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Weekly Schedule

<u>Monday, October 2nd</u> - Gold PM/IB *IB Fall Fundraiser Kick-Off Assembly *JV Football vs. Seattle Prep, 3:30pm @ Montlake Community Center *Golf Match vs. Blanchet, 3:30pm @ Jefferson Park Golf Course

Tuesday, October 3rd - Maroon *POSH Meeting, O'Dea Library @ 5pm

Wednesday, October 4th - Gold MM IB: Mass *Golf Match vs. Lakeside, 3:30pm @ West Seattle Golf Course *Fathers' Club Meeting, Biology Lab @ 6:30pm

Thursday, October 5th - Maroon *Freshmen Football vs. Garfield, 4pm @ Memorial Stadium *Cross Country vs. Ballard, Garfield & West Seattle, 4:20pm @ Magnuson Park

<u>Friday, October 6th</u> - Gold IB: House Unity Celebration *Varsity Football vs. Eastside Catholic, 7pm @ Eastside Catholic

Click here to view the entire O'Dea Calendar for most up to date event details!

Message from the Principal

O'Dea Families,

Thanks to the generosity of the O'Dea community, we raised \$3,977 to support victims of Hurricane Harvey. The combined efforts of six Catholic schools raised a total of \$14,893 in relief funds. Thank you for your generosity in support of this most worthy of causes.

Sadly, the 2017 Atlantic hurricane season has become one of the worst on record with 13 named storms thus far. Puerto Rico, in particular, is facing what local officials have described as a full-blown humanitarian crisis, with the destruction referred to as "apocalyptic". Hit by Hurricane Maria less than two weeks after Hurricane Irma made landfall the island is experiencing the worst natural disaster in nearly a century. Puerto Rico has virtually no running water or electricity, and approximately 80 percent of the island's crops have been destroyed.

O'Dea science instructor Dr. Wanda Colon Cesario ("Mrs. C" to her students) grew up in Puerto Rico and as of today has been unable to speak with her mother, father, or sister since Hurricane Maria made landfall. While she has learned from a secondary source that her family survived the hurricane, her hometown has been destroyed. In support of relief efforts in Puerto Rico and people like Dr. Colon Cesario's family, we are once again calling on the generosity of the O'Dea Community.

This Friday, September 29th we will be collecting donations to contribute to Catholic Charities USA (CCUSA). Donations to this faith-based organization will help provide shelter, water, tarps, tents, kitchen kits and other supplies to families affected by the storm. In true O'Dea fashion, students, faculty, and staff members will be allowed a "relaxed dress day" for a minimum donation of five dollars, with larger amounts welcome. If you send a check please make it out directly to CCUSA. Your gift will change lives and relieve suffering. To help students appreciate on a personal level what their donations mean to the people of Puerto Rico, I have asked Dr. Colon Cesario to speak at a brief assembly on Monday afternoon.

Thank you again for your generous support and prayerful solidarity for those in need.

Live Jesus, In Our Hearts, Forever!

Jim Walker Principal

Main Office Important Schedule Change

To align with revised College Board guidelines, the PSAT Testing Day has been moved from Wednesday, October 18th to Wednesday, October 11th. Included below are important schedule changes for both days:

Wednesday, October 11th - Testing Day (No Classes)

PSAT testing for all Freshmen, Sophomores and Juniors will begin at 8:10am and end at 11:45am; there will be no zero period and students will be dismissed at the conclusion of the testing. Seniors will have no classes and should stay home to work on their college essays and applications. Individual coaches and moderators will communicate schedules for after school activities.

Wednesday, October 18, 2017 (Gold MM)

Freshmen, Sophomores and Juniors will attend classes all day on the Gold MM schedule. Seniors will meet in the gymnasium at 8:30am and walk to the Senior/Alum Breakfast held at the Washington Athletic Club (WAC). Upon returning from the Alumni breakfast Seniors will attend their Irish Block, G2 and G3 classes.

Thank you for adjusting your calendars. Please direct any questions to Dr. Eulberg.

