

LA SALLE Parent Newsletter

FOR PARENTS AND FRIENDS OF LA SALLE HIGH SCHOOL OF YAKIMA, WASHINGTON

OCTOBER-DECEMBER 2010-2011

Principal Ideas



INVITE
FAMILIES TO
OUR
**DISCOVER LA
SALLE: A
PUBLIC OPEN
HOUSE**
SUN., NOV. 7
1:00-4:00PM

The band and orchestra returned from a tour of local middle schools last week. St. Joseph-Marquette, St. Paul, West Valley, Washington MS, Wapato, Union Gap— all were part of a two week tour that featured music from the **Concert for Children** which concluded our Faith in Action Week. Having our band showcase locally and interact with other bands showed us that we have a great program and that great students continue to work hard at becoming better. St. Joseph-Marquette and St. Paul students have been here for retreats already this year and the Union Gap school has sent over tours of 8th graders to see if La Salle is for them. Many have left after the short visit with a “Yes, I could see myself at La Salle” and a commitment to visit to further **Discover La Salle** at our **Public Open House** on Sun., Nov. 7th. Encourage family, friends, and neighbors, especially middle schoolers and their families, to visit this Sunday. As the semester continues, please note some other important developments.

New basketball site: The basketball teams will be playing home games at the West Valley 9th grade gym (the old high school gym). Anticipating larger crowds for our new 1A league, we have simply grown out of Queen Gym.

Boys Soccer: Some of our boys have been encouraging us to look at having a boys soccer team at some point. Now that we are in 1A, we know that there are many other teams to play against and that the season runs during the Spring. The primary criteria for considering whether or not to have a team are:

- there are at least 16 committed boys who are willing and eligible to play.
- the overall enrollment of boys in the school goes up.
- there is time to budget such a program.

--there is permission from the 1A league.

The earliest a program could begin would be Spring 2012.

We conducted a survey with the current 11th, 10th and 9th grade La Salle students. 11 noted they would try out for a team. 10 noted they might try out. Over 50% who indicated they would not try out, did support the idea of having a team. As the data shows, we are not there yet. A similar survey will be conducted with 8th graders interested in attending La Salle. We need to have firm commitments from potential players in order to move into any kind of practical planning. One way parents can help is to encourage more students to come to La Salle.

Immersion: Because of the incredibly qualified applicants, especially Seniors, to this year’s immersions, we will be able to open a fifth immersion to coincide with the New Orleans immersion in April. Students who already have been accepted and were on other immersions or on the waiting list are being approached to even out the now five immersions. A recent graduate, now at LMU in Los Angeles, recently was chosen to go on a Haiti Spring Break Immersion, in part, because of her participation in immersions here at La Salle. We continue to prepare students for multiple levels of college life.

Live Jesus in Our Hearts,

Br. James Joost, FSC
Principal

IMMERSIONS
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STUDENTS FOR
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PowerSchool SSO (Single Sign-On):

Starting Tuesday, October 5, La Salle parents will switch over to the new Single Sign-On functionality of PowerSchool. A detailed instruction sheet was mailed with the Week 6 Progress Reports on September 30. This will allow each parent to have an individual login user name and password. It also enables parents with more than one child at La Salle a one-time login experience to view the grades of all of their students! Separate accounts can be set-up for each parent. In the case of forgotten passwords, you can retrieve them automatically too! We have a number of parents who have anxiously waited for this unified login process. If you have problems, please email us at PowerSchool@lasalleyakima.org.

POWERSCHOOL NEEDS YOU TO REGISTER A NEW LOGIN PASSWORD (IF YOU HAVEN'T DONE SO SINCE OCT. 5)



PowerSchool Enhancement:

Students and parents can now view historical grades based on school year. Go to GRADE HISTORY and click on the appropriate school year. This new feature shows a student's entire academic history.

THE [COLLEGE BOARD WEBSITE](#) HAS MANY HELPFUL TOOLS FOR COLLEGE SEARCH AND PREP

La Salle School Code needed for ACT/SAT Registering:
481-609

Other College Notes

Check the school website for important college announcements and information. See the calendar for upcoming visits from admission representatives from colleges and universities and other college planning events. The scholarship page (Home>Academics>Guidance and College Program>Scholarships) is updated as new information comes in. Other pages that can be accessed through Guidance and College Programs include a four-year planning guide, links to helpful websites and a link for free SAT and ACT test prep courses.

