



O'DEA

FAMILY BULLETIN

OCTOBER 10, 2016 - OCTOBER 16, 2016

Weekly Schedule

Monday, October 10th - Gold

IB: NHS Honors Assembly
 *Varsity Golf vs. Franklin, 3:30pm @ Jefferson Golf Course
 *JV Football vs. Bainbridge, 3:30pm @ Soundview

Tuesday, October 11th - Maroon MM

*Sophomore Retreat, Last Names A-L

Wednesday, October 12th - Gold

IB: Student Leadership Meeting
 *Picture Retakes in Library
 *Varsity Golf vs. West Seattle, 3:30pm @ West Seattle Golf Club
 *Mothers' Club Meeting, O'Dea Library @ 6:30pm
(Guest Speaker Dr. Gregory E. Cox will be talking about "Growth Mindsets")

Thursday, October 13th - Maroon

*Sophomore Retreat, Last Names M-Z
 *Matteo Ricci Field Trip
 *Varsity Golf vs. Seattle Prep, 3:30pm @ Jackson Golf Course
 *Cross Country, 3:40pm @ Lower Woodland

Friday, October 14th - Gold

IB: Winter Athletics Meeting
 *Varsity Football vs. Eastside Catholic, 7pm @ West Seattle Stadium

Saturday, October 15th

*Freshman Football vs. Garfield, 2:30pm @ Garfield

Main Office

Picture Retakes

Picture retake day has been scheduled for **Wednesday, October 12th** in the Library. Students who were absent on picture day, or are interested in getting retakes done, will need to bring a white dress shirt and O'Dea tie to school that day.

Financial Aid

All families receiving financial aid must re-apply each year. The application for the 2017-2018 is now open on the [School & Student Services \(SSS\) website](#). The deadline to complete your application is December 31, 2016. If you have not received financial aid and need to apply, please visit the SSS website, create an account and apply. If you have any questions regarding the application process, please contact [Linda Thornton](#).

Surface Program Update

Please visit the [O'Dea website](#) to view the new Surface Program FAQ page. We will be updating the website throughout the year to provide you with information on how you can best be prepared for this new program in the coming school year. Please direct any questions to [David Olinger](#), Director of Educational Technology.

Alumni Senior Breakfast

Senior Parents, please make sure your son turns in his O'Dea Alumni Senior Class Breakfast permission slip form to Ms. Taylor Thornton in the Main Office no later than Wednesday, October 12th. You can also scan/e-mail them to dmazzeo@odea.org. If your son is in need of a new form you can find it [here](#). Thank you!

Student Life

Homecoming Week

Look for a week of fun Homecoming festivities from October 17th - 22nd, including:

- Spirited lunchtime competitions created by House student leaders
- Daily relaxed dress themes, culminating in Maroon/Gold "O'Dea Day"
- Homecoming Tailgate BBQ on Friday, October 21st
- Homecoming/Senior Night Football Game v. Lakeside on Friday, October 21st
- "Masquerade Ball" Semi-Formal Dance on Saturday, October 22nd

