

# SFBRHS NEWSLETTER

## NEW FACULTY

Please welcome to the Borgia Family three additions to the faculty for the 2009-2010 academic year. Two are returning from past positions here, and one is embarking on a new teaching career. We are indeed blessed to add these talented professionals to the Borgia faculty!

**Mrs. Carla Poepsel** rejoins us in the capacity of freshman class counselor. Carla previously served at Borgia as Learning Consultant and Resource Teacher from 2000 to 2005. She completed a Masters Degree in Educational Administration at Missouri Baptist University in 2009. As campaign coordinator for Franklin County, Carla was instrumental in the passage of the "Putting Kids First" initiative.

After nine years **Mr. James "Chip" Thompson, Jr.** returns to again teach Spanish. He

will be here for Blue Day Spanish I classes. During his absence he served as a Youth Minister, worked in a Youth Athletic Program where he taught golf to underprivileged children, and was active in a Honduran Mission installing water filtration systems.

**Mr. Derrick Flannigan** begins his teaching career with us this year in Theology I and Christian Ministry. He is a talented musician and has experience in national percussion competitions. He will assist with Band, and will head the Drumline and Pep Band. He has completed graduate studies in theology at Kenrick School of Theology, and has a Bachelor of Arts degree in Philosophy from Cardinal Glennon Seminary. He also holds a Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy and Letters from St. Louis University, where he played in the Billiken Band.



## WELCOME CLASS OF 2013



It is always exciting to welcome the newest members of our school community. Watching you grow and mature is one of the real perks of teaching!

On Wednesday, August 12, the freshmen will have class orientation, beginning at 8 AM. They will have the opportunity to go over their schedules and meet with all their first semester classes. During the day they will be introduced to their faculty advisor and meet their senior big brother or big sister, who will take them to lunch. Lunch will be free on this day. Freshmen will be dismissed about 1 PM. They are to be in uniform for this day.

Over the weekend of August 14, freshmen will participate in a Luke 18 retreat. Freshmen parents have received information about the

retreat. It is strongly recommended that all freshmen attend the retreat.

We look forward to the next four years together. If you ever have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to call the high school office.

### Special points of interest:

- Immunizations are to be up to date for all students.
- All freshmen must have a current physical by the first day of school.
- The magazine drive starts August 25. Save renewals for the drive.
- The deadline to register for the September 12 ACT is August 7. Students can register online at [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org).

### Mark Your Calendars Now

Parent/Athlete Meeting	8/03 7 PM
Fall Sports Practice Begins	8/10
Spirit Shop Opens	8/10
Senior Parking Permits	8/10 7 AM
Schedules Available for Pickup	8/10-11
Band Rehearsal	8/10-12 6-8 PM
Underclassmen Parking Permits	8/11 7 AM
Freshmen Orientation	8/12
First Full Day of School	8/13
Freshmen Parent Meeting	8/14 7 PM
Luke 18 Retreat for Freshmen	8/14-16
Mass for Freshmen Parents	8/16 3:45 PM
All School Parent Meeting/Fair	8/19 7 PM
Music Association Meeting	8/24 7 PM
Welcome Mass	8/27 9:40 AM
Music Association Dinner	8/28 4-7 PM
KC Fish Fry for Pro-Life	8/28 4-7 PM

## LUNCH ACCOUNTS



The cafeteria uses the Food Service System (FSS) to manage student lunch accounts. With this system each student has an account which can be accessed via his/her fingerprint to pay for lunch each day. These are PREPAID accounts. Students are also able to pay cash for lunch.

Parents gain access to a student's account by going to [www.myschoolaccount.com](http://www.myschoolaccount.com) and following the instructions provided. When asked for the student's user id, use his/her Borgia user id (usually last name and first initial). Once access to the student's account has been established, account balances for one or more students can be viewed and email notifications can be set to indicate funds dropping below a certain amount (i.e., \$5).

