

**St. Francis DeSales High School Parent Advisory Board**  
**Tuesday, February 20, 2024; (6:00 pm to 7:30 pm) – Cafeteria**

Call to Order	Doug Heil
Opening Prayer	Jim Jones
Approval of January Minutes	Doug Heil & Martha Bogue
Student Council Update	Brandon Heil
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Students completed Ash Wednesday family homeroom service activity, creating blankets for the needy. Additionally for Lent, students were given access to the Hallow App and Lenten prayer books.</li><li>• There is a blood drive next week and they will be commemorating Black History Month with an assembly on February 22.</li><li>• Additional retreat opportunities for students this year include the March for Life Pilgrimage; Kairos for seniors, Salesian leadership retreat in NYC; National Catholic Youth Conference in Indianapolis; and class retreats for each grade level.</li></ul>	
Department Presentation: Architecture, Engineering, & Innovation	Kim Gattis
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Inspire technology is a class for all freshman now, learning best ways to use technology available in the school</li><li>• Other classes available include Intro to CAD, Advanced CAD, Architecture</li><li>• Working on addressing student needs and interests by rebranding classes to teach design principles, a variety of engineering areas, such as mechanical, structural, electrical, and computer engineering</li><li>• All parents are welcome to come visit anytime to see what is being created</li></ul>	
Co-Curricular and Faith Life Report (see report attached)	Heather Evans
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Faith Life</li><li>• Athletic Update</li><li>• Performing Arts Update</li></ul>	
February Topics	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Proposed Changes to the PAB Constitution</li><li>• Preliminary Tuition Discussion for 2024-2025</li></ul>	Doug Heil Phil Kraker/Dan Garrick
Operations Report (see report attached)	Phil Kraker
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Finance Department Transition</li><li>• EdChoice and Tuition Adjustment</li><li>• Wishbook Plan</li><li>• Alumni Report</li></ul>	
Enrollment (see report attached)	Phil Kraker
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Update Class of 2028</li><li>• 2024-2025 Co-curricular Night – March 20</li></ul>	
Administrative Report (see report attached)	Dan Garrick
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Principal's Perspective</li><li>• Items of Administrative Emphasis</li></ul>	
Curriculum Report (see report attached)	Jim Jones
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Upcoming Calendar of Events</li><li>• 2024-2025 Calendar Approval</li><li>• ARK Testing</li><li>• STAMP Testing</li><li>• Quarter 3 Parent Teacher Conferences – February 29</li></ul>	
Accreditation Update (see report attached)	Rob Dvorak
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• College Credit Plus Update</li></ul>	
Student Services Update (see report attached)	Katie Shelton
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Student Counselor meetings for scheduling - Update</li><li>• Spring testing day (February 27)</li><li>• Columbus Catholic Schools Night for Juniors – April 10</li><li>• Career Fair at SFD – April 25</li><li>• Class of 2028 New Student Welcome – March 4,5</li></ul>	

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New Business

- Physical Education State Requirement Jim Jones  
They are assessing the topic to adhere to diocesan guidelines and assess student/parent requests for summer PE
- Victory Dances Dan Garrick  
Historically, PAB and Student Council co-hosted dances after home football games. They will discuss with student council representatives to see if this is something the students are interested in bringing back.
- Flex Schedule Dan Garrick  
There is a committee of teachers who are looking at creating more flexibility in student schedules, to make sure we using our time during the day most efficiently. Next month, there should be an update on this topic.
- Please recommend New Business ideas to Martha each month

Old Business

- PAB Scholarship Review Committee – volunteers needed Doug Heil
- AI Next Steps - students and faculty getting together in early March Dan Garrick

Closing Prayer and Adjourn

- Next Meeting: Proposal to move meeting to Monday, March 18 at 6:00 p.m.
- March Topics- Vote on Constitution Changes and 2024-2025 Tuition
- Department Presentation: Science and English

Dan Garrick

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**PAB Report - February**

**Athletics Department**

- Gymnastics - Districts this Saturday at Kilbourne at 9:00am
- Swimming - Luke DeFrancisco qualified for the state meet in the 200 IM and 100 Backstroke - State meet will be Thursday, with finals on Friday at 5:00pm
- Girls wrestling - Sectionals on Sunday at Licking Valley at 10:00am
- Boys wrestling - Sectionals on Saturday at Licking Valley at 9:00am
- Boy Bowling - Sectionals this Thursday at HP Lanes at 10:00am
- Girls Bowling - Sectional this Saturday at HP Lanes at 10:00am
- Girls basketball - Sectional final this Saturday at home vs. Teays Valley/Orange winner at 1:00pm
- Boys Basketball - At orange tonight; home vs. Hartley on Friday; Sectional semifinal on Tuesday 2/27 vs. Davidson 7:00pm
- Comp Cheer teams both qualified for states. State will be at Big Walnut on Saturday 3/2

**Performing Arts Department**

**Theater**

- *The Music Man* is underway.
- Our performance dates are the last weekend of April, the 26th, 27th, and 28th.
- Our parents have been a great help organizing T-shirts, programs, and fundraisers to support our Performing Arts Department.

