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Dear Viking Families,

As we navigate the excitement of many of our upcoming events, (i.e., Homecoming festivities, a visit from the Vatican's Swiss Guard, our Fall play, etc.) it's important to remember that Christ remains the anchor to all of this exciting hustle and bustle. Each Friday, we have the opportunity to pause and reflect in Adoration, turning our hearts toward the cross—the true foundation of all we do at Nolan Catholic.

We are blessed to have Father Metzler deeply involved in the spiritual lives of our community. Today he has led Bible Study with our men's basketball team and supported many of our athletic teams at their games. Meanwhile, our dedicated LIFE Team has been actively hosting LIFE Nights, enriching the spiritual journey of our students.



With all this in mind, we would like to renew our invitation to you to come gaze on Jesus, the center of our peace, every Friday.

Thank you for being part of this vibrant community, where faith and excellence go hand in hand!

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Sat., Sept. 14, 2024

Pre-Game Fundraising Lunch at 11 p.m. until 1 p.m. | *City Works* in Frisco

Kickoff vs Little Rock Catholic at 1 p.m. | The Star in Frisco







Welcome back, and get ready to run!

We are so excited to get our biggest fundraiser kicked off. We began planning over the summer and can't wait to see everyone in their hats and seersucker suits. Save the date for the Feb. 1, 2025, annual Gala at the Hurst Conference Center.

The Gala is a fun evening of fellowship and fundraising, but it requires a lot of dedication and work from our parents, staff, and the community. We have an amazing team that will make the night one to remember. Our weekly newsletter will keep you updated on everything you need to know.



Things to start thinking about:

- Prayerfully consider a sponsorship/advertisement, purchasing a table, or donating an item or service.
- Volunteering on our silent auction committee.

Thank you for your continued support of Nolan Catholic High School's 44th Annual Gala. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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A Message from Dennis Uniform

As we communicated with your school administrator, our mission at DENNIS Uniform has always been to support and uplift your school community, a responsibility we hold dear. Last year, we embarked on a journey to enhance our production processes, taking significant steps to better serve you and your family. We expanded the national reach of our dedicated Customer Care team and refined our operations at the new Distribution Center, all with the goal of providing you with the best possible experience. We also introduced several back-to-school savings events, aiming to offer even greater value during this important season.

However, despite our best intentions and efforts, we fell short in completing all the necessary modifications on time. As a result, some of you experienced delays in receiving your uniforms. We deeply regret the stress and inconvenience this caused, especially at the start of a new school year.

We know how crucial these uniforms are for your students, and we sincerely apologize for any disruption this may have caused. The good news is that we are now operating at expected back-to-school levels. We're confident that the enhancements we've made will ensure a smoother experience moving forward. Your trust in us is something we do not take lightly, and we are committed to being transparent and open as we work to rebuild that trust.

Please know that we remain fully committed to serving you and ensuring your satisfaction. We are actively working on further improvements—such as better school program forecasting, faster order processing, and clearer backorder dates—to prevent issues like this in the future. We're here to support you in any way we can. If there's anything more we can do or if you need further assistance, please don't hesitate to reach out to us directly. Your feedback is invaluable as we strive to serve you better.

Thank you for your understanding and for allowing us the opportunity to make things right.



Weekly Lunch Menu
Lunch Menu for the week of Sept. 16 - 20



UPCOMING CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS MEETINGS

Chess-n-Games Club

Ready to dive into chess and tabletop games? Join our Chess-n-Games Club every Tuesday in B17! Whether you're a seasoned player or a curious newbie, you'll find fun and challenge. Learn chess, explore exciting tabletop games, and make new friends

European Summer with the World Language Department



Hurry! Spots are limited for the Summer 2025 European trip. This trip consists of 13 days to four different countries! The first stop is London, then Paris, off to Barcelona, and the final landing in Rome. Take advantage of this once-in-a-lifetime trip! Visit the EF Tour Enrollment page for more information For questions, contact Faviola Ojeda.



