

The Jacket Buzz....

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What's New

Principal's Comments

St. Anthony Catholic High School is pleased to announce the launch of our new and improved website! Whether you log on to read the latest news, check the school and athletic schedules, learn more about our mission, or just want to browse around we encourage you to visit us

at www.sachs.org and let us know what you think about our new look! Please note that all faculty and administrators contact information is located on the school website along with all forms for field trips, community service, liability waivers and much more. We are very happy with our new website and hope that you will be too.

Adopt-A-Needy Family

Please continue to send in donations for our Adopt a Needy Family initiative. The deadline to turn in items is tomorrow so that we can get a count of items we still need; however, if you plan to bring in a donation later in the week, please let Mr. Martinez know so that he can account for it. This is an excellent opportunity to make a real difference in the lives of several families in need. Please see Mr. Calderon and Mr. Martinez if you have any questions.

Diaper Drive

Please support the Get Real Club in their endeavor to provide diapers to pregnant mothers in need this Christmas season. You may drop off your diaper donation to Mr. Leon from now through December 16.

Feast Day

This Thursday is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. We are proud to announce that Bishop Cantu will be celebrating mass with us. Please feel free to join us for this special mass.

Community Liturgy & Christmas Social

Join us this Sunday, December 11 for our December Community Liturgy followed by our annual Christmas Social. Mass begins at 10:30am immediately followed by food and fellowship in the gym. We will also have a Christmas production performed by the Theatre classes that you are sure to enjoy!

Chapel Fundraiser

We are sponsoring a Christmas Poinsettia Sale again this year to benefit the SACHS Chapel Fund. We are selling 6" red, white or pink poinsettia's with a gold pot cover for \$10. Deadline to order is December 2 and the plants will be delivered Friday, December 9. You can pick them up that afternoon or after the Community Liturgy on Sunday, December 11. These are beautiful plants that you can order for yourself, as gifts, or donate them to the Chapel to help decorate it for the Christmas season (be sure to include your Special Intention with your order). Please contact Kathy Bergkamp at 509-8584 or kbergkamp777@hotmail.com to place your advance order. Thank you for supporting the SACHS Chapel!

Don't Forget ...

Athletics

This is a busy time for athletics. The swim team continues to practice and compete while the basketball and soccer teams join the mix. Please make time to support the teams by watching practice or coming out to a game. As always your presence means so much to our students. All athletic schedules will be posted on our new website soon.

Student Activities

For the past couple of weeks in chapel we have been reminding students that they must be involved in at least two sports/clubs/activities. Please help get your child involved by asking them what they plan on doing this year. We will continue to make a formal push to get students signed up for a sport/club/organization.

SACHS Yearbooks

The yearbooks have arrived! If you pre-ordered a yearbook, please see Mr. Weil to pick it up. Students who did not pre-order and would like to purchase a yearbook may do so. The cost is \$55. For more information, please contact Mr. Weil at weil@uiwtx.edu.

Jacket Shout-Outs!

Jacket Jewel Dance Team

Congratulations to our Dance Team which participated in the Showmakers of America Dance Workshop on Saturday, December 3. Victoria Aguilera received a blue ribbon in the lyrical routine and Christina Prieto received a blue ribbon in the hiphop routine. All of the girls did well and learned new routines. Great job ladies!

HSPT

Thank you to all who assisted the Enrollment Office this past Saturday. We hosted the HSPT and are proud to announce that we tested 84 potential freshmen. This is a vast improvement over last year's exam. Please continue to spread a good word about our great school!

DOS' Declarations

Winter Wear

As cooler weather approaches, please be reminded of the dress code and approved undergarment and jacket wear.

- **Jackets/Sweaters:** Students may wear St. Anthony letterman jackets, or any St. Anthony jacket or sweater purchased at Dennis Uniforms. No other types of jackets are allowed, including hooded sweatshirts (hoodies). Uniform jackets should not have any inappropriate writing, pictures, insignias, etc. Non-uniform outerwear will be confiscated and kept until May. All students are required to wear a St. Anthony uniform shirt underneath their sweater or pull-over jackets.
- **Leg Wear:** Females may wear solid garnet, gray or white tights. Flesh-colored nylons may only be worn with school approved socks (knee-high socks must be solid garnet, gray or white). Leggings, long-johns, patterned socks, and knee-high hosiery with skirts is not permitted.
- **Undershirts:** If short sleeve undershirts are worn, they must be white. A student may not wear a long sleeve undershirt under the short sleeve school shirt. Undershirts must be plain white and absent of any screen print. If undershirt length is longer than the school-approved blouse or shirt, it is to be tucked in to the skirt or pants.

Spirit Dress

We have had quite a few Spirit Dress days since school started and there are more to come. Please remind your child(ren) to dress in appropriate Spirit Dress attire (clean tennis shoes, well-fitting, clean (non-hole) jeans, and a t-shirt that supports SACHS academics, athletics or clubs) on these days. Also, the benefit of Spirit Dress Days is for a SACHS club or organization to raise money to support their mission. Let's remember to support all SACHS clubs and organizations by donating \$1 if you choose to dress in Spirit Dress, as these mini-fundraisers are for the betterment of our students. Students found to consistently be in Spirit Dress without donating \$1, or found violating the Spirit Dress code, will lose the privilege and may be assigned to after-school detention.

Safety First

Our campus wide security cameras are now completely functional. Cameras are positioned outside to monitor our exits and entries. There are also cameras in the cafeteria and the foyer. Rest assured that this system is in place for our protection and security. Our gates are also being closed nightly about 9pm and they reopen at approximately 5am. If you should have any questions or concerns, please let Mr. Escobedo know.

Counselors' Corner

College Tour

Ms. Alaniz is organizing a Spring Break College Tour that is scheduled for March 11-14, 2012. Colleges to be visited are Harvard, MIT, Boston College, Yale, Brown, Columbia, and NYU. The cost of the trip is between \$1195 and \$1325 and includes round-trip airfare, 2 meals a day, lodging, transportation in Boston and New York, and some of the entertainment fees. Please contact Ms. Alaniz at 832-5613 for more information.

Save the Date

College Readiness

The College Readiness Day has been rescheduled from November 12 to February 4, 2012. Ms. Alaniz will be sending out more information regarding the change and the day's events. This event is required for all Junior students and their parents. For more information, please contact Ms. Alaniz at 832-5613.

A Taste of St. Anthony

This year the PTC is hosting "A Taste of St. Anthony." This is a Mardi Gras style gala that is sure to please. Mark your calendar for February 19 at La Villita Assembly Hall from 4pm to 10pm. More details to come.

Spring Break Trip

Students interested in going to Spain/Portugal for Spring Break 2012, please contact Ms. Torres at torresl@uiwtx.edu for more information.

Upcoming Events

December 6: Adopt a Needy Family donations due

December 8: Liturgy - Feast of the Immaculate Conception

December 9: Advisory Schedule - AANF Gift Wrapping
December 11: Community Liturgy & Christmas Social
Dec. 13-15: Final Exams - Noon Dismissal
December 16: Conflict/Make-Up Exam Day - Noon Dismissal
Dec. 17-Jan. 2: Christmas Holidays
January 2: Teacher Workday
January 3: Students return/2nd Semester begins