Academic Letter New Recipients

La Salle was pleased to award Academic Letters on Friday, August 27. In addition to the 17 seniors who received a lightning bolt marking an additional semester of academic excellence, the following students were first time recipients of an Academic Letter:



- McKenzie Andringa
- Brian Carlson
- Felisa Gonzalez
- Michael McCarthy
- Jacob O'Connor
- Suzy Riel
- Daniel Rivard
- Sarah Snyder

Upcoming SAT & ACT Testing Dates

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration
SAT, Sat., Nov. 6 (www.collegeboard.com)	October 8	October 22
SAT, Sat., Dec. 4 (www.collegeboard.com)	November 5	November 19
ACT, Sat., Dec. 11 (www.actstudent.org)	November 5	November 19
SAT, Sat., Jan. 22 (www.collegeboard.com)	December 23	January 7
ACT, Sat., Feb. 12 (www.actstudent.org)	January 7	January 21
SAT, Sat., Mar. 12 (www.collegeboard.com)	February 11	February 25
ACT, Sat., Apr. 9 (www.actstudent.org)	March 4	March 18
SAT, Sat., May. 7 (www.collegeboard.com)	April 8	April 22
SAT, Sat., June 4 (www.collegeboard.com)	May 6	May 20
ACT, Sat., June 11 (www.actstudent.org)	May 6	May 20

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Prepare for Winter Weather

According to a federal weather site, the coldest temperatures ever recorded for Yakima in November and December were -13 and -17, respectively. While we certainly hope those records won't be broken this year, we have to be prepared for inclement weather in coming months. Let's take a moment to review La Salle's inclement weather policy.

Since we have students who live in the boundaries of many different school districts, we evaluate weather and road conditions independently of Yakima Public Schools. A radio or television announcement that Yakima or Union Gap has cancelled school does not apply to La Salle! We will be announced specifically by name if a change is made to the school starting time.

We will decide by 6:15 a.m. whether road conditions or the weather itself requires us to have a late start or cancel school for the day, so announcements should be made starting around 6:30 a.m., if there is a late start or no school for La Salle High School. Announcements may be heard on our school voicemail. Announcements will be posted on the homepage of the school website. And, as we receive information from the radio stations on what they require of us to make announcements on the air, we will post those instructions/stations also. Last year the stations did not provide us with the information until after snow started falling, even though we made earlier contact with them.

If you live in an area that experiences dangerous road conditions on a day that La Salle has a normal start, please remind teen drivers to leave a little earlier and to drive extra carefully. Likewise, many new drivers don't understand that roads may look clear while black ice lurks beneath their wheels. Please join us in reminding students to drive slowly on Lightning Way, especially during inclement weather!

Inclement Weather Warnings

If the decision is for school to proceed as normal, we do not contact radio or television stations to declare an "on-time" start. We only announce changes. If there is no announcement for La Salle High School, plan for school to start at the normal time.



WINTER WEATHER LATE START AND SNOW DAY INFO.

2011 FOLLIES

The **La Salle Follies** is a year long project. Needs at this time of year include:

- sewing skirts,
- conducting an inventory of costumes/ props,
- joining a planning committee,
- teaching dance (ballroom, swing, or Latin).

Contact Mrs. Ball (mball@lasalleyakima.org) or 225-2923 if you can help. Like all other volunteering, these activities count for hours.



The 2010 Homecoming Court must have been thinking about a potential Follies act when they took their official picture.

WINTER IS THE TIME TO START PREPPING THE HALLS FOR SPRINGTIME FOLLIES

Student Life

Campus Ministry and the Associated Student Body (ASB) continue to join their leadership skills this year to build a stronger relationship between the student body and our Lasallian values. *Student Life Contacts:*
 Ms. Rose Daum (rdaum@lasalleyakima.org) or 225-2916
 Mr. Ted Kanelopoulos (tedk@lasalleyakima.org) or 225-2969

PICK-A-THON
 FEEDS
 THOUSANDS OF
 HUNGRY IN
 WASHINGTON
 STATE

Freshmen Retreat: The freshmen gathered for their class retreat entitled *One Body with Many Parts* at Holy Family Center on September 17th. The freshmen took time to pray and to learn about each other and their new school community. The seniors who led the retreat were impressed with how well the class of 2014 has settled into La Salle and are looking out for each other.

Seattle Urban Immersion: A group of eleven students and two teachers spent September 28- October 1st in downtown Seattle serving the homeless through a variety of agencies. Beyond their direct service, the group learned a great deal from the time spent discussing the conditions and reasons for homelessness with social service professionals. A highlight for the group was working together to shop, prepare and serve a meal for homeless teenagers through the *Teen Feed* program in the University District.

