School is Closed
SHA will be closed for the President’s day holiday & Winter Break, 2/17-2/21. Classes will resume on Monday, 2/24. Enjoy the break!

Final Call for Book Drive
The gently used book drive is ending soon. Please help support this program and show others our SHAlove. SHA Sophomore Paige Duggan joined a program called Youth Leadership Buffalo. Through the program she is partnering with For Every Little Handprint to help them launch their literacy program. She has been holding a book drive at SHA which ends on February 28. Paige is looking for donations of gently used or new books that are below a fifth grade reading level, which will be dispersed to less fortunate children throughout Buffalo. In her time at SHA she has noticed the consistent effort to give back to the community, and was hoping for a little help with her collection. Books can be dropped off at the school. Thank you in advance!

Day of SHAring
A highlight of our year is our Annual Day of SHAring - it’s a school-wide day of service where we put our Franciscan values into practice by sharing our gifts and talents with the greater WNY community. The key to the success of that day is parent involvement. Simply stated, we need Y-O-U!

We are looking for parents who would be willing to spend the day, shoulder-to-shoulder, in service with their daughter and her classmates (or a different location if interested.) Once you come, you’ll be hooked! It’s a favorite day for a reason - you give your time to help others, you get some time with your children and their friends, and the memories last forever. You will arrive at SHA in the morning, serve alongside the rest of the volunteers at one of over 70 sites in WNY, and then return to SHA for a celebration.

Can’t give the entire day to DOS? We have need for lots of volunteers in other ways in order to make the day happen: people who would be willing to drive to & from, but can’t stay; people to help with the post-service celebration, etc.

Please consider helping us make our 15th Day of SHAring the best one yet - join us on Friday, April 24, 2020. You can sign up via this link: https://www.sacredheartacademy.org/apps/form/DOS-2020-Adult-Volunteer-Form or by printing & filling out the Day of SHAring Parent Interest Form attached to this email. Questions? Please call or email Bridget McGuinness 834-2101 ext. 312 (bmcguinness@sacredheartacademy.org) or Maria Clare 834-2101 ext. 335 (mclare@sacredheartacademy.org).

Summer Program Available
Please see the attachment for details on the Cook Honors College Summer Honors Program.
Campus Ministry & Footprints Program Notes

We'd like to congratulate the students who have already qualified for either the St. Clare Award (50-99 hours of community service) or the St. Francis Award (100+ hours of community service) this academic year. Names and anticipated award are attached to this newsletter. There is still a lot of time and opportunity for your daughter to qualify for these awards. Encourage them to volunteer!

Please note that your daughter's 2nd 10 hours (for a yearly total of 20 hours) is due March 17, 2020. Your daughter regularly receives emails from Ms. McGuinness with places that are looking for volunteers. Any organization listed in these emails is a pre-approved service site. Make plans now as many organizations want to know ahead of time when a volunteer is coming. Remember, service must be at a not-for-profit charitable organization or for an educational organization ONLY and cannot be performed for family members, neighbors or friends. Seniors and Juniors are required to do at least 15 of their 20 hours at one pre-approved organization. Seniors are required to complete a reflection paper.

Preapproval via email is strongly encouraged. We have turned down service that does not fit within our guidelines and checking on a place first eliminates this issue. We hear wonderful things from the sites and organizations that many of our students have helped out. Thank you for helping your daughter to share her gifts and talents with the WNY community.

SHA DECA Club Flapjack Fundraiser

You are invited to join Buffalo Academy of the Sacred Heart’s DECA Club for a Flapjack Fundraiser Breakfast on Sunday, February 23 from 8:00-10:00 AM at Applebee’s (1641 Niagara Falls Blvd., Amherst). Contact Tracy Reed at treed@sacredheartacademy.org to purchase your tickets. A delicious pancake breakfast includes three pancakes, two slices of bacon & your choice of unlimited beverage (coffee, soda, tea or orange juice). Please see the attached flyer. We appreciate your support!

Coffee House a Big Success!

Thanks to all of the families and friends who attended Coffee House last Tuesday night and supported all of our talented music students and their musical endeavors! We really appreciate all your support and hope that you will encourage your students to continue their musical pursuits next year at SHA! Special thanks to all the parent volunteers who assisted behind the scenes to make it all run smoothly: Kristen Helwig, Kerry Feldmann, Kelly Mercure, Linda Fuchs, and Charles Andhor.

