

# SFBRHS NEWSLETTER

## FEASIBILITY STUDY

St. Francis Borgia Regional High School conducted a feasibility study during the summer of 2008 to examine the possibility of support for conducting a capital campaign. At the time, the enthusiasm for the campaign was overwhelming. The majority of those who participated in the survey realized the need, and offered preliminary support of the project. Included in the plans for improvement are a Multi-Purpose Building, which would include a gymnasium and a large multi-purpose room, a regulation eight-lane track, and additional endowment money to be earmarked solely for financial aid. We were advised, however, not to move forward with the cam-

paign immediately because of the downturn in the economy. We now believe it is time to move forward as a Borgia community to make this dream a reality. There will be a meeting to discuss the possibility of proceeding with the capital campaign on Monday July 13. It will be held at 7:00 PM in the high school cafeteria. Your input is very important to us, so please take the time to attend this informational meeting. If you would like to discuss this outside the meeting times, please do not hesitate to call George Wingbermuehle, President, at 636-239-7871, ext. 115 to make an appointment.

## SCHEDULES & PARKING PERMITS

All students will have the opportunity to pick up their 2009-2010 class schedules on Monday and Tuesday, August 10-11 between 7 AM and 3 PM in the Guidance Office. If there is a problem with the schedule, changes may be made at this time. A \$10 fee may be applicable, depending on the nature of the change. It is expected that schedule changes will be minimal.

Just a reminder that the Tuition Preference Form must be submitted prior to students receiving their schedules.

Seniors may pick up their 2009-2010 parking permits beginning at 7 AM on Monday, August 10. Then on Tuesday, August 11, all underclassmen may pick up theirs. In order to obtain a parking permit, the student must have a valid driver's license and bring the tag number of the vehicle to be parked on the lot. As students obtain their driver's licenses during the school year, they may obtain a parking permit. Adequate spaces will be available. Street parking is discouraged. Parking permits are \$5.

### Mark Your Calendars Now

Parent/Athlete Meeting	8/03 7 PM
Senior Parking Permits	8/10 7 AM
Fall Sports Practice Begins	8/10
Spirit Shop Open	8/10
Schedules Available for Pickup	8/10-8/11
Band Rehearsal	8/10-8/12 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	8/14-8/16
All School Parent Meeting/Fair	8/19 7 PM
Athletic Assn Mixer	8/22 6 PM
Music Assn Meeting	8/24 7 PM
Music Association Dinner	08/28 4-7 PM

## A TIP OF THE CAP TO THE CLASS OF 2009

A few statistics we wanted to share:

Four-Year Catholic Institution.....	11	9%
Four-Year Non-Catholic Institution....	72	59%
Two-Year College.....	35	28%
Career/Technical School.....	1	1%
Armed Forces.....	2	2%
Full Time Employment.....	1	1%
Other.....	1	1%
Percent Continuing Education.....	97%	

Seniors receiving scholarships.....	78
Scholarships received .....	145
Value of the scholarships.....	\$553,026
Bright Flight scholarships.....	12
Students with College Credit.....	111
Students without College Credit.....	14
Total College Credit Hours.....	2711
Average College Credit Hours.....	24.4



### Special points of interest:

- The school office will be closed the week of July 6.
- Borgia Summer Office Hours through August 1: Monday through Thursday, 8 AM to 1 PM.
- The 2009-2010 calendar is now available online at [www.borgia.com/calendar](http://www.borgia.com/calendar)

## LUKE 18

Freshmen are strongly encouraged to participate in the Luke 18 retreat on August 14 - 16. It is a weekend of building relationships, making friends and preparing for a faith filled high school career. If you have not signed up your student, don't miss out on this unique opportunity to start off the new school year with a bang! There will also be a parent meeting on Friday, August 14 at 7 PM in the theatre. This meeting has a two-fold purpose: getting acquainted with each other and getting acquainted with the school. This is a chance to meet the parents of the students who will be in the same class as your child. Networking with parents of other students is a handy tool for parenting.

## CELL PHONES

Students are permitted to carry cell phones during the school day, but the phones must be powered off. If the cell phone rings during class, the teacher will confiscate the phone, the student will receive a detention and the parent must come to school to claim the cell phone. We realize cell phones are a wonderful way for parents to communicate with their students. For this reason, students may come to the main office, dean's office or guidance office to check their cell phone for messages. However, these are the **only** safe zones for checking messages during the school day. The school day is normally from 8 AM to 2:30 PM. Please note that when there is a Mass, reconciliation service, or morning assembly, classes are not dismissed until 3 PM.

## BACK TO SCHOOL BASICS

**Emergency Forms:** Please verify emergency contact information in Family Access. If the information in Family Access is incorrect or if you haven't previously submitted an Emergency Form, please do so as soon as possible. Freshmen and freshman parents, if you have not received your Family Access information, please come by the main office to obtain your login information or email Chris Feldmann at cfeldmann@borgia.com.

**Immunizations:** Student immunizations must be up-to-date for the student to attend school. Some students received notices over the summer. Please take care of this as soon as possible.

**Physicals:** All incoming freshmen must have current physical and immunization records on file in the school office prior to the first day of school.