Upcoming Events

Thurs., Dec. 9 (6-8:00PM): Junior Unity Ceremony: The Junior Class celebrates their unity with a prayer service and pot luck dinner. Students who ordered class rings will receive them at the ceremony. All students will receive a token of unity.

December 8-10: Senior Retreat
Journey, our upcoming Senior Retreat, will be held at Camp Ghormley from December 8-10. Encourage your senior to attend. This will be a wonderfully opportunity for the members of the class of 2010 to prayerfully consider where God might be calling them beyond La Salle.

Pick-a-thon Results

A special thanks to the parents who helped chaperone our Pick-a-thon. At the last minute, because the orchard was not suitable to pick, we changed gears and had the students help sort food at the Northwest Harvest warehouse. Our efforts put them a month ahead and we were able to sort and send out:

- 36 cases of peaches
- 201 cases of peppers
- 845 cases of canned vegetables
- 159 cases of onions
- 12 bins of melons
- 46 cases of melons
- 198 cases of cornmeal (6,000 lbs)
- Over 600 lbs of coffee
- 25 cases of bread

Money collected: \$5,959
 \$3,000 goes to Campus Ministry programs and the rest to:

- ASB: \$1,035.65
- Seniors: \$349.75
- Juniors: \$365.73
- Sophomores: \$607.19
- Freshmen: \$452.73
- Our Twinning School in Kenya: \$147.95

SENIORS SIGN
 UP FOR
 RETREAT



Freshmen repackage three tons of corn meal.

SET YOUR SEARCH ENGINE

WWW.GOODSEARCH.COM

Internet Search— money is a click away: Every time you do a search on “www.goodsearch.com” La Salle receives a penny.

1. Go to www.goodsearch.com
 2. In the box that says “enter your charity” type “La Salle” and choose our school.
 3. Go up to the search box and search away.
- Also, if you shop at the stores the site designates in the box to the right headed “Who do you GoodShop for?” a portion of that purchase will go to La Salle. Set www.goodsearch.com as your homepage.

Donations Needed for “Stuff”

COMPUTERS (Contact Br. Dan): A number of our computers are now approaching old age (8-12 years old!) La Salle High School does accept donations of computers that meet or exceed the following specifications:

- Pentium P4 running at 1.8 ghz or above
- 40 gigabyte hard drive (minimum)
- 512 mb RAM (minimum)
- CD-ROM drive
- Video Card
- Sound card
- Network Card



BAND EQUIPMENT (Contact Mrs. Ball at mball@lasalleyakima.org or 225-2921): Got a spare tuba in your attic? The band and orchestra are always in need of instruments. Call Mrs. Ball if you have access to any.

SENIOR YEARBOOK PHOTOS

Senior pictures for the yearbook are due Friday, February 4. The pictures are head shots. They may be submitted in either digital format or hard copy. Contact Sr. Ann Marie with your questions.



Throw Away Dead Cell Phones and Print Cartridges with Us!

Drop off at La Salle’s Administrative Offices your unwanted cell phones and print cartridges of any type. We turn them in and receive money for the school.

Sign up for www.eScrip.com

Members to a group registered on www.escrip.com can know that a portion of the money spent on purchases made with retail and credit cards noted by members goes to La Salle. Here’s how you can register as a “La Salle” member so that we receive funds to help our students.

- “Make a Difference in Four Easy Steps” and click “1) Sign Up– It’s Free”
- In the box, type “La Salle High School Of Yakima” (if you get a list of “La Salle” schools, make sure you then click ours)
- It will have a box with “You Have Supported.... La Salle High School Of Yakima.” at the bottom click “NEXT” under “or proceed to the next step.”
- Fill in the boxes with your personal information. Click “NEXT.”

For the following screens asking for different types of card membership, choose the card(s) you have and type in the corresponding number. If you do not have a card just click “NEXT” to get to the next screen for:

- Grocery card memberships
- Credit card memberships
- Macy’s card membership
- The next screen verifies all your choices so you can check to see if all the information is correct. If so, at the bottom click “CONFIRM.”
- The next screen confirms the data and invites you to create a personal password on eScrip to manage your account and access online opportunities.

We Get Credit

Office Depot gives us 5% of sales made to customers giving them our School ID # at the cash register. When you buy at Office Depot: **Give them the number 70108132, or Ask them to assign credit for the sale to La Salle High School.**

Parent and Student Fundraising Update

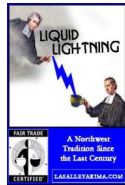
Fundraising is necessary for us to fill the gap not charged in tuition and to make ends meet at school. Many of the fundraising events are designed to bring people together as community. Supporting the organization of the already planned activities helps— come to the Booster meetings and see how you can lend input and help out.



