Science Olympiad Students Receive Gold Medal

Last weekend, Science Olympiad students participated in the Ohio Science Olympiad Regional Competition, held at Saint Ignatius High School. Science Olympiad brings like-minded students together for competitions related to all areas of science, technology, engineering and math. The team consisted of Sophomores Reagan Bushok, Gabi Kim, Lexi Soltesz, Juniors Emma Weiss, Cassie Van Etten, Lizzy Lopez, Maggie Cornelison, Lia Holley and Mia Saurette. The team placed 11th out of 17 teams.

The anatomy and physiology team of Juniors Lizzy Lopez and Cassie Van Etten received a gold medal, earning first place in the Saint Ignatius Regional tournament. The duo placed in the Top Eight in the State of Ohio.

Of the 19 events that were held that day, the teams placed in the top 10 in nine of 19 events. Congratulations, students, on a job well done!

Three Seniors Recognized in Maltz Museum's "Stop the Hate" Contest

Three Saint Joseph Academy students were recognized in the Maltz Museum of Jewish Heritage’s "Stop the Hate" contest.

The contest, open to students in grades 6-12, "Stop the Hate" challenges young
Wednesday, March 21
Early Dismissal, 2 p.m.

Winter Sports Banquet
Academy Center, Dining Hall, Auditorium, 5-9 p.m. Click here to register.

Thursday, March 22
Class of 2018 Urban Plunge Retreat

Friday, March 23
Easter at the Academy
Girls Grades 2-6, 6:30-8 p.m. $5 per student. Click here to register.

Summer Camps:
Beginning week of June 11. Click here for more details.

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Faculty Spotlight

**Name:** Athletic Director Mr. John Manuszak

**Accomplishments:** Athletic Director Mr. John Manuszak has been selected as one of seven recipients from the State of Ohio to receive the Annual "Award of Excellence" recognition in 2018. The award, a collaboration between the Ohio High School Athletic Association (OHSAA) and the Ohio Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (OIAAA), recognizes schools that provide exemplary support and promotion of education-based athletic programming in their school.

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Easter at the Academy

Do you have a younger daughter in grades 2-6? Join us on **Friday, March 23** for an evening filled with Easter-themed crafts, games and snacks with current students at Saint Joseph Academy. There is a $5 fee per student. Click here to register.

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**Easter at the Academy**

![2017 Easter at the Academy](image)

**Join Us at the Evening of Reflection for Women**

How does the dying and rising of Jesus invite us into the divine energy of God's spirit? How does it influence how we are sent to participate in God's ongoing work as co-creators with God? Join with other women to explore these ideas as we begin Holy Week on **Monday, March 26**. Mothers, alumnae and friends - all are welcome!

This special invitation has been extended to the Class of 2018 and will count as a spiritual wellness credit for those who attend. Seniors, please check your email from Alumnae Director Ms. Allison Busser ’04.

Please click here for more detailed information about the event. If you are interested in attending, please RSVP by **Monday, March 19**.

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**Save the Date: Annual Mother-Daughter Mass and Brunch**

The annual Mother-Daughter Mass and Brunch will be held at Saint Joseph Academy on **Sunday, April 15**.
"We are honored to receive this recognition from the OHSAA and OIAAA," said Athletic Director John Manuszak. "At Saint Joseph Academy, we pride ourselves on the fact that our athletic programs have a greater purpose. Through our outstanding coaching staff, we strive to develop our student-athletes to carry out our mission while also developing life skills and learning beyond the classroom. This award is a testament to the entire Academy community for their support and belief in education-based athletics. We are also proud to be the only all-girls school recognized with this honor."

**Activities & Interests**: Mr. Manuszak enjoys spending time with his family, playing golf and working on projects around the house.

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**College Corner**

**School**: Cornell University

**Location**: Ithaca, NY
- (6 hours from Cleveland)
- Small town

**Enrollment**: 13,500 undergraduates

**Strongest Programs**: Biology, Physical Science and Math

**Fun Facts**: Cornell has many notable alumni including Jane Lynch, Bill Maher, Bill Nye the Science Guy, Keith Olbermann, Christopher

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**Summer is Right Around the Corner! Help Us Spread the Word About Our Summer Camps!**

Saint Joseph Academy is excited to offer a variety of summer camps where campers will explore, learn and create through hands-on learning.

