



2025-26 UPDATES

STUDENT PARENT HANDBOOK ADDENDUM: CHANGES WORTH NOTING

The following is a summary of the substantive updates and/or highlights from the 2025-2026 Student-Parent Handbook.



Academic Updates

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

(see pg. 14 of the 25-26 Student-Parent Handbook for the full policy)

Required for Graduation	Semesters
PE/ Health Ed+	2 semesters**

**Freshmen must take PE 1. The rest of the PE requirement can be met with electives or continued involvement in Jesuit athletics starting sophomore year. Students who complete two years of Marching Band will also be granted PE credit to satisfy the graduation requirement. Students who play a competitive sport not offered at Jesuit may also petition for PE credit, but must do so by reaching out to both the Office of Academics and Athletic Department.

ACADEMIC PROBATION AND ELIGIBILITY

(see pg. 16 of the 25-26 Student-Parent Handbook for the full policy)

All students are expected to achieve at least a 2.00 grade point average (GPA). Students who fall below a regular, unweighted 2.00 GPA at the end of a grading period (quarter or semester) will be placed on academic probation for the following one quarter grading period. For each quarter that a student is on academic probation, they will be required to attend an informational webinar with the AP of Academics and have their parents sign an Academic Probation Acknowledgment Form. Students who have a Flex period will be reassigned to the Library for a Study Hall period for the quarter they are on probation.

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In accordance with CIF guidelines (CIF Bylaws 205.B.(1-5)), all student athletes who do not improve their regular, unweighted GPA to a 2.00 or better immediately following a quarter of academic probation will remain on academic probation for a consecutive term and will be deemed ineligible to participate on any of our athletic teams. Conversely, if a student athlete improves his GPA to a minimum of 2.00 in the grading period immediately following his initial quarter of academic probation, his athletic participation will not be interrupted. GPA determination for eligibility will only occur 7-10 days following the conclusion of each grading period, and will not be re-evaluated until the end of the next grading period. This policy may apply to other non-CIF governed co-curricular activities as well.

DUAL ENROLLMENT

(see pg. 19 of the 25-26 Student-Parent Handbook for the full policy)



Jesuit High School does not have a dual-enrollment agreement program in place with any local community colleges or districts, so students do not have the opportunity to take community college courses to fulfill graduation requirements.

Students looking to take community college courses for enrichment during their time at Jesuit will need to confer with their counselor and the Assistant Principal for Academics. Depending on the community college district, students may need to submit a transcript, a letter of support from the school, or a private school affidavit form. (Los Rios Community College District requires that a school official submit the paperwork to register a high school student; all requests for enrollment at Los Rios schools should be directed to the Assistant Principal for Academics) It is the school's responsibility to ensure that students who enroll in community college courses are mature and academically independent.

Students who undertake community college coursework do so with the understanding that Jesuit can provide no academic assistance or accommodations, and all issues that may arise as a result of that coursework will need to be addressed with officials from the community college. Students should carefully consider whether taking on additional community college coursework could adversely affect their ability to be successful in their classes at Jesuit.

Summer enrollment for community college coursework has an additional restriction: Jesuit can only approve up to 5% of students from each grade level for dual enrollment admission for summer session per community college district. That means that approval for Los Rios Community College District classes should be considered limited and thus available on a first-come, first-served basis.

GRADES: SCALES AND VALUES

(see pg. 21 of the 25-26 Student-Parent Handbook for the full policy)

- A grade of "W" (Withdrawn) is given only in cases where students needed to drop a class under special circumstances after the conclusion of the schedule change period.

NATIONAL TESTING PROGRAM

(see pg. 24 of the 25-26 Student-Parent Handbook for the full policy)

Jesuit students will be given a number of standardized tests throughout their high school career. These tests include nationally "normed" standardized tests available starting with the optional PSAT 10 in the spring of sophomore year and the required PSAT NSMQT in the fall of junior year. Each of these tests are administered on a weekday (please see the school calendar on the school website for dates); the PSAT fee is funded by the annual student body fee, but the optional PSAT 10 requires separate



payment at the time of registration.

Students also have an opportunity to take the official SAT on campus during the spring of their junior year and fall of their senior year. These tests are given on weekdays and may require students to miss class or come to campus on a weekday without classes; check the official school calendar on the school website for dates. Students must register online through the Office of Academics; notice of registration opportunities will be given via email to both students and parents. Jesuit is not registered as a National Test Center for either the SAT or ACT, so students who want additional opportunities to take the SAT and ACT will need to sign up through the College Board or ACT to take a Saturday test at another test center. The Counseling Department provides information for these tests and also offers several practice test administrations of both SAT and ACT during the spring semester. Practice test dates can be found on the school calendar on the school website.

