Parents: At-A-Glance

**Wednesday, September 25**
- Early Dismissal, 2 p.m.

**Thursday, September 26**
- Financial Aid and College Now Presentation for Class of 2020 Parents/Guardians
  - Auditorium, 7-8:30 p.m.

**Friday, September 27**
- Freshmen Welcome

40 Eucharistic Ministers Commissioned

On Tuesday, the annual mass for Commissioning of Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist was held where 40 Seniors were blessed to be commissioned by Rev. Eric Garris of St. Raphael Parish.

Click [here](#) to view photos from the day. Click [here](#) for a list of the Class of 2020 Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist. Congratulations, ladies!

Parent Teacher Conferences: Thursday, October 4

Parent Teacher Conferences will be held on **Thursday, October 4, 3:30-8:30 p.m.**

An online appointment system is being used to schedule conferences. Parents/guardians are invited to sign up for ten minute appointments with any or all of your daughter's teachers. If you feel that you need more than ten minutes to meet with your daughter's teacher(s), please email them directly to set up a conference for another day.

Please note conferences are not mandatory. You only need to schedule appointments with teachers you feel it necessary to see.

To sign up for an appointment, please click [here](#).

You will be asked to select your daughter's teachers and enter your information including an email address.
Friday, October 4
No School/Office
Closed/Faculty and Staff
Restorative Practices Training

Student Spotlight

![Lauren Sherrard '20](image)

**Name:**
Lauren Sherrard '20

**Accomplishments:**
Lauren Sherrard '20 has been named a Commended Scholar in the 65th Annual National Merit Scholarship Program.

Lauren is actively involved in both academics and extracurricular activities at Saint Joseph Academy. She has already completed three Advanced Placement (AP®) classes, adding three more this year. Her coursework allowed her to deepen her knowledge of science and engineering, laying the foundation for a successful future. "The hands on nature of the classes really encouraged me to take a more active role in what I was learning and how it applied to outside of the classroom. The incredible support that I have received from my AP® and Honors teachers has encouraged me to push myself academically and become active learner, a skill that I believe will help me immensely in college. The STEAM classes that I have had the opportunity of taking at the Academy have encouraged me to pursue a career in engineering," shared Lauren.

If you have any questions, please contact the Main Office at 216.251.6788 or email Dean of Women Ms. Marie Ciolek.

$20,000 Could Be Yours!
The Jaguar Jackpot is well underway and the Sophomore class is in the lead! Have your daughter sell and turn in all her tickets soon so she may qualify for our daily drawings. Next week more raffle prizes will be given away for each student that has sold her 30 ticket quota!

Proceeds from ticket sales (after prizes) will be directed to tuition assistance for the entire student body. Remember when your daughter sells 30 tickets, she is entered in a drawing for a $2,000 tuition credit for the 2019-2020 school year.

Extra Bonus: As a special thank you, you will now receive an extra ticket in this drawing for every additional 30 tickets sold. $20,000 Grand Prize drawing is on **Monday, October 14**. Click [here](#) to purchase your tickets!

Only Ohio residents may purchase online tickets [here](#) through **Sunday, October 13, 11:59 p.m. EST**. Please contact Stewardship Coordinator Mrs. Donna Corrigan Ernst '80, P'14 with any questions.

Upcoming College Financial Aid Information Presentation for Senior Parents/Guardians

On **Thursday, September 26**, 7-8:30 p.m. in the Auditorium, a College Now representative will present information on the financial aid process for Senior parents/guardians. For more information, please contact College Counseling Department at 216.251.6788 ext. 208.

NASA Flight Controller Encourages Budding Scientists

This week, the Science Club hosted speaker and former NASA employee Carie Kostak, who worked at the Johnson Space Center as a Flight Controller for 12 years. Her role included writing procedures and training astronauts on their space missions.

Carie spoke to students via Skype, encouraging each one to take as many science and math courses as she could in college. She said she was a chemical engineering major at Purdue University but took electives that she hoped would help land her in the aerospace field, and eventually, NASA. Her hard work helped her to land her dream job! She stated that she also took Russian and French, which paid off, as she worked a lot with the French space programs. Carie told students "you have to do hard things in life and that's all there is to it. If there's something you want to do, just make a point to do it."

"Mrs. Kostak was a really great role model for women like us with an interest in pursuing a career in STEAM. It is inspiring to know that a woman in engineering has become as successful and accomplished as her, which makes me want to pursue engineering even more," shared Science Club...
Activities & Interests:
At Saint Joseph Academy, Lauren is a member of the Engineering & Design Honors Program, Construction Academy, Academy Ambassadors, Peer Mediation, the tutoring program at Douglas MacArthur Girls Leadership Academy and will serve as a Kairos leader in the spring. Outside of the Academy, Lauren participates in dance and is a dance teaching assistant for girls ages 10-12.

President Reagan Bushok '20. "Something Mrs. Kostak mentioned was that the Johnson Space Center was mainly looking to hire mechanical or aerospace engineers, not chemical engineers like her, yet she still was given the job because she had a unique yet extremely useful background and skill set. She applied herself and took a risk, and that is something that inspires me to do the same as I enter my college career."

Explore the Academy: 5th, 6th, 7th Grade Visit Day

Ever wonder what it’s like to attend classes at Saint Joseph Academy? Join us for a fun-filled learning experience from Saint Joseph Academy’s amazing teachers and Student Ambassadors. Science, Math, World Languages, English, Physical Education, Social Studies and Theology classes are all designed with a unique twist on learning. Each student will participate in three classes.