Senior Class Breakfast

Alumni Director, David Mazzeo, recently sent an email to all seniors with a brief survey and a permission slip for the Alumni - Senior Class Breakfast which will take place on Wednesday, October 18th. Please be sure your son completes the <u>online survey</u> by Friday, September 22nd so we can place him at tables with alumni who represent careers he is interested in. Permission slips can be found by clicking <u>HERE</u> and are due in the Alumni Office by Friday, October 13th. Please contact <u>David Mazzeo</u> with any questions.

Scholarship Opportunity - Calling All Artists!

The law firm Patterson Buchanan Fobes & Leitch, Inc. P.S., a longtime supporter of O'Dea, would like to give O'Dea artists an opportunity to submit a design for their firm's 2017 Christmas card. The student who designs the winning selection will receive a \$2,500 scholarship, paid towards their tuition at O'Dea High School, along with 25 printed cards to send to friends and family. In addition, the winning design will be sent to over 600 firm clients. Additional information can be found <u>HERE</u>. The deadline for submission is October 8th. Please contact <u>Michelle Traverso</u> with questions.

2018-2019 School Year - Financial Aid

A reminder that all families must re-apply for financial aid every year. The financial aid portal for SSS/NAIS opens up October 2, 2017 and closes December 31, 2017. This is for the 2018-2019 School Year. To apply please click <u>HERE</u>, go to the page for Parents and Families, and use the School and Student Services Code for O'Dea High School 166898. You will need to upload your 2017 tax return, 2017 final paystub and 2017 W-2 when you receive them.

Applications to the Fulcrum Foundation Tuition Assistance Grant will be accepted beginning Sunday, October 1st. If you are applying for financial aid at O'Dea, you <u>must</u> <u>also apply</u> for financial aid through the Fulcrum Foundation. This program is designed for families and students currently enrolled in any Catholic school in the Archdiocese of Seattle. Please click <u>HERE</u> to apply. The deadline for submitting applications is January 5, 2018. If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact <u>Mrs. Thornton</u>.

College Financial Aid Night

Thank you to all of the senior parents who attended our College Financial Aid night on Tuesday, September 26th. We have posted all slides and handouts from the night in the College Counseling section on our website. Click <u>HERE</u> and then scroll down to "Applying For Financial Aid - FAFSA".

Academics & Counseling PSAT Testing

On Wednesday, October 11th at 8:10am, O'Dea High School will be administering the Preliminary SAT (PSAT) to all 9th, 10th, and 11th grade students. This exam provides firsthand practice for the SAT Test and gives students a comprehensive analysis of their answers. This exam also generates free, personalized SAT Practice on Khan Academy to help strengthen each student's SAT performance. For the students in 11th grade, the results of the PSAT give your son a chance to enter National Merit Scholarship Corporation scholarship programs. If you have any questions regarding this exam, please contact Counselor, James Beck. Thank you!

Study Hall

O'Dea High School is now offering Study Hall for students in need of extra time to work on their academics. Study Hall will be held both before and after school and will be monitored by Mr. David Watson and Mr. Ryland Brown. Hours are as follows:

7:00am - 8:00am on Mon, Tues, Thurs, and Fri in Room 201

2:30pm – 3:30pm on Mon, Tues, Wed, and Thurs in Room 201 and 203

Students will be required to sign in and out of Study Hall and will be expected to focus on their schoolwork. All are welcome!

College and University Visits

Various colleges and universities from all over the United States have begun their visits to O'Dea High School. These visits are open to all Juniors and Seniors and offer a great opportunity for students to learn more about schools that they may wish to attend after graduation. Students must sign up for these visits in Family Connection and have their teacher sign a <u>Permission Form</u> excusing them from their scheduled class. This form must be returned to Dr. Eulberg no later than the day prior to the scheduled visit.

For a complete list of college visits, please refer to Family Connection. Below are the colleges scheduled to visit the week of October 2nd. If you have any questions, please contact <u>Dr. Jeanne Eulberg</u>.