Other “subject specific” tests include the annual Advanced Placement tests administered each May, a national exam in French, and the UC Davis Mathematics Proficiency exams following each level of mathematics up to Calculus.

Most College Board testing (e.g. all PSAT, all SAT, and most AP exams) is now digitally administered. Students will need to use an approved testing device in order to download and access the College Board Bluebook testing platform. Most Windows and Mac laptops and tablets meet the requirements, but personal Chromebook devices do not. Students who do not have access to an approved testing device can request one during the registration process. Please see the official College Board Bluebook website for information about approved testing devices.

SCHEDULE CHANGE (DROP/ADD) POLICY

(see pg. 25 of the 25-26 Student-Parent Handbook for the full policy)

Once instruction begins in August, all schedule change requests require the approval of the student’s parent, counselor or Director of Counseling, and the AP for Academics. Considerations for approving schedule changes include class size and the appropriateness of the course placement being requested. In the absence of extraordinary circumstances, lateral moves (from one teacher to another in the same level of the same subject) are never approved. A fee of \$30.00 will be charged for each schedule change made once classes have begun.

For the Fall semester, the last day for a student to request a schedule change is the 15th instructional day. For the Spring semester, the last day for a student to request a schedule change for a single semester course is the 10th instructional day. After these dates, schedule changes will be considered only in exceptional circumstances and must be approved by school administration after consulting with the student’s counselor, teachers, and parents. Students dropping a class after the deadline may receive a grade of W on their transcript for that term.



Campus Ministry Update

CAMPUS MINISTRY POLICY

(see pgs 30 - 31 of the [25-26 Student-Parent Handbook](#) for the full policy)

Rooted in the school's Roman Catholic heritage and in the tradition of St. Ignatius of Loyola, Campus Ministry's primary mission is to support each student in growing into a faith-filled and value-centered person in the mold of Jesus Christ. Campus Ministry dedicates itself to bringing out in each person those spiritual gifts that lead people towards deeper love of self, others, and God in the building of God's Kingdom. This is done with the hope that each student will identify their own personal needs and the needs of others, especially the poor and oppressed. While Christian in nature, all religious activities at Jesuit are designed to respect each student's religious tradition and meet students where they are on their personal spiritual journey.

RETREATS

A retreat is precisely what the word implies: time to take a step back and reflect on who one is and who one is becoming. While on retreat, students are invited to better understand the unique person that God created them to be, their relationships with others, and their relationship with God. Retreats are peer-led with facilitation and direction from faculty members.

Freshmen, Sophomores, and Juniors are required to attend their designated class-level retreat, while Seniors may opt to attend one of the offered Kairos retreats. The entire Freshmen class attends the Freshmen Overnight Retreat, which takes place Saturday through Sunday on campus during one of the first weekends after classes begin in the fall semester. Sophomore students attend a single-day retreat with their theology class that takes place on a school day in the spring semester. Junior students attend a one-night overnight retreat with their theology class that takes place during the school week in the fall semester. Sophomore and Junior Retreats take place off-campus at Christ the King Retreat Center in Citrus Heights. Seniors have the option to attend a three-night overnight retreat called Kairos that takes place at the Applegate Jesuit Retreat Center in Applegate, California.

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

Periodically throughout the academic year, our students and staff gather together to pray, hear and reflect on Sacred Scripture, break bread, and celebrate the Eucharist. Mass and prayer services offer physical signs of Christ's presence within and among us, and they remind us of the type of loving community that we are called to build and participate in. Students at Jesuit are expected to attend several all-school Masses during the school day in the Barry Gym in the fall and spring. Additionally,



they will attend one Mass each semester with only their grade-level classmates in the Chapel of the North American Martyrs. Athletic teams and co-curricular clubs may have additional liturgical opportunities. Families of current students are welcome to attend all-school liturgies.

The Phelan Chapel is used by the school community during regular school hours. It is not open and accessible to the general public except by appointment.

PRAYER

Prayer is how one opens one's mind and heart to God. It can take many forms, have a variety of intents, and be both personal and communal. A morning prayer and an Ignatian form of prayer called the "Examen" in the afternoon are prayed daily over the PA system. Classes begin with prayer, and athletic teams and student organizations pray together before practices and competitions.

