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The Class of 2015: They're Off On Their Way!

Throughout their time at Arrupe Jesuit, the 85 members of the Class of 2015 have achieved many great things:

100% College acceptance
44% First generation high school graduates
92% First generation college attendees
92% Acceptance into four year colleges
8% Acceptance into two year colleges

Equipping themselves for success, this class will now be headed off to college with over \$6,225,708 in merit based scholarships.

9 Regis Arrupe Partnership Scholarships
6 Daniels Fund Scholars
4 Kathy Fortune Scholars
1 Xavier University Cristo Rey Scholarship
1 Creighton University Zoellner Family Scholarship
1 JRB "Earn My Education" Scholarship
1 Greenhouse Scholarship
1 Student of Integrity Scholarship
1 COMTO Scholarship



Save the Date!

GOLF INVITATIONAL
Wednesday, July 8, 2015

COLORADO GIVES DAY
Tuesday, December 8, 2015

MAGIS NIGHT
Saturday, February 27, 2016



The President's Corner



Dear Friends,

Please join me in congratulating the Arrupe Jesuit Class of 2015! Our 9th graduating class has much to celebrate with 6 Daniels Scholars, and countless other prestigious scholarships and accomplishments. Overall, they have earned over \$6.21 Million in merit based scholarships towards their own college education.

Recently, I had the opportunity to share a meal with David and Carlos, two brothers who, among many other things, share the title of being AJHS alumni.

During dinner, a benefactor asked David how he would describe the Arrupe experience. In this season of celebrating prestigious statistics and remarkable accomplishments, I was struck by David's simple and poignant answer...

"I wish you could've known me when I was 14.

Because of Arrupe, I am a completely different person now. Arrupe gave me the *power* to turn my dreams into reality. They provided me with *experiences* to demonstrate success, and *opportunities* to become what I was meant to be".

David is just one example of our many young alumni who are busy turning their dreams into reality, and I look forward to sharing the next step in his journey with you very soon.

This August, we will begin with another record enrollment of just under 400 students, and our largest freshmen class in history. As we plan and prepare for the challenge of this new student body, we remain grateful for the community of benefactors who share in our mission. Your gifts make possible the experiences and opportunities that will shape our students and give them the power to turn their own dreams into reality.

With gratitude,

Rev. Timothy M. McMahon SJ

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Corporate Work Study: Growth in the Workplace



At the recent CWSP Partner Appreciation Luncheon, supervisors shared what the program means to them and their companies. Their responses demonstrate the crucial link that they fulfil in our mission of creating men and women for others through the graduates of Arrupe Jesuit.

"My employee has shown me that young people still want to work hard and achieve their goals and dreams. He and the rest of the students make me proud".

"Watching younger students unsure of themselves in the work environment, watching them blossom into more confident young men and women has touched my heart".

"My student worker has touched my heart by her ability to grow. To have courage and to take risks. She has gained confidence and pride in herself over the year. I am happy to witness the transformation".

A wonderful example of the growth and determination mentioned above, Eric Sanchez Medel (pictured to the right) was the proud recipient of the CWSP Award at this year's graduation ceremony! From his start as a quiet and shy freshman, Eric embraced his time in the workplace over the past 4 years and grew into a valuable member of his company's team.



Thank you to the following new CWSP sponsors for joining the AJHS community for the 2015/2016 school year:

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Construction Zone

On April 29th, the Arrupe Jesuit student body filled their brand new cafeteria to celebrate moving day. Just under a year from the time we broke ground, our expansion is now complete. Our faculty and students couldn't be more excited about the space, natural light, furnishings, and technology!



Alumni Notes

Last fall, I was accepted as a scholar in the Ronald E. McNair Post Baccalaureate Achievement Program. This program supports my journey to apply to grad school and potentially earn a PhD. Since the Fall of 2014 I have began working on my own research under the mentorship of one of my professors. My research focus is on the enrollment, retention, and graduation rates of racial and ethnic minorities in traditional 4-year Nursing Programs. I am passionate about improving health care education outcomes and I hope to continue this research throughout grad school. My research has the potential to get published and presented at multiple conferences in the Fall!

