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HEAD OF SCHOOL *happenings*

Dear Pope Francis Global Academy Parents and Guardians,

As we look ahead to the end of January, Catholic Schools Week is fast approaching. Catholic Schools Week gives Pope Francis Global Academy the opportunity to celebrate and showcase all that we have to offer as a school. We will begin Catholic Schools Week on Sunday, January 27, 2019 with Mass at our four founding parishes followed by an Open House at each campus. Please see the schedule [HERE](#) for additional information.

As members of our Pope Francis Global Academy School Community, please take a moment and talk to your friends and neighbors about Pope Francis Global Academy and invite them to the Open House on the 27th.

Re-enrollment

Please keep in mind that re-enrollment for the 2019-2020 school year has begun and is 100% online again this year. You can [BEGIN HERE](#).

If you have any questions about re-enrollment, sibling enrollment, or financial aid, please contact Mrs. Jodi Thyen, Director of Admissions and Advancement (jthyen@pfgacademy.org). If you have any questions about academics, please contact either Mr. Argamaso (eargamaso@pfgacademy.org) or me (mkinel@pfgacademy.org) to answer any questions or address any concerns.

Wolf Run T-shirt Sponsors

If you or anyone you know owns a business and would like to be a sponsor of our Wolf Run t-shirts, please contact Mrs. Debi Emperado at demperado1@sbcglobal.net for additional information.

In closing, I want to take a moment and thank you again for choosing to be part of our school community and for your commitment to Catholic education!

Blessings and peace,

Margaret Kinel
Head of School

REMINDERS

There is ***no school*** Monday, January 21, 2019. We will be closed for Martin Luther King's observance.

8th Graders will be taking their Graduation Photos Friday, January 25th.

ONLINE RE-ENROLLMENT FOR 2019-20

Enrollment for the 2019-2020 school year is now open.

Please enroll ASAP so that we can determine how many seats will be available for our new families.

[Begin Re-Enrollment Here](#)

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR OPEN HOUSE, ON AND BEFORE JANUARY 27!

Catholic Schools Week is coming up and that means our annual Open House event which is our biggest marketing opportunity of the year for bringing in new families!

We could use your help!

And, many of the spots we need help with do NOT require Virtus Training.

North Campus Open House is from 10:30-12:30

[Sign Up Here To Help!](#)

South Campus Open House is from 11:30-1:30

[Sign Up Here To Help!](#)

OPEN HOUSE TOUR GUIDE TRAINING

We will hold 2 training sessions to help parents gear up for giving tours during the Open House. The first is tonight at the North Campus from 6:00-7:00 pm, immediately preceding the Parents' Club. The second will be on Thursday, January 24th from 6:00-7:00 pm at the South Campus. Parents from each campus can attend either session. You can count this training for Volunteer Hours!

PFGA VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Parents Club is looking for volunteers to assist with many activities that will be taking place at both campuses during Catholic Schools week. We will be hosting our Book Fair, Student Appreciation Lunch, Teacher/Staff Appreciation Lunch and we will have a table at Open House. We are also in need of shoppers for the events.

[Volunteer Opportunities](#)

BIG SHOULDERS FUND SGO SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Even if you received a TCS through Empower Illinois last year, or if you completed Step 1 for the Empower Illinois application this week, you must ALSO submit an application through the Big Shoulders Fund SGO. This will increase your odds of being awarded a scholarship for next year.

On Tuesday, January 22 at 8 am the Big Shoulders Fund SGO will open its application online, which is a one-step process. You must have all of your information ready to input and upload right when you begin at 8 am on January 22nd.

[Watch this video](#) for specific instructions on how to apply for the TCS through the Big Shoulders Fund SGO on Tuesday morning at 8 am. Go to <https://www.bigshouldersfundsgo.org> to learn more.

EMPOWER ILLINOIS STEP 2

If you completed Step 1 of the Empower Illinois application on Tuesday evening, you will be receiving an email on Friday with

link to set up a new log-in and to begin Step 2 of your family's Empower Illinois application.

If you didn't complete Step 1 of the Empower Illinois application, please do so now.

Go to <https://empowerillinois.org>

[Here is a very helpful video with very clear instructions.](#)

SWEETHEART DANCE

Calling all Dads, Grandfathers, Uncles or significant other adult males to escort your little sweetheart to the PFGA Sweetheart Dance. Friday, February 15, 7:00-9:00 pm at the St. Cornelius Church Pacocha Center. You can order corsages and boutonnieres as well. See links below.

