them raise kids who can thrive while making parenting less stressful, more effective and more enjoyable. Her specialty is simplifying the science into strategies parents can use right away. She also gives parents clarity and confidence in what to do and how to do it. Dr. Tedesco is the co-author of the popular parenting book *Raising a Kid Who Can: Simple Strategies to Build a Lifetime of Adaptability and Emotional Strength*. You can learn more about her [HERE](#).

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

JUNIOR DANCE - "THE ROARING '20s"

J-Prom is this Saturday, March 23, from 7:00 - 10:00 p.m.!

The Junior class voted for the theme, "The Roaring 20s." Students may wear formal attire of their choosing. There will be appetizers (as suggested by the junior class!), dancing, a photo booth and lots of fun to be had by all. Tickets (\$25/person) are on sale through March 22 in the Link. Tickets may be purchased with cash, check, credit or Apple Pay. **All students must have a ticket to attend.**

SPRING SPIRIT WEEK

Our Spring Spirit Week takes place April 15 - 19. Student Council is hard at work planning spirit days, activities and the pep rally for that week. Students should pay attention to their email for all important info. Go Wolfpack!

SHOP THE SWAP!

Get ready to clean out your closet, Wolfpack! We'll be accepting donations for our annual clothing swap AFTER Easter Break starting on April 8, 2024. If you have polos, khakis, other dress code clothes and Saint Ignatius spirit wear items that do not fit or that you are not using, please donate them to the Saint Ignatius Clothing Swap. Fashion Club, Recycling Club, Voices of Women, Student Council and the Counseling Department are co-sponsoring the third annual Swap. From April 8 through April 23, you can drop off donations at the Student Activities Office next to the stairs to the Gentile Gym. All students will be invited to *shop the swap* on April 24.



TALENT SHOW

The date for the annual Talent Show has been changed to Wednesday **May 1 during activity period (10:00-10:50 a.m.)** in the McLaughlin Theater. Information on auditions coming soon!

SENIOR PROM AND POST-PROM

Senior Prom and Post-Prom will be held here at school on May 11. Seniors, parents and guardians, please pay attention to your email for all information that you'll need to know in the coming days. Our entire school community looks forward to celebrating the Class of 2024 at prom and in the coming weeks!



SHOUT-OUTS...

We reserve the the very end of the *Wolfpack Post* for community "shout-outs..."

Gail Krema wrote, "Rich Tobar is a morning security guard who greets students, faculty and staff in the Link. During Catholic Schools Week, students were asked to share their gratitude about the faculty and staff. I believe the only person mentioned by name was Rich (or one of the few), and how he starts the day off for this student on a positive note.

Personally, I see him every morning he is here. Rich always greets me by name and is very personable. One morning I was distraught after losing one of the pearl earrings that my siblings gave me for my birthday. I traced my steps to see if I could find it, without any luck. I shared with him what I'd lost. A couple hours later, Rich came to my office with a smile on his face. He'd found it in the corner in the Link. I was so appreciative of his efforts. He goes above and beyond in his role here. Thank you Rich!"

Anonymously someone shared this: "To Brianna Espinoza for bringing someone a cookie when they were going through a rough patch."

Kudos to the 122 faculty and staff members who took the opportunity to get their CPR certification on March 12. Thanks to Dr. Geoff Miller and the Prefect's Office for leading the charge on that important, potentially life-saving initiative.

Keep up the kind works, Wolfpack!!

A.M.D.G.

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

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