Money can be placed in a student's account online by making an ACH transfer. (There is a charge for this.) If preferred, cash or check payments can be brought to the kitchen BEFORE or AFTER school. Cafeteria personnel will not accept funds to be placed into the student's account during the lunch mods.

Students are informed when their balances fall below \$5. Please check balances in your student's account often to insure that it does not fall below zero. Due to previous abuses, NO CREDIT WILL BE GIVEN to students. If a student's account falls below zero during a lunch transaction, he/she will need to pay cash beginning with that transaction and until funds have been once again been placed in his/her account. If you have any questions, please contact Gloria at 636-239-7871, ext. 121.

## FUNDRAISING

**Car Raffle:** Borgia has acquired a like-new 2008 Pontiac G5. It is a 2 door coupe, 4 cylinder, automatic that gets an estimated 35 miles to the gallon. It has an extended bumper to bumper warranty and lots of options including air conditioning, power steering, power windows and door locks, remote start, front air bags, sun roof, rear spoiler, tilt steering wheel, AM/FM stereo, CD player, MP3 connection, upgraded sound system, cruise control, and tinted windows. Raffle tickets are available

in the main office. They are \$10 each or 3 for \$25. The winner will be announced during Homecoming 2009.



**Magazine Drive:** On August 25, we will begin our annual magazine drive. Many of you may be receiving renewal notices already for magazines that you ordered last year. Please renew through the school as 40% of each magazine subscription returns to the school.

## NEWS FROM THE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION AND THE ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

**First Day of Practice for Fall Sports 2009** All practices begin on Monday, August 10. Practice schedules will be distributed either at the Mandatory Meeting or at the first practice.

### Boys Soccer

All	7:30 - 9:30 AM	Borgia Practice Field
Varsity	10:30 AM - 12:30 PM	Borgia Practice Field
JV	Noon - 2 PM	Borgia Practice Field

### Football

Sophomores, Juniors, Seniors:	7:30 - 9:30 AM	Borgia Football Practice Field
	10:30 - 12:30 AM	Borgia Football Practice Field
Freshmen:	9 - 11 AM	Borgia Football Practice Field

### Volleyball

Varsity	6:30 - 8:30 PM	Ray DeGreeff Gym
JV	5 - 7 PM	Ray DeGreeff Gym
Freshmen	3:30 - 5 PM	Ray DeGreeff Gym

Cross Country 7 - 9 AM Borgia Cafeteria

Softball 9 - 11 AM Lakeview Fields

Girls Golf Noon Franklin County Country Club

**Mandatory Meeting:** All students participating in the sports program must attend a meeting on Monday, August 3 at 7 PM in the theater. A parent or guardian must accompany the student. Please bring insurance and emergency information to this meeting. If you cannot attend this meeting, please contact Coach Duane Haddox, the Athletic Director, at 636-239-7871, ext. 118 to set up an individual meeting.

**Back to School Mixer:** The Athletic Association and the Athletic Department will host a couples' cookout on Saturday, August 22. The dinner will be at St. Gertrude's Parish Center. Social hour is from 6 PM to 7 PM. First time and freshmen parents will be guests of the Athletic Association. For all others, the cost will be \$10 per person. This evening gives everyone a chance to get acquainted. The coaching staff will cook the steaks. Please RSVP to the high school at 636-239-7871, ext. 111 by August 14.

**Season Sport Passes:** All-season passes are available for all sporting events (excluding tournaments and post season play). The passes are \$35 for adults, \$25 for students. Senior citizens (over 65) are free. Passes are available from the Athletic Director or at the gate during any sporting event.

**REMINDER**  
All athletes must have a current physical by the first day of practice. There are NO exceptions!

## DID YOU KNOW?



**School Begins:** Freshman year begins with Freshman orientation and the Luke 18 retreat. Orientation is a half day, followed by lunch with their assigned Big Sisters and Brothers.