Christmas Gift Ideas

(See “La Salle Store” on the Website)

LIQUID LIGHTNING coffee in Original and Double Bolt Bold.



<http://www.lasalleyakima.com/home/Parents%20Association/Fundraising>



La Salle Apparel at: https://www.prepsportswear.com/school/us/Washington/Union_Gap/La-Salle-High-School-Lightning.aspx?schoolid=343295

	2009-2010 Projected	2009-2010 Actual Income	2010-2011 GOAL	2010-2011 ACTUAL (10/25)
Parent	Budgeted		Budgeted	
Wreath Sale	20,382	25,018	25,300	0
St. Pat's Raffle Tickets	28,700	30,611	29,700	0
St. Pat's: Other	34,767	48,254	45,373	0
	83,849	103,883	100,373	0
Athletics Boosters	GOAL		GOAL	
Camps: Soccer	1,110	490	550	259
Camps: Basketball	5,454	2,743	2,900	0
Camps: Football	2,500	1,941	1,800	1,554
Gate Receipts at games	17,300	19,820	22,000	11,467
Concessions	9,027	9,439	8,800	911
Sports Partic. Fees	16,675	18,180	21,400	13,150
Sports Programs	893	786	775	1,000
Banner Ads	200	2,546	9500	2,051
Stadium Chairs	0	525	0	318
La Salle Apparel (online)	0	55	400	0
Cheer Boxes	3,575	4,365	4400	2,700
“Gold” cards	4,258	5,133	9000	6,160
Golf Tourney	4,543	13,594	6,480	7,500
Sponsor a Uniform	0	5,600	3000	300
Fall Fest	5,198	4,944	4,900	3,059
Booster: Other	2,348	1,045	2000	675
	74,223	91,206	99,005	53,804
Arts/Academics Boosters	GOAL		GOAL	
Coffee sales	298	176	150	0
Follies		3,661	2,500	0
Indian John	0	1,235	0	0
College Apparel	722	1,916	0	0
Booster: Other	91	-2,196	0	
Booster: Prior Year	1,349	1,349	2,303	
	\$2,460	\$6,141	\$4,953	
Grand Total	160,532	201,230	204,331	53,804

Athletic Advertising

We have more slots open in the basketball program for advertising. We also have room on the fences at ball fields on campus and Marquette stadium for banners. If a parent is responsible for securing an ad, volunteer hours will be given. A banner/ad form needs to be filled out and turned in to the finance office.

Ad Type	Cost	Parent Hours Given
Banner	\$1,000 (good for 3 years)	5 hours
Program Ad	\$200 (basketball programs— at least 7 home games)	1 hour
Cheer box	\$100 @ 4 sides	2 hours

Parent Volunteering Opportunities

The planning and organization of volunteer opportunities is ongoing and best communicated through the website and/or directly calling the Chairs.

President: **Jay Carroll** at (509) 248-6030 or jcarroll@vhlegal.com

Academics/Arts Boosters: TBA

Athletic Boosters: **Mike Hoon** at (509) 930-6844 or mike.hoon@emeraldcare.org

Parent Mentor Program: **Jim Widhalm** at (509) 952-8891 or jim.widhalm@pexco.com

Volunteer Opportunity Coordinator: **Kathleen Smith** at (509) 952-8063



ATTEND BOOSTER MEETINGS AND SUPPORT YOUR STUDENT'S PROGRAMS.

**DISCOVER LA SALLE
A PUBLIC OPEN
HOUSE
SUN., Nov. 7, 2009 *
1:00-4:00 PM**

Tell your friends and neighbors with Junior High students (particularly 8th graders) to come to our 14th annual Public Open House. **We also need volunteer bakers.**

On **Fri., Nov. 5** bring cookies or juice to the Administrative Offices (the tuition building). Make sure your name, and your student's name /grade are on it so you can receive a volunteer hour.

Any questions: Call our Admission Director, **Mrs. White** at **225-2928**.

Athletic Booster Update

The La Salle Athletic Boosters need your help!

We are planning the support of our Winter Sports. We will soon be hosting basketball games at a different gym and this will require set up, concession sales, sportswear sales and clean up after the games.

Banner sales are ongoing throughout the year and now we need business card size ads for the Winter Sports Programs.

