



St. Francis de Sales High School

*"Nothing is so strong as gentleness,
Nothing so gentle as real strength"
St. Francis de Sales*

17 November 2017

Dear Parents,
It's been the year of music here at de Sales!

We began with the very moving concert with Mr. Eric Genuis back in September and, just this past Saturday, enjoyed the world-class Glee Club from West Point!

...why not keep the trend going?

I'm pleased to announce that we will be posting to hire a band director and will be offering Band as a for-credit elective class in our Fine Arts program for the 2018-2019 school year!

In addition, we will also be adding Latin III to the curriculum next year, moving ever-closer to offering two, 4-year foreign language options!

We will never rest; our mission is to give your children the very best of what we have to offer.

Go Pioneers!
John Kimec

Fall Sock Hop

The students will have the chance to dance the night away at our fall *Sock Hop* **this Saturday, November 18 from 7:00-10:00!**

Glee Club From United States Military Academy

What a way to commemorate Veteran's Day! We were honored to host the Glee Club from West Point this past Saturday, November 11. Their talent as a choir is unmatched! These future Army Officers paid a most fitting tribute to those who have served this great nation, even playing the songs of and recognizing members of all service branches! It was truly great evening for de Sales!



College Fair last Tuesday

Twenty-five colleges attended our 2017 College Fair on November 14th here at SFDS. Students of all grade levels spent their day attending a Meet and Greet session with all representatives as well as structured Question and Answer sessions with colleges of their choice.

December Final Exams

Final Exams will be **December 20-22**. We ask that families delay travel plans until after semester final exams are completed.

Attendance at final exams is not only mandatory by way of policy, we must have a final exam grade to calculate a final semester grade.

In the event that this is not possible to delay travel plans during final exams, Mr Fennessy, the Dean of Academics, **must** be contacted **in writing or email** one month prior to the final exam date. In an effort to ensure that students transition well from first semester to second, we require that all final exams be taken **before** a student leaves for Christmas Break. Failure to do so may result in no credit for the exam.

Greece in 2019!

EF Tours is offering a \$200 discount for students who enroll on the trip to Greece by **November 24**. With a \$95 deposit you can secure your child's spot on the tour as well as secure the \$200 discount. Once you pay the \$95 enrollment fee, the price for the trip is locked in at the current rate. It will not increase. Monthly payments will eventually be required, but by enrolling this early, you can determine the amount you would like to pay initially.

The only amount needed to enroll is the \$95. You may do that online at www.eftours.com/2038478MP or over the phone at 1.800.665.5364

The trips we offer every year are open to ALL SFDS students. Parents are welcome to come along on the tour as well. Mr. Sanchez and I will be chaperones for the 2018 and 2019 trip. We also have a full time Tour director who is a resident of the area, knows the language well, and will be with us 24/7.

Students interested in the 2018 trip to London, Paris, Florence and Rome are still able to enroll by clicking on the link below:

London, Paris, Florence Rome 2018: www.eftours.com/1899803ct

Once again, the link below will direct you to the 2019 trip to Greece. Please call me if you have any questions regarding the trip. Grecian Odyssey 2019:

<http://www.eftours.com/2038478mp>

For more information or questions, feel free to contact **Ms. Diana Serrano** at ext. 308 or via email at dserrano@sfdshs.org.

Upcoming Schedule Changes

Wednesday, November 22
Early Dismissal; 1:30 pm

Thursday & Friday, November 23 & 24
Thanksgiving Holiday; No school

Wednesday, November 29
Early Dismissal Schedule; Open House set-up

Thursday, November 30
Late Start Schedule



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