**School Day:** The typical school day begins at 8 AM with homeroom. When students arrive in the morning, they may go to homeroom, meet with friends in the cafeteria, work in the media center or gather in the halls to visit. The day ends with seminar from 2:30-3:00 PM. During seminar students may visit teachers for missed assignments or extra help, attend club meetings, or visit with friends. Seminar is considered part of the school day. At any time, a student may be requested to spend seminar in a classroom.

**School Supplies:** Students need to bring pencils, pen, notebooks and a backpack. Teachers will inform them of any additional items needed for class. All students are encouraged to bring a computer USB drive. PE uniforms are required for freshmen and sophomores and may be purchased in the Spirit Shop. The Spirit Shop is located in the cafeteria. Supplies may also be purchased in the Spirit Shop.

**Lockers:** Every student has a locker. Locker numbers and combinations are on their schedule. Students are assigned lockers in the gym locker rooms as needed.

**Student Handbook:** Students receive an Agenda on the first day of class. The Agenda contains the school handbook, calendar and room for recording assignments. Students are required to have their agenda with them at all times. If an agenda is lost, students may purchase a new one in the main office for \$5.



**Uniforms:** Students are required to wear uniforms. Shirts, sweatshirts and the women's skorts are provided by Legacy. Order forms and samples are in the Spirit Shop or at Legacy, 6 Pauwels Drive, Washington, MO. Telephone # 636-239-3733. The uniform pants are a true (not faded) navy or a true khaki. Male and female students may wear slacks or appropriate shorts. Refer to the Student Handbook for additional information. It is available online via the "About" link on Borgia's home page.

**Sports:** Sport practices begin 3 weeks before the start of the season and are regulated by the Missouri State High School Athletic Association (MSHSAA). August 10 is the first practice day for fall sports. Sport teams generally practice 5-6 days a week. Schedules are posted on a weekly basis.

**Cafeteria Service:** The Borgia Cafeteria serves a light breakfast and lunch. Lunch is divided into 4 sections or mods. Student schedules indicate the student's lunch mod. Entrées costing \$2.50-\$3.00 are offered each day. A la carte items are also available. We offer many healthy choices. Students also have the option of bringing their lunch.

**Calculators:** Although not right at the beginning of the school year, freshman will need a TI-84 Plus calculator for math classes. It can be the silver edition.



**Dell NetBooks:** There are currently 60 Dell NetBook computers available for check out by students. Biometrics is used to manage checking out computers from Room 204 as needed for classes. To check out a computer, a student needs to have his/her fingerprint in Borgia's system.

**Personal Laptops:** Students with personal laptops may bring them to school. Although the school can not provide support for student owned computers, it is recommended that students bring their computers to Mr. Graham in Room 204 for assistance with setting up access to Borgia's wireless network and to determine if it is possible to set up access to Borgia's printers and networked drives.

**Family Access and Moodle:** Students and their guardians will be able to check grades on Family Access. Family Access logon information for new students and their guardians is distributed at the start of school. When you log into Family Access, please verify that the general information for your student is correct. Notify Chris Feldmann in the main office if any corrections are needed. Also, please provide the email address for at least one guardian. This will enable teachers, counselors, and administrators to contact you via email.



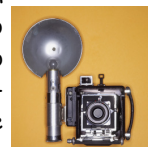
Borgia Moodle is used to make handouts and assignment information available to students. By logging in as "guests", guardians can also access Moodle to view this information.

Links for both Family Access and Moodle are available on Borgia's home page.

**Student Accident Insurance:** This is available to any family in our school who may be interested. This coverage is offered through UnitedHealthCare STUDENT Resources, a very reputable company that has been dealing with student accident insurance for many years. To find out more information about the program contact the school office or access the UnitedHealthCare's website at [www.k12StudentInsurance.com](http://www.k12StudentInsurance.com). Click on "Archdiocese of St. Louis" when you go to this site. Online enrollment is also available at this site.

