

SFBRHS NEWSLETTER

LEARNING STRATEGIES BOOT CAMP

A Learning Strategies Boot Camp will be held on Tuesday, August 10 from 5:00 PM to 9:30 PM.

The boot camp is open to any incoming freshmen/parent team who are striving for a good experience transitioning from grade school to SFBRHS.

The topics covered include organization, time management, good study habits, and the five rules to live by as a Borgia student.

Space is limited to the first 30 student/parent teams. A parent is required to attend with each student. Pre-registration is encour-



aged and the deadline is Friday, August 6. Please register with Carla Poepsel, Freshmen Guidance Counselor at 636-239-7871, ext. 135 or poepselc@borgia.com. Please provide the names of both the student and the parent who will be attending.

There is no charge to attend; however, one school supply donation (i.e. accordion binders, timers, post-it notes, flash cards) will be requested at the time you register.

Past participants have indicated that they found the Boot Camp to be both fun and informative. The emphasis on health, sleep, and diet was truly appreciated.

SCHEDULES & PARKING PERMITS

All students will have the opportunity to pick up their 2010-2011 class schedules on Tuesday and Wednesday, 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 2010-2011 parking permits beginning at 7 AM on Tuesday, August 10. Then on Wednesday, 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.

A TIP OF THE CAP TO THE CLASS OF 2010

A few statistics we wanted to share:

Four-Year Catholic Institution.....	14	10%
Four-Year Non-Catholic Institution....	75	54%
Two-Year College.....	42	30%
Career/Technical School.....	5	4%
Armed Forces.....	2	1%
Full Time Employment.....	0	0%
Air Force Academy Appointment.....	1	1%
Percent Continuing Education.....	99%	

Seniors receiving scholarships.....	69
Scholarships received	133
Value of the scholarships.....	\$572,960
Bright Flight scholarships.....	13
Students with College Credit.....	113
Students without College Credit.....	26
Total College Credit Hours.....	2527
Average College Credit Hours.....	18.2



Mark Your Calendars Now

Parent/Athlete Meeting	8/02 7 PM
Fall Sports Practice Begins	8/09
Freshmen Parent Coalition Meeting	8/09 7:30 PM
Band Rehearsal	8/09-8/12 6-8 PM
Senior Parking Permits	8/10 7 AM
Spirit Shop Open	8/10
Schedules Available for Pickup	8/10-8/11
Learning Strategies Boot Camp	8/10 5-9:30 PM
Underclassmen Parking Permits	8/11 7 AM
Freshmen Orientation	8/13 8 AM
Luke 18 Retreat for Freshmen	8/13-8/14
First Full Day of School	8/16
Athletic Assn Mixer	8/21 6 PM
Music Assn Meeting	8/23 7 PM
Freshman Parent Welcome Dinner	8/25 6 PM
All School Parent Meeting/Fair	8/25 7 PM

Special points of interest:

- The school office will be closed Friday, July 2, the week of July 5 and Monday, July 26.
- Borgia Summer Office Hours: Monday through Friday, 7:30 AM to 3:00 PM.
- The 2010-2011 calendar is now available online at www.borgia.com/calendar

FRESHMAN PARENTS

All freshmen are strongly encouraged to participate in the Luke 18 retreat on August 13–14. This retreat focuses on 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!

Something new this year for our Freshman parents.... On Wednesday, August 25, we will be hosting an informational Welcome Dinner prior to the start of the Parent Fair. Please join us at 6 PM in the cafeteria for a buffet dinner followed by a brief presentation. The Parent Fair activities will begin at 7 PM which is an evening providing information about SFB RHS and a chance to sign up to become involved in the high school. More information to follow.

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 main office. Medications should be given to 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.

ACT: The first ACT offered for the 2010-2011 school year is Saturday, September 11, 2010. The deadline to register for this test is Friday, August 6. Students can register online at www.actstudent.org. A credit card will be required for payment. When registering, you will be asked St. Francis Borgia's high school code. That number is 263-535.

Tuition Preference Form: All students must have a tuition preference form on file by August 6. 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.

ATHLETIC COMPLEX

We are very excited that this year we will celebrate the opening and dedication of the new Athletic Complex. Your Advancement Team has been hard at work putting the finishing touches on the Building on Tradition project and raising those precious last dollars needed to pay for everything.