[Sweetheart Dance](#)

[Corsages and Boutonnieres](#)

CULVER'S NIGHT OUT FUNDRAISER

Our school's Culver's Night Our Fundraiser (At the 6-corners Culvers!) will be on the Wednesday night of Catholic Schools Week, January 30!

Please help us spread the word and invite your friends!

[Culver's Night Out](#)

PARENTS' CLUB MEETING MINUTES

[November 2018 Minutes](#)

[January 2019 Minutes](#)

SAVE THE DATE! - RACE NIGHT 2019 - SATURDAY, MAY 11TH

One of our most popular events is all set for Saturday, May 11th in the Mason Orchard Auditorium. Start assembling your tables of ten now and don't miss out on this exciting evening of horse racing and fun to benefit our school.

More details to come but make sure to save the date today!

If you have any questions please call John McGrath at 773-616-4281.

We hope to see you in the Winners Circle!

PFGA CHICAGO WOLVES FAMILY NIGHT

Parents' Club is Hosting a Game Night! Join PFGA family and friends for a Chicago Wolves hockey game on Saturday, February 2nd.

[Wolves PFGA Family Night](#)

PARENTS' CLUB JANUARY MEETING

Parents' Club January meeting will take place on Thursday, January 17 in the Mason Orchard Auditorium at North Campus. Join us for social time at 6:30 pm.

Our formal meeting begins at 7 pm. Pizza and drinks to be provided.

Questions? Email parentsclub@pfgacademy.org

December Money Raffle Winners

1st Prize - \$750

Krawczynski Family

2nd Prize - \$200
Vieth Family

3rd Prize - \$100
Anna Caraballo (sold by the Medina Family)

January Money Raffle Winners

1st Prize - \$750
Phil Huckelberry

2nd Prize - \$200
Gabriela Panvino

3rd Prize - \$100
Jackie Toledo



QUEEN OF HEARTS RAFFLE

1st prize this week for a \$50 win is Elizabeth Zajack with the #16 being opened to reveal the Queen of Clubs! Second prize for a \$25 Porretta's gift card goes to Joe McMann and third prize goes to Chris Malores for a Porretta's winter hat! Thank you all for your support of Pope Francis Global Academy!

Numbers already chosen; 1, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 19, 25, 40, 43, 50 and 54.

[Information and Rules](#)

TAX CREDIT OPPORTUNITY FOR DONATIONS INTO THE STATE TAX CREDIT SCHOLARSHIP FUND

- RIGHT NOW, through February 23, there is a very generous 2-for-1 MATCHING GRANT which will TRIPLE the value of your donation! This means that a \$1,000 donation turns into \$3,000 in Tax Credit Scholarships for our Pope Francis students! And, \$750 of that \$1,000 was going to be paid to the state in taxes anyway, so you're really only out \$250 and you have provided \$3,000 in scholarships!
- [HERE](#) IS A VERY HELPFUL VIDEO WITH INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW EXACTLY TO DONATE INTO THE FUND
- And, Jodi Thyen would be happy to sit down with you at the school to walk you through the donation process step-by-step if you would like help setting it up. Email her at jthyen@pfgacademy.org.
- [Matching Gift Program Fact Sheet](#)
- [Matching Gift Program FAQs](#)

PFGA SPORTS NEWS

Technology You Can Use

Looking for new Netflix options?
[Best Documentaries on Netflix](#)

Parish News

UPCOMING PARISH ACTIVITIES

Our Lady of Victory

[Rick Lindy & The Wild Ones Band](#), January 26, 2019 5:30PM
Rick Lindy performs Legendary Jukebox Hits from the 50's & 60's at Our Lady of Victory Parish Hall
[4434 N. Laramie Ave, Chicago IL](#); Dinner and Show \$30.00
For Tickets visit: RickLindyOLV.brownpapertickets.com or call the rectory at 773-286-2950



Our four founding parishes are alive in Christ! There are many activities and special events that our families would surely find helpful and of interest. Please take the time to read through the weekly bulletins of each to see what you might be interested in!

CURRENT BULLETINS

[Our Lady of Victory](#)
[St. Cornelius](#)
[St. Pascal](#)
[St. Tarcissus](#)

Around Town

[Saint Viator High School January Newsletter](#)
[Norwood Park Girls Winter Sports](#)
[Norwood Park Sports - Arts and Darts](#)

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