Parents: At-a-Glance

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<td>Class of 2020 Urban Plunge Retreat, 3-11:30 p.m.</td>
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<td>Celebrate the Academy: An Evening Honoring Mary Ann Corrigan-Davis '71, 6-10 p.m. Tickets required. <strong>SOLD OUT!</strong></td>
<td>Class of 2024 Welcome, Academy Center, 7-8:30 p.m.</td>
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<td>No School for Class of 2020, 2022 and 2023</td>
<td>Class of 2022 Mixer, Academy Center, 6:30-11:30 p.m. All classes welcome!</td>
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<td>Class of 2021 ACT Exam, 8 a.m.-12 p.m.</td>
<td>Father-Daughter Dance, Brennan's Party Center, 6-11 p.m. Register <a href="#">here</a>.</td>
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<td>Tennis Team Chipotle Fundraiser, 21029 Center Ridge Rd., Fairview Park, 4-8 p.m.</td>
<td><strong>Health Sciences Honors Program Lunch and Learn</strong>, Board Room, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.</td>
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Ash Wednesday Mass, Academy Center, 1:30-3 p.m.

Class of 2024 Admission Test, Classroom 116, 4-7 p.m. Register [here](#).

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### Upcoming Events

**Monday, March 2**
No School/Teacher Professional Day/Office Open

Junior Professional Shadowing

**Tuesday, March 3**
Junior Professional Shadowing

**Wednesday, March 4**
Bowling Awards Banquet, Dining Hall, 5:30-8 p.m.

**Thursday, March 5**
STArts Presents: Cruise to Murder, Auditorium, 6-9 p.m. Click [here](#) for registration flyer.

**Friday, March 6**
Junior Professional Shadowing

**Saturday, March 7**
Bowling Awards Banquet, Dining Hall, 5:30-8 p.m.

**Thursday, March 5**
Cuyahoga County Voter Training, Auditorium, 8-10:30 a.m.

**Friday, March 6**
Senior Silent Retreat

**Saturday, March 7**
Junior Professional Shadowing

**Sunday, March 8**
Elementary Band Festival, Saint Joseph Academy

**Saturday, March 7**
Stadium Banquet, Board Room, 6-7:30 p.m.

**Sunday, March 8**
Rugby Team Fundraiser, 7-9 p.m.

**Monday, March 2**
Gymnastics Banquet, Board Room, 6-7:30 p.m.

**Saturday, March 7**
Quarter Three Wellness Event for Parents/Guardians, Charde’ Hollins, MSW, LSW, Behavior Health Prevention Specialist, ADAMHS Board of Cuyahoga County, Dining Hall, 7 p.m.

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### News

**Mrs. Kathryn Purcell Named Next President of Saint Joseph Academy**

As you are aware, the Saint Joseph Academy Search Committee has been working diligently to find the right person to succeed Mrs. Mary Ann Corrigan-Davis ’71 as president. After their discernment, the Committee recommended to the Board of Directors the candidate they felt possessed the skills and traits necessary for this very important position.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, Saint Joseph Academy is pleased to announce that Mrs. Kathryn Purcell will be the Academy's next president. Mrs. Purcell is more than familiar with strong leadership in
NASA Glenn Research Center Director Shares Out of this World Journey of Career and Success

On Wednesday, students in Women Leading in the 21st Century, Construction Academy, Pre-Engineering, Health Sciences Honors Program and Spanish Club students met with Dr. Marla E. Pérez-Davis, Director of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's (NASA) John H. Glenn Research Center. In this position, she is responsible for planning, organizing and directing the activities required in accomplishing the missions assigned to the center. The Glenn staff consists of more than 3,200 civil service and support contractor employees and has an annual budget of more than $900 million. Prior to becoming the Director, Dr. Pérez-Davis served as Glenn’s Deputy Director.

Dr. Pérez-Davis shared her journey of how she came to work at NASA. “I came from a small town in Puerto Rico, where I was raised by a single mother. She always emphasized the importance of a good education.” With that in mind, Dr. Pérez-Davis studied hard and while reading a book, she determined she wanted to become a chemical engineer.

Students Succeed at OMEA Solo & Ensemble Contest

Each year, the Districts within the Ohio Music Education Association (OMEA) host Adjudicated Events to challenge musicians in a small group setting or as a soloist. Each event (whether a solo or an ensemble) is performed in front of an OMEA judge for a rating from I-V, with I (Superior) being the highest rating.

Last weekend, Saint Joseph Academy vocalists and instrumentalists participated in the Ohio Music Education Association’s (OMEA) Adjudicated Events. The event involved 34 schools and more than 1,000 performers. Saint Joseph Academy students performed very well, with 43 students winning...
Congratulations to the following students for their Superior or Outstanding rating.

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**STArts Presents: Cruise to Murder**

Solve the crime while you dine! Support The Arts (STArts) presents Cruise to Murder on **Thursday, March 5, 6-9 p.m.** at Saint Joseph Academy.

Full Greek inspired dinner, dessert and drinks included. Karaoke competition available to willing participants. $40 per ticket includes dinner and the murder mystery show. Tables of eight for $35 per ticket ($280/table).

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**Spotlight: Claire Kapitan '20**

**Accomplishments:** For the fourth consecutive year, Claire Kapitan '20 has won the in-house Academy Shakespeare competition and has placed among the seven finalists at the Regional competition. At this year’s Regional competition, Claire (and Lauren Buck '20) competed against 24 other students from schools across Northeast Ohio. Claire went on to win the entire competition.

