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OGT on Writing Rescheduled for Next Tuesday, March 18
The Ohio Graduation Test on Writing, missed because of Wednesday’s snow day, has been rescheduled for next Tuesday, March 18. The OGT will take place from 8:30 a.m.-11:15 a.m. Students testing should be in their assigned classrooms by 8:25 a.m. All other students need not report to school until noon on Tuesday.

If a student must arrive before noon because of transportation issues, she will be permitted to report ONLY to the Dining Hall. It will not be possible for students to go upstairs to lockers.

Starting at 11:15, lunch will be available for purchase.

The afternoon block schedule will be BADC.

If you have any questions/concerns, please call Guidance Counselor Ms. Maryann Marek at 216.251.6788 or email her at mmarek@sja1890.org.

Academy Chorale Excels at OMEA Competition
Congratulations to the members of the Academy Chorale for earning a Superior Rating of 1 on Friday, March 7, at the Ohio Music Education Association District IV Large Group contest held at Midpark High School in Middleburg Heights. The singers are now qualified to perform for the Ohio State OMEA competition in late April. For their winning performance, the group sang three prepared pieces and sight-sang one new piece, according to Music Teacher and Chorale Director Kathleen Cooper.

Academy Chorale members are: Morgan Clark ’15, Miranda Greenhill ’16, Halli Grunder ’14, Lauren Osadczuk ’17 Clare Panek ’14, Sydney Rexing ’15, Elise Scullin ’17, Karianne Stanton ’14, Erin Stefanescu ’14, Rose Sullivan ’16, Samantha Velasco ’15 and Natalie Woihsnet ’14.

"The students performed beautifully,” shared Ms. Cooper. “All the comments from the judges throughout the performance were positive."

Congratulations to all on this wonderful achievement!

"Evening of Reflection for Women"
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Ski Club Enjoyed Snow-filled Season
One group of students may be sad to see warmer weather on the horizon...the SJA Ski Club! The 40 members of the club were able to enjoy a full schedule of visits to the Brandywine Ski Resort. Chaperones were College Counselor Maria Mueller, Physical Education teacher Marilyn McConnell and Administrative Assistant Maureen McAdams (calling themselves the M&Ms!).

Here are some pictures from their last trip of the season to Brandywine.

Students To Experience Cultures of Spain, Ireland and England
Next week, 24 students will be traveling to Spain to experience the richness of that culture, while another group of 41 students will be winging across the ocean and exploring Ireland and England.

Students on the England/Ireland trip, which begins Thursday, March 20, will be spending four days in Dublin, a night in Northern Wales, two days in London and one day in Bath. Highlights will include Windsor Castle, Stonehenge, ancient Roman baths, Shakespeare's birthplace and Westminster Abbey. Latin teacher Jared Polish is the lead chaperone. To vicariously enjoy this trip, go to irelandjaguars14.blogspot.com/

The trip to Spain is equally exciting. Students, who are leaving on
Academy. Guided tours of campus will be provided, as well as an opportunity to meet our faculty, coaches, and current students. All are welcome. Registration link is here.

May 9
Leadership, 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m.
6th & 7th grade girls spend a day at the Academy learning what it takes to be a strong female leader in today's world. $10. Lunch included. Register here.

SPOTLIGHT
Junior Taking Leading Role in Creation of "Girls Go Red" Program

Who: Molly Walsh ’15

What: Molly is taking an active role in the formation of a teenage chapter of "Women Go Red," a national program to raise awareness among women of the dangers of heart disease. The program is part of the American Heart Association's drive to provide increased public awareness of the causes and prevention of heart disease.

Fun Facts: "I feel that raising awareness among women of heart disease is really important," shared Molly, who recently attended a meeting at the school with a University Hospitals cardiologist and a representative of the Heart Association. "I'm interested in 'Girls Go Red' because I think the program would be a fun and interactive way to help make girls our age more aware of heart disease and help to prevent it! We've already started to brainstorm on fun events like Zumba! I think 'Girls Go Red' could be a fun and educational way to promote a healthy heart and a healthy lifestyle!"

