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DEPAUL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Spartan Sentinel

Welcome to the Spartan Sentinel, our bi-weekly electronic newsletter for all things DePaul Catholic.

Principal's Corner Mr. Russell Petrocelli

Dear Spartan Community:

Last week, we celebrated the Academic Awards and Honor Societies Inductions for the 2018-2019 school year. Every student who was honored is to be commended for their dedication and commitment to their studies and desire to be the best that they can be. I say that because some of the students honored did not, necessarily, earn the highest grade in a particular subject but worked to their greatest potential or showed the greatest improvement over the course of the school year. It always makes me laugh when I receive a phone call or email from a parent asking for confirmation that it is their child who is being honored and was their some kind of mistake made on the part of the school. It is always a pleasure to share with a parent that their child worked as hard as they could and that their commitment to academic achievement is being recognized.

I would like to make you aware of important events that will be taking place over the next six weeks as the academic year comes to a close:

Senior Prom – May 29

Baccalaureate Mass and Senior-Parent Dinner – June 2. Mass is at 3:00 PM at Our Lady of Consolation, 1799 Hamburg Turnpike, Wayne. Immediately following mass, dinner will be held at LaNeve's, 276 Belmont Avenue, Haledon.

Class of 2019 Graduation – June 4 at 6:00 PM

8th Grade Graduation – June 14 at 10:00 AM

Final Exams – June 13 to June 19

Please visit this newsletter on a regular basis to be brought up to speed on the happenings across the campus. If you are a graduate and are in the neighborhood, please stop in and say hello.

St. Vincent DePaul...Pray for Us!

Calendar Change: Early Dismissal

Students will be dismissed at 12noon on Tuesday, June 4th, in order to prepare the building for Graduation. Periods 1-4 will run normally, including lunch.

Moving Forward...

Mr. John Merritt '71

Vice Principal, Student Life

My Child is Devastated!

I mean no disrespect to truly devastated students, but the title of this article is a phrase I generally hear several times a day. The phrase above, to me, means that there has truly been a terrible, possibly irreparable, event in the child's life. The phrase is serious.

Most of the time, when I hear a person use the phrase, they really mean their child is a bit disappointed or they are temporarily upset. Obviously, this is only one person's (mine) opinion, but it does get me to thinking about the next 3 weeks for students from DePaul who are graduating, or hanging out with graduates.

While graduation is a happy time for most students, there are some seniors and friends who will not enjoy the next few weeks. They may find themselves faced with having to make choices about alcohol use, vaping, possibly drugs or intimacy. These are tough decisions that many of your kids may have to make. Some decisions they are about to make, for good or bad, may be life altering.

How can parents (as they worry about the next few weeks for their child) actually help their child?

Setting some new, or maintaining the boundaries already in place, may help your child get safely through these days and weeks. All kids like boundaries, though they will never admit it, as boundaries offer clear ideas about the do's and don'ts of successful living.

- Maintaining curfews (with some flexibility), saying no to overnight trips (even if you took part in an overnigher in high school).
- Not hosting parties with alcohol, even if you use the excuse ("I take their keys so they can't drive home"). Kids have a second set of keys.

I can offer more ways to help, but I think we all get the picture.

Maybe your child doesn't really want to "go wild" or experiment with something new and they are just looking for a way out. You can provide the out. Of course, your child may yell and scream and be devastated, but you might have saved your child from an embarrassing moment, or worse, just by you saying no to an outlandish request.

This time of year is tough for parents of high school graduates, but you do not have to give in to all the requests made by your child. It is okay to say no, even if your parents said yes to all your requests when you were in high school. You are not being a hypocrite, you are being a parent.

Best of luck.

Spartan Nation

State Sectional Champion

Congratulations to Sebastian Ruiz '19, Non Public B North State Sectional Champion in the 800m. Sebastian, along with 13 of his teammates, have qualified to compete at the Non Public B State Championship Meet on Friday, May 31 and Saturday, June 1st at Franklin High School.