On Friday, September 3, we will dedicate the newly refurbished Athletic Complex, so plan to attend the Borgia v. Clayton football opener and enjoy the festivities. It will surely be a great moment for St. Francis Borgia Regional High School.



Important Information: Each parent is encouraged to provide an email address within Family Access. We occasionally send reminders via email regarding upcoming events and the availability of monthly newsletters online. Perhaps most importantly, these email addresses are used to provide a quick method of distributing information to parents when necessary. In order for this to be effective it is critical you verify mail from SFB RHS.Administration@nauru.iscorp.com is not going to SPAM. You can update your email address while in Family Access by clicking on the "Account Info" button. We do not share your email addresses with anyone.

Service Hours: All students are required to serve a minimum of 25 Christian Service hours per year. Service needs to be for a non-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 online or from the Campus Ministry Office. Hours must be turned in during the school year in which they are completed.

Handbooks/Agendas: All students will receive an agenda on the first day of school. It contains the handbook and the school calendar. The Student Handbook is available online at 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.

Magazine Drive: We remind you that on August 24, we will begin our annual magazine drive. Last year we raised almost \$40,000, and our sales soared with the ease and convenience of the user friendly online sales. We will send out an informational letter in August, but we wanted to remind you to start saving your discount renewal coupons.

WHAT CAN YOU WEAR AT BORGIA?

All students must be in uniform on Monday, August 16 for the first full day of school.

Please note that uniform skorts will no longer be ordered through Legacy. Beginning Monday, July 12, these will be kept in stock in the Spirit Shop.



The supplier of uniform 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 these items are 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 Embroidery. 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 in the Spirit Shop. 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 Embroidery. 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.

This 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. Skirts should be no shorter than to the top of the kneecap and necklines should be modest. Styles must be appropriate 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.

TIDBITS, TIDBITS, TIDBITS...



Senior Pictures: All seniors who wish to have their photo included in the senior section of the yearbook and on the class composite that hangs in the main hallway of school need to schedule a basic photo sitting with Fricke Studio, 313A Elm Street, Washington, MO 63090, Phone: 636-239-1768. There is no fee for the basic sitting. Contact Fricke Studio by Sep. 15 to ensure an appointment to meet our publication deadline.

Borgia Book Club: It's not too late to join the Borgia Book Club. Even if you missed the June gathering or if you cannot participate at all during the summer, you can still be part of this great club. Borgia Book Club will continue through the school year and will meet during seminar once a month to discuss selected titles. Borgia Book Club is a great way to make the most of Borgia's Sustained Silent Reading program. Please contact prussell@borgia.com for more information.

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. Our 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 SFBRRHS 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 others' 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. SFBRRHS 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 SFBRRHS, to assist families in financial need, please call the High School office. We have numerous ways you can help.

SLU 1818 Registration: Juniors and seniors taking classes for 1818 college credit through SLU will receive registration information during the first week of classes in August. Cost is \$65 per credit hour. Fall registration courses include Honors American History I, Honors American History II, Honors Introduction to Composition, Honors Introduction to Literary Studies, German IV, and Spanish IV. Other SLU college credit classes have a January registration. Students **MUST** register through SFBRRHS. Deadline is Sep. 10. Bills will be mailed directly to the student after registration.



SPORTING NEWS



Fall Sports Information: All students who plan to participate in the sports program during the 2010-2011 school year must attend a meeting on Monday, August 2 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. Kurt Russell, Activities Director.

All student athletes also must have a physical and turn in the form to Mr. Kurt Russell, Activities 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 9. In order to participate in practice, all athletes must have submitted a physical form, an emergency form (distributed at the meeting on August 2) and a student contract (distributed at the meeting on August 2).

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, Kurt Russell, 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. Russell and volunteer.

Parking passes for fair workers can be picked up at the mandatory meeting for all athletes and their parents on August 2. If you cannot attend this meeting, these parking passes may be picked up in the Main Office during the week of August 2.

Mixer: The Athletic Association is sponsoring its yearly back to school mixer on Saturday, August 21 at 6 PM at St. Gertrude's. First time parents are the guests of the Athletic Association; all other parents are \$10 each.