

Principal's Message

Welcome Back, WolfPack!

This week was full of celebration, community, with a key focus on getting right into our academics. Starting on Monday, the WolfPack held a rally to hear the State of Saint Joe's and welcome the newest members of the WolfPack. We held a tie ceremony on Tuesday where we recited the Saint Joseph's Student Creed together. We also reflected on the holy dignity and mindfulness present in our uniform code, and a daily reminder of our values and pillars.

We are appreciative of Deacon Dave Lapinski for leading us in a communion service on Wednesday. He remarked that he had "known many of our students since their baptism" and was honored to help us gather in prayer on the first week.

We rounded out the week with our Leadership Pillar Day, a day focused on igniting excitement and responsibility in each member of our community to foster a positive student culture. Each member of SJCA is a leader: every faculty, staff, student. It's on all of us to make this year a success!

Keep praying for us, and I hope to see many of you at the soccer and volleyball home games this week!

Peace be with you,
Principal Anna Rupprecht



Incoming students took a test to be placed in their Houses during New Student Orientation, led by faculty member Chad Walsh's mother, who created the "Animal in You" personality sorting. Students are placed into a House based on each of the St. Joe's four pillars: Beckett, De La Salle, Francis, and More, representing faith, scholarship, leadership, and service, respectively.

Sports Recap



Golf

The golf team played two matches this week and won both, starting off the year strong. **Sophomore Maddie Koshko shot 1-under on the course to finish with a 70**, and Olivia Koshko, Jacob Andreyo, and Luke Duckworth rounded out the team with 85, 87, and 94 respectively.



Soccer

This weekend, the soccer team went to 2-0 in a preseason scrimmage tournament, **winning against Bishop Guilfoyle and Punxsutawney, 1-0 and 3-0 respectively**. Their first regular season game is at home on Tuesday at 4pm.



Volleyball

The girl's volleyball team participated in the Rally in the Valley tournament this past weekend, playing against teams in the area and **making it to the Silver bracket**. The tournament was a nice warm-up to the preseason, and they kick off Monday at home vs Williamsburg at 6:30pm!

Sports This Week



Volleyball

8/26 **HOME** vs Williamsburg
 8/27 **HOME** vs Moshannon Valley
 8/29 @ Sugar Valley Rural



Golf

8/27 @ Lykens Valley (TVAA Match)
 8/29 HOME @ Mountain View (TVAA Match)



Soccer

8/26 **HOME** vs Juniata
 8/28 **HOME** vs Millersburg



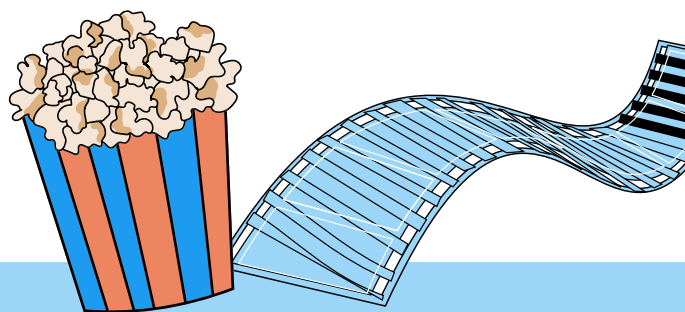
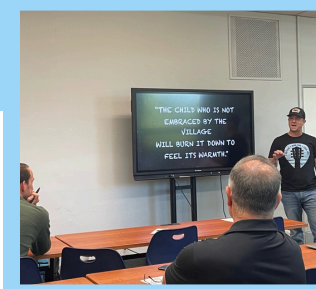
First Week Recap

Leadership Pillar Day

During Leadership Day, speaker Phil P.C. Campbell gave an inspiring speech about thinking outside the box and believing in yourself. Students had breakout sessions with faculty and ended the day with House icebreaker competitions.

Movie Night

To kick off the new school year, the St. Joseph's students gathered this past Friday for their annual movie night! The theme was "Superheroes Watching Superheroes," with people dressing as their favorite superheroes, while watching Avengers: Infinity War.



Weekly Lunch Menu

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
Soft Pretzels Soup: Chicken Noodle/ Cheesy Broccoli Salad Bar	Hamburgers French Fries Baked Beans Salad Bar	Pasta with Marinara/ Alfredo Garlic Bread Salad Bar	Hot Dog Bar Tater Tots Salad Bar	Meatball Subs Pasta Salad Chips Ice Cream Cups



Get the Yearbook at a early-bird discount!

Students can get the 2024-25 yearbook from Josten's at an Early Bird price of \$60 and get 4 free personal icons! Scan the QR code to purchase.



Looking ahead to September!

September 2nd - Labor Day, **No School**

Back to School Night

September 5th

Stop by at Back to School Night on Thursday, September 5th at 6PM! Join the St. Joseph's community to meet your student's teachers and see some of their work on display!

Parent-Teacher Conferences

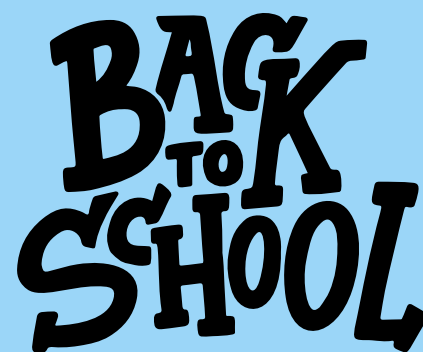
September 16th

Monday, September 16th will be a **virtual day** due to parent-teacher conferences. Chat with our faculty about how your student has adjusted to the first few weeks of school, and take this opportunity to ask any questions you have about their performance and goals this year.

St. Joseph's First Annual College Fair

September 27th, 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Come stop by St. Joseph's First Annual College Fair! This event aims to provide students and families with valuable information about the various college and university options available to them. Learn more about the admission process, campus life, and financial aid opportunities from college admissions representatives!



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