**Medications:** Prescription medicine should not be carried by the student. Persons trained to dispense medications are in the dean's office, the resource room and the main office. Medications should be given to one of them in the original prescription container including the doctor's specific written instructions for dispensing. In order to dispense over-the-counter medications to a student, a doctor's written order as well as parental permission is required.

**Service Hours:** All students are required to serve a minimum of 25 Christian Service hours per year. Service needs to be for a not-for-profit organization, or for an individual with special needs who is not a relative. It is the student's responsibility to have the service verified on a form obtained from the Campus Ministry Office or the main office. Hours must be turned in during the school year in which they are completed.

**Tuition Preference Form:** All students must have a tuition preference form on file by August 7. If this form is not on file, the student will not receive a schedule. If you plan to use FACTS Tuition Management, those forms should be turned in as soon as possible. Remember, you must use FACTS if you plan to pay monthly.

**Handbooks/Agendas:** All students will receive an agenda on the first day of class, which contains the handbook and the school calendar. In addition, the Student Handbook is available online at [www.borgia.com/student\\_handbook](http://www.borgia.com/student_handbook). It is important for parents to read the handbook carefully. It is our contract with you concerning the education and discipline of your student.

**School Supplies:** Teachers have requirements particular to his/her class. Students will find out what they need on the first meeting day. Some needs are constant (pens, pencils, notebooks, folders, etc.). PE uniforms (\$20) are to be purchased in the Spirit Shop after August 10. Headphones are required for Principles of Technology I. Students may bring their own or purchase these for \$2.50 from the Spirit Shop.

**USB Drives:** We strongly advise all students to have a USB (flash) drive. This device can be used to transfer data between home and school computers. Many students use CD's, but these can be broken in a back pack. The USB (flash) drive is more reliable and easier to use. USB (flash) drives will be available for purchase at Borgia's Spirit Shop or can be purchased at any technology supply store for around \$30.

**Print Quotas:** As in the past, students may print on school printers located in the Media Center, Guidance Office, and Room 220. Each student is limited to printing 50 pages per semester. Students will be charged 5¢ per page for any pages printed beyond that. Print quotas were established to control paper costs. Students with personal laptops will need to bring their computers to Room 204 to determine if they can be set up to use school printers.

**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.

## WHAT CAN YOU WEAR AT BORGIA?

### All students must be in uniform on the first day of school.

The supplier of uniform skorts, shirts and outer wear is Legacy Embroidery and Screen Printing, 6 Pauwels Drive, Washington, MO 63090. Their phone number is 636-239-3733.

Samples of apparel available through Legacy Embroidery. Students are advised to try on the apparel prior to purchase. Returns are not available on items due to incorrect size ordered by the customer.

Apparel order forms may be turned in at the high school office or at Legacy Embroidery. Payment is due at the time the order is placed. Please pick up all completed apparel orders at SFBRHS. The items will be available 2-3 weeks after the order is placed.

As a reminder the details of Borgia's uniform are provided below.

**Men and Women's Pants and Shorts:** Either navy or khaki slacks and shorts may be worn. These must be hemmed (no cutoffs). Shorts must have an inseam of at least 7" and no longer than knee length. Shorts and pants must have inset pockets, no patch pockets. Slits or decorative stitching are not acceptable. The uniform pants are a true (not faded) navy and a true khaki. When in doubt always ask. A caution: after repeated washings some material will fade to the extent that it will fall outside the acceptable range at some point during the school year.

**Men and Women's Shirts:** Polo Shirts are available in royal, white, yellow, and gray. These are to be purchased through Legacy. These shirts sport the Borgia logo. No colored T-shirts or printed T-shirts are to be worn under the polo shirt. No long sleeved t-shirts. Shirts must be tucked in at all times, except when worn with skorts. All t-shirts worn under uniform shirts must be tucked in.

**Women's Uniform Skorts:** These are a blue/gray plaid and are available through Legacy Uniforms. Shirts are not required to be tucked in unless wearing a Borgia sweatshirt.



**Outer Wear:** Three styles of jackets sporting the Borgia logo may be worn. They are available from Legacy. Legacy will try to have all items in stock, but to ensure delivery, orders need to be placed three weeks in advance. No trench coats.

**Shoes:** Suitable comfortable shoes may be worn. (No boots, moccasins, sandals, slippers, crocs, or open back shoes). Shoes are to be reasonably clean and/or polished, and worn with socks. Socks must be solid white, yellow, khaki, blue, black or gray.

**Accessories:** Other forms of apparel, such as neck scarves, bandannas, hats, extra sweaters, etc., are not permitted. No colored T-shirts or tube tops are to be worn under the polo shirts. No nylons or tights. Suitable belts must be worn. Belts must be shades of black, brown, navy, beige or white.

**Condition of Uniform:** Pants with frayed cuffs or split seams are not acceptable. Any writing or marking on skorts, slacks, shirts, or blouses will render that item of clothing "non-uniform". The "non-uniform" item will need to be replaced immediately.

**Grooming:** Grooming and makeup should be appropriate for the school environment. Hair must be clean and well-groomed. Jewelry should be selected with good taste. Piercing can only be in the ear. Students must be clean shaven.

