

June 16, 2023

Dear Friends of Cristo Rey Philadelphia,

We have so much to celebrate as we head into the summer months. In my first full year as President, I have seen an immeasurable amount of dreaming, believing, leading, and serving from our students, faculty, and staff. Your partnership and investment in our young people are the reasons we are providing students opportunities to recognize and realize their full potential. Our students are fortunate to have you in their corner.

We graduated the Class of 2023 on June 2nd and celebrated the end of the 2022-2023 school year last week. We are so proud of all that these alumni accomplished during their high school careers at Cristo Rey Philadelphia, including being **the first class to spend the entirety of their time with us calling 1717 W. Allegheny home.**



This group of students has exhibited tremendous resilience over the last four years. They began their freshman year and shortly pivoted to virtual school and remote Work-Study, when our worlds were turned upside down.

Although the beginning of their high school careers was a bit different, they thrived during their time with us. A few highlights of the Class of 2023's years at Cristo Rey Philadelphia include:

- Being a part of the first **Grad @ Grad** experiences
- Winning the first **PJAA League Championship** for both Boys' Basketball and Girls' Track & Field (with a repeat League Championship for Boys' Track & Field) and the first **Division 2 State Championship** for Girls' Rugby
- Embracing each other and their shared values during **Kairos** retreats



The academic successes of the Class of 2023 are exhibited through the college acceptance and scholarship numbers below. As you can see, the hard work of this class is something to celebrate. We cannot wait to see all that they will do in the future! Thank you for being part of their journeys and our community.

100%	College Acceptance by the Class of 2023
772	Total acceptances earned by the Class of 2023
252	Number of colleges to which students were accepted
22%	Percentage of students with 100% of college costs covered including tuition, room and board
23%	Percentage of students paying less than \$4,000 "out of pocket" per year after all financial aid is taken into consideration
\$7,500	Average "out of pocket" cost per year (after financial aid)
9	Cristo Rey Philadelphia Partner College Scholarships
7	The Deloitte Foundation Scholarships
3	Western Golf Association Chick Evans Scholarships (Full Tuition and Housing)
4	The Pacifico Scholarships
11.4 MILLION	Total scholarship dollars earned by the Class of 2023 that they will use over the next four years at a college or university.

We are working hard to prepare for next year, so please feel free to stop by and say hello! Our Horizons program begins on Tuesday and we will host 69 of our youngest neighbors, grades K-4, for six weeks of programming. In addition, the 2023-2024 school year kicks off next month with Summer Bridge. The Class of 2027 will join us for two weeks of orientation, beginning on July 10. We are incredibly excited to have them on campus!

We hope to see you soon and wish you all a wonderful summer.

Blue Pride,
Tom

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