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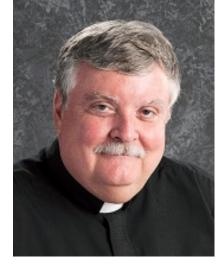
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OPEN TO GROWTH

The graduate of Arrupe Jesuit High School is confident, inquisitive, reflective, motivated, and flexible. He/she learns to seek out new challenges and opportunities to enrich her/his experience or perspective, be it religiously, socially, culturally, emotionally, or intellectually.





Dear Friends,

We love to celebrate our Arrupe Jesuit students' successes, but we all know that each of our journeys are not just one triumph after another. If we are truly striving for excellence as we hope our students will, we know that along the way there may be just as many failures and disappointments. We know that learning from both our successes and failures is part of the process of growing. As our students continue to seek out new opportunities and challenges, we hope that we have succeeded in forming them to be "Open to Growth", this newsletter's theme. You'll read an update about a Class of 2014 alumna as she graduates from Regis University, you'll read about our Senior Service Project as these students learn just how much they have to give back, and you'll read about one of our CWSP partners and the wonderful opportunities they provide students in the workplace to grow in so many different ways. As we read these stories hopefully we will be reminded of the many ways in which we all continue to be Open to Growth in our own lives.

On my own continued journey of learning and opportunity, my time at Arrupe Jesuit is quickly coming to a close. This summer, I'll step down as President as I prepare for my next mission, determined by the Provincial of the Jesuits of the USA Central and Southern Province. The many ways AJHS has grown over the past eight years leaves me in awe of your commitment and dedication to providing an opportunity to families in Denver who otherwise would not be able to afford it. Thank you for your partnership and friendship throughout these years. I'll hold my time at Arrupe Jesuit close in my heart and memory and will keep each and every one of you in my prayers. I look forward to hearing all that you continue to accomplish together in the next chapter at Arrupe Jesuit!

Continued blessings and gratitude,

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Fr. Timothy M. McMahon, SJ

CORPORATE WORK STUDY PROGRAM

"Putting their Best Foot Forward" with IMA Inc.'s Sharon Montoya **CWSP Partner since August 2007**



Do you remember the emotions you experienced on your first day with students?

"I remember being very nervous about what they would think of us and what they could do. I will admit that the very first few months were a challenge in the sense that I did not challenge them enough as I did not want to set them up to fail with difficult tasks. That did not last long because once you get to know them you can see and understand their abilities and also their desire to perform, so they are always putting their best foot forward.... don't pass up an opportunity to give them a chance to try different roles and responsibilities, they will surprise you!"

In all your years as a supervisor, can you pinpoint a particular moment when a lightbulb went on in a student's head?

"I can't recall a specific moment, however I truly enjoy the students embracing that 'ah ha!' moment when the CEO, President, and other various leaders in our organization greet them at orientation. It gives them a chance to understand how important they are at IMA and how we want them to feel a part of our organization."

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What do you appreciate most about your CWSP students?

"There are so many things to appreciate, their attendance for one; rarely do you have students miss. They are also so eager to please, you really appreciate that aspect of having an employee who wants to do well, and these students want to do well. We appreciate that they handle jobs that are necessary and demanding and that they are dedicated to doing them well - regardless of what the job is. Most of all, you appreciate their heart and their spirit for being committed to what most other students their age are not doing. They absolutely amaze me every year when they start with us. I look forward to August, am sad at the end of May, and am hopeful to have a summer worker!"

Do you keep in touch with students who have since graduated from Arrupe?

"I do as well as many of my associates. Some of our students come back to say hello because now they go to college close by and they were in the area. Others have e-mailed and some are just part of our IMA Family (Sandra Carrillo,'12, is absolutely one of those)! We always tell our students to drop by and see us, even if they have new jobs with other organizations, they are always welcome to come back and visit."

