



# Saint Katharine Drexel Preparatory School

*"Continuing the Drexel Dream since 1915"*

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***"His lord said unto him well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things; enter thou into the joy of thy lord."*** (Matthew 25:21)

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Dear Parents,

As the school year comes to a close, we acknowledge God's goodness, His grace, mercy, and favor that have always been present in our community. Special recognition goes to the class of 2019; our seniors have done an excellent job in pursuing college admissions and scholarships. The graduating class has amassed millions of dollars in scholarships, and 98% of the seniors have received acceptances from the universities of their choice. Senior Parents, we will miss you and your wonderful daughters. As our seniors embark on their incredible journeys, we will certainly keep them in our prayers.

Returning Parents, we look forward to seeing you again at St. Katharine Drexel Prep next year! We hope you found it helpful to connect with the Gulf Coast Bank representatives who were on campus on **April 29<sup>th</sup>** to assist you during Bank Day. We are fortunate to have the bank's support throughout the registration process. Please keep in mind that your daughter's registration can now be paid online by going to the SKDP website and clicking on the **Gulf Coast Bank Tuition Assistance Access Portal**. You may also call the Finance Office at the school for additional help.

**All tuition and fees must be paid before Final Examinations are taken.** Seniors and 8th-grade students will not be allowed to participate in graduation or promotional exercises if tuition and/or fees are not paid in full.

We would like to thank you, once again, for a tremendous school year! Working together, we have achieved much. We have successfully moved standardized test scores in a positive direction. Because of impressive increases in ACT scores, more seniors are receiving scholarship offers from multiple colleges. Several of our FBLA students participated in the State Competition, and our Trial Advocacy students won 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the Mock Trial Competition. The Robotics Team placed 3<sup>rd</sup> among 45 participants in a recent city-wide competition at SUNO. Jacinta Bacot and Dajalone Freeman each earned Bronze Medals in the National Spanish Examination. Our Basketball Team advanced to the Semi-Finals, the Softball and Volleyball Teams both made it to the playoffs, and the Track Team captured the State Championship (Indoor), as well as the District and Regional Championships (Outdoor).

Finally, we would like to recognize each student for the hard work and commitment that each has demonstrated this year. At times, it may have seemed that we had taken the fun out of school as we pushed students to constantly dig deeper to complete each task, homework assignment, test, or quiz. In hindsight, however, it was worth the struggle because we were able to improve student achievement and raise the academic standards at our school. Kudos to the teachers for their hard work and dedication. Special recognition goes to Mrs. Riley for being acknowledged as an "Outstanding Teacher" during the AdvancEd Review. We are proud to predict that the "Prep" is well on its way to amazing accomplishments and recognition in the near future. Get Ready, New Orleans!

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