All County Dinner

The annual All-County Dinners at The Tides are quickly approaching. If you were named First Team All-County this school year, you should have received information from the Athletic Department on how to purchase your tickets.

Monday, June 10th - Boys

Tuesday, June 11th - Girls

Fall Sports Meeting

Mark your calendars! There will be a mandatory meeting for all athletes who will be playing a Fall Sport (with the exception of football) on Wednesday, June 12 at 6:00pm.

2020 Athletic Hall of Fame Nominations

The DePaul Catholic Hall of Fame dinner is an opportunity to recognize the outstanding achievements in athletics for both alumni and coaches as well as others who have made a significant contribution to the DePaul Catholic Athletic Program; an integral component of our school and the entire community. Each member of the Hall of Fame has offered their own contribution in shaping and developing DePaul Catholic's athletic program through their own outstanding accomplishments. Please take a moment to nominate someone whom you believe is deserving of induction to the Hall of Fame.

[Click here for the nomination form.](#)

RSVP & Save The Date

26th Annual Golf Classic



*Benefitting The Sister
Patricia Flarity Scholarship
Fund*

**2019 Honorees
The Carlon Family**

Monday, June 17, 2019
North Jersey Country Club
1:00pm Shotgun Start

[Click here for online
registration and sponsorship
opportunities.](#)

For more information, or to discuss sponsorship opportunities please contact:
Brynn Merritt Campbell
merrittb@dpchs.org

Spend Your Summer As A Spartan

Sport Camps

DePaul Catholic offers a variety of Sports Camps in the month of July. Open to students in grades 3 to 9, DPCHS is "The Place To Become A Champion" each summer. All camps are coached by our own DePaul Spartan coaching staff.

[Click here to register for one of the summer sport sessions.](#)

July 8 - 11
Football I
Boys Basketball I
Girls Lacrosse
Boys Lacrosse

July 15-18
Boys Basketball II
Football II

July 22 - 25
Baseball
Girls Volleyball

Questions?
Brynn Merritt Campbell
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Academic Enrichment Program

DePaul Catholic hosts a variety of Academic Summer Programs. Please contact Ms. Kimberly Forsyth, Coordinator of Summer Study, with any questions or concerns. summerstudy@dpchs.org.

July 15-25, 2019
(Monday—Thursday)

Session I
8:30am –10:15am
· High School English Enrichment
· STEM Science Discovery

Session II
10:20am—12:05pm
· High School Algebra Enrichment

Session III
12:30pm—1:30pm
· Study Skills for Success

August 5-8, 2019
(Monday—Thursday)
· HSPT Exam Prep For Success

[For more information or to register, please click here.](#)

Admissions Office

Ms. Anne Rotundo
Director of Admissions

Happy Memorial Day from Admissions!

As we kick off BBQ season, we are preparing for our **New Student BBQ here at DePaul Catholic on June 19th**. This event is an exciting time for all new students who have joined the DePaul family and will start in the fall. Students will have the opportunity to meet their peers before the start of the summer, and before we know it they will be back here again for another Orientation in August.

We are also preparing a farewell ceremony as we say goodbye to our students from the Haidian Foreign Language School. We wish the group safe travels home, and we look forward to welcoming their peers to DePaul in the fall.

All rising 8th grade students are welcome to register for our HSPT prep class which will be offered in August. The HSPT is required for all incoming 9th grade students, and our prep course will cover all testing topics. This is a great opportunity to get a head start on the admissions process.

The Admissions Office is open during the summer months, we welcome all visitors to stop in for a tour of our campus! To schedule a visit please call 973-694-3702 ext. 442 or email us at admissions@dpchs.org.