Blood Shortage at Local Hospitals!

SHA's Annual Blood Drive is just around the corner. ConnectLife (formerly Unyts) will be in the small gym on Friday, March 13, 2020, 7:30 am until 1:30 pm. Students 16+ years of age (with permission slip), Parents, and Alumnae are invited to donate at SHA. Schedule an appointment using this link: https://www.unytsblooddonor.org/index.cfm?group=op&HLC=001106 or call Jane or Lyn at 834-2101 x355. Thank you for your support!

Lenten Retreat

Lent is approaching quickly and so is Spring! It has been 50 years since the first celebration of Earth Day and 5 years since Pope Francis wrote his encyclical of Laudato Si. You and your friends and family are invited to attend the annual Lenten Retreat at SHA. It will be held on Sunday, March 1 from 1 - 4 pm. Sister Mara Walton will present reflections centered on Mother Earth using the writings of St. Francis and time will be provided for prayer and personal reflection. If interested, please RSVP to smara@sacredheartacademy.org or 834 2101 x317.

Black History Month - All-Girl Groups - Spotify Playlist

The members of Chorale & Chamber Singers have been exploring the many great African-American All-Girl groups of the past 50 years! Have a listen to all of these influential and groundbreaking music groups by finding our Spotify Playlist. Go to Spotify and search SHAmusic to find a great playlist of classic songs that have had a profound impact on the music industry over the decades!
Raffle Update
Thank you to everyone who participated in the Raffle Fundraiser. Because of fundraisers like this, we are able to continue providing amazing academic programs here at SHA! The drawing was Tuesday night at the SHA CoffeeHouse and the winners were: the Galle family, the Pollock family, the Gambino family, the Miller family and the Krollman family. All winners have been notified. Congratulations!

Mmmmmm Chocolate!
The Spring Easter Candy sale is on from now through February 23. Catalogs and order forms were previously handed out in homeroom. The sale is online this year. You will enter in your order and then send payment into the school. The candy sale is the only fundraiser we hold for Athletics. The proceeds help pay for some of the extras for our teams. Your participation is greatly appreciated. Please contact Mrs. Rooney if you have any questions about the sale. Thank you for your support and Go Sharks!

SAT Prep Course Reminder
Just a friendly reminder for those that signed up for the SAT Prep Course that the first class is on Monday, February 24 (the Monday after break) from 3:30 to 5:45. Please meet in the Cafeteria promptly at 3:30 with writing materials and your calculator. Please contact Jessica Emerling (jemerling@sacredheartacademy.org) or Kate Posenjak (kposenjak@sacredheartacademy.org) with any questions.

Save the Dates: Upcoming Music Events
February
26 Mass - Ash Wednesday (MM)

March
18 Reconciliation Services
20-21 All-County Festival JH @ Akron
27-28 All County Festival SH @ UB North Campus

April
8 Mass - Easter (MM)
25 Sandstone Dinner Fundraiser (CH/CS + other students tbd)
27 Dance - Dress Rehearsal 3-6 pm (Dance)
28 Dance - Spring Showcase Recital 7:15-8:30 pm (Dance)
29 or 30 NYSSMA Majors - Choral Festival @ Williamsville East (tentative) (CH, CS)
30 Musical Theatre Class - Tech. Rehearsal #1 3-6 pm (MT & Glee)

May
1-2 NYSSMA - Solos Festival @ Frontier HS - all solo festival participants
4 Musical Theatre Class - Dress Rehearsal #2 3-6 pm (MT & Glee)
6 Musical Theatre Class Spring Showcase Night @ 6:00 pm (MT)
7 NYSSMA Majors - Instrumental Festival @ Amherst Middle School (tentative) (WE, OR)
12,13,14 Private Lesson Students’ Recital/Masterclass (Clare Hall) 3-4 pm, one day only (PL)
16 Kenny Awards Day & Ceremony (Musical Cast & Crew)
18 Darien Lake Music Festival (Monday) (CS, OR, WE, MT)
19 Music Dept. Spring Concert & Senior Recognition Night, 7 pm (CS, OR, WE & extra-curricular)
21 Mass - Ascension Thursday (Sophomore class + MM)
26 Graduation Rehearsal 9-11 am (Senior Class)
28 Graduation Rehearsal 9-11 am (Senior Class)
28 Seniors’ Baccalaureate Mass 7 pm @ St. Benedict’s (Senior Class)
31 Mass-Alumni Weekend Mass 9:30 am (Senior Class)

