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O'DEA FAMILY BULLETIN

MAY 15, 2017 - MAY 21, 2017

Weekly Schedule

Special Note: Please check our O'Dea website for the most up to date information regarding playoff competitions for our spring sports.

[Monday, May 15th](#) - Maroon

[Tuesday, May 16th](#) - Gold MM
IB: Student Leadership

[Wednesday, May 17th](#) - Maroon

[Thursday, May 18th](#) - Gold
IB: National Honors Society Induction Ceremony
*Senior Retreat

[Friday, May 19th](#) - House Spirit Day!
*Track District Prelims @ SW Athletic Complex
*Mayfest, 7pm @ 1927 Events in Downtown Seattle

[Saturday, May 20th](#)
*Track District Finals @ SW Athletic Complex
*Varsity Baseball Regional Playoffs, 10am @ Pasco, WA

Click [here](#) to view the entire O'Dea Calendar for most up to date event details!

Main Office

Attention Senior Parents!

Graduation tickets for the Class of 2017 will come home with your son on May 26th. You will receive 12 tickets; there are no extra tickets available. If an attendee will be in a wheelchair, please be sure to turn in your special needs seating request form by May 23rd. The doors for all ticketed guests will open at 6:30 PM.

Seniors must be in line in the parking lot by 6:15pm. All graduates should be clean shaven, wear a white dress shirt, O'Dea tie, dress pants and dress shoes for graduation. No tennis shoes are allowed. There will be a photographer that will take pictures of the seniors receiving their diploma which will later be available to purchase. Simply turn in your order form and pay the photographer directly.

If your senior has financial aid books they must be returned to Mrs. Thornton by May 25th. If you are unsure which books belong to O'Dea you can see Mrs. Thornton and check your invoice.

Financial Aid

Many families that have been awarded financial aid have not uploaded your 2016 taxes. This is a requirement for finalizing your award. Please check your SSS account and make sure your 2016 taxes have been uploaded.

Families receiving financial aid will receive letters by the end of the year with information regarding additional support for the new Surface Tablet Program.

Academics & Counseling

Surface Tablet Meeting

Please join us for a meeting in the O'Dea Library on **Tuesday, May 23rd** at either 1pm or 6pm. This meeting will be led by our Director of Educational Technology, David Olinger, and will provide information on the new Surface Tablet Program which will be implemented for the 2017-2018 school year. David will answer your questions to help ensure a successful transition for your family.

Jesuit College Fair

On **Tuesday, May 23rd**, fifteen Jesuit Colleges from across the country will be coming to O'Dea for a college fair during Irish Block. This is a unique opportunity for our sophomores and juniors to meet with college representatives in a smaller venue. Please be sure your son comes prepared with questions. We encourage students to speak with each college as there might be a college that they have not heard of before and yet is of interest. Please direct any questions to [Jeanne Eulberg](#).

National Honors Society Induction Ceremony

Please join the O'Dea community for a special assembly on Thursday, May 18th from 10:10am to 11:10am as we welcome the new members of the National Honors Society. This event will be in the O'Dea Gym. All parents are welcome to join!

Saturday Math

Saturday Math with Mr. Rittman will meet on Saturday, May 13th, from 9:00 - 10:00 in the Biology Lab. All students needing additional help with Math are welcome to attend. Please reach out to [Mr. Rittman](#) with any questions.

Student Life

House Spirit Day - Friday, May 19th!

Who will be this year's Irish Cup champion? The crowning ceremony will be just one of the highlights of our House Spirit Day full of O'Dea spirit and brotherhood. Students will be able to run an obstacle course, perform in a Talent Show, compete in a basketball tournament, and much more throughout the day. Here are a couple key details for the day:

- [The O'Dea parking lot will be closed to all cars.](#) Students with a parking space will receive a validated parking pass from Dean Magee by Thursday, May 18th. This pass needs to be placed on dashboards when entering and exiting the Cabrini Parking Garage. **You must exit the parking garage by 3:30pm.**
- All House student leaders should arrive at 7am and check-in at the gym to help with set-up
- All other students should report to their MENTOR GROUP rooms at 8:10am for attendance.
- All students are **required to wear their House T-Shirt**. Shorts are OK, but no flip-flops/sandals).
- A BBQ lunch will be provided by O'Dea – students will not able to leave campus.

Please direct any questions to House Director [Daniel P. Mullen](#). Go Irish!

Faith & Service

Senior Retreat

This year's Senior Retreat will be on Thursday, May 18th. The smaller class size allowed for us to consolidate this day of reflection and service down to one day instead of two. The theme is gratitude and giving back. We will be doing service over at Northwest Harvest mid-day, and return for talks and activities back at school. Please remember to turn in your [permission forms](#) to Ms. Curl or at the Front office!

Advancement Office

Thank you!

Thank you to everyone for your continuous support of O'Dea. **Yesterday we received almost \$44,000 on GiveBIG day!** What a great testament to the generous spirit of our community!

As we approach the end of the year we want to thank you for all you do for O'Dea. Your financial gifts help ensure we are providing the best Catholic education for our diverse student body by supporting financial aid, school operations, co-curricular activities, and the renovation of our 3rd floor this summer. The time you spend volunteering ensures our events and activities are fun, meaningful, and successful. We are fortunate to have such a generous community of people. Thank you!

O'Dea Golf Tournament

The 31st Annual O'Dea Golf Tournament will take place **Monday, June 19, 2017**, at the Golf Club at Newcastle with a 1:30pm shotgun start. Registration is \$175/golfer and you can register online [HERE!](#) The O'Dea Golf Tournament is open to everyone, 21+, not just O'Dea Alumni!

Not a golfer? Help [sponsor](#) our tournament as a hole sponsor or more! Proceeds from the tournament will help fund the Edmund Rice Leadership Awards, individual \$4,000 awards presented to young men graduates from a Catholic grade school who will be entering O'Dea in 2018. The awards are granted for excellence in the classroom and service in the community. \$1,000 is applied to each student's tuition annually in each of the four years they are a student at O'Dea. Contact [Dave Mazzeo](#) in the Advancement Office for additional information.

Parents' Clubs

Mayfest - Make your reservations!

There are still tickets available for Mayfest this **Friday, May 19th from 7-10pm** at [1927 Events](#) in Downtown Seattle. This event is for current and incoming O'Dea Mothers, Fathers, and Friends. You are guaranteed to have a great time with food, drinks and music provided by DJ Jeff Kaufer. Tickets are only \$35 per person! Get your tickets now by clicking [here!](#)

The Arts

Music Ensemble Schedules

Instrumental Ensembles

May 15 – Band - 7:05am
May 16 – Drum Line - 7:05am
May 17 – Band - 7:05am
May 18 – Band - 7:05am
May 19 – No Band

Band Auditions! The band is looking for students who play woodwind and brass instruments. Students who play these instruments should contact [Mr. Ruiter](#).

Vocal Ensembles

May 15 – M3 Choir
May 17 – M3 Choir

Looking Ahead

Important Dates to Remember

[May 23rd](#) - Surface Tablet Program Meeting, O'Dea Library @ 1pm or 6pm
[May 23rd](#) - Spring Concert, 7:30pm @ TBD
[May 25th](#) - Last Day of School for Class of 2017
[May 29th](#) - No School, Memorial Day
[May 31st](#) - Class of 2017 Graduation, 7pm @ St. James Cathedral
[June 2nd](#) - No School, Faculty & Staff In-Service
[June 6th- June 8th](#) - Final Exams
[June 8th](#) - Last Day of School!
[June 19th](#) - Annual Golf Tournament, 1:30pm @ Newcastle Golf Club

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

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