**Music**

- The pep band will perform at this week's home basketball game.
- We had four students perform at the Ohio Music Education Association Solo and Ensemble contest on Saturday, February 10.
- Choir students have been invited to perform on Monday, May 6 at a Nationwide Children's Hospital Heart Center benefit concert!
- Spring concert dates are Monday, May 20 (choir) and Wednesday, May 22 (band).

**Campus Ministry Department**

In addition to the daily morning prayer, 3 Lunch Masses and Confessions available weekly, here is a quick list of what is going on in Campus Ministry in the next 30 days:

2/23.	7:00am <b>Sponsored Mass</b> for Teams and Clubs (every Fri.)- Chapel
3/1-3/8.	Junior <b>SALESIAN Leadership Retreat</b> - (NEW JERSEY) 6-8 students
3/1.	7:00am Mass & <b>ADORATION</b>
3/2.	SAT. MASS 9:00am - <b>Men &amp; Women of DeSales</b> attending (teams and alum); offertory to benefit Holy Family Church - with help of Mother's Club

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3/5.	<b>8:00 am - 3:00pm: JUNIOR Service RETREAT #1 of 4</b>
3/6.	<b>8:00 am - 3:00pm: JUNIOR Service RETREAT #2 of 4</b>
3/7.	<b>8:00 am - 3:00pm: JUNIOR Service RETREAT #3 of 4</b>
3/21.	ALL SCHOOL (12:45-3:00pm) <b>Lenten RECONCILIATION</b> (5-6 priests)
3/22.	ALL SCHOOL <b>Stations of The Cross</b>
3/28-3/2	<i>NO SCHOOL - Easter Vacation</i>
4/12.	12:00 pm <b>ALL SCHOOL MASS: Grandparents</b> invited M-Z
4/16.	<b>- 4/19 KAIROS Retreat (Maria Stein, OH) - Spring</b>

- \*Girls Bible Study (Sororitas)
- \*Boys Bible Study (Fraternitas)
- \*Altar Server Clubs for Boys & one for Girls
- \*E-Team (to help with retreats and morning prayers)
- \*Praise & Worship Club

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**Student Services Update- February 20, 2024**

**Student Counselor meetings for scheduling - Update**

The school counselors have been meeting individually with students for the purpose of scheduling. We've finished meeting with juniors (Jan. 29-Feb. 8), and we are concluding our meetings with sophomores tomorrow. For the sophomores, course selection sheets are due back on Feb. 23rd. We will begin meeting with freshmen Feb. 22nd, and these meetings will run through March 4th. Course selection sheets due back March 6th. As course selection sheets are returned, the counselors will be working on inputting course requests into Powerschool for each student. Schedules will eventually be generated from these requests.

**Spring testing day (February 27)**

- **Early Dismissal**
- **Freshmen: Iowa, Sophomores: PreACT, Juniors: ACT (state-funded); Juniors will need to link their MyACT account with this test administration in order to view scores. Instructions will be sent home with your student on how to do this. Remaining national test dates: April 13, June 8, July 13th**
- **DeSales ACT Prep course is being organized by Mrs. Garrick. Open to any junior, sophomore, freshmen (taking Geometry or higher). The Prep course will finish just prior to April 13th ACT. Registration info was included in DeTales.**
- **Iowa: Reading, Written Expression, Vocab (English), Mathematics/Computation (math), Social Studies, Science (will take within their physical science classes on Fri. March 1st). It is required that students earn a competency score in ELA and Mathematics**

**Columbus Catholic Schools Night for Juniors – April 10**

- **The event is open to all juniors and families of juniors and will be held at Ohio Dominican University.**
- **The core planning committee for this event includes myself along with counselors from St. Charles, Ready, Hartley, Watterson**
- **Mini-conference style—students and families can attend 3 sessions of their choice throughout the evening.**
- **Session topics include College Cost, Athletics, Study Abroad, College Essay, Effective College Visits, HBCUs, Military Options, ACT/SAT Test Optional**
- **Spring College Rep Visits for Juniors will begin soon! Dr. Wallace has visits lined up for Notre Dame (virtual), Kentucky, Capital, Ohio State, and Toledo. She's reaching out to Miami, OU, and Cincy, too. She's preparing a visit calendar and will send out a communication to juniors and parents.**

