Wahlert Catholic News

August 30, 2019

Upcoming Dates:

- **August 26:** First day of school
- **September 2:** No School | Labor Day
- **September 9:** Parent Night, 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
- **September 14:** ACT Exam, Loras College
- **September 20:** Registration deadline for ACT Exam, October 26*
- **October 4:** Late registration deadline for ACT Exam, October 26*
- **September 23-27:** Homecoming Week
- **September 28:** Homecoming Dance
- **October 26:** ACT Exam, Wahlert Catholic High School*

***** *Dates listed with this symbol have additional information listed in the Guidance News Corner below.*

News & Notices:

Welcome back, Eagles!

Show Your Wahlert Pride!
Wednesday, September 4

Members of the various teams, clubs and school organizations will be presenting information about their group to all 7th, 8th, 9th graders, as well as new to Wahlert upperclassman, during our Activity Fair on Wednesday, September 4. The Activity Fair will occur in Wahlert's Gym from 12:30 p.m. - 1:20 p.m. To recognize and celebrate the number of activities we have here at Wahlert, students and staff will be allowed to wear a t-shirt, sweatshirt or jacket representing their Wahlert activity to school on Wednesday. The rest of the uniform remains normal (pants and shoes must be dress code).

Student Volunteers Needed!
Dubuque's Steeple Square is planning their 4th annual Community Fest, and are looking for student volunteers interested in helping out with this year's event.

Steeple Square 4th Annual Community Fest
Sunday, September 29, 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Steeple Square, 101 E. 15th St., Dubuque
This free event will provide food, live music, a bounce house, games, a petting zoo, and prizes to families who attend. They are in need of around 10 volunteers to help set up games and tables from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., as well as 6 volunteers to help run the games from 12:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

What is Dubuque's Steeple Square?
Located in Dubuque's most poverty stricken neighborhood, the former St. Mary's Church campus has been repurposed and acts as an agent for positive change and catalyst for restoring lives, citizen engagement, neighborhood empowerment and community vibrancy as Dubuque's **Steeple Square**. Part of Steeple Square's mission is to offer free educational training and recreational programs to the residents of the Washington Neighborhood.

If this is something your student is interested in, please have them stop by the Counseling Office, or email **dlensen@holyfamilydbq.org**, before Thursday, September 12,

Experience a New Culture in Your Own Home
Host an international student for the 2019-2020 school year.

Holy Family typically welcomes between five and 10 international students each year from countries like China, Israel, Italy, Spain and Taiwan. While visiting students learn our language, culture and norms, our students also benefit from learning about new countries and cultures as they build friendships with their new international peers. Welcoming an international student into your home for a school year will not only provide the experience of a lifetime to that student but will also provide a tremendous opportunity to begin a lifelong friendship, broadening your family's world-view and appreciation for another culture. If you are interested in learning more,

please contact the Holy Family admissions office at 563-582-5456 or **admissions@holyfamilydbq.org.**

Loras College Visit Day & Continuing Education Event
"Your Brain & Your Money"
Friday, September 27, 8:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
Loras College, 1450 Alta Vista Dr., Dubuque

Your Brain & Your Money is an Admissions for a Visit Day event through Loras College that aligns with their **neuroscience major** for potential students. Speakers include...

- Brian Kallback – CFP Ethics Presentation *(New Ethics' Material as of Oct 1, 2019)*
- Dr. Jake Kurczek – Your Brain and Money
- Kayla Kennelly (Facet Wealth)

Additional information regarding their Financial Planning & Wealth Management Department can be found **here**.

Exploring Program
The Exploring Program is a great opportunity for your student(s) to identify career possibilities while having fun in an exciting and informal environment. Designed for students ages 10-20, this program provides an opportunity to learn about a variety of careers and network with professionals already working in those fields. Students will get hands-on experiences to determine whether or not a particular career field is right for them. **Click here for more information, or to register your student today!**

Wahlert Guidance News Corner:

Upcoming College Visits/Events:

Drake University (Des Moines, IA)
Thursday, September 12, 10:00 a.m.
Wahlert Counseling Office
To ensure proper room reservations, students are required to pick up their pass for this event in the Counseling Office prior to Thursday, September 12.

University of Northern Iowa (Cedar Falls, IA)
Tuesday, September 17, 10:00 a.m.
Wahlert Counseling Office
To ensure proper room reservations, students are required to pick up their pass for this event in the Counseling Office prior to Tuesday, September 17.

St. Ambrose University (Davenport, IA)
Thursday, September 19, 9:00 a.m.
Wahlert Counseling Office
To ensure proper room reservations, students are required to pick up their pass for this event in the Counseling Office prior to Thursday, September 19.

