

NEWS

NATIVITY ACADEMY AT SAINT BONIFACE

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An independent Catholic middle school that transforms the lives of students who have a commitment to achievement and whose families demonstrate financial need.

Graduates Encouraged to Dream Great Dreams



Nativity Academy Graduates of 2013



Dear Friends of Nativity Academy,

Graduation time is here and celebrations are in full swing! This May marks the eighth graduating class of Nativity Academy at St. Boniface. So many successes have occurred over these

years, and we have much to be proud of!

During our Awards and Graduation ceremonies, we centered our theme around dreams. The graduates were saying goodbye to yesterday and welcoming the promise, challenge and anticipation of tomorrow. They were encouraged to dream their greatest dream and seek their highest goals. Tomorrows are simply today's waiting to happen. Their dreams are the greatest gifts that lie within them—and by pursuing these dreams, they will unwrap their future. We dare our students to be different and to make a difference in the world.

"Follow your dream ...

Take one step at a time and don't settle for less, just continue to climb.

Follow your dream...

If you stumble, don't stop and lose sight of your goal, press on to the top.

For only on top can we see the whole view, can we see what we've done and what we can do.

Press on, and follow your dream."

- Kay Andrews

Our students are continuing to follow their dreams and press on: from middle school to high school and beyond.

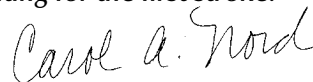
Our eighth graders have successfully completed their course of study and are clearly prepared to move on to the high school of their choice.

Our high school seniors are receiving accolades with the awarding of scholarships to various postsecondary institutions including Xavier University, the University of Kentucky, the University of Louisville, Colorado State University, and many others. We are proud to say ??? % of the current graduating class have been accepted to postsecondary education. What a remarkable accomplishment, given the obstacles many have faced!

Nativity graduates now enrolled in college are continuing to work hard and press on to completing their degrees. We look forward to our first students earning their college degrees.

Nativity Academy at St. Boniface is truly a special place. Our successes continue to grow with each student and graduate. It is truly a blessing to work hand in hand with students, families, faculty, staff, volunteers, donors and sponsors to change the lives of these children. It is gratifying to work with our graduates as they seek to conquer the obstacles in their lives with perseverance and determination. Our Graduate Support Program continues to grow and develop as we work closely with our grads to assist them in reaching their goals and dreams. Nativity is making a difference!

Take the brush...Your future is an empty canvas, just waiting for the first stroke.



Carol A. Nord
Executive Director

Eighth Graders Visit Washington DC



Nativity eighth grade boys and girls gather for a photo during their tour of the historical and educational national sites in Washington DC.



Nativity students gather at the base of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial statue.



Congressman Yarmuth meets and speaks with eighth grade Nativity students on the steps of the Capitol Building.

Strategic Planning charts our course for the future

This past fall, our Board of Directors began creating our next five-year Strategic Plan. We kicked the process off with a retreat-style workshop at Bellarmine to establish essential topics and issues as we move forward with our mission.

Throughout the course of this school year, the Board and Committees have worked to refine and finalize the plan. It was presented at the Board of Directors meeting in May, and received unanimous approval.

This process is important for the strength of our institution, and will chart our course for the future. Our strategic plan is a living document that serves as our compass to guide our work in the coming years.

Special thanks to all who contributed to the formation of this important document, and to those who will assist us with implementation. These are exciting times for Nativity as we move forward in our mission!

Graduation creates happy memories



Graduating 8th grader Terriana accepts the Gaffney Family Scholarship from Ron and Brenda Gaffney.



Nativity faculty and staff gather at St. Boniface to attend graduation ceremonies.

Cheers to You, Nibblers! for our most successful auction to date...



NIBBLER 2013 A Taste of Italy

Gross: **\$133,000**

Net: **\$115,000**

and that's after awarding the \$10,000 raffle prize!

93 cents of every dollar spent goes directly to Nativity Academy.

Hoorah! for our Sponsors:

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Plan now to attend Nibbler 2014!

April 11, 2014

Nativity Academy receives high marks on Accreditation Visit

Every five years, schools in Kentucky are required to complete a self-study process, followed by a visit by a team of educators in order to apply for Accreditation through the State of Kentucky.

In February, a team of educators conducted our accreditation visit, and were very impressed by Nativity Academy. They specifically noted our comprehensive approach to education through the Extended Day and Graduate Support programs, our strong staff, and the professional development partnership with Bellarmine University. They also extolled the dedication of our Board of Directors and countless volunteers.

Kudos to all who support our program!

Extended Day Program and Graduate Support Program



Nativity students with EDP and GSP Assistant Director Brandy Sutton

Our Extended Day Program and Graduate Support Program continue to grow and develop under the leadership of Assistant Director Brandy Sutton. She works closely with students and grads to assist them in reaching their goals.

Nativity is making a difference!

Introducing Brooke Burnette – Advancement Director

As the newly named Advancement Director for Nativity Academy, Brooke Burnette fills the position formerly held by Kathey Sanders. Brooke brings her expertise and background in corporate relations to Nativity.

Most recently Brooke served as corporate relations manager for the Frazier History Museum following a management career in the hotel industry for both the Marriott Hotels and the Seelbach Hilton.

You may have met Brooke and been welcomed by her at the Nibbler! She will put her warmth and enthusiasm to work to develop the support needed by Nativity at this critical time in its history.



Advancement Director Brooke Burnette accepts a donation from the Woman's Club of Louisville

Nativity thanks the Woman's Club of Louisville for their support!



A big thank you to Texas Roadhouse for graciously providing the dinner and refreshments for a recent basketball team awards banquet.

NATIVITY ACADEMY'S

Wish List

If you are able to donate any of the following items or services please contact us at 855-3300. Any donation will be greatly appreciated!

- Dry Erase Boards for classrooms (\$300 each)
- Lightweight (plastic) 6 or 8 foot tables
- Classroom set of laminated world maps (quantity: 12)
- Classroom set of Dictionaries & Thesauri, including etymologies (quantity: 12)
- Dance Dance Revolution game for Wii gaming system
- Handyman volunteer services for small repairs.
- United States History Origins to 2000 (Schlessinger) DVD series
- Any books from Nativity Academy's Amazon wish list at www.nativitylouisville.org
- Small 21-passenger bus to transport students
- Rosetta Stone Spanish language education software.
- Educational-Quality Computer Speakers
- Culturally diverse religious posters/statues/artifacts



June 10:
"Friends Night Out"

Eat lunch or dinner at the downtown O'Sheas, and a portion of your bill will be donated to Nativity Academy!

Thanks for saying "We're here for Nativity!"
We appreciate our generous Sponsors.

Participating Restaurants:

211 Clover Lane
Come Back Inn
DiOrio's Pizza & Pub
Flanagan's
Irish Rover
Pat's Steak House
Porcini Restaurant
Wicks

- Dinsmore
- Horton Fruit Company
- Faulkner Law Offices

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Golf Scramble



Join us on Wednesday, August 21
for Nativity Academy's
Annual Golf Scramble at
Quail Chase
7000 Cooper Chapel Road.

Registration and Lunch – 12:00
Shotgun Start – 1:00
Buffet Dinner/Chicken & Ribs – 6:30

Cost for a team is \$400.
Cost for team plus
a hole sponsorship is \$500.

Contact Brooke Burnette, Advancement Director at
502-855-3313 or at bburnette@nativityacademy.org
to register your team.

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