

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS FROM PARENTS

2023 - 2024

(The dates on this form are tentative and may change, so please confirm the dates once the final school calendar is released in July)

What is the Jesuit Mentor Parents program?

The Mentor Parents program is an organization of current parents who welcome, guide, and advise new parents. Every new family will be contacted by a Mentor Parents volunteer during the summer and will have an opportunity to meet in small groups around the metroplex. The Mentor Parents Kick Off, hosted by the Jesuit Mentor Parents group and the freshmen counselors, is scheduled for **Thursday, August 10th 6:00pm** in the Terry Center. **It is a very informative night for parents and students that you won't want to miss so please mark your calendars!** The rescheduled freshmen BBQ will follow the meeting in the football stadium with welcome tables, games, and food. The event is under the direction of Kevin Frederick '85 (kevinmfred@yahoo.com), Leslie Garner (bgarner4351@sbcglobal.net), Veronica Herrera (vherrerap@yahoo.com), and Skippy Yu Tan (skippyuu@yahoo.com).

When is Freshmen Orientation?

Freshman Orientation is scheduled for **Wednesday, August 16th from 7:30am until 3:00pm**. As far as dress is concerned, students should dress casually & comfortably – shorts and t-shirts are appropriate for the day. Students must also bring a white dress shirt and tie for the purpose of taking their yearbook/ID photo. Students do not have to bring anything on that day except for a WiFi enabled device for RangerNet access and a white shirt and tie. Lunch will be provided by Thomas Cuisine.

What is Vos Parate Day?

“Vos Parate Day” is Thursday, August 17th. It is an event for sophomores, juniors and seniors only. Students must wear a white dress shirt and a tie for their yearbook/ID photo. Ranger Connection will be open for the purchase of spirit wear.

When is the first day of school?

The first day of school is **Friday, August 18th**. Freshmen should be in uniform, including nametags, and should enter the school through the Hall of Honors (southernmost entrance on the main drive).

What if my son loses his ID/Badge?

He needs to report to Student Affairs to get a day pass - before he is allowed into his classes for the day.

When do students buy their books?

The book list for the 2023-2024 school year will be released in July and will be found on Rangernet under the Resources tab. Please read the course notes carefully to see which digital texts Jesuit will provide and which books you will need to purchase.

Where do I go and whom do I see about my son's course schedule?

Your son's course schedule will be available on RangerNet in July. Any questions you have about schedules may be directed to Mrs. Molly O'Sullivan, Assistant Principal for Student Academics, at ext. 378 or mosullivan@jesuitcp.org.

Who should receive the final transcript and physical?

Final 8th grade transcripts should be submitted to Diane Camara (dcamara@jesuitcp.org) or via Ravenna. Information about Medical Records will be sent via email and handled online. Please contact Nurse Anna (schoolnurse@jesuitcp.org) with questions regarding medical forms.

Where should I direct my questions specific to Device requirements?

Jesuit has a BYOD (bring your own device) policy for 2023-2024. Please be sure to read the information on the Device resource page. Questions can also be directed to Mark Batik at mbatik@jesuitcp.org. Please visit – <https://www.jesuitdallas.org/students/resources> for more information.

Whom do I call regarding finances, tuition, and financial aid?

Mr. Alex Soich, Vice President of Finance & Operations, can answer your questions about finances. Alex Soich's extension is 330 and his email is asoich@jesuitcp.org.

Where do I go for information about Jesuit athletics?

Please visit www.jesuitrangers.org and look under the Sports and Athletic tabs. For further questions, please contact Mr. Steve Koch, Athletic Director, at extension 371 or skoch@jesuitcp.org.

How can I find other families with whom my son can carpool?

The freshmen class is geographically divided into quadrants based on each family's residence within the metroplex, and within the quadrants, smaller groups are organized based on zip codes and assigned a Mentor Parents Leader to assist the group. Your small group can be a great resource for local carpooling. Alternatively, you can use the Jesuit Directory in RangerNet. Click on "Directory", choose the Parent Directory, enter your zip code into the search bar, choose "Select all fields", and click on Map View to identify other families who live nearby with whom you may partner for carpooling.