Advancement News

Ms. Carmela Raiti

Director of Advancement

2nd Annual Brian Buczek Memorial Golf Outing

Saturday, July 13, 2019
Preakness Valley Golf Course
2:30 pm Tee time, Nine Holes

Benefitting the Brian Buczek '97 Scholarship Fund for a DePaul student in their sophomore through senior years.

For more information and scholarship opportunities, please contact:
Carmela Raiti at raitic@dpchs.org

Baseball Raffle

NY Yankees vs Boston Red Sox
August 2, 2019, 4 seats, section 213, row 1
\$20 per raffle ticket. \$1,200 value

Benefitting the Brian Buczek '97 Scholarship Fund for a DePaul student in their sophomore through senior years.

Reserve your tickets now.
Contact: Stanley Buczek at 973.222.1458

Interact Club

submitted by Mrs. Dacles

Four members of the Interact Club, along with Mrs. Dacles and Mr. Petrocelli, attended a recent meeting of the Wayne Rotary Club. The DePaul students gave a presentation on the various community service projects the club organized throughout the year. The Interact Club is sponsored by the Wayne Rotary whose motto is "Service Above Self."



English Tea

Mrs. Dacles and her Honors European History class celebrated the end the year with an English Tea.



News From The Theology Department

submitted by Mrs. Bullman

The newest members of the St. Vincent DePaul Honor Society were inducted on May 22nd.

Inducted members include:

Maya Vaidya, Jason Agnoli, Luke Bianchi,
Gia Cifalino, Jesal Gandhi, Katelyn
Heaney, Sandra Held, Katherine
Lencsak, Mia Nguyen, Maria
Rizio, Annabelle Schmidt, Dana Tagliaferro,

Vincent Tan, Ryan Alonso, Melissa Beretta, Juliette Bianchi, Amanda Callahan, Faith Cancro, Erin Cavanagh, Aimee Decker, Jesus Delgado, Alexander Emuang, Kayla Gelin, Jamielyn Juan, Hailey Krajewski, Alexa LoMonaco, Jessica Long, Alexandra Maizys, Emily McGourty, Valery Mendoza, Adriana Morales, Jacquelyn Nemeth, John O'Reilly, Charlotte Ortzian, Ava Peiser, Olivia Peiser, Grace Polk, Kaylee Reyes, Christian Rosario, Angelica Sarcona, Riley Sikorski, Marcello Silva, Sydney Smith, Anna Soltys, Nicholas Tea, Isabella Trocino, Hanna Vaidya, and Paige Yagins.

We look forward to having these students continue to be models of "compassionate service" in the tradition of St. Vincent de Paul. "



Members of the St. Vincent DePaul Honor Society uphold the following qualities:

The desire to grow in holiness and to always promote the Mission and Values of the Society of St. Vincent DePaul and to provide compassionate service to all those who are poor and suffering.



DePaul Catholic High School

Mrs. Bullman's sophomore class is finishing their year of study with a focus on the Church as the "Body of Christ". Each student created an image of themselves and then placed it on the larger "body" they created to demonstrate their membership in God's family.



Works of Service Performed by the NHS Members

submitted by Ms. Wiltshire

The senior members of the Holy Spirit Chapter of the National Honor Society have been busy beautifying the grounds during their last few days. Spring flowers now brighten up the flagpole and St. Vincent statue in the back. The grotto of the Blessed Virgin Mary out front was cleaned, repaired, and had some colorful flowers added to better glorify Mary. In addition, blue lines were painted to set-off this area as a place to show reverence.

In the lobby outside the Commons, a set of tablets depicting Marc Chagall's *Windows of Jerusalem* lithographs are now displayed representing the twelve tribes of Israel. Click here to read the background story: [The Twelve Maquettes of Stained Glass Windows for Jerusalem](#)



Wayne Rotary 5K

submitted by Ms. Hall

On Saturday, May 18th, Wayne Rotary held their annual 5K at DePaul Catholic High School. Sebastian Ruiz '19 designed the logo for the t-shirt for this year's event.

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