4H Club

Join the 4H Club at St. George Catholic School! The Diocese of Fort Worth's 4H Club is kicking off the year with its first meeting on Thur., Sept. 12, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. in the St. George Catholic School Gym. Meetings will continue monthly on Oct. 10, Nov. 14, and Dec. 12, all at 6:30 p.m. Come learn about exciting club activities, including shooting sports, animal projects, horticulture, robotics, the youth fair, art, and more! It's a fantastic opportunity for students to explore new interests and develop valuable skills. For more information, contact Leah Rios. We hope to see you there!



Ballet Folklorico

Ballet Folklorico La Vikina will take part in the Fiestas Patrias Parade & Grito Celebration to kick-off Hispanic Heritage in Fort Worth. Come join us on Sun., Sept. 15, 2024, in the Fort Worth Stockyards for live music, Ballet Folklorico and much more. The parade will begin at 11 p.m.! La Vikina will also perform at NCHS on Mon., Sept. 16 at 7:30 p.m. in the traffic circle in commemoration of Mexican Independence day.

UPCOMING CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS MEETINGS

Robotics Club

Robotics Club is still open to accepting new members until the end of September. If you are interested in learning more about FIRST Robotics and the Robo Vikes, please reach out to <u>Coach Varnell at jvarnell@nchstx.org</u>. The deadline to join Robotics is Fri., Sept. 27, 2024.



Art Club

The Nolan Art Club is a fun group that enjoys making art. Together the group also participates in art-related community service projects and field trips. Active participation in the club paired with leadership and academic excellence can lead to membership in the National Art Honor Society. The club is open to all NCHS students. Meetings are every Tuesday after school in the Art Studio (IDEA-211). Please contact Mrs. Crittenden for more information.



5th Quarter Dodgeball

Hey Vikings! We are pleased to host our first 5th Quarter Dodgeball tournament of the year on Fri., Sept. 20, after the football game. Sign-up forms and waivers will be available with your captains on Mon., Sept. 16. Cost is \$5/per player and pizza will be provided. So stick around after the football game and have some fun playing dodgeball. All forms due by Wed., Sept. 18.

See Mr. Simeroth with any questions or for more information.

Nolan Viking Sailing Club

Last weekend, the Nolan Viking Sailing Club hosted the Fort Worth Boat Club Viking Fall Fling Sailing Regatta. Along with Nolan Catholic, there were teams from Southlake Carroll, Clear Lake in Houston, and The Ursuline Academy in New Orleans. Nolan Catholic has traveled to New Orleans the past two years, so Ursuline decided to reciprocate. Our Nolan Catholic sailors gave them a tour of the Stockyards and Nolan Catholic High School. They got a good taste of Texas BBQ and fajitas. Clear Lake finished 1st and 2nd. Nolan Catholic garnered 3rd place. The Ursuline students were impressed with the campus and even considered transferring — for a moment.



FAITH LIFE ON CAMPUS

LIFE Night 9.1

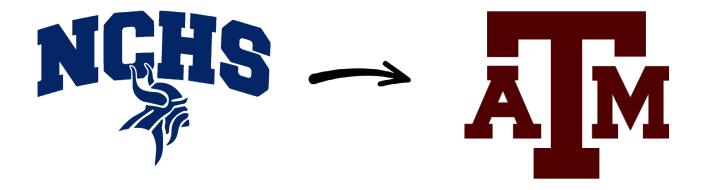
The LIFE team hosted LIFE Night for all students on Wed., Sept. 11. We made angel cookies in the Commons to celebrate the Feast of Archangels (later this month) and then we had a talk by Father Metzler and Adoration in the Chapel!



COLLEGE COUNSELING

Thinking of attending Texas A&M University?

