



SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES
DECEMBER 19, 2019
St. James the Apostle Catholic School

St. James the Apostle Catholic School is a Christ-centered community where children can grow in faith, values of service and academic excellence.

Members Present: Christine Aguilera, Debra Harrison, Thelma Campa, Jessica Garcia, Raul Espinoza, , Sr. Debbie Walker, Dr. Jennifer Grenardo, Eddie Molina, Angela Ruiz , Brenda Pina
Matthew Navarrez, Mona Lopez, Hector Perez,
PTC Representative: Giovanni Ontiveros

Approval of Minutes

General Reports

Principal's Report – See below

- PTC Report
 - Family Mass Breakfast Sales: March 22nd , 8th Grade Breakfast on Jan. 26th
 - PTC restaurant fundraiser:
 - Raising Cane FUNdraiser – raised \$208
 - Panda Express FUNdraiser- raised \$194
 - UrbaN Air FUNdraiser- raised \$190
 - Willie's Icehouse FUNdraiser raised \$259.00
 - Parent's Night Out Dec.6th -SJS students only- CANCELLED DUE TO LOW REGISTRATION
 - Dec 6th – Pictures with Santa raised \$885.00
 - Dec 13th- Candy Grams \$602.00
 - Jan 31st- Cowboy Breakfast
- Parish Report
- St. James received donation of \$100,000.00
- Our goal \$507,000.00
- Salesian Family Day Saturday January 11th @ St. John Bosco 9am-4pm
 - Lives of our Sisters- Focus
 - Winners announced on Letters of “How My Family is Salesian”
 - 24 winners from St. James 1st-8th grade
 - Mass at 11am followed by lunch, games & a concert

Old Business

- Catholic Schools Week Jan 27-31
- Motion to increase service hours from 20 to 25
Motion- Matthew Navarrez
2nd – Thelma Campa
- 2019-2020 SJS Tuition & Fees
 1. Tuition will NOT increase for the 2019-2020 school year
 2. Early bird registration begins Jan 22-Feb 22
 3. HFF Tuition assistance enrollment begins Jan 6 - Feb 22
(applicants allowed to use 2018 tax returns)

4. 5 hours for early bird registration-Fall/5 hours for HFF application-Spring
5. Proposal: ALL families encouraged to apply for HFF tuition assistance & will receive 5 service hours

New Business

- *School Climate Survey- Will be sent out at the end of February to be done by Spring Break
- *Khaki & Plaid February 1,2020
 - Theme : Once Upon Time
 - Each school to donate prize for silent auction
 - St James won 1st place last 2 years; this year SJS will give open book with gift cards-Due Jan14

Next meeting – Thurs. January 23,2020

Closing Prayer

A Council Member's Prayer

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

Before we begin our meeting, let us take a moment to thank the Lord for this opportunity to be here, working together toward the common goal of enriching Catholic education.

Guide us, Lord, so that we may unite in the spirit of mutual respect and exchange of ideas and goals , not as individuals entities, but as Catholic community we strive to be.

In our discussion here today, let us not forget for whom we do this: our school and our students.

As always, we seek your guidance and inspiration in all our thoughts and decisions. Dear Lord, we pray that this will be a productive and successful meeting.

Through Christ our Lord, Amen.



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Ten Ways to Love
ANSWER
without arguing



"Better a dry crust with peace and quiet than a house full of feasting, with strife." Proverbs 17:1

#Holiness for You Too
December

Completed by: Dr. Jennifer Grenardo, Ed.D.

Enrollment: 322 students

Our Salesian Family:

- Ms. Veronica who works in the cafeteria will be transferred to Central Catholic – we will miss her! Her last day is Wed., Dec. 18th.
- Ms. Victoria will be leaving us after Christmas break for health reasons – we will miss her!
- We welcome Ms. Stephanie Marquez to third grade who will officially start on Jan. 6th.

