Parents: At-A-Glance

Saturday, March 16
Soccer Parent/Guardian Meeting
Academy Center, 11 a.m.

Kairos Welcome Back
Academy Center, 3:30-5 p.m.

Tuesday, March 19
Formal Uniform

Feast of St. Joseph Day Mass
Academy Center, 1:30-3 p.m.

Wednesday, March 20
Health Sciences Honors Program Field Trip
The University of Akron, 8 a.m.-2 p.m.

STArts Meeting
Dining Hall, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 21-Saturday, March 30
Italy Cultural Trip (through Saturday, March 30)

Friday, March 22
The Academy Chorale Lock-In, 7:30 p.m-9 a.m.

Borderlinks Service Trip (through Thursday, March 28)

State of the School Letter Sent to Parents/Guardians
On Wednesday, March 13, President Mrs. Mary Ann Corrigan-Davis ’71 mailed her annual letter highlighting academic, extracurricular and athletic highlights for the 2018-2019 school year. The letter includes financial information as well. Please be on the lookout for the letter.

PenOhio Team Named Grand Champions!
On Saturday, March 9, the Saint Joseph Academy PenOhio Writing Competition team was named the Grand Champion of the Northeast Ohio Regional Pen Ohio Scholastic Writing Tournament. The Tri-C North Coast Regional
Name: Grace Quasebarth '20

Accomplishments:
Grace Quasebarth '20 completed her Junior Professional Shadowing with the United States Coast Guard. "While completing my Junior Professional Shadowing, I met with the Coast Guard staff, who focus on many different important aspects, including prevention (vessel inspections, addressing issues, etc.), public affairs (sharing the truth with the public and connecting to a certain United States Coast Guard theme) and medical (coordinates all medical staffing for District 9). I had the opportunity to go aboard the Morro Bay Icebreaker and learn more about the type of Coast Guard's boats," stated Grace.

"The Coast Guard is incredible; there is so much more to the organization with many opportunities for those who choose to serve. I am grateful for this opportunity to shadow and organization that is a major part of the Great Lakes. I feel such immense gratitude toward everyone who made those three days possible."

Activities & Interests:
At Saint Joseph Academy, Grace is a member of Show Choir, Varsity sailing, the Spring Musical Newsies, Mock Trial, Chess and Science Clubs. Outside of Academy, she is a member of a sailing club team, ski club and her parish's youth tournament took place at The Jack, Joseph and Morton Mandel Humanities Center in Highland Hills. Writers competed in three rounds of impromptu writing, creating narratives in response to a prompt provided in each round.

The Varsity Team, coached by Instructional Coach Mrs. Keri Grady, earned first place among 16 teams. Claire Kapitan '20 placed first in individual competition. Grace Thomas '19 placed second in individual competition in a field of 64 writers.

The Junior Varsity Team, coached by Student Support Services Mrs. Becky Goede McNulty '96, placed second in a field of 16 teams. Isabel Small '21 placed first in individual competition among 63 Junior Varsity writers! Participating writers are listed below, in their respective divisions. Congratulations to the team and good luck at the State tournament!

Varsity
Nicole Baddour '19, Maggie Cornelison '19, Malina Infante '20, Claire Kapitan '20, Carly Pinter '20, Grace Thomas '19 and Laura Wirtz '20

Junior Varsity
Maura Bradesca '21, Lilianna Fuehrer '22, Madeline Jarosz '21, Mary Lepore '22, Grace Nussle '22, Olivia Pelley '21, Alyssa Rosas '22 and Isabel Small '21

Saint Joseph Academy Earns First College Board AP Computer Science Female Diversity Award

Saint Joseph Academy has earned the inaugural College Board AP® Computer Science Female Diversity Award for achieving high female representation in Advanced Placement (AP) Computer Science Principles. Schools honored with the AP Computer Science Female Diversity Award have expanded females' access in AP Computer Science courses. Out of more than 18,000 secondary schools worldwide that offer AP courses, Saint Joseph Academy is one of only 685 to accomplish this impressive feat.

"We're honored by this recognition and are proud of the achievements of our students studying computer science," said Principal Mr. Jeff Sutliff. "It affirms our continued commitment of providing our female students with access to AP Computer Science courses to help prepare a more diverse workforce in critical STEAM jobs."

Schools receiving the AP Computer Science Female Diversity Award have either 50% or higher female representation in one of the two AP computer science courses or a percentage of the female computer science examinees meeting or exceeding that of the school's female population. Only 490 schools earned the AP Computer Science Female Diversity Award for AP Computer Science Principles.

"By inviting young women to advanced computer science classrooms, Saint Joseph Academy has taken a significant step toward preparing all students for the widest range of 21st-century opportunities," said Trevor Packer, College Board Senior Vice President of the AP Program. "We hope this inspires many other high schools to engage more female students in AP Computer Science and prepare them to drive innovation."
The AP Computer Science Principles course launch in 2016 was the largest in Program history. AP Computer Science Principles has promoted the growth of AP computer science in high schools. AP computer science course participation increased 135% since 2016, broadening STEAM career opportunities for more students. The number of female, rural and underrepresented minority students taking AP computer science exams has more than doubled in that period.

Providing female students with access to computer science courses contributes to gender parity in the industry’s high-paying jobs and drives innovation, creativity, and competition. According to the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization’s (UNESCO) Institute of Statistics data, less than 30% of the world’s researchers are women; in North America and Western Europe, it’s just 32%. Research shows women are more likely to pursue computer science if they’re given the opportunity to explore it in high school.

