



SALES TALK

FOR THE PARENTS OF SALESIANUM SCHOOL

MAY 4, 2015

A THOUGHT FROM ST. FRANCIS DE SALES

Friendships begun in this world will be taken up again, never to be broken off.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Fr. Chris Beretta, OSFS – principal@salesianum.org

Dear Parents,

Looking Ahead: Plans for the 2015-2016 School Year: The Parents Association will host their last Town Hall meeting of the school year on Wednesday, May 6 at 7:00 PM in the Lawless Library. At that time, I will give an overview of the major initiatives planned for the 2015-2016 school year and take time for questions. This is an excellent opportunity for me to hear from parents on important issues we face as a school community. I hope that many returning parents will attend. Among the topics for the evening:

- Curriculum Review and New Academic Programs
- New 10-Point Grading Scale
- PSAT/SAT Changes and Salesianum Response
- iPad Progress Report and New Learning Management System
- Service-Learning Program Developments
- The New Director of the Arts Position and the Future of the Arts at Salesianum
- Diversity and Inclusiveness Progress Report

Wednesday and Friday Dismissal Times in May: Wednesday, May 6, will be the final “Wednesday Schedule” of the year. Beginning Friday, May 8, all Fridays in May will resume the long-standing tradition of featuring a PM Assembly Schedule with 1:40 PM dismissal. Please be advised and make a note of this change!

Fr. Chris Beretta, OSFS

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Mr. Jude Szczerba, Dean of Academic Affairs – juszczer@salesianum.org

Brisson Center Parent Survey

On Monday, April 14, parents of students currently enrolled in the Brisson Center were sent a survey via email. Our purpose is to gather important feedback as we continue to evaluate and find ways to improve the academic support services provided to our students. **We ask that parents/guardians of each student in the Brisson Center respond to this brief survey by May 5.** Each family is asked to respond once. This survey does not include students enrolled in the Trinity Program. If you have not received the survey information via email, please email Jude Szczerba at juszczer@salesianum.org. Thank you in advance for providing valuable feedback.

Exam Days

Once again this year, teachers are encouraged to incorporate non-exam components into their final assessment of students. As you may know, the final assessment grade for full year courses comprises 20% of the final grade. Incorporating alternate assessments such as projects, papers, portfolios, and shorter exams takes the emphasis off of the final exam and encourages the demonstration of skills. For seniors and underclassmen, there are exam days listed on the school calendar - <http://goo.gl/qfS5q7>. Dismissal during exam days is typically before noon.

Senior exam days for specific departments are as follows:

Monday, May 18	Religious Studies & Science
Tuesday, May 19	Math & World Languages
Wednesday, May 20	English & US Government

Underclassmen exam days for specific departments are as follows:

Monday, June 1	Social Studies & Math
Tuesday, June 2	Religious Studies & English
Wednesday, June 3	World Languages & Science

Book Buyback

Representatives from Follett Virtual Bookstores will be available on specified exam days to accept used and rented books from students. Students should pay close attention to see which textbooks they will use again next year. As Salesianum transitions to the use of more non-print textbooks in the iPad, fewer textbooks will be bought back by Follett.

Wednesday, May 20

*Senior Book Buyback & Rental Return
Theater Lobby*

Wednesday, June 3

*Book Buyback and Rental Return for All Students
Theater Lobby*

Driver Education at Ursuline

There are a few remaining spaces open in the summer driver education course offered at Ursuline Academy. The course includes 30 hours of classroom instruction along with the required 14 hours of in-the-car driving instruction and observation. You must attend an orientation at Ursuline to choose your driving schedule. View the flyer for additional details - <http://goo.gl/FotoIg>.

AP Exam Dress Guidelines

Students taking AP tests may dress down on the day that you sit for your exam. AP students may wear a polo shirt, khaki style shorts, and tennis or deck shoes. All other dress code guidelines are still in effect, including but not limited to, lanyards worn around your neck with your school ID attached, be clean-shaven, no earrings, and no hats. This dress down privilege is only extended to students taking AP tests on the day of your exam.

STUDENT LIFE

Mr. Mike Gallagher, Dean of Student Life - mgallagh@salesianum.org

Mr. Bill Dinardo, Assistant Principal for Student Discipline - wdinardo@salesianum.org

Mr. Dan Jackman, Director of Student Activities - djackman@salesianum.org

Senior Graduation Tickets

Tickets for graduation will be distributed during the first two weeks of May. Each student is provided with six tickets - two tickets (gold) are floor tickets and four tickets (white) are for the bleachers. Additional floor tickets are not available. If you are in need of additional tickets, students should check in with classmates for tickets. Our accommodations for individuals who may experience difficulty navigating bleachers is limited. Your floor seats provide easy ground level access for guests in addition to the bottom row of the bleachers open for handicap and elderly guests on a first come, first served basis. If you are in need of wheelchair accommodations, please notify us via the online form - <http://goo.gl/xO43cM>.