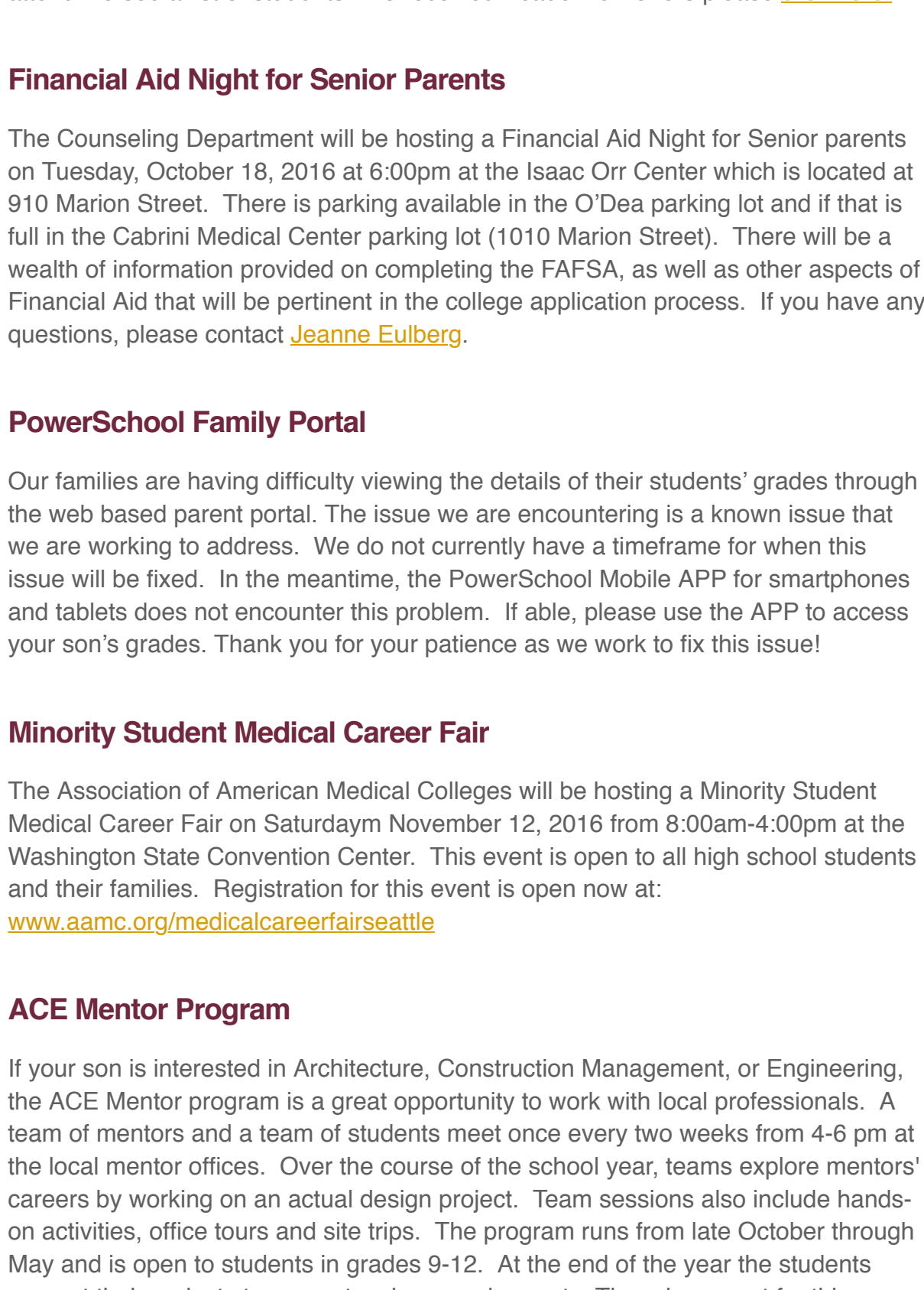
More details to follow next week! GO IRISH!

Fall Fundraiser - *Support our Spirit!*

This past Monday we kicked off our Fall Fundraiser with a **Support our Spirit** assembly! Students also talked about the fundraiser in their Mentor Group and were given the tools needed to successfully reach out to members of their community and ask them to support our fundraising efforts.

As all parents and those who work with teenagers know, high school life is more than just hitting the books. O'Dea's Fall Fundraiser will support those aspects of high school life that, for some, may form the most memorable times of their whole experience at O'Dea. If you haven't already, please watch the below video that highlights those areas that will benefit from the fundraiser: athletics, clubs, House activities, retreats, and more.

If you'd like to make a donation on your son's behalf, please visit our [website](#). Thank you for your support! GO IRISH!



O'Dea High School Fall Fundraiser - *Support our Spirit!*

Athletics

Wall of Honor Inductee Celebration

We invite you to an inaugural celebration honoring the 2016 Wall of Honor Inductees. The night will start with social hour, dinner, and a silent auction at 6:00 pm, followed by a live auction and presentation of inductees at 7:00. Auction items include opportunities to golf with Coach Kohler or Steve Hauschka, Husky basketball tickets, Mariner tickets, Trailblazer tickets with an overnight stay in Portland and more! Ticket price is \$50 per person. All funds raised will go directly to advancing O'Dea's Athletic program. Reservations can be made [here](#).

Academics & Counseling

Academic Honors Assembly

O'Dea High School recognizes the academic accomplishments of students after each semester. Our Honors Assembly for the second semesters of the 2015-16 school year will be held on Monday, October 10th @ 10:10am. All are welcome to attend! To see a list of students who received Academic Honors please [click here](#).

Financial Aid Night for Senior Parents

The Counseling Department will be hosting a Financial Aid Night for Senior parents on Tuesday, October 18, 2016 at 6:00pm at the Isaac Orr Center which is located at 910 Marion Street. There is parking available in the O'Dea parking lot and if that is full in the Cabrini Medical Center parking lot (1010 Marion Street). There will be a wealth of information provided on completing the FAFSA, as well as other aspects of Financial Aid that will be pertinent in the college application process. If you have any questions, please contact [Jeanne Fulberg](#).

PowerSchool Family Portal

Our families are having difficulty viewing the details of their students' grades through the web based parent portal. The issue we are encountering is a known issue that we are working to address. We do not currently have a timeframe for when this issue will be fixed. In the meantime, the PowerSchool Mobile APP for smartphones and tablets does not encounter this problem. If able, please use the APP to access your son's grades. Thank you for your patience as we work to fix this issue!