Additional information is in the Student Handbook which is available on Borgia's website. Just select "Student Handbook" from the "About" drop down menu. Then click on "St Francis Borgia Regional High School Handbook". If you have questions, please call the high school at 636-239-7871.

**Special Dress Days:** On occasion students will be allowed to dress casually or dress up. A few guidelines for these days: Dress-up does not include T-shirts, jeans, or shorts. T-shirts and shorts are permitted on casual days if the length meets uniform guidelines. Shorts or pants with holes are not permitted. Shoulders are to be covered. Halters, tank tops, small straps, etc. are not acceptable for school. Advertising on shirts must be appropriate for school. Socks or stockings are required except with proper sandals. Flip-flops or backless sandals are not allowed. Dresses must be appropriate in style and length for school.

ANYONE OUT OF UNIFORM IS SUBJECT TO DETENTION. STUDENTS WHO HAVE A QUESTION HAVE THE RESPONSIBILITY TO ASK THE DEAN OF STUDENTS BEFORE WEARING THE ARTICLE IN QUESTION. ANY STUDENT WHO IS CONTINUALLY OUT OF UNIFORM WILL BE SUBJECT TO STRONGER PENALTIES AND POSSIBLE DISCIPLINARY PROBATION.

THE DEAN OF STUDENTS DETERMINES APPROPRIATE DRESS.

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## SPORTING NEWS

**Fall Sports Information:** All students who plan to participate in the sports program during the 2009-2010 school year must attend a meeting on Monday, August 3 at 7 PM in the theatre. A parent or guardian must accompany the student. Please bring insurance, emergency information, and writing materials to this meeting as there are several forms to fill out. If you cannot attend this meeting, you must call and set up an individual meeting with Mr. Duane Haddox, Athletic Director.

All student athletes also must have a physical and turn in the form to Mr. Duane Haddox, Athletic Director, prior to the first practice. This is a requirement of the Missouri State High School Activities Association. **There are no exceptions.** Don't let your student athlete miss any practice sessions while waiting for his/her physical.

Fall sports practice begins on Monday, August 10. In order to participate in practice, all athletes must have submitted a physical form, an emergency form (distributed at the meeting on August 3) and a student contract (distributed at the meeting on August 3).

**Save the Date:** On Friday, August 28, 2009, Borgia will celebrate 50 Years of Borgia Football. Orders for polo shirts commemorating this event are being taken through August 1. Additional information and an order form are available on Borgia's web site. Select "Documents" under the "Resources" menu, then click on "Sports" and chose "Fifty Years of Borgia Football". Plan now to join us for the first home football game of our 50th season!



**Fair Workers:** The Athletic Association supplies workers at the soda stands at the Washington Town & Country Fair. Work schedules will be distributed to parents of athletes in grades 10 through 12. If your student is participating in athletics, it is very important that you help out. We do not have an athletic participation fee as many schools (both private and public) do, so it takes the work of many people to raise the \$250,000 that is supplied by the Athletic Association to provide our athletic program. If you receive a work schedule and cannot work, we ask that you try to either switch with someone else or notify the athletic director, Duane Haddox, 636-239-7871, ext 118. We do not send work schedules to freshmen parents, since we don't know which students will be participating in athletics. However, if you would like to help, please call Mr. Haddox and volunteer. He will be happy to schedule you and it may give you a chance to get acquainted with other parents.

**Mixer:** The Athletic Association is sponsoring its yearly back to school mixer on Saturday, August 22 at 6 PM at St. Gertrude's. First time parents are the guests of the Athletic Association; all other parents are \$10 each.

## FINANCIAL AID AND NEED BASED SCHOLARSHIPS

We just completed the daunting task of awarding over \$300,000.00 in financial aid and financial need scholarships. There is no doubt that there are still families with financial needs that were not adequately addressed. My hope is that through the course of the school year more money will become available, and we will be able to award more financial aid where there is a real need. Please know we will do everything possible to make Catholic education at SFBRHS a reality for everyone.

You also need to be aware that we do not give away money we do not have. We will not jeopardize the financial integrity of the school by awarding financial assistance beyond our means. We are a tuition based, and run, institution. We budget the amount of tuition based on enrollment. We cannot take financial aid out of other's tuition, nor can we reduce tuition for anyone. If we do either of these our books will not balance. All financial aid is supplementary, based on money received designated for that purpose.

The amount of financial assistance is determined by the amount of money generated from the Dinner Auction and some designated fund raisers. SFBRHS is also very fortunate to have many individuals donate money to create need based scholarships, and some give unrestricted donations, most of which are used for financial aid. In addition we have received over \$30,000.00 from the SSND fund, a fund established to give need based scholarships.

At this time, all of our financial aid dollars are spent. As the year progresses it is our hope that more funds will become available. With this in mind if you still are in need of financial aid, or absolutely need more assistance, please call and we will make other arrangements. In the same respect, if your financial situation has improved and you received financial aid, we can reallocate.

If you would like to make a donation to SFBRHS, to assist families in financial need, please call the High School office. We have numerous ways you can help.