*- Samantha, AJHS Class of 2012,
Loyola University Chicago Class of 2016*

The very same day, crews began their work on the final renovations of existing spaces to be completed by the fall. Many thanks to the incredible people who are making this possible from our benefactors and construction crews to our students, faculty and staff!

Around Arrupe Jesuit



We are thrilled to welcome 3 young ladies who will be joining us for the 2015/2016 school year as ASC volunteers! The Alum Service Corps offers graduates of Jesuit high schools and Jesuit universities an opportunity to give back in gratitude for their Jesuit education. Lauren Blumhardt, Viviana Bracamontes, and Justine Espinosa will be joining the AJHS community and will serve in various capacities in the school. We are especially excited to have Viviana, pictured above, returning back to AJHS as a 2011 alum, and recent graduate of Regis University!



Through our Arrupe Service Program, our students contributed 1,444 hours of service this past school year. We are so proud of our students for the dedication and willingness to give back to our community through participating in service opportunities! The group of young women pictured above stuffed bags for new mothers at Newborns in Need.



*Generals
for Others!*



This past May, Ross Izard, an Education Policy Analyst from the Independence Institute, shadowed and lived a day in the life of an Arrupe Jesuit student in order to learn more about the school and support educational choice efforts in Colorado. During his visit, from math class to theology, Ross truly experienced what happens in these halls, including a visit to Principal O'Hagan's office!

In a heartwarming email from Ross he describes his experience - "there is truly something special happening at Arrupe Jesuit. Never before have I seen a school so committed to its mission and values, and never before have I seen a group of educators, administrators, and leaders who are so singularly focused on doing right by the kids who need it most. I was repeatedly struck by the commitment displayed by your team at all levels, the community you have built, and the amazing personal stories behind each team member."



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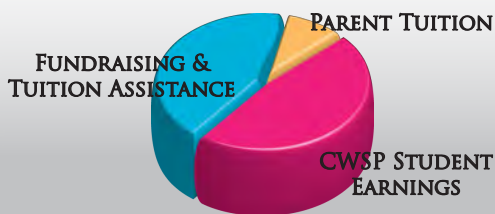
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Cost to Educate per Student:
2014/2015 School Year



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Angels Among Us



Barry and Linda Rowan soaking in the evening's activity!



Walt & Elyn Coughlin (co-chair), Jim & Deb Campbell (co-chair), Archbishop Samuel J. Aquila, Laurie Vieira, John Martin, and Fr. Tim McMahon, SJ catch a moment together early in the evening.



Part of the incredible team from Regis University... Jason & Beth Caniglia, Fr. John Fitzgibbons, SJ, Lovey Shipp, and Russ Shaw.



Fr. Tim McMahon, SJ congratulates Rick Schmitz on his impending trip to Napa with encouragement from tablemate, and brother, Jeff Schmitz.

Magis Night 2015

...celebrating the many Angels Among Us

*a special THANK you to all of our event donors and sponsors!
your partnership is a true blessing to our community.*



Your generosity at Magis Night 2015 provided over \$1.1 million in tuition assistance for students at Arrupe Jesuit. Carolina Luna, our student speaker, is just one of those students who is now off to her bright future thanks, in part, to your support!

During her speech, she mentioned that she was a finalist for the Daniels Fund Scholarship...and we are proud

to report that she was selected as one of the 6 students from AJHS to receive that honor! Carolina is headed off to Loyola University Chicago this fall where she will undoubtedly immerse herself in all that this prestigious school has to offer.

"Father Pedro Arrupe once wrote that each of us needs to, 'Fall in love, stay in love, and it will decide everything'. That lesson is one of the most important that I have learned from my time at Arrupe. Everyone that I have met at Arrupe; teachers, staff, mock trial coaches, and work study supervisors follow this message. They have found what they love and that love has guided them to where they are now. It is this love that makes Arrupe such a special place".

- Carolina Luna '15



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