Claire is the first student from Saint Joseph Academy to win the competition. She has been awarded the opportunity to travel to New York City, all-expenses paid, to perform her monologue and sonnet at Lincoln Center at the English-Speaking Union’s (ESU) National Shakespeare Competition. She will be competing against all ESU branch winners from across the United States. The three winners of the national competition will receive either a scholarship to the Midsummer Conservatory at the British American Drama Academy in Oxford, U.K., a scholarship to the American Shakespeare Center's Theatre Camp in Staunton, VA or a cash award.

"To prepare for the competition, we study, memorize and act out a Shakespearean monologue and sonnet. Preparation includes studying iambic pentameter and diction with Student Support Services teacher Mrs. Becky Goede McNulty '96 and acting with Drama Director Mrs. Anne Ising. My favorite part of the competition is joining other high school students to explore and appreciate the genius of William Shakespeare. Watching his words come alive on stage is beautiful," voiced Claire.

"The advice I would give to someone interested in Shakespeare Club or the competition is to embrace being uncomfortable, with acting and the language Shakespeare uses, because that is how you grow! I have met amazing friends and have so much fun performing Shakespeare because I left my comfort zone. I am most excited for the opportunity to perform at Lincoln Center. That is something not everyone can say that they have done, especially at 18 years old!"

**Activities and Interests:** Claire is the founder and president of Free to Smile, serves on the leadership teams of National Art Honors Society and French Club, is a member of
National Honor Society and Academy Ambassadors Executive Board, volunteer as a student consultant in the Writing Center and a cast member in the fall plays. Outside of school, she is an English tutor for a student in South Korea, a lifeguard for Hastings Water Works, and an avid traveler, painter and hiker.

**Athletics**

**Maddy Kelly ’20 Captures District Championship; Heads to Fourth State Meet and Named NCL Most Valuable Swimmer**

Swimmer Maddy Kelly ’20 has been selected as the North Coast League’s (NCL) Most Valuable Swimmer for the 2019-20 season. It marks the second time Maddy has won the award. She was also the league MVS in 2017-18.

At the NCL meet this season, Maddy won the 50 freestyle, 100 backstroke and was also part of the 200 medley relay and 400 freestyle relay that both finished in third place.

Maddy will compete at the OHSAA Division I state meet in both the 50 freestyle and 100 backstroke in Canton this weekend.

**Bowling Set to Compete at Sectionals**

The bowling team began competing in the OHSAA Division I Sectional Bowling Tournament today at Roseland Lanes. The team was represented by Lizzy Rajnicek ’20, Marie Zingalis ’20, Nora McCarthy ’21, HJ Stasiuk ’21, Caprice Hofstede ’22 and Abby Kovacic ’22.

**Basketball Advances to District Semifinals**

Saint Joseph Academy advanced to the District semifinals with a 50-26 win over Cleveland John Hay on Thursday.

The Jaguars, the #4 seed will now face the winner of the Magnificat and Lakewood High Schools game.
Indoor Track & Field Will Send 21 to All-Star Meet

The indoor track & field team has qualified 21 athletes for the upcoming NEOITC All-Star Meet. The meet will be held tomorrow, Friday, February 21, 4:30 p.m. at Spire Institute in Geneva. These athletes were all in the top 24 of their event during the NEOITC regular season. Good luck to the Jaguars!

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Gymnastics Finishes in Seventh Place at OHSAA Sectional Tournament

The gymnastics team competed in a tough Sectional meet placing 7th overall where 24 different schools were represented. The team fell short of advancing to the District meet but gained valuable competition experience in a high pressure setting. Abby Synk ’22 finished the meet landing a great vault, reaching her goal of improving her score from last year’s sectional meet. Abbie Harden ’22 scored a season high 8.55 on beam, missing district qualification by .2 points and successfully competed a new floor tumbling pass.

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Rugby Spiritwear Store Open Through Wednesday, February 26

In partnership with the Paw Prints Store, Saint Joseph Academy is happy to offer an online store through KRH Trading Co. The online-only store will provide spiritwear specifically for our rugby team. This special opportunity will be available for a limited-time only.

You can order through this limited-time only online shop through Wednesday, February 26, 11:59 p.m. EST. Purchases can be made in four easy steps, listed below.

1. Go to the online store, krh-sjarugby20.itemorder.com/sale
2. Choose your items and add them to your cart.
3. Securely checkout with your credit card.
4. Choose your delivery option: ship to home, athlete pick up in the Athletic Office or pick up in Paw Prints Store.

All items will be placed and paid for directly online. Orders will ship directly to your home 14-21 days after the store has closed.

SHOP HERE
Spring Crew Clinic: Sunday, March 15

7th and 8th grade girls are invited to experience crew at Saint Joseph Academy – one of the top girls programs in the Midwest. The Jaguars have had crews ranked in the top three regionally and top 10 nationally the last five seasons. Since 2013, Saint Joseph Academy has had 15 graduates continue their rowing careers on scholarship at Division I universities across the country.

Learn from Head Coach Varsity Crew Mr. Rob Zdankiewicz and several current members of the Jaguars program. The clinic will focus on both sweep and sculling disciplines and give students a taste of Jaguar crew. Attendees will also run through a typical practice to get them ready for the high school rowing experience. No prior rowing experience is required.

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For more information on athletics highlights, scores and schedules check the Saint Joseph Academy Athletics homepage.

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