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# O'DEA FAMILY BULLETIN

**NOVEMBER 12, 2018 - NOVEMBER 18, 2018**

## Weekly Schedule

**Important Schedule Change:** Due to the football state playoff game taking place at 5PM on Friday, November 9th, the schedule for the day has been changed and school will be dismissed at 1:20PM. Thank you for your cooperation. GO IRISH!

[Monday, November 12th](#) - No School, Veteran's Day

\*Winter Sports Begin

[Tuesday, November 13th](#) - Maroon

[Wednesday, November 14th](#) - Gold Min (12PM Dismissal)

IB: Club Photos (General Interest & Cultural Heritage)

\*Parent/Teacher Conferences

[Thursday, November 15th](#) - Maroon Min (12PM Dismissal)

\*Parent/Teacher Conferences

\*Shirts Across America Parent Meeting, O'Dea Library @ 7PM

[Friday, November 16th](#) - Gold Min (12PM Dismissal)

IB: Club Photos (Student Leaders, Arts & Technology)

\*Parent/Teacher Conferences

\*Football State Quarterfinals (TBD)

[Saturday, November 17th](#)

\*Football State Quarterfinals (TBD)

Please click [HERE](#) to view the entire O'Dea Calendar.

## Main Office

### Financial Aid

The financial aid application process for the 2019-2020 school year is open. If you are currently on financial aid you must re-apply each year. There are two separate applications to complete. The [Fulcrum Foundation Application](#) is due January 4, 2019 and the [O'Dea High School Financial Aid Application](#) is due January 9, 2019. Your application is not considered complete until all the required documentation has been submitted. If you have any questions, please contact [Linda Thornton](#).

## Academics & Counseling

### Parent / Teacher Conferences

Parent / Teacher Conferences are next week, Wednesday, November 14th, Thursday, November 15th, and Friday, November 16th. Conference sign-ups are now available online through [SignUp Genius](#). The sign-up period will end this Sunday, November 11th at 11:30PM. You will need the names of your son's teachers before you begin the sign-up process. Click [HERE](#) for more information regarding the times of the individual sessions. Please contact O'Dea Registrar, [Barbara Verzemnieks](#), with any questions. Thank you!

## Student Life

### Submit your photographs!

The O'Dea Yearbook Class would like to get the O'Dea community involved in contributing your photos to this year's yearbook and other O'Dea marketing publications. Parents who attend school events (sports, clubs, walks, etc.) are encouraged to submit your photos online through a site called [Walsworth Yearbooks](#). Submitting your photos is easy! Simply follow the below instructions:

- Visit the O'Dea High School community upload page [HERE](#)
- Enter the access code "odeairish"
- Upload your pictures!

**Each month we will select a winning photograph and that person will win a prize! The prize for the month of November is a \$25 credit to the [School Store](#).**

Please contact the Yearbook advisor, [Will Cronin](#), with any questions. Thank you for your participation. GO IRISH!

## Faith & Service

### Canned Food Drive

The Canned Food Drive for Northwest Harvest is underway. Each house is encouraged to bring as many cans as possible to their mentor group. All items will be weighed on Wednesday, November 21st, to determine which house is the winner! Here are the items Northwest Harvest is in particular need of this year:

#### General Food Items:

- Beef stew, chili and similar meals with low salt, sugar and saturated fats
- Canned fruit, especially with low sugar (but not artificial sweeteners)
- Canned fish or meat
- Peanut butter (plastic jars are preferred)
- Canned vegetables (low sodium)
- Brown rice
- Whole grain pastas
- Canned tomato sauces
- Shelf-stable milk

#### Infant and Baby Foods:

- Baby formula
- Jars of baby food
- Powdered or canned milk
- Infant cereal

\*They also accept baby diapers.

Please contact Director of Campus Ministry, [Danielle Curl](#), with any questions. Thank you for your participation in this important food drive.

### Encounter with Christ Retreat

Friday is the last day to turn in Encounter Permission forms! If your student is a junior or senior and would like to attend this retreat from December 5th through December 8th, please have the forms in ASAP. Permission forms can be found in Ms. Curl's office or online [HERE](#).

### New Mission Trip Opportunity - Shirts Across America

O'Dea Campus Ministry is happy to announce that **in addition to our Peru Mission trip, an unexpected additional opportunity has become available** with a Program called Shirts Across America. This trip will take place in New Orleans over Spring Break and consist of 12 O'Dea students with a Faculty member TBA.

#### Please see Shirts Across America's ad below:

*Over 3,000 high school students. 85,000 volunteer hours. 175 rebuilt homes. We're Shirts Across America (SAA). House by house, block by block, we're working towards something bigger than ourselves. SAA was created in 2008 by Seattle area high school students who wanted to make a difference in the lives of those impacted by Hurricane Katrina. We provide students the unique opportunity to experience New Orleans culture and develop invaluable leadership skills while also giving back to the community through direct service. Our program fulfills service hour requirements and is recognized among institutions of higher education.*

*Now, 13 years after the storm, there is still much work to be done. We hope you and your student will consider being a part of our family as we continue to help families move home in New Orleans this Spring Break.*

**Please join us for O'Dea's New Orleans Trip Information Night on Thursday, November 15th at 7PM in the Library.**

## Athletics

### Football Playoffs

Come out to Memorial Stadium this Friday, November 9th at 5PM and cheer on the Fighting Irish as they take on Kamiakin in the district playoffs. The winner will move on to the state quarterfinals. Click [HERE](#) to see the state playoff bracket. GO IRISH!

### Basketball Tryouts

Basketball tryouts will be taking place on Monday November 12th, Tuesday November 13th, and Wednesday November 14th. Tryout times are as follows:

#### Freshmen

Monday – 1:00pm to 4:00pm

Tuesday and Wednesday – 4:30pm to 6:30pm

#### Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors

Monday – 4:00pm to 7:00pm

Tuesday and Wednesday – 6:00pm to 8:30pm

Players must have all [Participation Forms](#) completed in order to tryout.

See [Coach Kerr](#) if you have any questions. GO IRISH!

### Lacrosse Winter Clinic

O'Dea Lacrosse will be hosting a 2-Day Winter Clinic for youth lacrosse players in grades 3rd through 8th. Please pass along this information to any families or friends that you think might be interested.

Friday, November 23rd: 12:00-3:00pm at Washington Park

Saturday, November 24th: 10:00am-1:00pm at Miller Playfield.

Click [HERE](#) to register. GO IRISH!

## Looking Ahead

### Important Dates to Remember

[November 22nd & 23rd](#) - No School, Thanksgiving Holiday

[November 27th](#) - #GiveGOLD for O'Dea!

[November 28th](#) - Mothers' Club Meeting, 6:30PM @ O'Dea Library

[December 1st & 8th](#) - Class of 2023 Placement Exam

[December 5th](#) - Fathers' Club Meeting, Biology Lab @ 6:30PM

[December 5th-8th](#) - Encounter Retreat

[December 14th](#) - Sophomore Play Field Trip

[December 21st](#) - Christmas Prayer Service, 12PM Dismissal

[December 24th - January 4th](#) - Christmas Break

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