

PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE ... AUGUST 2019



Dear Parents, Students, Alumni, Board of Trustees, Faculty and Prospective Students ...

Pictured above is the final photo of our Administrative Team, taken right before Ms. Badillo left for North Carolina. Our new Director of Admissions, Ms. Sanchez, is doing a great job. But we surely do miss our Ms. B! She is settled in her new job as Assistant Principal at Immaculata Catholic Elementary School about 20 minutes from her home. Good luck. Ms. B!.

Pictured standing with Ms. B is Athletic Director Ryan Horan; seated next to me is A.P. Michael Seeback.

I would like to report that despite losing a few of our students to public-school or charter schools, our enrollment is robust. In fact, even with the purchase of twenty new lockers, I am afraid I will run out of lockers! I suspect that the total enrollment will settle in about 240 students. Indeed, God is good!

He has also blessed us with an amazing faculty! We lost Mr. Pierinelli who left us to become a full-time parish music director; Mr. Fogarty, Technology, left to pursue a new career. God has blessed us with three amazing new teachers, and I will profile them in my next update.

Over the last few weeks, I emailed a few important items: the information on busing, the application for the free-reduced lunch program, and the tentative calendar. If you need a hard copy of any of these, kindly contact Mrs. S in the Main Office when she returns from vacation

on Monday, August 26th. Students will not get lunch cards until their applications have been received and approved. Kindly note the first lunch day is Monday, September 9th. The breakfast program will begin on Sept. 12th.

I again want to remind you of the importance of students doing their summer reading and summer assignments. It is important that students' brains are challenged so they don't lose any of the academic growth they have gained. I appreciate your efforts with this. *All summer assignments and due dates are listed on the home page of our website. No stories or excuses, please!*

I also want to remind you that Flynn & O'Hara is now our official uniform provider. (Our store is the location on Ferry Street in Newark.) We expect the same great service. Questions about uniform should be directed to Ms. Sanchez at x. 24.

Many of you already know Mr. Flaherty of our History Department. Mr. "Flat" is taking on a new, part-time role for this coming year. Yes, he will continue to teach some History classes, but he will also be taking care of the morning "discipline" issues such as our-of-uniform and lateness. If you get a call from him, know that something is up!

Mr. Seeback, our Assistant Principal, is expecting the birth of twin sons in mid-September. Please remember the Seeback family in your prayers. Big brother Wyatt is anxious to meet his little brothers soon!

Reminders:

- Meeting for Parents NEW to ICHS – Thursday, August 22nd, 6:30pm
- BACK-TO-SCHOOL NIGHT – Wednesday, September 18th, 6:30pm

If you need me, please don't hesitate to call or email me. Thank you and God bless you!

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