June
1 Graduation Practice 9-11 am & Graduation Ceremony @ UB North, CFA 7 pm (Senior Class + OR, WE)
Purse Drive and P.U.N.T. Fundraiser
The cheerleading team is collecting new and gently used purses, totes and wristlets for the 2nd annual Purses for P.U.N.T. event. Collection boxes are outside room 104 or in the main office. P.U.N.T. is a non-profit organization that provides families in WNY facing pediatric cancer with critical programs that offer financial, practical and emotional support.

All are invited to attend the event on Friday, March 20 at Brookfield Country Club from 7-10:00 pm. Tickets are $20 each. The event features a live band, silent auction, and of course, lots of purses for purchase. For more information, please see the attached flyer.

Cornell University's Summer College
Would your daughter benefit from college-level summer study at Cornell? If so, please encourage her to apply to Cornell University Summer College Programs for High School Students.

Cornell's Summer College is one of the nation's longest running and most highly regarded precollege academic programs. It brings more than 1,500 motivated high school sophomores, juniors, and seniors from around the world to the Cornell campus in Ithaca, New York to...
- Experience the excitement of college life at a great Ivy League university.
- Earn three to six college credits in courses with Cornell faculty.
- Prep for college applications with workshops, one-on-one counseling, and a college fair.
- Make friends from more than 50 countries.

This summer, students can choose from two-, three-, and six-week programs between June 20 and August 4 in subjects ranging from architecture, business, hospitality, and engineering, to international relations, music, science, social change, and veterinary medicine — and many more. Most applications are due May 1. For details, visit the program dates and deadlines pages. Please contact Cornell if you have any questions.

Class of 2020 Senior Parents
With graduation only a few months away, we wanted to remind parents about the requirements for graduation dresses. Please see the attachment for all the details.
Who Are We? What Do We Do?

The Cook Honors College hosts IUP’s Summer Honors Program for talented rising high school juniors and seniors to get a firsthand college experience. You’ll make new friends, learn through discussion-based classes, and get a taste of the college life.

Who Should Apply?

Intellectually curious rising high school juniors and seniors (and exceptional rising sophomores) with a passion for learning.

What Does the Cost Cover?

- 30 hours of instruction per week
- Lodging
- Three meals a day in our all-you-care-to-eat dining hall
- Course supplies
- Evening and weekend activities
- Access to IUP facilities and staff

All students who are admitted will receive a $1,000 scholarship. It reduces the cost to only $400 for the full two-week program. Students may choose to bring a little pocket money, but this is by no means required.

Summer Honors Program at the Cook Honors College

July 5 – July 18, 2020
The experience begins
July 3
6:40pm Program begins
June 13
Decision
Notification of admission and course
May 15
Applications due
May 1
What is the Timeline?
Nicole

"World of Work" and "World of Trade" included in the first year of our programs allows students to explore their interests and career paths in a hands-on, application-based environment.

Lydia

"Looking for a good college? I wanted out of a college system and what kind of science I was doing. SHP allowed me to get a head start in college and continue my education in a way that was meaningful to me."

Kari

"As a sophomore, I have made such great friends. I love the diversity and overall experience."

Catherine

"Before I even became a senior, I knew that my professors and colleagues were going to be an important part of my college experience."

Clare

"This is the first time I have enjoyed high school. I feel that the most important part of the experience overall was my incredible experience with my classmates."

How Do I Apply?
IU/edn/summerhonors

Applications due: May 1

What About Classmates?
Should I be a part of?

World War II in America
Psychology
Political Communication
Mathematics
Electro-Opaque
Chemistry
Cell & Molecular Biology

Choose

What Subject Can I Take?

What is the pressure of the largest assignments?