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**Career Fair at SFD – April 25**

- **Will be held during the school day this year– lunch periods**
- **The counselors are collaborating with Sarah Evans, Director of Alumni Engagement on this. We are surfacing areas of high interest and up and coming career fields we would like to have represented. Sarah will be helping with contacting and bringing in professionals.**
- **If you have any connections or know of anyone who may be interested, please feel free to reach out.**

**Class of 2028 New Student Welcome Nights – March 4,5**

**Office of Enrollment is working on finalizing details for our New Student Welcome Nights for the incoming Class of 2028 on the evenings of March 4th and 5th. As part of this event, the counselors will have the opportunity to meet with our students and families and give a presentation that provides an overview of their 9 period day and course requirements for the freshman year schedule. They will receive their course selection sheets with course recommendations and be able to fill in what they want to take beyond the core requirements (world language, PE, electives, etc.).**

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**College Credit Plus: 2024-25**

**College Credit Plus (embedded at SFDHS)**

Full year:

- Findlay Math 141: Calculus 1 – 4 hours
- OSU Math 1156–Calculus 2 and Findlay Math 250–Calc 3 – 9 hours

Semester:

- Findlay Eng 104 –College Writing – 3 hrs
- Columbus State Community College FMGT 1101 – Personal Finance – 3 hrs

Registration Process and State Funding

- **Presentation:** Informational Webinar on Thursday, Feb. 15
- State Funding Deadline: April 1
- Cost per hour: OSU/CSCC: \$178/sem hr; Findlay: \$78/sem hr.

**[Information for Parents](#)** (including Recorded Webinar and other Important Information)

# Admissions

## First – Massive appreciation to Julie Barber and Megan Polk

**Admissions:** We are excited to announce that 225 acceptance packages were delivered to Class of 2028 candidates last week - healthy enrollment and incredible kids! (280 applicants) 11 St. Francis Scholarships (\$4000 renewal), 24 Franciscan Sisters Scholarships (\$2,000 renewal), 26 First Year Scholarship Recipients.

**Enrollment:** Registration for the 2024-25 school year is open and will remain open until March 10th. An email was sent last week with details regarding the registration process. All forms are to be completed and/or uploaded to the family's MySFD Account.

Registration for 2024-25 includes:

1. Completion of registration form
2. EdChoice Request/Renewal form and supporting documents
3. Tuition Assistance request through FACTS Grant & Aid Financial Assessment

\*It may be worth discussing the new tuition assistance process: A) State Scholarships (EdChoice and JPSNS), B) FACTS Assessment.

March 20 – Co-Curricular Night for Class of 2028

# Alumni -

## Nothing to report

# Advancement

## 2024 Wishbook

Communications for Stallion WishBook begins today with links to access the platform. New this year will be specific times dedicated for each program to get as much support as possible.

## Campus Master Plan Feasibility Study – Working on Diocesan Approval

Feasibility Study and Case for support for capital improvements has been submitted to the diocese for review and is going through a revision process for final submission. Advancement has sought advice from multiple sources including Catholic Diocese of Columbus, architects, engineers and campaign



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consultants in order to put together a list of objectives that will greatly improve the experience of our students and faculty and support our mission.

## **Finance**

24-25 Preliminary Budget due 3/1 with Diocese- work is in process and influenced the tuition info we reviewed earlier

Ed Choice – update

Through 1/15 643 students processed (Traditional and Expansion)

117 families in this universe are eligible for a reimbursement 50% paid in FEB/Early March and 50% to be paid in June 2024

Another 81 Families have had Ed Choice approvals come in since 1/15 and have had BBTM updated

30 ish families are still pending

Financial Reports – We are reviewing a better way to recap Monthly or Quarterly financial reports to be more accurate

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**Principal's Report February 20, 2024**

