

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 increase for the 2018 – 2019 school year, with the tuition to be set as follows:

Catholic Family per child (Students in Grades 1-8)	\$9,308 (includes books/start up supplies) \$930.80 per month (ten-month payment plan)
Non-Catholic Family per child (Students in Grades 1-8)	\$11,861 (includes books/start up supplies) \$1,186.10 per month (ten-month payment plan)
Catholic Kindergarten rate	\$9,937(includes books/start up supplies) \$993.70 per month (ten-month payment plan)
Non-Catholic Kindergarten rate	\$12,464 (includes books/start up supplies) \$1,246.40 per month (ten-month payment plan)
Building Fund Fee	\$1,400 per child (This will reserve a seat for the 2018 - 2019 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 database 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 16, 2018, to reserve your child's seat for the 2018 - 2019 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

Attached to the Weekly are the following:

Permission Slip – Grade 3
CulinArt February Lunch Menu – Grades K-8

Please review these materials and promptly return those that need to be returned.

***Important to Note:**

- Thursday, February 1st – **Speech Assembly** at 9:30 a.m. in McKinnon Hall.
- Friday, February 2nd – **Sullivan Cup – Grade 8 and Faculty Basketball Game.**
- Friday, February 2nd – **Faculty Meeting 12:00 p.m. Dismissal . No After School Care.**
- Friday, February 2nd – **End of Second Quarter.**
- Saturday, February 3rd – **First Reconciliation Second Grade** at 10:00 a.m. in Church.
- Monday, February 5th – **Grades 1-7 Admissions Notifications will be mailed this week.**
- Monday, February 5th – **Professional Day – No School.**
- Friday, February 9th – **Ladies’ Night Out in McKinnon Hall.**
- Wednesday, February 14th – **Ash Wednesday - Lent Begins.**
- Wednesday, February 14th – **Grades K-1 Prayer Service** at 10:00 a.m. in Wallace Hall. **Grades 2-8 Prayer Service** at 1:15 p.m. in Church. All are welcome to attend.
- Thursday, February 15th – **Lenten Prayer Service** – Grades K-3.
- Tuesday, March 6th – **Save the Date – Parent Talk** on how to support your children in the ever-changing world of social media and to understand what children today feel is okay with respect to topics of conversations with their peers. The talk will be in McKinnon Hall from 7:00 p.m. to 8:15 p.m.

***Parent Information:**

- **STARS Summer Camp**
It may be cold outside, but the weather will be getting warmer sooner than you know it and it will be time to start making your summer plans.

STARS Summer Camp will be back in session for four weeks beginning June 20th through July 13th. This year, we will bring back many of last year’s features including the General Day Camp option, extended day, daily rates, and the Smart Tuition payment sign up option. Your child will have the opportunity to attend super fun field trips. Last summer, the campers went to iFly indoor sky diving, bowling, and Medieval Times, just to name a few. This year, we are planning some more exciting experiences to create memories to last a lifetime.

Each day, your child will have the opportunity to change camp programs to participate in all aspects of the camp. There will be sports, game playing, lots of fun and the chance to explore New York City.

As you know, the campers love that first day of camp to see their teachers transform into camp counselors donning their camp counselor tee shirts and counselor hats.

We look forward to seeing you at STARS Summer Camp! Camp forms are available in the front office. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact Ms. Allison O’Connor at 212-861-3820x121.

- **Eighth Grade Parent Information**
Confirmation Information

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 submitted directly to Mrs. Meghan Sanchez-Pena no later than **Thursday, March 1st**.

It is crucial that your child receive at least one letter from you. If additional members of your family wish to write to your child, by all means encourage them to do so. The letters will be given to your child during their retreat.

Confirmation Data Sheets must be completed and returned directly to the principal's office no later than **Thursday, March 1st**.

Eighth Grade Retreat

All Eighth Grade students are required to attend the retreat on **Wednesday, March 21st**. This includes students who are not being confirmed. The retreat is a part of the Eighth Grade's Religion class.

Please be aware that the information sheets distributed to the two classes list the retreat as Tuesday, March 21st, but the retreat is on Wednesday, March 21st.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact Ms. Larkin or Mrs. Sanchez-Pena.

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. The schools contact you directly regarding your child's acceptance, wait list or not accepted status. I ask that you submit **directly to the Principal's office, not your child's homeroom teacher**, a copy of any letters your child receives so that we can be apprised of the results. We would prefer a hard copy be submitted, not emailed.

If your child is offered a merit scholarship, **a copy of the letter from the high school** must be submitted **directly to the Principal's office, not your child's homeroom teacher**, in order for your child to be recognized at graduation. The deadline for all letters to be received is Wednesday, February 28th.

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

From the Development Office:**Ladies Night Out**

Our Annual Ladies Night Out is next Friday, February 9th, 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, please R.S.V.P. by Monday, February 5th, so we can plan accordingly. Feel free to invite your friends and family for a fun evening which will include some shopping, lite bites, wine tasting, good company and a chance to win some wonderful raffle prizes.

Celtic Celebration

Save the date, our Annual Celtic Celebration is scheduled for Friday, March 2nd, in Wallace Hall. The invitation is to follow.

Auction 2018

Our 2018 Auction is being held on Saturday, April 28th.

As you know, the evening's success is through your support and that of our entire school community.

We are seeking your help in acquiring items for our Live, Silent and Online Auction. These items can include gift certificates to restaurants, hotels, fitness packages, Broadway/sports/travel/entertainment experiences and tickets, gift certificates for kid's classes, gift baskets, jewelry ... just a few suggestions.

Please contact the Development Office at extension 135 if you would like an Auction letter and form sent to you electronically. THANK YOU!

- There is still time to join the St. Ignatius Loyola Childrens' Choir for the remainder of the 2017-2018 season. Children in grades 1-4 rehearse on Wednesday afternoons and 5-8 on Thursday afternoons. Please contact Maureen Haley at haleym@stignatiusloyola.org for more information, and see the brochures in church.

If you are **not** returning to Saint Ignatius Loyola School in September 2018, we ask that you complete the tear off sheet below and return it to Ms. Larkin's office by Wednesday, February 14, 2018.

Please tear off and return to Ms. Larkin's office by **Wednesday, February 14, 2018.**

___ 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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