Who are the grade level counselors?

Tim Host	ext. 415	thost@jesuitcp.org
Tim Murphy	ext. 528	tmurphy@jesuitcp.org
Corey Marr (lead)	ext. 433	cmarr@jesuitcp.org

Where do I go for information about extracurricular activities and clubs?

The pertinent information regarding these activities can be found on Rangernet under the "Clubs" link. A Club Fair will be held during the first 2-3 weeks of school during each lunch period. Organizations will set up information tables and booths so that students can dialog directly with members and moderators.

Do the freshmen have a grade-level retreat at Jesuit?

Every grade level has a retreat (*overnights are for seniors only*). The freshman retreat is scheduled for **September 20th** on the Jesuit campus. Mass is open to all family members before the retreat begins. Please **MARK YOUR CALENDAR** as all freshmen are expected to attend.

Are there any additional parent meetings after the Mentor Parents Kickoff?

Yes, there will be two parent meetings this year. The first parent meeting, scheduled **Wednesday, September 13th**, provides an opportunity for you to meet the teachers. The second meeting, scheduled for **Wednesday, January 24th, 2024**, is designed for both parents and students and will cover student life issues and college placement (including PSAT results).

Will the school assign a "big brother" to my son?

All freshmen are assigned to a Big Brother from the senior class. They will have opportunities to meet up during each school week. Freshmen will meet their Big Brothers for the first time at Freshman Orientation.

How are parents informed about their son's academic progress?

Jesuit uses RangerNet as a means of communicating progress with parents; specific feedback about assignment, grades, etc., are included next to each assignment. Teachers will also send progress reports via email and RangerNet if there are academic concerns or if your son's grade falls below 75% at any 3 or 6-week grade check. In addition, there are multiple Parent/Teacher conference dates during the year; dates and registration information will be distributed via the weekly RangerReport and dates are included on the school calendar. Parents are always encouraged to connect with a teacher if questions or concerns arise. Teacher emails and contact details can be found under the Progress Tab in RangerNet next to each class.

How does a new parent receive information about the various parent clubs and organizations?

Information will be sent throughout the year about volunteer opportunities that arise and a comprehensive list of parent organizations will be available on Rangernet under the Resources tab. Additionally, a great deal of information will be available at the Mentor Parents Parent Coffee held on the morning of Freshman Orientation, **Wednesday August 16th**.



How does the school communicate with parents throughout the year?

Several resources are available for parent-school communication. From the school, you can expect a weekly Jesuit Now email on Tuesday afternoons and the Ranger Report email on Thursday afternoons. The Jesuit Now is sent to all community members and includes school-wide events, spiritual and service opportunities, and more. The Ranger Report is specific to parents and students; it includes grade level information, academic notes, and timely resources (i.e. homecoming details and eligibility). You will also receive Mentor Parents emails periodically during the school year which will highlight important dates and events and provide additional details to supplement the information provided in the Jesuit Now and Ranger Report communications. Many of the organizations on campus have Twitter feeds, including the school @JesuitDallas and the freshman class @JesuitFreshmen; you'll see reminders for events here as well.

School closure, delayed start times, and increment weather announcements are sent via email to parents and via the school wide text messaging service. Please make sure to enroll in this service once it becomes available. Please refer to RangerNet for more information about this service.

Lastly, the Mentor Parents Group has created a Facebook Group - [Jesuit Class of 2027 Parents Facebook](#) and a GroupMe Chat Group – Jesuit Class of 2027 Parents – for this year's freshmen families. Join in to receive updates and reminders on what's happening at Jesuit and to connect with other parents of the class of 2027.

Jesuit College Preparatory School of Dallas Main Telephone Line - (972)-387-8700

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