Graduation and Baccalaureate Parking

Parking on campus for Commencement is limited and parents of seniors are asked to plan ahead to limit the number of vehicles used to travel to campus. Those with state issued handicapped permits will find reserved spaces at the back of school. Additional information will be provided with ticket packets distributed to seniors in the next two weeks.

GUIDANCE

Mr. Will Yarnell, Director of Guidance – [wornell@salesianum.org](mailto:warnell@salesianum.org)

Case Study Program – Sophomores and Juniors

Salesianum will host the third Case Study Program on May 18 for sophomores and junior students with their parents. The case study will bring 30 different college representatives to campus with mock admission committees. Registration for the program will begin at 6:00 PM and will conclude with a mini college fair. Register online at <http://goo.gl/k0pZRI>. Contact the Guidance Office with any questions at rcorreale@salesianum.org.

Seniors Parents

As soon as your son decides on which college he will be attending, please have him notify all schools to which he was offered admission but will not be attending. Have him express via email to each admissions office that he is thankful for the offer of admission but will decline. This will open up spots for students on the wait list. Please ensure that your son has completed the Graduation Survey as this is how we identify college acceptance and scholarships during graduation. This should be completed as soon as soon as possible.

PARENTS ASSOCIATION

Mrs. Lee Anne Cassidy, SPA President – salespa@salesianum.org

Senior Parent Cocktail Reception

Senior parents are invited to a cocktail reception hosted by the Parent's Association on Thursday, May 14, 7:00-10:00 PM in Centenary Hall. Invitations have been sent. If you have questions, contact Jill Gruskiewicz at jillg2@me.com.

Thank You!

Our thanks to the parent's association for your support of the faculty and staff throughout the school year, including the most recent celebration of National Teacher Appreciation Day. The parent's association works in a variety of ways throughout the school year to support the educational mission of the school. To learn more about becoming a part of the SPA, email Jill Gruskiewicz at jillg2@me.com.

Parent Association Town Hall

The SPA will host their last Town Hall meeting of the school year on Wednesday, May 6 at 7:00 PM in the Lawless Library. Join Fr. Beretta as he discusses the upcoming school year and much more.

SPA Treasurer Needed

Are you good with numbers, do you like handling money, or are you simply interested in helping the Parents Association in providing social and appreciation events throughout the school year? If so, we would love to have you join the Salesianum Parents Association Officers as the Treasurer. We have been blessed to have Marlene Santacecilia as Treasurer for 4 years, who has done an exceptional job and set up an organized system for managing funds for Parents Association. We now need your help in filling this slot for the next school year. Please contact Lee Anne Cassidy (laccassidy@comcast.net) for additional details if you are interested in this opportunity.

Four-Week Club Winners

Congratulations to the winners of the Four-Week Club Raffle. Ticket returns will be accepted through May 7 with the final drawing on May 8. Tickets can be dropped off with Mrs. Facciolo in the print shop during the school day.

WEEK 3 WINNERS

Mrs. Michelle Miller - \$1,000

Mrs. Susan Tulibacki - \$500

Mr. Mark Hicken - \$250

Mr. Matt Walz - \$100

NURSE

Mrs. Suzanne Mansi, School Nurse– smansi@salesianum.org

A physical exam and proof of immunizations are required for all incoming freshmen and transfer students (athletes and non-athletes). These physicals must be completed after April 1, 2015 and are due to the nurse's office by August 1. Freshman families will receive these physical forms on Freshman Orientation night on Wednesday, May 20, 2015.

For all students who participate in athletics, sports physicals must be completed after April 1, 2015 and will be effective for the entire 2015-16 school year. Remember, a physical exam is required for any student playing a sport prior to that sport's season start. In order to avoid any difficulties with getting the physicals completed on time, please call your physician now to schedule your appointment before the summer slots are full. The physical form can be found on the Salesianum athletics webpage or via the following link - <http://goo.gl/28WuZy>.

