

SAINT IGNATIUS LOYOLA WEEKLY

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Dear Parents,

In conformity with Archdiocesan guidelines, Father Yesalonia and I have approved a 4.5 % tuition rate for the 2017– 2018 school year, with the tuition to be set as follows:

Catholic Family per child (Students in Grades 1-8)	\$8,905 (includes books/start up supplies) \$890.50 per month (ten-month payment plan)
Non-Catholic Family per child (Students in Grades 1-8)	\$11,350 (includes books/start up supplies) \$1,135 per month (ten-month payment plan)
Catholic Kindergarten rate	\$9,510 (includes books/start up supplies) \$951 per month (ten-month payment plan)
Non-Catholic Kindergarten rate	\$11,925 (includes books/start up supplies) \$1,192.50 per month (ten-month payment plan)
Building Fund Fee	\$1,400 per child (This will reserve a seat for the 2017-2018 school year.)
Technology Fee	\$275 per child (annually)

As per my recommendation, the treasurer's office ran several scenarios of budget forecasting with a goal of balancing prudent financial projections and in consideration of the economic challenges parents experience raising a family in New York City today. As noted above, this year's tuition rate reflects a 4.5% increase.

Through careful analysis, and taking into account the faculty's salaries and medical benefits obligations, the increased costs represent a large percentage of our operating expenses, along with additional building operating costs, which have also been factored into the percentage.

Under the auspices of the Archdiocese of New York, Saint Ignatius Loyola School is mandated to use a network data based system. This software package comes with a real annual cost. Additionally, the price of standardized testing, books and supplies has also increased over the course of this past calendar year.

The Building Fund Fee is assessed at \$1,400 per child and will be posted to your tuition bill on Friday, February 20, 2017, to reserve your child's seat for the 2017 - 2018 school year.

The Building Fund Fee will be honored as a guaranteed reservation for next year, only if the current tuition payment is up to date. The fee is nonrefundable.

Father Yesalonia and I hold the educational tradition of Saint Ignatius Loyola School in the highest esteem. We are proud of our long list of academic, artistic and athletic successes. As always, I am available for any questions you may have. May God bless you for your commitment to your children's education at Saint Ignatius Loyola School.

Sincerely,

Mary E. Larkin
Principal

***Important to Note:**

- Thursday, February 2nd – **Speech Assembly** at 9:00 a.m. in McKinnon Hall.
- Thursday, February 2nd – **Career Day Assembly** for Grades 6-8 at 1:15 p.m. in McKinnon Hall.
- Friday, February 3rd – **Sullivan Cup – 8th Grade Faculty and Students Basketball Game. Eighth Grade Parents are invited to join us.**
- Friday, February 3rd – **End of 2nd Quarter.**
- Friday, February 3rd – **Faculty Meeting – 12:00 p.m. Dismissal. No After School Care.**
- Monday, February 6th – **Grades 1-7 Admissions Notifications** will be mailed this week.
- Friday, February 10th – **Special Event: Ladies Night Out.**
- Monday, February 20th – **President’s Day – No School.**
- Tuesday, February 21st through Friday, February 24th – **Winter Recess - No School.**

***Parent Information:**

- **Second Grade Information**
Saturday, February 4th – **Reconciliation** at 10:00 a.m. in Church.

Parent Information

- **Saint Ignatius Loyola School in the Daily News**
Over the course of the next month, Saint Ignatius Loyola School will be featured on the Daily News website. The link to the article is: <http://www.nydailynews.com/content-studio/catholic-schools>
- **Eighth Grade Parent Information**
High School Information
Over the course of the last week and the upcoming weeks, you will be hearing from the high schools your children have applied to. As I have noted, the schools contact you directly regarding your child’s acceptance, wait list or not accepted status. I ask that you submit a hard copy of the letters **to the principal’s office** for our records.

If your child is offered a merit scholarship, **a copy of the letter from the high school** must also be submitted **to the principal’s office**, in order for your child to be recognized at graduation. The deadline for all letters to be received is Tuesday, February 28th.

If the letter is a form letter, please include your child’s name on the top of the page.