Educating the Whole Child:

- Polar Express – Pre-K 3 – 3rd
- Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass
- 4th Grade Field Trip to Magik Theater to see Charlie Brown with lunch at the Rainforest Café
- Faculty and Staff Advent Retreat
- Basketball teams in season
- Middle school mid-term exams
- Advent Service Projects – 3rd grade visited El Jardin
- Christmas play – St. John Bosco promoted art, drama, music
- 3rd Quarter Middle School Electives: Sports History, CAAC, Robotics, Student Council, Around the World
- Sing@theCross – 1st grade will perform “Seek Ye First” @ 9 am at Antonian High School on Sat., Jan. 11th
- Thank you to Mr. Hector Perez for donating white boards and Mr. Garcia for assisting with the installation of the white boards.
- Secured Grants for 2019-2020:
 - Swim Safety Training for Pre-K 3 and Pre-K 4 in February
 - Outdoor Learning Center and HighScope
 - Pre-K 3 and Pre-K 4 teachers will attend five sessions of professional development this fall to learn about the HighScope curriculum
 - Dr. Grenardo attended CLASS Observation Training
 - Received proposed design for new ELC playground
 - First Lego League Robotics Program – middle school students will compete in the Spring
 - Pre-K for SA Grant – composing RFP: salaries, funding for phase II of Nature Explorer plan, HighScope training for aides, teacher wish list, CLASS Training for teachers
- 8th graders took the HSPT on Sat., Dec. 14th
- Holy Cross Catholic High School will visit on Thurs., Jan. 16th
- Middle School History Fair: Breaking Barriers
- Pray the Rosary with the Sisters – 3rd Monday of each month at 4 pm in the convent
- Title I services were expected to begin the first week of December. However, they are still in the process of hiring teachers.
- Dr. Cavazos, curriculum specialist, assists teachers with curriculum and instruction through Title funds
- NWEA Testing – Jan. 6th – 24th

Events:

- Fri., Dec. 20th - No Mass, Christmas Play Rehearsal all day at theater for all students - Bring a sack lunch, No after-school care, Christmas Program @ 6:30 pm
- Dec. 23 – Jan. 3 Christmas Vacation
- Mon., Jan. 6th – School resumes
- Thurs., Jan. 9th – Pre-K 3 – 3rd Grade Awards Assembly after Morning Assembly

- Fri., Jan. 10th – Report cards emailed to parents
- Sat., Jan. 11th @ 9 am at Antonian High School - Sing@theCross – 1st Grade will perform “Seek Ye First”
- Sat., Jan. 11th @ St. John Bosco 9 am – 4pm - Salesian Family Day
 - Essay contest winners will be recognized
- Wed., Jan. 15th – 8th Grade PSAT
- Thurs., Jan. 16th - MS History Fair Projects DUE
 - Holy Cross Visits 8th @ 11 am
 - SAC @ 6pm
 - Parent Sacramental Prep. Mtg. @ 7 pm
- Tues., Jan. 21st - PTC General Meeting @ 6pm and 6th-8th History Fair
- Wed., Jan. 22nd @ 8:15 am - 4th-8th Spelling Bee



Catholic Schools Week

- Sun., Jan. 26th – Family Mass @ 10 am and 8th Grade Breakfast Sale in gym after all Masses.
- Mon., Jan. 27th - TBD
- Tues., Jan. 28th – Grandparents Day @ 2 pm – Performance and Gift
 - Each grade/class will perform a piece for our grandparents in the gym – song, poem, prayer, skit. Classes will be called in reverse order starting with 8th and ending with Pre-K 3. Enter, perform, return to class. PTC will have cookies and punch for grandparents to enjoy throughout the show. At 3:25 pm, grandparents will be allowed to enter the courtyard to see their children near their classes. Students will be all packed up holding their homemade gift to present to their grandparent. At 3:30 pm, grandparents/parents can take their children home.
- Wed., Jan. 29th – Salesian Youth Day – All middle school students will go to St. John Bosco for a retreat with our other two Salesian schools.
- Thurs., Jan. 30th – Mass & Field Day – Coach Uranga will organize with volunteers.
- Fri., Jan. 31st – Cowboy Breakfast @ 6am – 8am – Students will be dismissed to class, no morning assembly. This is a PTC fundraiser for 8th grade scholarships.
 - Cowboy Day – horse, hay rides
 - Faculty vs. 8th Volleyball Game and Cheer Performances @ 2pm in gym
- Sat., Feb. 1st – Khaki & Plaid Gala

Maintenance:

- Mr. Siller will also be repairing potholes in our parking lots.
- Need new electrical panel for ELC
- CYO and our school repaired lights in the gym over Thanksgiving Vacation.
- The recycling company dented playground fence. Investigating repair process.

Policy:

Dress Code

- No undergarments should be visible
- Long-sleeved, white, non-shiny undershirts may be worn under the school uniform.
- Girls may wear navy blue or black plain, tights/leggings under skirts/dresses.

Parent-Parent & Parent-Other Student Conduct/Communication Policy
Tuition for 2020-2021

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SHARE
without pretending



“Speak the truth in love.”
Ephesians 4:15

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January