## SENIOR PICTURES

All seniors must have a yearbook picture taken at Fricke Studio by September 15. There is no charge for this basic sitting and there is no obligation to purchase pictures. The free sitting includes 4 poses in one outfit. This picture will be used for the yearbook and the class composite, which is displayed in the school corridor.



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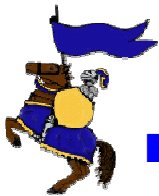
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## SLU 1-8-1-8 COURSES



Registration for fall semester St. Louis University 1-8-1-8 college credit courses will take place August 24 - September 4. Students will receive registration information in their 1-8-1-8 English, history, or foreign language courses. Students must complete the registration process by September 4 and submit applicable paperwork to Mrs. Patty Russell (Room 207) by the September 4 deadline. No tuition payment is due at registration. Tuition is \$60 per credit hour, paid to SLU. SLU will bill students on October 15. Payments are due November 1. Late registration will result in a late fee of \$50 which SLU will add to students' bills. Late payment may result in being dropped from SLU's roster. All students enrolling in 1-8-1-8 classes will receive informational handouts the first week of classes. Please note: Registration for spring 1-8-1-8 classes will take place in January with payment due March 1.



## BORGIA SPIRIT SHOP

The Spirit Shop, located in the cafeteria, is gearing up for a new year. It will reopen on Monday, August 10 with a Back to School Sale. The Spirit Shop is your source for Borgia attire and specialty items. You can also purchase various school supplies such as pencils, pens, notebooks, rulers, and gym uniforms as well as USB drives and headphones.

The Spirit Shop will be open before school (7:30—8 AM), during lunch, and during seminar. It will also be open during functions such as Back to School Night, Parent Teacher Conferences, and Open House. In addition, the Spirit Shop is always open on-line.

## 2009-2010 SCHEDULES

All students may pick up their schedules on Monday or Tuesday, August 10-11 in the Guidance Office. After August 11, schedules may be picked up in the Main Office. Schedule changes can be made beginning on August 10, as well as during the week of August 17. If a schedule change is necessary, students should see their guidance counselor. Please review the "Class Change Policy" in the student handbook. A \$10 schedule change fee will be assessed for student-initiated changes, unless there is a valid reason for the change.

## BORGIA LEATHER JACKETS

Unisex letter jackets are available to be ordered for your student. The bodies of these jackets are 100% wool and the sleeves are genuine leather. "Borgia" will appear on the back and year of graduation on the sleeve. Display your academic, athletic and extracurricular letters proudly. These jackets are acceptable as part of the school uniform and may be worn in school. The cost is \$185 and they come in sizes S through 3XL. Order forms and samples are available in the Spirit Shop. Orders need to be in by October 1.



## FINGERPRINTING

Fingerprints are used within Borgia to check out computers from Room 204. Most returning students already have their fingerprints on file. All freshmen and other new students need to have their fingerprints entered into the system. They may do this by stopping by Room 204 when they come to school to pick up their schedules on August 10 - 11. In addition to being used for checking out computers from Room 204, students may use their fingerprints to pay for lunch from a prepaid account on [www.myschoolaccount.com](http://www.myschoolaccount.com) instead of using cash. It only takes a minute. Those who are not able to stop by on these days should stop by the first week of school during seminar.

## PARKING PERMITS

Students may park on our parking lot for \$5 a year. Permits must be purchased from the Dean's Office before parking on the lot during the school day. Seniors may pick up their passes on Monday, August 10, on a first-come, first-served basis. Juniors and sophomores may pick up their passes on Tuesday, August 11, also on a first-come, first-served basis. Parking permits will be on sale from 7 AM until 1 PM. Students must bring a valid driver's license, as well as vehicle information.

## VOLUNTEER FAIR & PARENT MEETING

There will be a combined parent meeting on Wednesday, August 19 at 7 PM. After a general meeting in the theater, parents will be directed to different locations according to the class year of their children. At the class meetings, information will be shared that is specific to that class. After the meetings there will be a fair with representatives available to answer questions about the various parent organizations of the school. Refreshments will be served.