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Dear Viking Families,

We hope this summer break brings much-needed rest to you and our students. Summer is a time for recharging and spending quality time with loved ones. We are thrilled to know that our students are enjoying this well-deserved break.

I have some wonderful news to share with you: We are celebrating the highest re-enrollment rate that we've seen in the past five years! And that's not all. Based on the enrollment numbers of this same time last year, our new enrollment shows an impressive growth of 13%. We are immensely grateful for your trust and confidence in our school as the educational choice for your children. Although these positive numbers indicate that you are pleased with the school and our responsiveness to your feedback, we still have time to improve them. We encourage you to promote Nolan Catholic among your friends, helping us to continue to break new records.

I would also like to share with you some important updates and information that we believe will be helpful to you:

Uniform Updates: We have made a few adjustments to our uniform policy to ensure consistency and comfort for our students.

Cell Phone Policy Reminder and Clarification: To maintain a focused academic environment, we would like to remind and clarify our cell phone policy.

Exciting Summer Activities for Incoming 9th Graders: We have planned some fantastic activities to welcome and integrate our new 9th-grade students into our school community.

Changes to the Academic Schedule: Be on the lookout for an email from our superintendent addressing changes to our academic schedule for the next school year.

We extend our deepest gratitude to all our families for their unwavering support and commitment. It is because of you that we continue to thrive and provide an enriching and challenging educational experience for our students.

Thank you once again for choosing us. We look forward to an exciting and successful school year ahead!

Kind regards,

Mr. Ortiz

2024-2025 UNIFORM UPDATES

Dear Nolan Catholic Families,

We are excited about the year ahead and the opportunities it will bring for our students to grow academically, spiritually, and personally. At Nolan Catholic High School, we continually strive to foster an environment of excellence and respect, and part of that commitment includes maintaining a consistent and professional appearance through our uniform code.

We have made some important changes to the uniform requirements for the 2024-2025 school

year. Please review the updates carefully to ensure that your student is prepared for the school year. The key changes are outlined below:

Changes to the Uniform Code 2024-2025:

- Blazer Requirement: As was announced last year, all students must now wear a navy or black blazer as part of their Dress Gray uniform during the second and third quarters on Mass Days.
 - Fleece Jacket: A fleece jacket with the school logo is allowed on regular school days but not on Dress Gray days.
- Skirt Length: Skirt length must be no more than 3 inches above the knee.
- Boys' Long-Sleeved Polo: As was announced last year, long-sleeved boys' polos will not be allowed after this school year.
- ***New**: Leggings for Girls: Solid black leggings are required for girls during cold weather.
- ***New**: Athletic Shoes: All students may choose to wear New Balance brand all-white or all-black athletic shoes on regular school days. Athletic shoes can be purchased from any vendor but must be New Balance brand and meet the school's specifications. (**see examples below*)
 - Dress shoes are required on liturgy days unless there is a medical accommodation on file with the administration. Specific shoe options for dress gray uniforms can be found on the <u>Dennis Uniform</u> website.

Thank you for your continued partnership in providing a high-quality Catholic education for your students. We look forward to a successful and enriching school year together.

To review and download a summary of our uniform code please <u>click here</u>.







To maintain a focused and academically rigorous environment, all cell phones must be kept in students' backpacks, stored in their lockers at all times during the academic day. This rule applies from the moment students enter the academic building, including in the commons area in the morning. Cell phones are not to be used during passing periods or at any other time during the school day. Visible phones during passing periods or at lockers will be confiscated.

Adhering to this policy is crucial for promoting the overall well-being and academic success of

our students. Minimizing distractions helps create a more engaged and productive learning environment, allowing students to fully benefit from the educational opportunities provided at our school.

Thank you for your cooperation and support.



We are thrilled to announce two exciting events to kick off your high school journey at Nolan Catholic! Join us for a fun-filled hike on July 29 and a splashing good time at our pool party on August 2.

Class of 2028 Hike in Cleburne State Park

Depart/Return from Nolan Catholic Date: July 29, 2024 Departure Time: 7:30 a.m. Return Time: 3:30 p.m. No Cost / Lunch provided

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Communications policy: Our Nolan Catholic Administration prides itself in always responding within two business days. For pressing needs, please contact principal@nchstx.ora.

What to Bring:

- Sunscreen
- Water bottle(s) / Water
- Bug Spray
- Great Viking attitude!

What to Wear:

- Comfortable closed-toed shoes or hiking shoes with socks
- Hat/Hiking clothes
- Small backpack for personal items/snacks

Get ready to explore the beautiful trails of <u>Cleburne State Park</u>!

Class of 2028 Pool Party

Date: August 2, 2024 Time: 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Location: NCHS Natatorium No Cost/Dinner provided

What to Wear/Bring:

- Swimsuit (girls: must wear a one-piece or tankini; no bare midriff)
- Coverup or T-shirt for outside of the pool
- Shoes for pool deck (sandals/slides)
- Towel(s)
- Pool toys or floats are allowed

Join us for a night of swimming, snacks, dinner, and a movie!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- Please indicate your student's participation in these events by clicking the RSVP link you received via email, even if your student cannot attend.
- These are Class of 2028 student-only events.
- Upon receiving your student's RSVP, a permission slip for each event will be emailed.
- The deadline to RSVP and submit permission forms is July 15, 2024.
- Please contact Donna O'Malley with any questions at <u>admissions@nchstx.org</u>.

We can't wait to see you there and start this incredible journey together!

Go Vikings!



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