Non-Christian students are encouraged to use the prayer prompts to grow in their own faith tradition.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP IN CAMPUS MINISTRY

Students have several opportunities to be involved in leading Campus Ministry programming. All Seniors are invited to serve as "Big Brothers" and act as student leaders for the Freshmen Overnight Retreat. Big Brothers are paired with incoming Freshmen and in addition to leading the Freshmen Overnight Retreat are a resource that Freshmen can rely on for support throughout their first year on campus. Seniors may also apply for the "Senior Retreat Team," a group of students who lead discussions and activities on Sophomore Retreat and Junior Overnight Retreat. Students on Senior Retreat Team are invited to lead the school in the morning prayer. Students who have attended Kairos are eligible to apply to become a Kairos leader and lead a Kairos Retreat. All Juniors are invited to serve on the "Ground Crew," a group of students responsible for various set-up and take-down tasks at the Freshmen Overnight Retreat. A select group of Juniors who served on Ground Crew are invited to lead the school in the afternoon Examen.

Dean of Students Updates

DETENTION (JUG)

(see pg. 33 of the 25-26 Student-Parent Handbook for the full policy)

The term "JUG" is derived from the Latin word *jugum*, meaning yoke or burden, and refers to disciplinary consequences assessed at Jesuit schools. (Many students also refer to "JUG" as the acronym for "Justice under God.") When a student is referred for a "JUG" by a faculty or staff member, it is communicated to the student by a member of the Dean's Office. Students will be held accountable for all information communicated in this manner. ...



There are two primary forms of JUG: (1) After-School JUG and (2) Saturday JUG. ... Saturday JUG is typically assigned to students as a result of repeated and/or more significant violations of the policies laid out in the Student-Parent Handbook. Saturday JUG will be held from 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. on pre-determined Saturdays (typically one to two per quarter). Students serving Saturday JUG may engage in a variety of activities such as: assisting with campus maintenance, completing academic work, engaging in restorative experiences, and other tasks assigned by the Dean of Students. Students who fail to attend an assigned Saturday detention may be suspended.

DRUG AND ALCOHOL POLICY

(see pg. 35 of the 25-26 Student-Parent Handbook for the full policy)

DISCOVERY AND DETERENCE

Facilitated by the use of non-aggressive detection dogs, our school's contractor will make periodic, unannounced visits to our campus throughout the school year. These visits are intended to provide a deterrent as opposed to being a vehicle for apprehending violators. The detection dogs are not used to "alert" on individuals and normally will check lockers, classrooms, common areas, gym areas, vehicles, parking lots and other areas identified by the school administration.

When reasonable suspicion of substance possession, use, or sale applies, the Dean's Office retains the right to subject Jesuit High School students to 1) a search of personal belongings, lockers, and vehicles in accordance with the school Privacy Rights policy and 2) regular and/or random drug testing on campus or at a professional facility assigned by the Dean's Office. Those test results will be made available to the Dean's Office. In the event of a positive test result or failure to report for a drug test, these students may receive a Notice of Expulsion.

Students under the influence of drugs, alcohol, or any other legally controlled substance (including tobacco), or who facilitate the use of any controlled substance on school grounds, or who sell or dispense any controlled substances, while involved in any school-related activity or at any location or in any situation that would reflect adversely on Jesuit High School, are liable for dismissal. This includes, but is not limited to, private parties and school-sponsored trips.

PARENTS

Parents and family members are both legally and morally responsible any time they allow alcohol and/or drug use by underage minors. Parents are asked to closely monitor the activities of their children especially at times when the parents cannot be present in the home. Supervised or unsupervised events where students use alcohol and/ or drugs in the home, when brought to the attention of the school, will result in appropriate disciplinary action. Any adult who trades, sells, gives away, or offers to trade, sell or give away alcohol, controlled substances, performance-enhancing drugs, or other hazardous substances will result in notification of the proper authorities and will compromise the partnership between the family and the school.



General Student Information Updates

ABSENCE/TARDY – GENERAL NORMS

(see pg. 37 of the 25-26 Student-Parent Handbook for the full policy)

If a student is going to be late or absent for any scheduled period of the day including Collaboration periods, it is his responsibility to have his parent or legal guardian log into PowerSchool and complete an absence or tardy report each and every day of his absence. It is expected that the absence or tardy report is properly submitted prior to the actual absence or tardy.