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Congratulations to the Following Students who have already turned in enough hours to qualify for the St. Francis or St. Clare Service Awards at the end of the 2019-2020 School Year (hours current as of close of 1st semester):

**St. Francis Awards (100 or more hours of Community Service performed in 2019-2020 school year):**

**Freshwomen:**
- Gour DengGac

**Sophomores:**
- Francesca Collana
- Madeleine Perrelli

**Juniors:**
- Renee Aga
- Pearl Ehimare

**Seniors:**
- Teresa Boltri
- Lily Busler
- Emmanuela Deng Gac
- Helina Gebre
- Amanda Holowatyj
- Taspeya Hossain
- Bandhan Khabra
- Madeline Leonard

**St Clare Awards (50-99.9 hours of Community Service performed in 2019-2020 school year):**

**Freshwomen:**
- Janina Kurzdorfer
- Maria Salvo
- Ashley Wood
- Megan Zielinski

**Sophomores:**
- Claire Atkinson
- Maura Clarke
- Analee DeGlopper
- Mary Elkhoury
- Meghan Finney
- Mattea Gianno
- Faith Hackett
- Jocelyn Janik
- Isabella Judge
- Ava Keicher
- Ellie Parkes
- Caolin Schaeffer
- Madeline Mae Sliwinski

**Juniors:**
- Heaven Elliot
- Grace Gilbert
- Hannah Giuseppetti
- Demi Reigel
- Lily State

**Seniors:**
- Lilimae Chrzanowski
- Emily DeGlopper
- Juliana Gambino
- Alexandra Judge
- Alexis Kuzniarek
- Anastasia Lach
- Gianna Monetti
- Ella Planter
- Rory Schaeffer
- Megan Vincek
- Alexandra Wilczek
You're Invited to an Applebee's® Flapjack Fundraiser Event to support

Buffalo Academy of the Sacred Heart DECA Club

Tickets: $10.00    Date: 02/23/20    Time: 8am - 10am

See organization for ticket purchase prior to event.

For Ticket Purchases Contact
Tracy Reed
(716) 834-2101
treed@sacredheartacademy.org

Applebee's Location For Event
1641 Niagara Falls Blvd
Amherst, NY 14228-2704
(716) 831-8062
SECOND ANNUAL

Purses for P.U.N.T.

Please Join Us
Friday, March 20th at Brookfield Country Club
from 7-10pm

to raise money for

P.U.N.T.
A KIDS CANCER COLLABORATIVE

P.U.N.T. is a nonprofit 501(C)(3) that provides families in WNY facing pediatric cancer with critical programs that offer financial, practical and emotional support.

Clean out your closet!
We need your new or gently used quality handbags for this event!

This Pop up Purse Boutique and Fundraising Event features:

- A Live Band  - Silent Auction  - Basket Raffles  - Wine Pull
- Hors d’oeuvres  - Local Vendors  - Cocktails

Tickets can be purchased at www.bidpal.net/pursesforpunt

Check out our Purses for PUNT Facebook page,
Instagram page, or contact us at PursesforPUNT@gmail.com
Graduation Dress Requirements

Graduation will be MONDAY JUNE 1, 2020 at UB Center for the Arts

Ladies,
Graduation is a time that you unite as a class to celebrate the academic rigor you successfully completed. To show your class bond SHA tradition is to wear white gowns. Below please find the guidelines for the gown. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me.

:)Mrs. ModicaAmore (rm 305)
gmodicaamore@sacredheartacademy.org

NOTE: ALL DRESSES MUST BE APPROVED BY MRS. MODICAAMORE. YOU WILL SUBMIT A PICTURE OF YOURSELF WEARING YOUR DRESS.

★ All selections must be WHITE – not ivory, not light pink, not embroidered with pastel or metallic threads or beads. (Beading must be white or clear.)
★ All selections must have at least spaghetti straps – NO strapless gowns, nothing cut lower than the shoulder blades
★ Selections must be floor length or ankle length – nothing shorter. NO tea length dresses.
★ No slits to thigh
★ No deep plunge openings back or front, nothing cut lower than the shoulder blades in back
★ A white pant suit, with flowing pant legs, using the same guidelines is also acceptable.
★ DRESS SHOES must also be white. No gym shoes.
★ Photos are required prior to graduation to determine appropriateness

NOTE: If ordering a dress online, a picture should be provided prior to ordering the dress for approval by Mrs. ModicaAmore