School: The University of Akron
Location: Akron, OH (1 hour from Cleveland)
Enrollment: 22,500 undergraduates

Strongest Programs: Business, dietetics, education, engineering, nursing

Fun Facts:
In 1927, a campus-wide contest was conducted to choose a nickname for the University’s athletic teams. A student suggested “Zippers,” which was also the name of a popular rubber overshoe sold by Akron’s B.F. Goodrich Co. In 1950, the athletic director shortened the nickname to the “Zips.”

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Student Wellness Survey is Tuesday, April 2
A key component of Catholic education is the development of the whole student. Our Wellness Curriculum is designed to keep our students strong in body, mind and spirit. To help identify the needs and measure the progress of our efforts, the Wellness Survey is scheduled for all students on Tuesday, April 2. The survey is comprised of 100 multiple-choice questions and is based on the Independent School Health Check (ISHC). Please be assured that the survey responses are all confidential and anonymous. Click here to read the letter sent to parents/guardians.

We hope that all parents/guardians will choose to allow their daughters to participate. However, parents/guardians may choose to opt out. If you do not want your daughter to participate in the survey, please notify School Counselor Ms. Maryann Marek by Friday, March 29.

Students Compete in One Act Festival
Last weekend, eight students participated in the Cleveland Theater Conference One Act Competition at Tri-C West in Parma. The group performed the one act play Love, Loss and What I Wore. Saint Joseph Academy performed along with Padua Franciscan and Holy Name High Schools.

Six of the eight students from Saint Joseph Academy received awards. Congratulations to the following recipients for their awards.
- Jane Roche ’19 - Silver Medal
- Lauren Buck ’20 - Bronze Medal
- Ali Mendoza ’22 - Bronze Medal
- Kelly Feke ’21 - Great Lakes Theater tickets
- Shannon Kelley ’22 - Beck Center for the Arts tickets
- Jane Wight ’19 - Karen Keys Book Award and Best Stage Presence

Back Row (L-R): Nora Kazy ’22, Jane Roche
Fathers, Father-Figures and Daughters Dance the Night Away

Last weekend, fathers/father-figures and daughters celebrated the special bond between fathers and daughters with their annual Father-Daughter Dance. Click here for the photo album. We hope you had a fantastic and memorable night!

Free Ohio Driver's License Written Practice Test Available

All applicants for an Ohio driver license must pass a written test that is given in two parts and covers Ohio motor vehicle regulations and traffic signs. To help students prepare for their driving test, the Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) offers free practice tests, which can be a very helpful resource. The online tests allow repeated practice so students arrive at the testing center feeling confident in their ability to pass.

The tests are designed to be as difficult as the real Ohio BMV test will be. That way, students will be completely prepared for the written exam.

As students progress, the online grader checks answers and provides the correct answer (based on the Ohio BMV booklet) so students can self-correct and learn as they go. Click here for the practice examination.

Athletics

4×800 Relay Competes at Indoor National Meet

The 4×800 indoor track relay competed Friday, March 8 at the New Balance Indoor Nationals meet in New York City. The meet was held at the historic Armory track, which has hosted some of the best track athletes in the world. The Jaguars competed in the Emerging Elite division and qualified to the meet based on the time they posted at the Ohio Association of Track and Cross Country Coaches (OATCCC) State meet the previous weekend.

The relay consisted of Annie Allen ’20, Anna Duesenberg ’22, Grace Kelley ’19 and Amanda Keim ’20. Alternates who made the trip to New York were Marie Musser, Colette Conway ’21 and Carlee Blankenship ’22. The team finished in 17th place with a time of 9:45.50.

Winter Sports Banquet Award Winners

Saint Joseph Academy held its winter sports banquets for basketball, bowling, gymnastics, indoor track & field, and swimming & diving this week. Congratulations to all of the athletes and coaches on their seasons. Below are the award winners from each sport.

Four-Year Letter Winners

- Basketball: Molly Neitzel ’19
- Swimming & Diving: Paola Camacho-Colon ’19, Abigail Fleming ’19,
Basketball, gymnastics and swimming & diving

Seniors
- Most Improved Player: Olivia Irvin '22

Kassidy Gartin ‘19 and Julia Patterson ‘19
- Indoor Track & Field: Madison Wilson-Angelini ‘19 and Mia Crayton-Prioleau ‘19

Varsity Basketball
- Most Valuable Player: Molly Neitzel ’19
- Heart and Hustle Award: Ava Haddad '22
- Sixth Man Award: Grace Flannery '20
- Sharp Shooter Award: Ella Neitzel '22
- Sharp Shooter Award: Lizzy Lenahan '22
- Toughness Award: Lucy Lowe '20
- Dedication Award: Charlotte Adler '21
- Coaches Award: Gabbie Schafer '21

Bowling
- Most Valuable Bowler: Emily Kovacic '19
- Coaches Award: Caprice Hofstede '22

Gymnastics
- Sportsmanship Award: Abbie Harden '22
- Jaguar Award: Sofie Buckley ‘19
- Most Improved: Emma Weiss ‘19

Indoor Track & Field
- Most Valuable Distance Runner: Annie Allen '20
- Most Valuable Sprinter: Haley Morgan ‘19
- Most Valuable Field Athlete: Emma Pesicka '19
- Outstanding Freshman: Anna Duesenberg '22
- Coaches Award: Erika Klosinski '22
- Coaches Award: Victoria Holtz '20

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

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

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