Juniors and Seniors are invited to attend this free informational night on Sept. 30, at 6:30 p.m. in Southlake. Click here to learn more about this event.



| UPCOMING COLLEGE VISITS | | | |
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| COLLEGE | DATE | START | LOCATION |
| Adelphi University | 9/17/24 | 8:45 a.m. | Guidance Center |
| Seton Hall University | 9/17/24 | 9:45 a.m. | Guidance Center |
| University of Michigan - Ann Arbor | 9/17/24 | 11:45 a.m. | Guidance Center |
| Centre College | 9/17/24 | 1:45 p.m. | Guidance Center |
| Our Lady of the Lake University | 9/18/24 | 11:45 a.m. | Guidance Center |
| St. Edward's University | 9/18/24 | 1:45 p.m. | Guidance Center |
| Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College | 9/19/24 | 8:45 a.m. | Guidance Center |
| College of Charleston | 9/19/24 | 12:40 p.m. | Guidance Center |
| St. John's University - New York | 9/19/24 | 2 p.m. | Guidance Center |

TCU STEM Scholar Program

TCU's STEM Scholar Program is an academic scholarship program developed for the best and brightest students who show a commitment to diversity and inclusion in STEM fields. It also represents an ideal learning environment for students who seek to use their STEM education to support historically underserved communities.

NCHS graduate Ava Glover '23 earned this award last year!

Click here to learn more



College Visits

This week, our students had the opportunity to meet with our DFW representatives from The University of Notre Dame, Benedictine College and Boston University. Students asked questions about college essays, how to apply and met individually with representatives.





HALL OF FAME

We are honored to unveil the newest members of the Nolan Catholic High School Hall of Fame Class of 2024! These distinguished alumni have exemplified excellence and embody the values that define our Viking legacy, Esto Dux.

Congratulations to the Nolan Catholic Hall of Fame Class of 2024!



NOLAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

HALL OF FAME CLASS OF 2024



KEN FENOGLIO CLASS OF 1966

KEN KNIPPEL **CLASS OF 1976**



ART SANFORD **CLASS OF 1972**

2024 HOMECOMING FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2024 7:00 PM VS BISHOP LYNCH HALL OF FAME INDUCTION AT HALFTIME 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM ALUMNI BBQ DINNER
 HALL OF FAME INTRODUCTION

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NOLAN CATHOLIC

ALUMNI EVENTS & NEWS

2024 NOLAN CATHOLIC HOMECOMING INFORMATION



Homecoming Events:

Thur., Oct. 17, 2024

9:25 a.m. | Hartnett Arena

- Alumni/All School Mass
- Following Mass in the Chapel Courtyard a Tree Dedication for Brother Al

Friday, October 18, 2024

- 5 7:00 p.m. | Hartnett Arena
- Alumni BBQ Dinner
- Hall of Fame Introduction
- Campus Tours

7 p.m. | Doskocil Stadium

Nolan Catholic Vikings vs Bishop Lynch Friars

Halftime | Doskocil Stadium

• Hall of Fame Induction



Support the Viking Marching Band!

A beloved Homecoming tradition is the Homecoming Mum, symbolizing pride, spirit, and the bonds that unite our community. Our award-winning Viking Marching Band will be selling Homecoming Mums, and the school administration is proud to support this important fundraiser! We encourage all parents and families to purchase their mums through them.

By choosing to buy your mum from the Viking Marching Band, you are helping to ensure that all funds directly benefit our students. These funds are vital in providing new equipment, uniforms, and opportunities for our band members. Your support allows them to grow as musicians and performers, bringing back invaluable skills and inspiration to our school community.

Order a Mum Here

VOLUNTEERING: THE VIKING WAY



Safe Environment Certification for Employees and Adult Volunteers

This is a requirement **prior to** serving in ministry and must be renewed every two years. Volunteers must create a profile <u>at www.virtusonline.org</u> and add Nolan Catholic as a volunteer site.

If you have any questions, <u>contact Michelle Wessel</u>, Nolan Catholic Safe Environment Coordinator; or search for a session at <u>www.fwdioc.org/training-sessions</u>.

ADMISSIONS EVENTS

Free Viking Information Night Fri., Sept. 20, 2024

Be a part of the Friday night action and experience the excitement of Viking football.

Cheer alongside our spirited cheerleaders, dance with the dynamic Royelles, play with the energetic marching band, or join the enthusiastic Norse Crew.

This is a fantastic opportunity for future Vikings to experience the school spirit that makes Nolan Catholic High School so special.

Click here to register online.



APPLICATIONS FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR WILL OPEN ON OCT. 1!

Contact us today to schedule a tour Donna O'Malley | Director of Admissions and Enrollment 817-395-0245 | domalley@nchstx.org