Parents/Guardians will receive an automated phone call alerting them to their son's absence if parents have not notified the Dean's office prior to 12:00 pm. All attendance will be updated in Powerschool throughout the course of the school day.

TARDY

It is expected that students will be on campus at least 10 minutes prior to the first bell. During times of inclement weather, drivers need to allow additional time to commute. School begins at the sound of the second bell, and any student not seated at his assigned desk is considered late. A student arriving late to school is to report directly to the Dean's Office for a tardy slip. He will not be allowed into class without this slip. Repeated tardiness will result in a formal notification from the Dean's Office and escalating disciplinary consequences.

UNEXCUSED TARDIES AND ABSENCES

If a student is absent and does not follow the above outlined Absence/Tardy norms, the student will typically be assigned one After School JUG for every 20 minutes that he misses from each class period. In addition, the student may not receive credit for any assignments, quizzes, or tests that occur during the time of his unexcused absence.

BULLYING, INSENSITIVE SPEECH, HAZING, BODY SHAMING

(see pg. 39 of the 25-26 Student-Parent Handbook for the full policy)

Jesuit High School is committed to promoting a safe and welcoming environment on its campus and at school-sponsored activities. Bullying, insensitive speech, hazing, and/or body shaming will not be tolerated ...



Body shaming refers to the unsolicited act of mocking, stigmatizing, or commenting on a person's body or appearance in a manner that is perceived as negative, regardless of the intent. This includes:

1. Verbal comments (e.g., teasing, nicknaming, judgmental observations)
2. Nonverbal cues (e.g., staring, mimicking, exclusionary behavior)
3. Digital content (e.g., memes, social media posts, text messages)
4. Self-directed comments on body image expressed publicly
5. Comments perceived as compliments that reinforce harmful norms

Body shaming may occur as a one-time event or as part of a repeated behavior and may intersect with bullying, sexual harassment, or other forms of discrimination. Jesuit HS is committed to cultivating a school environment where every individual, regardless of body size, shape, or appearance, feels valued, accepted, and safe.

Any of these above described behaviors can take place on or off-campus, on social media, or in digital communication and, when identified, will result in thorough investigation and disciplinary action from JUG (detention) up to and including dismissal. Students who experience or are made aware of any of these behaviors taking place are strongly encouraged to seek the guidance of a trusted adult on campus. Students are also encouraged to report this behavior to the Dean's Office to ensure that it can be addressed as soon as possible.

DANCES

(see pg. 42 of the 25-26 Student-Parent Handbook for the full policy)

Dances are normally held from 7:00-9:30 p.m. No students will be admitted after 8:00 p.m. and no students may leave before 9:00 p.m. If this timing is different, it will be communicated when the ticket is purchased. School administrators and the parents of any student left at the dance without a ride home beyond 30 minutes after the conclusion of the event will be contacted.

Students are not permitted to leave early from a dance. If a student has a request to leave early from the dance, the request must be received from the parent in writing to the Director of Student Activities no later than 36 hours before the start time of the dance. In an emergency situation, a parent or guardian with ID must be physically present for a student to be dismissed early.

All students must drive or be picked up on campus. No one will be permitted to walk off campus or to the lower field space. If a student plans to walk back to his or her house that borders Jesuit, a parent email is required to the Director of Student Activities. Only the individual student will be permitted to walk off campus and this privilege will only be extended to students returning to their homes. All requests must be made at least 36 hours before the start time of the dance. Everyone else must drive or be picked up on campus. No exceptions will be made to this policy.



DANCE DRESS CODE

(see pg. 43 of the 25-26 Student-Parent Handbook for the full policy)

SEMI-FORMAL DANCE DRESS CODE

Semi-formal is similar to the dress code of a formal dance, but a few exceptions are made. All formal dance details apply except for the following:

- Students do not need a tie or jacket (though these are recommended). However, they are still expected to wear slacks or dress pants and a long sleeve dress shirt.
- Semi-formal dresses are permitted. The aforementioned dress regulations still apply.
- Clean, dressy tennis shoes are permitted.

Students or guests out of dress code will be sent home after their parents and school administrators have been notified.

PERSONAL POSSESSIONS

(see pg. 52 of the 25-26 Student-Parent Handbook for the full policy)

Students should not carry large sums of money or leave valuable items in lockers, book bags or cars. Students should never leave personal items (book bags, athletic equipment, etc.) unattended. It is the responsibility of each individual student to secure their belongings in a locked school or athletic locker. Typically, at the conclusion of the school day, unattended items are collected and brought to the lost & found, located in the Library. Jesuit High School is not responsible for any lost or stolen items. In addition, Jesuit is not responsible for damage to the personal property of a student by another student and will only provide personal contact information to parents after securing permissions to share contact information from both families.