**I. Administrative Report**

**A. Principal's Perspective**

**Kudos to the following in our Community:**

- \* To SFD Junior Mallory Wolf who has received a merit scholarship from the Council on International Educational Exchange to study abroad in Beijing China this summer
- \* To SFD Senior Maria Thomas who was selected as a National Merit Finalist by the College Board
- \* To SFD Junior Faith See for being selected to attend the Harvard Pre-College Program this summer
- \* To the SFD JustWrite Ohio Team for placing third place award - led by individual placers Rebecca Gebhart, Ila Allen, and Ben Dougherty
- \* To the SFD Musicians who received excellent or superior ratings in the recent Solo and Ensemble Event: Nicholas Ezyk, Cameron Moore, Sarah Seidu and Maria Kistler
- \* To SFD seniors: Taylor Dreska, Lydia Ratinaud, Adie Stonis, Gab Offei, and Catie Miller for winning awards in the annual Regional Scholastic Art Competition- Work on display until 3/7 at CCAD
- \* To SFD Senior Gretchen Langhans for her design of the Black History Month Poster celebrating the Arts
- \* To SFD Senior Olivia Sanabria for being recognized by the Westerville Rotary as The SFD Student of the Month for January
- \* To SFD students: Juniors Bryce Herrick and Hilary Letzelter and Senior Jack Jordan for their recognition for the 2023-24 Handshake America Program
- \* To the SFD Calculus Students from Ms. Sharritts classes for their Annual Valentines Day Boxes for Saint Stephens Community House
- \* To Mrs. Mascarin's AP Government Students for Representing SFD in the Annual We the People Competition
- \* To the SFD students who participated in the second Oratory Night of the Year
- \* To Bishop Fernandes for presiding over our Patron Saint Feast Day Mass
- \* To the SFD Community for the overwhelming support for the recent Mission Warmth Drive and for the Support for the Animal Lovers Club Drive
- \* To SFD Seniors Manu Krac and Jack Jordan for their new Club "Play it Forward"
- \* To SFD Freshman Jeremiah Sharp who spoke at the MLK Dinner Ball on the importance of Civic Engagement
- \* To the first group of Juniors Class of 2025 for their efforts in the first of four Urban Plunges
- \* To the SFD Competitive Cheer Teams for Qualifying for State Competition in the Game Day and Traditional Competitions on March 2 @ Big Walnut
- \* To the Faculty and Staff of SFD who have worked to make our school a Nationwide Childrens Hospital Project Adam compliant
- \* To new SFD staff members: Bryan Jensen, John Barren and Estella Corona for their exemplary efforts getting acclimated in midyear to their critical roles
- \* To the SFD Mothers Club and Jen Crabtree on the efforts for the recent Mother-Son Dance on February 4th
- \* To Father Thomas Blau from Saint Patrick Parish for serving as the Retreat Director for the recent Faculty, Staff and Administrative Retreat
- \* To the SFD community for their love and support of Mr. Etgen as he recovers

**B. Points of Administrative Emphasis**

- **Faith Life: Observance of Liturgical Season of Lent; Launch of Hallow App (Week of Feb 20th); Guadalupe Youth Summit (Feb 22); Catholic Men's**

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**Conference (Feb 24th); Men and Women of SFD Mass and Speaker (March 2nd); Junior Service Retreats (March 5,6,7); ARK Administered (March 20th) Reconciliation Service (March 21st); Catholic Culture Visit (4/11); Grandparents Day Mass (April 12th); Kairos # 3 (April 16-19th)**

- **Curriculum/Instruction: Midterm Grades Qtr 3 Due (Feb 21); Departmental Instruction PD (SS and English) : AI Research; Flex Schedule Committee on-going; Sports Medicine and Exercise Science Program Research & Launch for 24-25; Parent-Teacher Conferences Qtr 3 (2/29); Quarter 3 Ends (March 27th)**
- **Student Services- Senior College Decisions; Senior Mental Health Program (2/20-2/22) ; Scheduling Conferences; IOWA Remediation; ; Spring Testing (2/27) ; Class of 28 Scheduling (March 4 & 5); ACT Review Course Begins (Feb 24):Catholic Schools College Fair for Juniors (April 10th) Career Fair (April 28th)**
- **Facilities: Diocesan Change to Capital Repair Grants; Prioritization of SFD Summer Prep Projects**
- **Strategic Planning and Advancement: SGO Reconciliation; Prep Diocesan Submittal for Capital Campaign ; Evening of Distinction Prep (Hall of Fame); Wishbook Prep**
- **Student Life: Rehearsal & Prep for The Music Man ; Winter Sports Tournaments; Black History Month Assembly (Feb 23); World Cultures Assembly (March 8th)**
- **Enrollment Focus- Stallion for a Day Visits; Class of 2028 New Student Welcome (March 4 & 5); Co-Curricular Night (Mar 20)**
- **Finance & Operations- 2024-25 Department Budget Conferences & Preliminary Budget Work; Three Year Projection Process w/Diocese**

**II. New Business**

- \* **Physical Education State Requirement and Current Diocesan Policy ...Jim Jones**
- \* **Victory Dances ...Doug Heil/Dan Garrick**
- \* **Flex Schedule Research...Dan Garrick**
- \* **Please Recommend New Business Items to Martha Bogue Each Month**