Minority Student Medical Career Fair

The Association of American Medical Colleges will be hosting a Minority Student Medical Career Fair on Saturday November 12, 2016 from 8:00am-4:00pm at the Washington State Convention Center. This event is open to all high school students and their families. Registration for this event is open now at: www.aamc.org/medicalcareerfairseattle

ACE Mentor Program

If your son is interested in Architecture, Construction Management, or Engineering, the ACE Mentor program is a great opportunity to work with local professionals. A team of mentors and a team of students meet once every two weeks from 4-6 pm at the local mentor offices. Over the course of the school year, teams explore mentors' careers by working on an actual design project. Team sessions also include hands-on activities, office tours and site trips. The program runs from late October through May and is open to students in grades 9-12. At the end of the year the students present their projects to peers, teachers, and parents. There is no cost for this program. Registration is due by October 17, 2016. For more information and to register please click [here](#).

PSAT Test and SAT Classes

O'Dea High School will be administering the Preliminary SAT (PSAT) to all ninth, tenth and eleventh grade students on **Wednesday, October 19 at 8:10am**. This exam provides firsthand practice for the SAT Test and gives students a comprehensive analysis of their answers. The SAT exam also generates free, personalized SAT Practice on Khan Academy to help strengthen their SAT performance. Additionally, for 11th graders it gives your son a chance to enter National Merit Scholarship Corporation scholarship programs!

For those interested in taking an SAT class, Mazor Test Prep Co. is pleased to offer its prep courses at a discount to O'Dea students. SAT classes start October 22nd to prepare for the December 3rd SAT.

Mazor Test Prep offers:

- Expert, effective, and caring instruction
- Small classes
- Up-to-date course materials
- Plenty of practice, exposure, and feedback
- Significantly discounted tuition for O'Dea students

Course schedules, registration, and much more are available at www.mazortestprep.com. Private tutoring is also available. Please use the code: ODEA to get your \$100 O'Dea discount at checkout. Feel free to contact Lisa Mazor at 206.632.TEST (8378) or lisa@mazortestprep.com for more information.

Faith & Service

Retreat Updates

Freshman Parents

We had a wonderful Freshman retreat last week! Thanks for all your help getting the forms in on time! All our Freshman took the Strength Finders test to discover 5 of their unique strengths. Be sure to ask your student what his top 5 strengths are; reinforcing those good qualities at home is so beneficial.

Sophomore Parents

The Sophomore Service Retreat is coming up next week on the 11th and the 13th. I am splitting the Sophomore class into two by last name, with A-L going on the 11th and M-Z going on the 13th. **Please make sure you have turned in your permission forms** which can be found [online](#). Students should dress in clothes that can get dirty, as we will be doing a lot of outdoor work such as washing windows and putting weeds. Some may even be cutting down blackberry bushes. Tools and gloves will be provided. **Remember also to pack a lunch and a water bottle!** Please contact Ms. Curl with any questions.

Junior Parents

The December Encounter with Christ retreat is filling up! If you know your son wants to attend, please be sure to turn in the permission form, which can be found [online](#), to the Campus Ministry Office by November 11th.

The Arts

Music Ensemble Schedules

Instrumental Ensembles

October 10 – Band – 7:05am
 October 11 – Drum Line – 7:30am
 October 12 – Band – 7:05am
 October 13 – Band – 7:05am
 October 14 – Band - 7:05am
Home football game: band meet in band room at 4:30.

Vocal Ensembles

A note about Liturgical Choir: Students who are not signed up for the Choir class are still able to sing with us at school masses. If your son is interested, they should talk to Mr. Ruiter.

October 11 – M3 Choir
 October 13 – M3 Choir

Mothers' Club

Wreath Sales

In preparation for the Christmas season, we will be selling Christmas wreaths! We will offer fresh, locally grown wreaths from Hood Canal Evergreens. These beautiful holiday wreaths will provide instant cheer to your home. They can also make beautiful gifts for your friends and family. Ordering options will include a unique O'Dea wreath decoration. What a spirited way to usher in this season of joy and celebration! Pricing and ordering information will be available soon.

The Bite of O'Dea

The Mothers' Club wants to send out a HUGE thank you to all those who volunteered to ensure that this event was a success! We raised just over \$13,000 which will have a huge impact in helping out O'Dea gentlemen and their families when in need. A special thanks to all who contributed. Guests enjoyed entertainment provided by the O'Dea Band, amazing food, the Dessert Dash, and socializing with fellow O'Dea supporters. Thank you again and see you next year!

Looking Ahead

Important Dates to Remember

[Wed, October 19th](#) - Alumni Senior Breakfast, 8:30am @ Washington Athletic Club
[Thurs, October 20th](#) - Wall of Honor Inductee Celebration, 6pm @ O'Dea Gym
[October 17th - 22nd](#) - Homecoming Week

[Click here to view the full O'Dea calendar!](#)

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