Financial Information/Requirements Updates

TUITION AND FEES

(see pg. 55 of the 25-26 Student-Parent Handbook for the full policy)

Other fees and charges that may appear on your FACTS billing account:

- \$950 Volunteers-in-Partnership non-participation fee for unfulfilled family volunteer hours.

VOLUNTEERS-IN-PARTNERSHIP (VIP) PROGRAM

(see pg. 57 of the 25-26 Student-Parent Handbook for the full policy)

Volunteering is vital to the success of Jesuit High School and builds a strong sense of community within our families.

Hours for the 2025-2026 year begin May 1, 2025 and must be completed no later than April 30, 2026. All earned hours must be logged on the Helper Helper volunteer portal prior to the deadline to avoid a fee.

A fee of \$950 will be charged to your billing account for non-participation or non-completion of volunteer hours. Please note, the fee is not prorated for partial hours.

Your billing account will be charged \$950 on May 15, 2026 for the non-participation fee. Note: This charge will be automatically deducted on accounts set up for automatic bank or credit card payments.

Fundraising and Support Organization Updates

ADVANCEMENT OFFICE

(see pg. 58 of the 25-26 Student-Parent Handbook for the full policy)

The Advancement Office plays a vital role in supporting the mission and long-term success of our school by fostering relationships with current families, alumni, and the wider community. The office is responsible for fundraising, event planning, alumni relations and public relations efforts. Through



initiatives such as the Jesuit Fund, the Jesuit Auction, capital campaigns, planned giving and community engagement events, the Advancement Office helps secure the resources necessary to enhance student programs, faculty development, and campus improvements. We encourage all families to participate and stay connected as we build a strong and supportive school community together.

THE JESUIT FUND - Your Annual Gift

We want every young man with the ability and desire for a Jesuit education to have access to this life changing environment. Built on a foundation of generosity, your son's full experience as a Marauder is achieved with the help of the Jesuit Fund — our annual giving campaign.

Your tax-deductible donation to the Jesuit Fund creates opportunities for current and future students. Contributions bring us together and support every student daily in all aspects of campus life, including co-curricular activities, faculty development, and tuition assistance. The Jesuit Fund is how we deliver on our promise to educate every young man in a way that allows them to flourish in academics, faith, and service as they become Men for Others.

All of us—current and alumni families, alumni, and friends —are part of the culture of community and philanthropy that sustains and furthers the mission of Jesuit High School. Your annual gift to the Jesuit Fund is the best way to make a direct and immediate impact on your son and his fellow Marauders.

VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATIONS

(see pg. 59 of the 25-26 Student-Parent Handbook for the full policy)

BOOSTERS CLUB

Through a group of dedicated parent volunteers, the Boosters Club provides both social and financial resources to the Jesuit High School community. The Boosters fundraise and "fun-raise" for the school by hosting various events throughout the year, including running the annual Crab Feed, Fourth of July fireworks booth, the Christmas Tree Lot, and the Vehicle Donation Program. For more information, visit [/boosters-club](#)



Technology Use Updates

ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS

(see pg. 63 of the 25-26 Student-Parent Handbook for the full policy)

Students will be assigned a school-provided Google email account and are required to use this email account when contacting any school faculty, staff and administration.

While email is the primary form of communication, Jesuit utilizes cell phone numbers for various important communications such as to send text messages in case of emergency. Families are strongly encouraged to submit cell phone numbers for each member of the family, including the student, during the registration process each school year and to update your contact information through Final Forms anytime there is a change in contact information.

Digital Citizenship Updates

CREATIVE CREDIT AND COPYRIGHT

(see pg. 66 of the 25-26 Student-Parent Handbook for the full policy)

Students have the right to protect their own creative works and the responsibility to use other people's creative works in a fair and legal manner. Academic integrity is at the core of this school's values, so failure of a student to appropriately cite ideas or work other than his own, including artificial intelligence resources, will result in adverse academic and behavioral action.

Leadership & Faculty Updates

(See pg. 72 of the 2025-26 Student Parent Handbook for the full description)

Please visit the website [/leadership](#) for the complete list of school leadership

Please visit the website [/contact-us](#) for the full faculty and staff directory