**III. Old Business**

- \* **PAB Scholarship Review Committee- Volunteers Needed...Doug Heil**
- \* **AI Next Steps...Dan Garrick**
- \* **ARK Data Presented in**

**IV. Questions/Concerns/Alumni and Current Student News...Board**

**III. Closing Prayer and Adjourn...Dan Garrick**

**IV. SFD Academic Department Highlighted for March: Mathematics and Science**

**V. March Topics: Ratify the revised PAB Constitution  
Vote on 2024-25 Tuition Proposal**

**Next Meeting: Monday , March 18, 2024 at 6:00 P.M.**

**ST. FRANCIS DESALES HIGH SCHOOL**  
**PARENT ADVISORY BOARD MEETING**  
**CURRICULUM REPORT**  
**FEBRUARY**

I. Upcoming Dates of Importance

<i>Date</i>	<i>Activity</i>
Tuesday, February 20 <sup>th</sup> through Thursday, February 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Mental Health Programming through Government Classes
Thursday, February 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Diocesan Guadalupe Youth Summit
Friday, February 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Black History Month Assembly at 8 a.m. Quarter Three Midterm Grades Released at 3:30 p.m.
Tuesday, February 27 <sup>th</sup>	Spring Testing Day – Noon Dismissal with Faculty Professional Development Meeting to follow Faculty Advisory Board M3 Review Meeting at 7:15 a.m. (Vision Room)
Thursday, February 29 <sup>th</sup>	Diocesan Administrator's Meeting from 9 to 3 p.m. (COTR) Blood Drive (Gymnasium) Q3 Parent-Teacher Conferences from 6 to 8 p.m. (ZOOM)
Saturday, March 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Men and Women of SFDHS Mass at 9 a.m. (Gymnasium)
Monday, March 4 <sup>th</sup> through Friday, March 8 <sup>th</sup>	World Cultures Week
Monday, March 4 <sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, March 5 <sup>th</sup>	New Student Welcome Nights
Tuesday, March 5 <sup>th</sup> , Wednesday, March 6 <sup>th</sup> , and Thursday, March 7 <sup>th</sup>	Remaining Junior Urban Plunge Dates
Tuesday, March 5 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly Faculty Business Zoom Meeting at 3:10 p.m.
Wednesday, March 6 <sup>th</sup>	Senior Special Lunch during the respective Lunch Periods
Friday, March 8 <sup>th</sup>	World Cultures Assembly at 8 a.m. (Gymnasium)
Monday, March 11 <sup>th</sup> through Friday, March 15 <sup>th</sup>	Spring Break
Tuesday, March 19 <sup>th</sup>	March Parent Advisory Board Meeting at 6 p.m. (Cafeteria)
Wednesday, March 20 <sup>th</sup>	Co-Curricular Night
Thursday, March 21 <sup>st</sup>	Lenten Reconciliation Services
Friday, March 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Stations of the Cross at 8 a.m. (Gymnasium)

II. 2024-2025 Dates of Importance

<i>Date</i>	<i>Activity</i>
Wednesday, August 21 <sup>st</sup>	Opening Day of School
Monday, September 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Labor Day – No Classes
Friday, September 27 <sup>th</sup>	Diocesan Administrators Retreat – No Classes
Monday, September 30 <sup>th</sup>	Faculty Professional Development – No Classes
Friday, October 25 <sup>th</sup>	Faculty Professional Development – No Classes
Wednesday, November 27 <sup>th</sup> through Monday, December 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Thanksgiving Recess
Friday, December 20 <sup>th</sup> through Sunday, January 5 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Vacation
Friday, January 17 <sup>th</sup>	Faculty Professional Development – No Classes
Monday, January 20 <sup>th</sup>	Martin Luther King Day – No Classes
Friday, February 14 <sup>th</sup>	Faculty Professional Development – No Classes
Monday, February 17 <sup>th</sup>	Presidents' Day – No Classes
Monday, March 10 <sup>th</sup> through Friday, March 14 <sup>th</sup>	Spring Break
Friday, March 28 <sup>th</sup>	Faculty Professional Development – No Classes
Thursday, April 17 <sup>th</sup> through Monday, April 21 <sup>st</sup>	Easter Vacation
Monday, May 26 <sup>th</sup>	Memorial Day – No Classes
Thursday, May 29 <sup>th</sup>	Baccalaureate @ Church of the Resurrection
Saturday, May 31 <sup>st</sup>	Graduation
Thursday, June 5 <sup>th</sup>	Last Day of School