COLLEGE REPRESENTATIVE VISITS FOR October 2-8

<u>College</u>	Date	<u>Time</u>	Location_
Oberlin College	10/1/17	5:00-6:30pm	Mt. Baker Community Club
U of Portland	10/2/17	8:10-8:45am (G1)	Counseling Conference Room
Marquette U	10/2/17	8:50-9:30am (G1)	Counseling Conference Room
St. Mary's—CA	10/2/17	10:50-11:30am (G2)	Counseling Conference Room
UC-Santa Barbara	10/2/17	12:35-1:05pm (G3)	Counseling Conference Room
College of Wooster	10/3/17	8:10-8:45am (M1)	Counseling Conference Room
Miami U-Ohio	10/3/17	1:05-1:40pm (M4)	Counseling Conference Room
Hillsdale College	10/3/17	1:45-2:25pm (M4)	Counseling Conference Room
Oregon State U	10/3/17	6:30pm	Bellevue Arts Museum
U of British Columbia	10/4/17	9:30-10:00am (G1)	Library
U of Washington-Bothell	10/4/17	12:00-12:35pm (G2)	Library
Pacific Northwest	10/4/17	1:50-2:25pm (G3)	Library
College <u>Of</u> Art			
Creighton U	10/5/17	9:50-10:25am (M2)	Library
Whittier College	10/5/17	11:40-12:20pm (M3)	Library
Cal Poly- San Luis Obispo	10/5/17	12:25-1:00pm (M3)	Library
Western Washington U	10/5/17	1:45-2:25pm (M4)	Library
College of Idaho	10/6/17	8-:10-8:45am (G1):	Counseling Conference Room
Wake Forest U	10/6/17	11:40-12:20pm (G2)	Counseling Conference Room
St. Martin's U	10/6/17	12:25-1:00pm (G2)	Counseling Conference Room
Boston University	10/8/17	1:30pm	Seattle Public Library

Mentorship Program

Is your son interested in Architecture, Construction or Engineering? ACE Mentors is a mentorship program for motivated students who want to learn about a career in the building industry. Students work with mentors, go on field trips to job sites, and work on their own building design project guided by a team of

mentors. Meetings are held after school once every two weeks from 4-6 pm at the mentor offices. The program runs from the end of October through May and is open to students in grades 9-12. Students must register <u>HERE</u> by October 13th. Please contact <u>Mrs. Eulberg</u> if you have any questions.

Student Life O'Dea Homecoming Week

Homecoming week is fast approaching and you don't want to miss out on the fun! Please see below for the weekly schedule including themes for the day and the featured lunchtime activity. If you have any questions please contact Limerick Dean, <u>Mike Doyle</u>.

"O'Dea Homecoming Spirit Week" House Activities: October 9-14, 2017

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October 10	October 11	October 12	October 13		
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floral print, "Beach theme shirts" and leis.		pants, sweats, jeans and hats.	Maroon and Gold clothing, along with relaxed dress pants, sweats and jeans.		
Lunchtime Activity in the Gym: "Do the Limbo!"	Regular Dress Code Attire	Lunchtime Activity in the Gym: Musical Chairs Basketball	Lunchtime Activity in the Gym: Spikeball		
Student Leaders Hosting Activity: Sophomore House Captains	No Lunchtime Activity	Student Leaders Hosting Activity: Junior House Captains	Student Leaders Hosting Activity: Senior House Captains		
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Homecoming Dance - Saturday, October 14th

Get ready for a night of fun, photo-booth, music and dancing on Saturday, October 14th from 8pm-11pm in the O'Dea Gym! This year's Homecoming Dance theme is *Hollywood!* The attire is semi-formal; please see <u>Dance Guidelines</u> for attire specifics. Tickets will only be sold online. Click <u>HERE</u> to purchase. They are \$15/single and \$25/couple. The deadline for ordering is October 12th. All guests (including the ladies from HNA) must complete a <u>Dance Guest Form</u> and submit it to Dean Magee for review by October 12th. Please direct any questions to Limerick Dean <u>Mike Doyle</u>.

