



THE BRUIN REPORT

UPDATE FROM DEPAUL CRISTO REY HIGH SCHOOL



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Families,

What a great first quarter we have had at DPCR! As you review your student's grades, please take an opportunity to celebrate their success and accomplishments. We are so proud of all that our Bruins achieve every day, and you should be too!

If a grade isn't where it should be, this is a perfect time for the student to self-advocate and contact their teacher to figure out a plan for the second quarter. Remind your student that there are plenty of resources for help at DPCR, including during Bruin Time, after-school study tables (EASE), and meeting individually with teachers. But the student has to take the first step and ask for help. Learning the skills of self-advocacy marks a turning point in maturing from an adolescent to an adult; and it is exciting to watch our students grow! Parent-teacher conferences will be held November 9 and 10. Please watch your email for more info on signing up.

This year, our school goal is "Living Faith." Throughout the first quarter, there have been so many great opportunities for our students to experience the faith, hear from each other, and engage in prayer and reflection. We launched a Gospel Choir this year to help lead us in song, and our seniors had a successful retreat in September. Our faith is an integral part of what we do every single day. It's who we are as a Catholic school and community.

As I've mentioned in my all-calls the last two weeks, Open House is Thursday, November 2 from 5 - 7 pm. Please encourage any prospective students to join us and learn more about our Bruin program.

Finally, join me in enthusiastically welcoming Ms. Nicole Gardner as our new Athletic Director. Ms. Gardner is joining us from Columbus, where she was previously working at KIPP charter schools. We're so excited to have her on board and look forward to all that she will bring to our student athletes!

Go Bruins!

QUARTER 1 EVENTS COMING UP

NOVEMBER:

2: Admissions Open

House 5 – 8 pm

**9: Parent-Teacher
Conferences (Early
Release)**

**10: Parent-Teacher
Conferences**

(NO SCHOOL/NO
WORK)

16-17: Junior Retreat

18: HSPT for 8th Graders

**22-24: Thanksgiving
Break (NO SCHOOL/NO
WORK)**

DECEMBER:

**1: Priority Application
Deadline for 8th Graders**

**8: Mass of Immaculate
Conception**

15: DPCR Talent Show

**18-Jan. 1: Christmas
Break (NO SCHOOL/
NO WORK)**

WE NEED YOUR VOTE!

Bruin families, please use this QR code to register (it's very easy) and vote online every day for the Cristo Rey Network. The Network, which is the parent organization of DPCR and 38 other schools, is a semifinalist for the \$1 million Yass Prize, considered "the Pulitzer of Education Innovation." Voting is now open for the related but separate Parents Choice Award which carries a \$100,000 prize. If the Network is the top vote-getter, it will share the winnings through innovation grants to individual Cristo Rey schools. Thank you!



PARENT – TEACHER CONFERENCES NOVEMBER 9 & 10

Parent – Teacher conferences are **Thursday, November 9, 2:30-7 pm**, and **Friday, November 10, 8 am-1 pm**. Students are encouraged to attend with their parent/guardians.

We will again use www.myconferencetime.com/depaulcristorey to sign up for conferences. Look for an email next week. You can sign up to see multiple teachers. All families are encouraged to participate in conferences; these are the best time to connect with teachers regarding your child's strengths and areas of improvement.

Spanish Interpreters will be available during all conferences times. If you have a request for an interpreter for another language please contact Katie Hoekzema by calling the main office. In order to accommodate all Spanish speaking families, please schedule conferences with the following times. Spanish-speaking families of freshmen and juniors please try to schedule between 2:30-4:30 pm on Thursday or anytime on Friday. Spanish-speaking families of sophomores and seniors please try to schedule between 5-7 pm Thursday and anytime on Friday.

CWSP FRIDAY ROTATION

Nov. 3 – Senior Workday
Nov. 10 – Parent/Teacher Conferences
No school/no work - CWS Make-up Day
Nov. 17 – Sophomore Workday
Nov. 24 – Thanksgiving Break
Dec. 1 - Senior Workday
Dec. 8 – Junior Workday
Dec. 15 – Sophomore Workday

**THANKSGIVING
BREAK**

NOVEMBER 22-24