If you have a change of emergency contact information (home, work or cell phone numbers), if your son has a change in health status, medication or has had surgery over the summer months, please e-mail the School Nurse at smansi@salesianum.org.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Fr. Mike Vogt, OSFS, Pastoral Care Coordinator – mvogt@salesianum.org

FOR HEALTH, HEALING AND WELL-BEING:

- Chris White '17
- Trevor McCormick '14
- Ben Phillips '15, a senior at St. Mark's
- Greg Hanson, father of senior Kyle Hanson
- Marlene Hylak, grandmother of Ben and Blaise Hylak
- James Mulvena '62, uncle of Mr. Jude and Dr. Joe Szczerba
- Michele Marie Lauer Kenvin, Ursuline Academy Class of '90

FOR ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED:

- Thomas J. Grenda, father of Thomas '71 and Randy '73 and grandfather of Tyler '02, Dane '04, and Brad '04
- Mildred Hooker, grandmother of Ben and Blaise Hylak
- Robert E. Newell '54
- **And for all the names listed in the Book of Remembrance kept in the school chapel.**

SALESIANUM SCHOOL WEEKLY CALENDAR

Week of May 4 - 10

<p>Monday May 4</p>	<p><u>D-DAY: REGULAR SCHEDULE</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ AP Chemistry, Psychology, and Environmental Science Exams
<p>Tuesday May 5</p>	<p><u>E-DAY: REGULAR SCHEDULE</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ AP Calculus AB, Calculus BC Exams ▪ Tennis at Archmere, 3:45 PM ▪ Varsity Baseball vs. Charter, 4:00 PM ▪ Varsity Rugby at MAVRC Semifinals, 5:00 PM ▪ Varsity Volleyball at Dickinson, 6:00 PM
<p>Wednesday May 6</p>	<p><u>F-DAY: WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ AP English Literature, Physics B – part 1 Exams ▪ Faculty Meeting, 2:00 PM – Last Wednesday Schedule ▪ Golf at Washington Township, 3:45 PM ▪ Parent Association Town Hall Meeting – “Looking Ahead: Plans for the 2015-2016 School Year,” with Fr. Beretta
<p>Thursday May 7</p>	<p><u>G-DAY: REGULAR SCHEDULE</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ AP Computer Science, Spanish Language, Physics B – part II Exams ▪ Employee Recognition Dinner ▪ Golf at St. Mark’s, 3:15 PM Newark Country Club ▪ Tennis at Tatnall, 3:45 PM ▪ Varsity Volleyball at DMA, 4:00 PM ▪ Varsity Baseball at St. Mark’s, 7:00 PM, Frawley Stadium
<p>Friday May 8</p>	<p><u>A-DAY: PM ASSEMBLY SCHEDULE</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 1:40 PM Dismissal ▪ AP US History, European History, German Art Portfolio Exams ▪ Varsity Rugby at MAVRC Finals – 5:00 PM
<p>Saturday May 9</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Varsity Lacrosse at Kennett, 10:30 AM ▪ Varsity Baseball at Smyrna, 12:00 PM ▪ Tennis at St. Andrew’s School, 1:00 PM ▪ Varsity Volleyball vs. Charter, 1:30 PM, Birkenheuer Gym ▪ Varsity Rugby at Delaware 7’s State Tournament, 5:00 PM, Archmere
<p>Sunday May 10</p>	

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Week of May 11 - 17

<p>Monday May 11</p>	<p><u>B-DAY: REGULAR SCHEDULE</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ AP Biology, Physics C ▪ Tennis at St. Mark's, 3:45 PM 	
<p>Tuesday May 12</p>	<p><u>C-DAY: REGULAR SCHEDULE</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ AP US Government, French Language ▪ Varsity Baseball vs. St. Elizabeth, 4:00 PM 	
<p>Wednesday May 13</p>	<p><u>D-DAY: REGULAR SCHEDULE</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ AP English Language, Statistics ▪ Golf vs. William Penn, 3:00 PM ▪ Varsity Volleyball vs. DMA, 4:30 PM 	
<p>Thursday May 14</p>	<p><u>E-DAY: REGULAR SCHEDULE</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ AP World History, Macroeconomics ▪ Senior Parent Reception, 7:00 PM, Centenary Hall ▪ Golf vs. Tatnall School, 3:30 PM ▪ Varsity Baseball at Sanford School, 4:15 PM ▪ Varsity Lacrosse vs. Caesar Rodney, 5:30 PM 	
<p>Friday May 15</p>	<p><u>F-DAY: PM ASSEMBLY SCHEDULE</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 1:40 PM Dismissal ▪ AP Microeconomics, Human Geography ▪ Freshman/Sophomore Semi-Formal, 7:30 PM, Centenary Hall ▪ Volleyball Quarter Finals 	
<p>Saturday May 16</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Varsity Rugby Suaru 7's Tournament ▪ Varsity Baseball vs. Indian River, 1:00 PM 	
<p>Sunday May 17</p>		
<p>Looking Ahead...</p>	<p>Mon, May 18 Mon, May 18 Wed, May 20 Thurs, May 21</p>	<p>College Admissions "Case Study" Night Senior Exams Begin Class of 2019 New Family and Student Orientation One Acts</p>