Faith & Service Freshmen Retreat

Thank you to everyone who helped make the freshmen retreat a success! The guys enjoyed learning more about their personal strengths, the O'Dea Brotherhood, and different kinds of prayer. Students said they came away feeling closer with their classmates and with a deeper understanding of what being a brother to their peers is all about. Great job guys!

Fall Encounter

Permission forms for the Fall Encounter retreat are now available in the Campus Ministry Office. Fall Encounter is December 6th-9th. There are still spaces available! Permission forms must be completed and turned in to Ms. Curl to save your spot. We are also looking for Seniors who have been on Encounter to serve as leaders. If your son is interested, please have him swing by Ms. Curl's office to pick up an application. Thank you!

The Arts Music Ensemble Schedules

Instrumental Ensembles

October 2 - Band - 7:05am October 3 - Band - 7:05am October 4 - Drumline - 7:05am / Woodwind sectional - 7:30am October 5 - Band - 7:05am October 6 - Band - 7:05am

Vocal Ensembles

October 3 - M3 Choir October 4 - IB Mass - M3 Choir + Cathedral Choir / Rehearsal during MG @ St. James October 5 - M3 Choir

Advancement Office Wall of Honor Inductee Celebration

The Wall of Honor Inductee Celebration is just weeks away! Please join us in the O'Dea Gym on Thursday, October 12th at 6pm as we honor the past to support the present. Proceeds from the event will go directly to the O'Dea Athletic department to help build upon our tradition of excellence. Tickets are \$50 and include pizza, salad, beer, wine and non-alcoholic beverages. Make your reservations now by clicking <u>HERE</u>. GO IRISH!

Check out just one of our live auction items! You don't want to miss out!

The Best of Portlandia's Sports Scene

Grab your squad and head down to the City of Roses where you and a guest will watch the Portland Trailblazers take on the New Orleans Pelicans on December 2nd, 2017. During your stay in Portland you will enjoy lunch/dinner out with New Orleans Pelicans assistant coach, Jamelle McMillan, a proud alum of O'Dea Class of 2007, and the son of NBA great, Nate McMillan. Jamelle will also give you a behind the scenes tour of the home of the Blazers, The Rose Garden. Thanks to O'Dea Alum Father, Matt Murphy, this package includes a two-nights stay at the beautiful Paramount hotel, ideally located in the heart of Portland's downtown core.



POSH Auction - Volunteer Committee Meeting

On Tuesday, October 3rd we invite all interested parents to join our Event Co-Chairs, Shannon Gardner and Helen Suk, as we kick off preparations for this year's POSH Auction. This meeting will be held at 5pm in the library on the 4th floor. To RSVP or for more information please contact Allie DeLong, Advancement Director at <u>adelong@odea.org</u> or 206.923.7540. Thank you for your support!

Mothers' Club Bite of O'Dea - This weekend!

This Saturday night, September 30th, is the Mothers' Club annual Bite of O'Dea event from 6-10 in the O'Dea gym. Please register <u>HERE</u> today! We are accepting wine donations in the Main Office. Parking will be tight as there is an event at St. James at the same time. We encourage moms to use Uber/Lyft. The Cabrini lot will be open until 11:00pm. If you have questions or would like to find out how you can help please email Amy Jeffries at <u>mothers-club@odea.org</u>. See you on Saturday!

Looking Ahead Important Dates to Remember

October 9th - No School, Teacher Excellence Day October 11th - Mothers' Club Meeting, O'Dea Library @ 6pm October 12th - Wall of Honor Inductee Celebration, O'Dea Gym @ 6pm October 14th - Homecoming Dance, O'Dea Gym @ 8pm October 28th - NACAC College Fair, O'Dea Gym @ 1pm November 1st - Fathers' Club Meeting, Biology Lab @ 6:30pm November 4th - Alumni Memorial Mass, 11am @ St. James Cathedral November 8th - Fall Open House, 6pm @ O'Dea November 10th - No Class, Veteran's Day

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