We usually meet at 6:00 PM the third Monday of each month and discuss the upcoming needs of the sports programs and often the Athletic Director updates us on upcoming issues.

- If you need additional information or would like to have input regarding our agenda, please Email me at mike.hoon@emeraldcare.org.

Families Needed

CIEE is an organization that recruits and places International high school students in USA schools and homes. We are always looking for potential host families. Please contact Mrs. White if you have an interest in exploring this option. 225-2928 or gwhite@lasalleyakima.org. She will direct you to the local CIEE Coordinator. Expectations for host families can be found at <http://www.ciee.org/hostfamily/>. Volunteer hours are completed by hosting a student for the year.



Between the grill loaned by Jim Morford and the cooking expertise of burgermeisters Jay Carroll and Chuck Wytko, we had two football bbq Friday nights this year.

ATHLETIC SEASON TRANSITIONS REQUIRE TURN INS AND SIGN UPS

JUNIORS AND THEIR PARENTS —COME TO THE UNITY CEREMONY AND POT LUCK.



Calendar Highlights

- Thu., Nov 4**
6:00 AM-5:00PM Biology Field Trip
- Sun., Nov 7**
1:00PM 4:00PM Discover La Salle (Open House)
- Mon., Nov 8**
6:00PM-6:45PM Arts/Academics and Athletic Booster Mtgs.
6:45PM –8:00PM Winter Sports Mtg.
- Thu., Nov 11 NO SCHOOL: VETERAN'S DAY!**
- Fri., Nov 12 Progress Reports Mailed home**
- Thu., Nov 18 Wreath Pick Up Day!**
- Wed., Nov 24 PROFESSIONAL DRESS DAY!**
- Thu-Fri., Nov 25 & 26 NO SCHOOL (THANKSGIVING)!!**
- Mon., Nov 29**
6:00 PM-7:00PM Exec. Board Mtg.
- Tue., Dec 7 Early Dismissal Schedule**
6:30PM-Silver Reception
- Wed., Dec 8 PROFESSIONAL DRESS DAY!**
- Thu., Dec 9**
6:00PM– 8:00 PM Junior Unity Ceremony
- Mon., Nov 13**
6:00PM-6:45PM Arts/Academics and Athletic Booster Mtgs
7:00PM-8:00PM Christmas Concert
- Wed., Dec: 15-17 FINAL EXAMS**
- CHRISTMAS BREAK - December 18, 2010-January 3, 2011**
- Tue., Jan 4**
6:00 PM-7:00PM Exec. Board Mtg
- Fri., Jan 7**
1st Semester Grades Mailed Home
- Mon., Jan 10**
6:00PM-6:45PM Arts/Academics and Athletic Booster Mtgs
7:00PM-8:00 PM Parent Night College Night
- Mon., Jan 17 NO SCHOOL: MLK Jr. Holiday!**
- Fri., Jan 21 Early Dismissal Schedule!!**



Athletics Forms and Permissions

To play Winter Sports (Boys or Girls Basketball), potential athletes are reminded of the following:

Students already playing Fall Sports:

- soccer, volleyball, and football uniforms must be turned in before participation in basketball can occur.
- \$100 fee for Winter sport must be turned in

Students not playing Fall Sports:

- Forms (includes physical) must be turned in and are available outside the Main Office
- \$100 fee for Winter sport must be turned in

Winter Sport Mandatory Meeting is at 7:00 PM on Mon., Nov. 8 in Lightning Hall following the 6 pm Athletic and Arts/Academic Booster meeting.



Wreath Pick-up Day
Thurs., Nov. 18
10:00AM to 4:00PM

This is the ONE DAY to pick up your wreaths!!

Where: La Salle parking lot (follow the driving directives of the volunteers)

Special Instructions:

Any students who anticipate that they will not be at school on Thursday need to arrange for someone (family, friends) to pick up their wreaths for them. **Thursday is the only day for the wreaths to be picked up.**

Any questions? Contact: Kathy Morford at (509) 949-1470

	Wed., Dec 15	Thurs., Dec 16	Fri., Dec 17
8:00	<i>Warning Bell</i>	<i>Warning Bell</i>	<i>Warning Bell</i>
8:05 – 9:35	Period 1	Period 3	Period 5
9:35 – 9:50	<i>break</i>	<i>break</i>	<i>break</i>
9:55 – 11:25	Period 2	Period 4	Period 6
11:25 – 11:55	<i>lunch</i>	First Semester Exam Schedule	
12:00 – 1:30	Period 7		