Iowa Central Community College (Fort Dodge, IA)
Friday, September 20, 9:30 a.m.
Wahlert Counseling Office
To ensure proper room reservations, students are required to pick up their pass for this event in the Counseling Office prior to Friday, September 20.

Monmouth College (Monmouth, IL)
Wednesday, September 25

Wahlert Counseling Office
To ensure proper room reservations, students are required to pick up their pass for this event in the Counseling Office prior to Wednesday, September 25.

For Your Information...

Fall ACT Exam Information

ACT Exam to be held at Wahlert on October 26.
Registration Deadline: September 20
Late Registration Date: October 4
Test Fee: $52 (exam without writing) | $68 (exam with writing)
The October ACT exam date will be hosted at Wahlert Catholic High School on Saturday, October 26. To register your student for the ACT exam, learn more about exam day and registration/late registration fees, please visit **actstudent.org**.

Life After High School, Career & College Planning Online ICAN Seminar
Tuesday, September 3, 5:30 p.m.
Register here!
There are many post-high school options available to students through education and training programs. This online program engages students and parents in a discussion of recent employment trends and industry growth outlook to provide insights into the developing a post-high school plan for both college and career. The presentation will be live and attendees can ask questions (typing or talking) to ICAN Student Success Advisor Shea Stamp as he presents.

This program covers:

- Career Exploration & Assessment
- Economic Trends & Goal Setting
- Academic Preparation & Requirements
- Admission Process & Requirements
- College/Training Program Selection

- Campus Visits
- Application Process
- Understanding Costs - Cost of Attendance
- Scholarships/Job Training Programs
- Successful Transitions

Sign up for the ICAN Tip of the Week!
Are you a junior or senior who wants more information on college and career planning? Sign up to get the Iowa College Access Network (ICAN) Tip of the Week and other college and career planning alerts. ICAN offers several forms of email communications to help you stay on top of the planning process for life after high school. Click here to register for the ICAN Tip of the Week, *Class of 2020 Alerts, or ICAN e-alerts. You can also check out the ICAN College and Career blog* ***here.***

Golden Circle College & Career Fair
Sunday, September 29, 12:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Prairie Meadows Conference Center, 1 Prairie Meadows Drive, Altoona, IA
Iowa's largest college and career fair brings together colleges and universities, career training, apprenticeships, and breakout sessions all in one place. Learn more and register at **ICANsucceed.org/goldencircle**.

Truck Country Technical Institute Open House Event
Saturday, October 19, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
10819 Wood Gate Dr., Suite 2, Dubuque

Students registered for this event will learn more about a career as a diesel technician, and apprenticeship programs with Truck Country. Diesel technicians inspect, repair, and maintain the tough diesel engines and computerized management systems found in large trucks, construction equipment, dump trucks, and more. Students will meet trainers and learn about the hands-on training for technicians. Informational stations will include:

- Technical Training Presentation
- Electrical Systems
- Truck Technology
- Air Brakes
- Diesel Engines
- MAC Tools

For additional information, please contact **JoleneDuschen@truckcountry.com**, or (563) 584-2664.

Online Scholarship eBulletin Board

Is your student looking for scholarships to apply for as they plan for next year?

Available on Wahlert Catholic High School's website is an online hub for you and your student to browse available scholarship opportunities, as well as different college events. **Click here** to check it out, or visit the Quick Links section of Wahlert's home page for easy access. Scholarships are organized by type and will be updated frequently, so be sure to check in often!

Scholarship Feature Friday

Weekly scholarship news emailed directly to your student.

Scholarship Feature Friday is a new weekly email from Wahlert's Counseling Office designed specifically for seniors as a resource for them to learn more about available scholarship opportunities. Each Friday, the Counseling Office will highlight a new scholarship opportunity and email it directly to your student's Holy Family email address. Specific details regarding scholarship type, who should apply, how to start the application process, and scholarship amount will all be highlighted. Students will use these emails as a way to learn, discover, and apply for new scholarships each week as they plan their years after high school. Learn more about these scholarships, and more, by visiting Wahlert's **College Planning eBulletin Board**.

Driver's Education Opportunities

Parents are asked to directly contact any of the three local driving academies listed below if interested in registering their student(s) for driver's education.

4BES Driving School, LLC
Craig Forbes, Instructor
c4besdrivingschool@hotmail.com
(563) 599-2934
(563) 583-7368

A-Tri State Driving School, Inc.
Kent Paca, Instructor
(563) 583-3003

Dubuque Driving Academy
Susie Quinn, Instructor
dbqdrivingacademy.com