Thursday, March 20 and returning Saturday, March 29, will first visit Barcelona, where they will visit the La Sagrada Familia Cathedral (pictured above), as well as Parc Güell. From there, they will travel to Madrid to tour the Las Ventas and the Prado museum. Other tour stops are Sevilla, Córdoba and Granada, which will include a visit to the Alhambra. The lead chaperone is Spanish teacher Ethan Sauerwein. To enjoy the trip along with the travelers, please visit the blog of the trip, found at jaguarspain2014.blogspot.com/

Adios, Cheerio and Bain sult aast to all the students and their chaperones. Safe travels!

Academy Chorale To Join Music Teacher Kathleen Cooper at Cleveland's St. Patrick’s Day Parade Opening Ceremonies on Monday

Anyone who has been present for the opening of the Cleveland St. Patrick's Day Parade in recent years has heard the sweet tones of SJA Music teacher and Academy Chorale Director Kathleen Cooper. Ms. Cooper has been a part of the opening ceremonies for seven years, singing the Star Spangled Banner and the National Anthem of Ireland. She was the first woman to sing the anthems since the parade’s inception 147 years ago. This year, she is again performing ... but she will be joined in the ceremonies by SJA's own Academy Chorale!

Full Story

Student Council Travels to SJA Baton Rouge

Members of our Student Council traveled this week to Louisiana to meet with their counterparts from our sister school, St. Joseph’s Academy in Baton Rouge. They spent three days sharing ideas on leadership, student involvement and activities to engage more students in projects. Students making the trip to the Bayou area are: Mary Timmons ’14, Ciara McGlynn ’14, Brooke Kahl ’14, Grace Bader ’14 and Molly Walsh ’15. In addition to attending classes, they joined in on the Baton Rouge Career Day. Chaperones were
In addition to helping to form this new organization, Molly is active in STArts, performing in every play and musical since her freshman year. She is working on starting SJA's first improvisational comedy group "The Joking Jaguars." She also has just started throwing shot put and discus on the track & field team this year and has been a volunteer at the Cleveland Metroparks Zoo for five years. She is an active member of Student Council and this week visited our sister school, St. Joseph's Academy, in Baton Rouge.

Molly, who recently spent time at Fox 8 News as part of her Junior Professional Shadowing experience, hopes to pursue something in the entertainment industry as a career. "I want to either be in television production or be a performer! My ultimate dream job would be working at NBC's Saturday Night Live!"

Dean of Women Marie Ciolek and Student Council Moderators, Social Studies teachers Mike Shannon and Nick Roaldi. Pictured with the SJA-Cleveland students are their hosts and members of St. Joseph's Academy's Student Council. Sursum corda .... across the miles!

**Scholarship Opportunity Available for Catholic School Students**

Unity Federal Catholic Credit Union has a scholarship opportunity for families to assist them in their Catholic education costs. Unity Catholic is offering five $1,000 scholarships for students at the high school level. The scholarship deadline is April 1, 2014. For additional information, please visit [www.unitycatholiccu.org](http://www.unitycatholiccu.org).

**Exciting Great Lakes Science Center Program is Opportunity for Students Interested in Science**

The spring session of "Girls Go! Science," the Great Lakes Science Center’s program designed to counter gender biases and stereotypes that can steer girls away from STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) careers, is being offered tomorrow, March 15, from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. This event is for girls in grades 6-12 and will bring together women who are on the cutting edge of science to work directly with girls in hands-on workshops full of real experimentation and fun activities.

The day will include hands-on activities with real scientists. Attendees will explore careers in robotics with Rockwell Automation, manage a storm situation with the National Weather Service, try out medical careers with Northeast Ohio Medical University (NEOMed), and connect creativity and innovation to STEM with chemist and product developer Ellen Burts Cooper—all through hands-on experiments. Female student-scientists from local universities will mentor girls throughout the day, speaking informally about why they are pursuing STEM-related majors and careers and helping young women explore careers in a risk-free environment, try out different branches of science, and make new friends.

Tickets are $32 each ($27 each for groups of 10 or more) and include a T-shirt and lunch. Girls can specify their session preferences when they register. Sessions will fill up on a first-come/first-served basis. Click [here](http://www.glsc.org) for more information. Questions? Call 216.621.2400.

**SPORTS**

**Crew**
The 2013-14 schedule can be found [here](http://www.glsc.org).

**Track & Field**
The 2013-14 schedule can be found [here](http://www.glsc.org).

**Rugby**
The 2013-14 schedule can be found [here](http://www.glsc.org).

**Softball**
The schedule will be available soon.

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