What is your favorite memory through the Corporate Work **Study Program?**

"My favorite memory is when the school notified us that Sandra Carrillo had received a full scholarship to Colorado State University (the Sean "Ranch" Lough Memorial Scholarship). Several staff from the school, her parents, and several IMA staff hid in our board room and I told Sandra she needed to meet me there for a special project. When she walked in and saw her parents and the representatives from the memorial scholarship team holding this large cardboard check, the tears and hugs were plentiful!! It still stands as one my most favorite moments and how proud our organization was of Sandra and all the hard work that she had put in. We were all proud 'parents' in the room that day and that's how you feel about these kids. They are the future and when you treat them well they respond well."



Jamie, '20

Josenhine, '19

Karvme, '20

IMA, Inc. has made an impact in the lives of 19 AJHS graduates. The team of 4 students shown worked there during the 2017-2018 school year.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO THE ARRUPE JESUIT CLASS OF 2018!

100% 55% 84 college first generation high graduates acceptance school graduates Attending Earning over **94%** \$13.2 million in 21 first generation colleges or merit and community college bound based scholarships universities Cristo Rev Scholar Daniels **Regis-Arrupe** – Loyola University Scholars **Partnership Scholars** Chicado

. and many more!

"I will take with me one of the most important lessons that Arrupe has taught me, which is to be fearlessly authentic. Authenticity begins with defining who you really are. We have to first answer the questions; what really matters to you? Who do you want to be in the world? How will you influence others with the values you embody? Arrupe helps us answer these intellectually challenging questions while pushing us to figure out our vocation. As for me, defining who I am isn't just one word or adjective. I am a servant not only to Christ but to the underprivileged, the helpless, and the poor; a Catholic who views the world as a sacrament recognizing our lives and everything they contain as the gift that they are; and a friend to all those that need a shoulder to lean on or some advice."

— Luz Castreion AJHS Class of 2018





Alumni Note

She followed her heart to Regis, and after just one semester, into its distinguished nursing program. There, she fell in love. In the classroom. In Regis' simulation lab. In Denver Health's pediatric intensive care unit. In watching nursing faculty exemplify what cura personalis really means and what makes a Regis nurse not just different, but special.

Upon her college graduation, AJHS Class of 2014 grad Jennifer Navarro was featured in an article by Regis University. To read the full article, visit www.regis.edu and search "Opportunity Knocked".



Fifteen years ago, Fr. Tim McMahon took a chance on an idea and a community. As Provincial of the Jesuits of the USA, Central and Southern Province, he made a faith-filled decision to establish Arrupe Jesuit High School in the heart of Denver that forever changed the trajectory of what was possible for low-income, inner city students. Seven years later he returned to Denver, this time to lead Arrupe Jesuit as its President.

What Fr. Tim has accomplished in his eight years as President is nothing short of astounding. His leadership has resulted in:

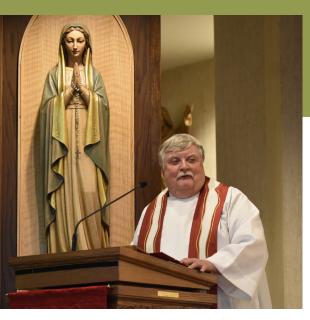
- Building the student body from 300 students to **420 students**
- Growing from 202 to **783 alumni**
- Increasing from 89 CWSP employers to 130
- Doubling annual philanthropic revenue
- Completing a successful \$13 million campaign, both expanding and **renovating the school** as well as establishing the **STAR Endowment Fund**

But there is much more to Fr. Tim than facts and figures to support his many successes. He embodies a fierce passion for justice, his wit is second to none, and his breadth of knowledge is a resource for all of us. He is all of this and more because he has given his life up to the Lord, following His will as a true man for others. And, of course, he'll also be fondly missed for his delicious cookies, his lively story-telling, his disdain for squirrels, and his ability to spontaneously break into song!



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Next month, Fr. Tim's tenure as President will come to an end. He'll then take a well-earned sabbatical, prior to embarking on his next mission, which is still to be finalized. Join us in thanking Fr. Tim for all he is to Arrupe Jesuit and in wishing him all the best as he continues his journey in serving the Lord!