Our summer camps teach new skills and provide tools that enable children to strengthen their minds and pursue their passions. This summer we are excited to offer a few new camps!

To complement our Varsity sports program, we are introducing a softball camp, as well as a sailing camp. For budding artists, there are two new visual art camps: "Working with the Masters" and "Art of Many Cultures." Aspiring singers will enjoy our chorale camp and those that like to create and explore will use the equipment in our Makerspace innovation lab to design a range of projects.

[Click here](#) for more details and to register for a camp.

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**Sports Highlights**

**Basketball Finishes as District Champions**

Saint Joseph Academy's record-setting basketball season came to an end on Tuesday night as the Jaguars fell 48-32 to a talented Solon team. The loss marked the end of an outstanding season for the Jaguars, who came close to setting a school record for wins in a season as they ended their season 20-6.

They also became the first district basketball champions in school history after their run through the Valley Forge district.

Against the Solon Comets, the Jaguars were held to just 11 points in the first half and fell behind 22-11 at intermission. Kathleen DeCarlo '18 opened the second half with a basketball that made the score 22-13 but the Jaguars could never get any closer than that nine-point deficit. Molly Neitzel '19 led the way for the Jaguars with eight points.

Congratulations to Seniors Bridget FitzGerald, Claudia Becker, Colleen Neitzel, Molly Dever, Kayla Lenahan, Bre Colman and Kathleen DeCarlo on a great season and career of Jaguar basketball!
Annie Allen ’20 Earns All-Ohio Honors; Leads Strong Jaguars Showing at State Indoor Meet

Annie Allen ’20 led the way for Saint Joseph Academy last Saturday at the OATCCC Indoor State Championship meet.

The Sophomore earned All-Ohio honors and set a new Academy record as she finished in sixth place in the 1600-meter run in a time of 5:05.99. The Jaguars also had strong showings in the three relays they competed in:

- The 4×400 relay team of Faith Maruna ’21, Haley Morgan ’19, Mia Crayton-Prioleau ’19 and Maggie Wagner ’18 just missed the Academy’s record in a time of 4:09.13 to finish 14th overall
- The 4×200 relay team of Haley Morgan ’19, Mia Crayton-Prioleau ’19, Faith Maruna ’21 and Maura Jordan ’20 finished 16th overall in 1:48.11
- The 4×800 team of Maggie Wagner ’18, Olivia Fallon ’19, Amanda Keim ’20 and Grace Kelley ’19 ran their best race of the season to finish in a time of 10:02.69
- The Jaguars had two entries in the shot put. Emma Pesicka ’19 finished 11th with a throw of 32-02.50 while Madison Wilson ’19 was 18th with a throw of 33-08.75

Congratulations to these girls on an outstanding indoor season!

Rugby Opens Season at Carolina Ruggerfest

The rugby program opened its season in Matthews, North Carolina this past weekend at the Carolina Ruggerfest.

Both the Varsity and Junior Varsity (JV) teams won their first two games to advance to the championship games in each division before falling in the title match.

The Varsity Jaguars beat Prince William (Virginia) 64-10 in the opening round followed by a 64-10 win over Lexington/Charlotte (North and South Carolina) 57-0 before falling 24-12 in the "A" side championship against Moon Area High School from Pennsylvania.

The JV team beat Moon Area 37-0 and Warsaw High School (Indiana) 47-7 before falling 30-5 to Sebastian River High School from Florida in the "B" Side title game.

Sailing Meeting: Thursday, March 15

There will be a meeting for any student interested in joining sailing on Thursday, March 15 at 6 p.m. The meeting will be held in the community room at The Foundry (1831 Columbus Road). Please contact Laura Summers (lsummers@clevelandfoundry.org) with any questions. Click here for more information and to register.

Sailing is run through The Foundry and will transition into a Varsity program at Saint Joseph Academy in 2018-19.

Winter Sports Banquet Registration

The annual end-of-the-season Winter Sports Award Banquet will be held on Wednesday, March 21 in the Dining Hall. The social begins at 5:30 p.m. with dinner at 6 p.m. All basketball, bowling, gymnastics and swimming & diving athletes are free of charge and are encouraged to attend. Guests are $18. Please be sure to register by Friday, March 16. Please click here to register.

To view photos, check out scores or to see the schedules for upcoming games and important meetings, click here.