Some examples of past classes include:

- Science: Color of Fireworks!
- Physical Education: Shooting Stars!
- Theology: Kindness Rocks!
- Library: #Booklove

Registration is limited so sign up early! Click [here](#) to register. We hope to see you on campus on Friday, October 11. For more information, please call the Admission Office at 216.251.4868.

Important Parent Portal Website Information

The parent portal provides access to important information throughout the school year, which can only be accessed by logging into the backend of the website. Parents/guardians can login to receive access to the following:

- Parent/Guardian Volunteer Opportunities
- Featured School News
- Calendars
- Student Handbook
- Course Offerings
- Lunch Menu and Dining Accounts
- Student, Parent/Guardian, Faculty/Staff and Coaches Directories
- Service Learning Opportunities

The parent portal also includes resources such as:

- College/University Scholarship Opportunities
- Saint Joseph Academy Scholarship and Tuition Assistance
- Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

Follow these simple instructions to access your account for the first time:

Go to [sja1890.myschoolapp.com](http://sja1890.myschoolapp.com) or visit Saint Joseph Academy's website at [www.sja1890.org](http://www.sja1890.org) and click the Login link in the top right hand corner.

**First Time Login**

If it is your first time logging in, you will need to create a password.

1. Click the Trouble Logging In? link located at the bottom right of the login box.
2. Type in the email address you have on file at Saint Joseph Academy. (If you are a student, it will be your school email: i.e. Kelly Smith would be ksmith22@sjastudents.org).
3. Click to receive both a username and password.
4. Click the Send button.
5. Once the system has verified your account matches the email you provided, you will receive two separate emails to the email address you provided: one containing your username and the other containing a confirmation key.

**NOTE:** *If you do not have a valid email address on file with us and would like a login account fill out the Contact Us form located at the bottom of www.sja1890.org.*

6. Enter the confirmation key that you received via email and create a new password. This will be your password for future logins.
7. Return to the Login screen and proceed with the username and password provided to you via email.

Click [here](#) for more information on how to access to your account.

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**Athletics**

**Varsity Tennis Hands Avon Lake First Loss of Season**

The Varsity tennis team knocked off the undefeated Avon Lake Shoregals 4-1 at Impett Park. The victory moves the Jaguars to 13-2 on the season, while Avon Lake falls to 13-1. Tia Clemens ’23 got the match off to a great start with a 6-2, 6-1 win at first singles. Click [here](#) for full results.

**Volleyball Moves Up to #7 In State Poll**

The Varsity volleyball team moved up one spot in this week’s Ohio High School Volleyball Coaches Association (OHSVCA) Division I State poll. Last week in the first poll of the season, the Jaguars were ranked eighth. This week, the team moved up to #7 after a pair of impressive sweeps. Last week, the Jaguars swept Magnificat, who entered the match ranked #7 in the state. Then on Thursday, the Academy swept Notre Dame-Catholic Latin 3-0, who was ranked #3 in the state in Division II.

This past weekend, the Academy went 2-2 at the Columbus Invitational tournament. They defeated Highland High School who is ranked #9 in the state in Division II and Dublin Coffman (#18 in Division I) while dropping matches to Bishop Watterson and Mason High Schools (#15 in Division I). Full poll results can be found [here](#).

**Golf Places Fourth at North Coast League Tournament; Four Jaguars Earn NCL Honors**

The golf team had a strong showing on Tuesday, September 17 at the North Coast League (NCL) tournament, held at Pine Hills Golf Club. The Jaguars finished in fourth place at 425, behind Walsh Jesuit (386), Archbishop Hoban (399) and Lake Catholic High Schools (411).

Based on their performances at the conference tournament, the following Saint Joseph Academy golfers earned All-League honors:

- Second-Team All-Conference: Emily Jones ’23 (102), Katie Kane ’21 (104) and Maddie Harden ’20 (106)
- Honorable Mention All-Conference: Maddy Yuhasz ’20 (113)

**Cross Country Places Seventh at Boardman; Annie Allen ’20 Finishes Sixth**

Last Saturday, the cross country team finished seventh out of 35 teams at the highly competitive Boardman Spartan Invitational. Annie Allen ’20 led the Jaguars as she was sixth out of 277 runners with a time of 19:31. Amanda Keim ’20 was 45th followed by Danica Hruby ’21 (60th), Ali Blouch ’23 (61st) and Marie Musser ’20 (66th). Click [here](#) for full meet results.

**Crew Set for First Fall Regatta**

The fall crew team kicks off its 2019 season tomorrow, Saturday, September 21 at the 24th Annual Head of the Cuyahoga Regatta. The regatta is hosted by the Cleveland Rowing Foundation and will be on the Cuyahoga River. There will be $5 parking at 1651 Columbus Road and also street parking around the area. Racing begins on Saturday at 8 a.m. with an expected finish around 4:30 p.m. The Jaguars will also host their annual Blessing of the Boats on this evening beginning at 6 p.m. Click [here](#) for more information.

**Volleyball CYO Night: Tuesday, October 8**
Saint Joseph Academy and the Jaguar volleyball program are excited to welcome CYO volleyball players and their families to our match against Walsh Jesuit High School on **Tuesday, October 8**.

The Freshmen match between the Jaguars and Warriors begins at 4:30 p.m., followed by the Junior Varsity and Varsity matches. This will be a North Coast League (NCL) match between the Academy and Walsh Jesuit.

Help spread the word to neighbors and friends: All CYO players who wear their CYO jerseys will be admitted to the matches free of charge as will their coaches. There will be raffle drawings throughout the evening for CYO players. CYO Coaches - please click [here](#) to RSVP.

Congratulations and good luck to all of our teams at their upcoming athletic events!

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