"Fr. Tim is dedicated. Dedicated to Arrupe and the love he finds in all of us every day. It is his gentle yet strong heart that has shown itself in his actions consistently, whether it be helping the school or simply taking the time to remind us (the students) about God's love for us." - Adrian Sanchez, AJHS Class of 2019



"One of the great blessings of our Jesuit life is living in community with men you admire and whose lives of service you desire to emulate. Fr. Tim has certainly been one of those special Jesuits in my life. I am honored to call him a trusted friend and fellow companion of Christ. May the road rise up to meet you, Fr. Tim!" - Fr. John Nugent SJ. Assistant Principal

Wish to recognize Fr. Tim's many accomplishments to Arrupe Jesuit? Make a gift to the recently established "Fr. Timothy McMahon, SJ Endowed Scholarship" at www.ArrupeJesuit.com

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AROUND ARRUPE JESUIT

Catholic Schools Art Show

This past April, thirteen Arrupe Jesuit students entered into the Catholic Schools Art Show and were able to show off their talents. Our freshman art teacher, Ms. Sammy Eckrich, has been a huge advocate for our students' creative talents and shared how important art is for our young people.

"It was exciting to join with other schools to participate

in the Catholic Schools Art Show for the first time in Arrupe history. Being a part of an event like this showcases the amazing work our students are doing in and outside the classroom. It validates the importance of fine arts in our students' lives, and I can't wait to see how the Art Program grows as we continue to build a culture of creativity!"

Arrupe's very own freshman, Yuli, took home third place for the drawing category and the artist choice award. Great job, Yuli!

Alumni Service Corps Volunteers Bring Heart Arrupe Jesuit was blessed to have the incredible talents of two members of the Alumni Service Corps join us this year. We will let their reflections speak for themselves, but would like to thank Kevin and Joe for their service to our students and our community!



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Men & Women for Others

The Senior Service Project is an opportunity for students to embody the school motto to be "Men and Women for Others" as they serve two weeks volunteering at various local organizations. Students grow as humans,



empathizing with people in need as they volunteer. This year, twelve seniors volunteered at different places including: Same Cafe, Growing Home, The GrowHaus, Mount Saint Vincent, Samaritan House, and African Community Center. Through this service project, our students recognize that there are many ways we can help and that we can make a difference in the daily lives of others. Our seniors were excited for the opportunity and many described it as a life changing experience!



"Morning Mister!" "Hiii Mister..." "What was our homework, Mister?" Morning greetings squeak as I walk through the door, always followed by the hilarious and endearing Arrupe Jesuit title of Mister, just Mister, no last name necessary. My face melts into a smile in spite of itself, and my heart follows. From there, everything else falls into place. They are the reason we are here. The only reason we need. They are the joy; and sometimes, joy is enough." — .loe Simon

"I saw a deep-rooted love for each student, wanting the good for them at all times I saw what I'd call Arrupe's corona, a brief glimpse of the blindingly bright love the school offers, the fringes of the opportunities that lie within." — Kevin Buettner

STORIES OF PROMISE: A Classic Magis Night

MARCH 10. 2018

We are so grateful to all Magis Night 2018 sponsors, donors, and attendees for their partnership in mission... for making Arrupe Jesuit the school that works. Together, we raised over \$1,050,000 in net proceeds for Arrupe Jesuit High School, surpassing our goal and bridging the gap needed to continue providing a Catholic Jesuit, college preparatory education to Denver's most deserving students. Your support allows the "Stories of Promise" that lie within each of our students to come alive, breaking the cycle of poverty for their families.

Head to the event section at www.ArrupeJesuit.com for a complete recap of the evening, photo album, and links to watch speeches from our student panel and event co-emcee, AJHS alumnus, Favianna Oropeza.

"When I think back to my time in high school, my heart is flooded with appreciation. Arrupe wasn't iust a school for me, it was a second home. I have carried the values of faith and social iustice in my heart and done what I can to increase my opportunities and opportunities for those around me. I am constantly trying to align my life with who I am and who I am called to be. Being a woman for others is not just a value, but a moral foundation for the way I live my life." Favianna Oropeza, AJHS Class of 2012 Metropolitan State University of Denver Class of 2019

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Our special thanks to Co-Emcees Favianna Oropeza and Kim Christiansen for bringing their passion for Arrupe Jesuit on stage!

"Home is promise. And promise is Arrupe Jesuit High School." - Sergio, AJHS Class of 2020





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