Confirmation Retreat Letters

Letters written for Confirmation must be returned in a sealed envelope displaying your child’s name and labeled, **Confirmation Retreat**. These letters should be addressed **to Ms. Carol Mirra** and handed in no later than **Wednesday, March 1st**.

Confirmation Data Sheets must be completed and returned directly to the principal’s office no later than **Thursday, March 30th**.

Eighth Grade Retreat

All Eighth Grade students are required to attend the retreat on Wednesday, April 26th. This includes students who are not being confirmed. The retreat is a part of the Eighth Grade’s Religion class.

- **STARS Summer Camp**
It may be cold outside, but it will be getting warm very soon and it will be time to start making summer plans! Camp is scheduled to run for four weeks beginning June 21st through July 14th.

This year, we are excited to bring back many of last year’s great features which include our General Day Camp option, our Extended Day Feature, the Daily Rate Option and the option to pay for camp through Smart Tuition.

We are happy to share that many of our teachers will be returning to put on their camp counselor hats. Campers will have the opportunity to attend some great field trips. Last year, the trips included a Staten Island Yankees game, Medieval Times and bowling, just to name a few. This summer we hope to create even more exciting camp memories.

We hope to see you this summer at camp!

News from the Development Office

Ladies Night Out

Our Annual Ladies Night Out is next Friday, February 10th, from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. The Committee is working hard to ensure a great event.

As noted on the invite, so we can plan accordingly, please R.S.V.P. by Monday, February 6th. Feel free to invite friends ... the more the merrier!

The \$60 admission ticket includes hors d'oeuvres, drinks, new shopping experiences and an opportunity for you to enjoy quality time with other moms. All checks should be made payable to **Saint Ignatius Loyola School**.

Please contact Anna Sakalis if you are available to volunteer to help set up for the event on Friday, February 10th at 3:00 p.m. or if you are available to volunteer during the event. Thank you for your continued support!

Auction 2017

Our 2017 Auction is being held on Saturday, April 29th. The evening's success is through the support of you and our community.

We are in need of items for our Live Auction, Silent Auction and our Online Auction.

Unique life experiences, such as tickets to sporting events, theater and concerts, are perfect for the Live Auction. Gift cards to local shops, restaurants, spas, museums are perfect for the Silent Auction along handbags, signed sports memorabilia, etc.

If you are interested in volunteering for the event, please join us at our next Auction meeting, which is scheduled for Wednesday, February 8th at 8:30 a.m. The meeting should last no more than 45 minutes.

Celtic Celebration

Save the date, our Annual Celtic Celebration is scheduled for Friday, March 3rd in Wallace Hall. Details to follow in an upcoming Weekly.

- **News from the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola**
Meeting Christ in Prayer

Meeting Christ in Prayer is an interactive 8-week guided prayer experience for small groups. Based on the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius Loyola, it introduces participants to various ways of praying and provides an opportunity to support one another through faith sharing.

What does the program offer? Weekly meetings are 90 minutes long and include group prayer, guided meditation, small group faith sharing, and an orientation for the following week's prayer or prayer techniques. The cost of the program is a sliding scale of \$30-\$50 and covers all materials. Scholarships are available. To register, email MCIP@saintignatiusloyola.org

Meeting Place – Church of St. Ignatius Loyola Parish House – 980 Park Avenue

Morning Sessions

Tuesdays, February 7 – March 29*

9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Meeting Place – Church of St. Ignatius Loyola Parish House – 980 Park Avenue

Evening Sessions

Wednesdays, February 8 – March 29*

7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

*Note: Both sessions will conclude with the evening celebration of Mass on Wednesday, March 29.

If you are **not** returning to Saint Ignatius Loyola School in September 2017, we ask that you complete the tear off sheet below and return it to Ms. Larkin's office by Wednesday, February 15, 2017.

Please tear off and return to Ms. Larkin's office by **Wednesday, February 15, 2017.**

___ My child/ren **will not be returning** to Saint Ignatius Loyola School.

He/she will be attending:

_____.

Name of School to Submit Transcripts

(Transcripts will be forwarded only if tuition is current.)

Name of Student/s _____ Class _____

_____ Class _____

_____ Class _____

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