

## ***The Jacket Buzz....***

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## ***What's New***

### **Principal's Comments**

I hope that everyone enjoyed the Thanksgiving holiday. Before you know it Christmas will be upon us. There are only two academic weeks remaining before our exam week. Teachers, students, and

parents, please continue to outreach and communicate with each other regarding your classes. Your efforts go a long way.

### **Adopt-A-Needy Family**

On Monday we will be on Advisory schedule to accommodate Adopt a Needy Family initiative. 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.

### **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](mailto: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 soon.

- November 29 Boys Basketball vs. School of Excellence
- November 29 Girls Basketball @ Harlandale
- November 29 Boys Soccer vs. St. Michael
- November 30 Girls Soccer @ St. Michael
- December 1 Boys Basketball Tournament @ Corpus Christi
- December 2 Swimming @ TISCA meet
- December 2 Boys Basketball @ Corpus Christi Tournament
- December 2 Girls Basketball @ Edgewood Tournament
- December 2 Girls Soccer vs. St. Mary's Hall @ UIW
- December 2 Boys Soccer @ St. Mary's Hall
- December 3 Swimming @ TISCA meet.
- December 3 Boys Basketball @ Corpus Christi Tournament
- December 3 Girls Basketball @ Edgewood Tournament
- December 3 Boys Soccer St. A Tournament

### **St. Anthony Halo Ring**

The Class of 2013 is offering a St Anthony pride Halo ring. The ring can be an option for a graduation ring, it can be an Alumni ring or simply a St Anthony CHS supporter ring. The ring is \$150 and is sterling silver. There is an option to have the year and a name or initials put on the

sides of the ring for an additional \$30. If you are interested in purchasing a St. Anthony Halo ring, please contact Eydie Villalpando at 854-7750 or [eydiehv@yahoo.com](mailto:eydiehv@yahoo.com).

### **Class of 2013 T-shirts**

Juniors and Junior parents, show your spirit and purchase a Class of 2013 t-shirt. All sizes are available from Youth XL, Adult Small through Adult XL for only \$10, 2XL is available for only \$12. Please contact Sylvia Leon at [sleon84@att.net](mailto:sleon84@att.net) or 241-1029 to make arrangements to purchase your Junior Class t-shirt!

### **Young Oblates**

The Young Oblates will be ministering to the homeless on December 3. They are requesting donations of new socks. Also they are looking for duffel bags, blankets, toiletries, and backpacks. These items do not need to be new (just the toiletries). Please call Mrs. Leal at 832-5611 if you have questions. Donations can be dropped off before Saturday (please label your items for Young Oblates) or delivered Saturday morning before the bus leaves at 9:00am. Thank you to all for your help.

### **Booster Club Winter Program**

The St. Anthony Athletic Booster club will be sponsoring a "Winter Sport Program." Don't miss the opportunity to show your support for your son or daughter. If you would like to purchase an ad in the program, please complete and return the attached form. The deadline is December 2. For more information, please contact Coach Salas at [rرسالas@uiwtx.edu](mailto:rرسالas@uiwtx.edu) or 832-5620.

### **Senior Exemptions**

Per the Student Handbook (Sec. 5.23), "Seniors with a class average of 95 or higher in a subject and no unexcused tardies or absences may ask their teacher for an exam waiver to be exempt. Behavior is also reviewed by the Director of Students for exemption." Please review your child's attendance record in RenWeb. If your child is seeking exemption, any unexcused tardies or absences for the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter must be cleared by December 1. Only written notes will be accepted and they must be submitted to the Attendance office.

### **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](mailto:weil@uiwtx.edu).

## ***Jacket Shout-Outs!***

### **Reconciliation**

I would like to thank the Campus Ministry team lead by Ms. Cortez and assisted by Mr. Martinez for hosting our reconciliation opportunity last week. Upwards of 150 students participated in the sacrament. I understand that whenever we release students from class it interrupts the academic day, thank you for understanding that opportunities such as these are vital to our Catholic identity.

### **PTC Thanksgiving Lunch**

A BIG THANK YOU goes out to the PTC for graciously funding our annual student and staff thanksgiving lunch last week. All students and staff enjoyed an early thanksgiving meal of turkey with dressing, ham, string beans, mashed potatoes, and pumpkin or apple pie.

### **Jazz Band**

Last week the Jazz Band appeared on Channel 4 WOAI during the *San Antonio Living* program. Log on to [www.woai.com](http://www.woai.com) and click on "SA Living." Under "Watch Living" use the arrows to scroll for the "Light the Way" video. The video discusses UIW's Light the Way and ends with the Jazz Band playing a Christmas song. Please tune in and catch their performance!

## ***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.

### **School Uniforms**

In regards to school uniforms, our vendor is Dennis Uniforms. All students are required to be in compliance with our dress code policy. You can contact Dennis at [www.dennisuniform.com](http://www.dennisuniform.com) or 210-366-2003. If you have any questions concerning uniforms please contact Mr. Kevin Smisek our Director of Students at [ksmisek@uiwtx.edu](mailto:ksmisek@uiwtx.edu) or 210-832-5634.

- Shoes for boys: Students must wear leather dress shoes in solid black or solid brown. Male students are not permitted to wear tennis shoes, athletic shoes, steel-toed boots, "boat shoes," Sperrys, topsiders, hiking boots, moccasins or casual shoes of any kind.
- Shoes for girls: Students may wear black and white saddle oxfords or penny loafer dress shoes in solid black or solid brown. Female students are not permitted to wear tennis shoes, athletic shoes, platform, high-heeled, or open-toed or open-back shoes or boots of any kind. "Ballerina" or flat-style shoes, slippers and flip flops are not allowed.

### **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.

### **Important Dates & College Visits**

The following colleges will be in the SACHS cafeteria from 11:30 to 12:30pm on the dates listed:

## ***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](mailto:torresl@uiwtx.edu) for more information.

### ***Upcoming Events***

November 30: Spirit Dress

December 3: HSPT

December 11: Community Liturgy & Christmas Social

Dec. 17-Jan. 2: Christmas Holidays

January 2: Teacher Workday