



Looking Ahead at DeLaSalle

Thursday October 15, 2015

Online Learning Drill Day Scheduled Oct. 27

DeLaSalle will hold an online learning day on Tuesday, October 27 - the day immediately following our fall Open House for Prospective Students and Families. **On this day, students do not need to physically report to school but are expected to check**



Canvas and other learning tools as teachers will assign work. Please note these online learning day expectations:

- Teachers are expected to share their activity by 9:00am.
- Teachers will communicate their office hours to their students. They will do so through Canvas.
- Students can expect 20-30 minutes of activities for each class. The type of activity will vary from course to course.
- Students are responsible for due dates as communicated within the activity.
- If a student does not have access to the internet at home, it is their responsibility to check in with their teachers at the beginning of each semester to decide on an alternative method. Please note that Canvas has an iOS and an Android app which works well on smartphones. This free app will help you to continue some of the classwork on a mobile data network.

This online learning day helps us practice how learning will occur should DeLaSalle have to cancel classes in the winter due to inclement weather.

Join De Parents in Prayer

Monday, October 26, 8:30-9:30am, Florance Center



The DeLaSalle Parent Association is launching **De Parents in Prayer**, a group of DeLaSalle parents and family members who will gather on campus once a month to lift up our community in prayer. We hope you will feel encouraged by the knowledge that people care about you, are excited for you and are PRAYING FOR YOU! All parents, family members, friends, and alumni are welcome.

Students, staff, and families may place written prayer requests in prayer boxes in the Lasallian Ministry office, Main Office, and staff lounge. You may express prayers on your behalf and on behalf of the needs and joys that you have seen in friends, students and colleagues.

Questions? Contact Parent Association co-chair [Jackie Schluter-Johnson](#) or [Peg Hodapp](#).

DeLaSalle Celebrates Diversity Week Oct. 19-23

The Office of Lasallian Ministry sponsors its 18th annual Diversity Week celebration to honor the rich diversity that is present at DeLaSalle and beyond. This year's theme is "Understanding Diversity" and will include the following:

• **Tou Ger Xiong**

Monday, October 19, 9:11am, Florance Center

Dressed in traditional Hmong clothing and using his bilingualism, Tou Ger Xiong will lead students on his life journey from the jungles of Laos, to the refugee camps of Thailand, and to the public housing projects of America. His dynamic one-man show "Teaching Culture Through Laughter" combines humor, folklore, and hip-hop music into an explosive performance that will entertain and educate about cultural diversity while prompting viewers to rethink your own beliefs about accepting differences long after the show is over.



• **Fine Arts Showcase**

Thursday, October 22, 6:30-8:00pm, Florance Center

Mark your calendars for this annual event, sponsored by the DeLaSalle Parent Association. This event is open to all families and their guests. This year, the event has been changed to an open house with a display of fine arts, tasty treats, music and more.

• **Multicultural Celebration**

Friday, October 23, 9:08am, Florance Center

Cultures are shared through music, dance, drumming and more. Some of the acts include Hmong Dancing, A Cappella Choir, Irish Dance, Spoken Word Columbian Dance, Onyx Step Team.

Students Should Upgrade to iOS 9 Over MEA Break

Thank you for your patience as we have tested school apps for compatibility with the new iOS 9 operating software that Apple released in September. DeLaSalle is ready to upgrade to this new software.

All students should update their iPad to the iOS 9 operating software during the October 15-18 school break. The update must be completed before school begins on Monday, October 19.

This update must be done at home as it cannot be performed at school. Before the update, students should backup their device to iCloud and ensure they have 1.1GB of space. Students may find more information about how to back-up and complete the upgrade in "The Source."



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October Madness 2015

College advisers at DeLaSalle hope to channel excitement around College Knowledge Month with "October Madness". Through various events, students and families can learn about the college planning process, including how to apply, where to look for financial aid, and more. [Click here](#) for a full list of dates and events.



- **National College Fair**

October 21-22, Minneapolis Convention Center

DeLaSalle will provide transportation to the college fair the morning of Thursday, October 22 for all 11th grade students. Juniors are reminded to wear their school uniform, bring a coat, and register for the fair before attending. Seniors may consider attending the fair Wednesday, October 21 from 4:30-8:00pm to look at colleges and meet with admissions representatives.

- **College Prep Work Day**

Friday, Oct. 23, 30, 3:10-4:10pm, Guidance Office

Students are invited for snacks and to get a jump start on college admissions and financial aid applications.

Prospective Students Invited to Open House

Monday, October 26, 7:00-9:00pm



We invite prospective students and families to come see all the reasons why enrollment has grown at DeLaSalle to its highest level in 44 years, up 27 percent in the past five years alone. Families will learn about our college preparatory curriculum from teachers in each department. We will also offer sessions in college guidance planning; our Catholic, Lasallian heritage; the comprehensive Student Activities program; financial aid and scholarships; our 1:1 Technology initiative and more.

DeLaSalle Earns Energy Efficiency Award

[DeLaSalle received a 2015 Building Energy Performance Award from Minneapolis Mayor Betsy Hodges](#) at City Hall on October 14. The award honored De for having an ENERGY STAR score of 80 in 2014, which put it as the most energy efficient building among arts, community, and education buildings of 100,000 square feet or larger.



Thank You for Supporting Christian Brothers' Gala



Thank you to the more 400 guests who attended and volunteers who served at the Christian Brothers' Gala on October 10. The Gala is DeLaSalle's largest student scholarship benefit and we will share how much we raised to directly support student financial aid after we finish tallying the numbers.

DeLaSalle Invites Parents to join "Great Gatherings"

Great Gathering parent parties directly support student scholarships at DeLaSalle while offering De parents an opportunity to connect with other parents in their child's grade. The parties provide a fun, casual environment for parents to share their experiences as they and their children navigate high school - from being a 9th grader at a new school to the college admissions process and everything in between.



The 10th grade parent party is Saturday, November 7 while 9th grade parents are invited to a Great Gathering on Friday, November 20. Parties for 11th and 12th grade parents are scheduled in January. The party costs \$25 per person.

To register, [click here](#) to RSVP and then send a check to DeLaSalle, attention Kathi Eilers. Please contact [Ms. Eilers](#) with questions at 612.676.7665.

Opt-In to Receive Text Message Alerts

Through a partnership with SchoolMessenger, DeLaSalle can communicate information to parents in a timely fashion via a recorded voice message, an email message, and a text message. In order for DeLaSalle to utilize the text message functionality, however, parents must "opt-in" by sending a text message with the word "Yes" to 68453 from the preferred SMS text-capable device. Please complete this step by Monday, October 19, if you wish to receive text message alerts from DeLaSalle. Each parent who wishes to receive such text message alerts must complete this step. SchoolMessenger will send a text message on October 19 to those SMS text-capable phone numbers on file with DeLaSalle who have not yet opted in, inviting parents to do so. Parents may choose not to opt in; however, these parents will not receive text messages when DeLaSalle sends them, announcing such developments as a late start or school closing. Please contact communications@delasalle.com with any questions.



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