# Weekly Update September 1, 2024

## **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



**Volleyball is currently undefeated, off to a 3-0 start** after beating Williamsburg,
Moshannon Valley, and Sugar Valley this
week. As they start TVAA play



## **Congratulations to the 2024-25 House Council Board!**

Abby Ridenour - President Brynn Wright - Vice President Leah Ridenour - Secretary Ashley Laskowki - PR Coordinator

### **Knights of Columbus Silver Rose**

Each year, from early March through mid-December, Silver Roses are stewarded by Knights of Columbus councils. Every stop the Silver Rose makes throughout the pilgrimage is a rosary-centered occasion for Knights, parishioners and community members. This past Tuesday at Chapel, Mr. Tim Robbins and Dr. Marty Mazur (a Knights of Columbus member himself), led the students and faculty in a rosary.





## Join us for Back to School Night!

September 5th, 6:30-8pm

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



# **Sports Recap**



#### **Golf**

SJCA has played 16 opponents in 7 matches, going 13-3. Sophomore Maddie Koshko has won all 7 matches individually. The Wolfpack is 9-0 in the conference at the top of the table, playing a TVAA match at Newport on Tuesday.



### **Volleyball**

After 2 dominant performances at home, volleyball traveled to Sugar Valley and swept them in 3 sets, propelling the Wolfpack to the top spot in the TVAA rankings with a 3-0 start. The Wolfpack has won 9 of 10 sets and plays Upper Dauphin away on Tuesday.



#### Soccer

After going 2-0 in preseason play, soccer had a tough first week against Juniata and Millersburg. They play at Greenwood on Wednesday.



### **Cross Country**

Freshmen Sean DePlato and Leah Wright placed 6th and 10th respectively at Big Valley Invitational on Saturday. Saturday's meet was the first of the season, and TVAA kickoff starts Wednesday, with the girls team hoping to defend their back-to-back title again this year.

# **Sports This Week**



### **Volleyball**

9/3 @ Upper Dauphin 9/5 @ East Juniata



#### Golf

9/3 @ Newport (TVAA Match)
9/6 @ Sugar Valley/Jersey Shore (9 holes)



#### Soccer

9/4 @ Greenwood



### **Cross Country**

9/4 @ East Juniata (TVAA Meet)



# Get the Yearbook at a earlybird 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!**

## **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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