

# SCHOOL TALK

+ Nolan Catholic High School

2023-2024

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#### March

- Thursday, March 28: Stations of the Cross (Collegium)
- Friday, March 29: No School Good Friday

#### **April**

- Monday, April 1: No School- Easter Monday
- Wednesday, April 4: Percussion Concert
- Friday, April 5: Mother's Mass-Canceled
- Saturday, April 6: Royelles Dance Clinic
- Sunday, April 7: Senior Show
- Monday, April 8: Special Schedule (Eclipse)
- Thursday, April 11: Royelles Spring Show
- Friday, April 12: BCB Coffee
- Saturday, April 13: ACT testing
- Saturday, April 13: Big Band Dance
- Monday, April 15-19: Cheer Tryouts
- Wednesday, April 17: Viking Club Meeting
- Friday, April 19: Junior Leadership Day
- Friday, April 19: Senior Community Day
- Friday, April 19: Senior CM Hours Due
- Friday, April 19: Mothers' Mass
- Friday, April 19: Prospective Parent Coffee & tours

See our full calendar here!

- Wednesday, April 24: Tower Hill Forum
- Monday, April 22-24: Royelles Auditions
- Thursday, April 25: Spring Pep Rally
- Friday, April 26: BCB
- Friday, April 26: No-School -Inservice
- Friday, April 26: Junior/Senior Prom

#### May

- Friday, May 3: Prospective Parent Coffee tour
- Friday, May 3: Dance Spring Show
- Monday, May 6 10: Teacher Appreciation Week
- Thursday, May 9: Gallery Night
- Friday, May 10: School In Session (Snow Day Make-Up)
- Friday, May 10: Culinary Arts Showcase
- Monday, May 13 -15: Senior Exams
- Wednesday, May 15: Senior Graduation Practice (11:00am, Arena)
- Thursday, May 16: Senior Picnic
- Friday, May 17: Early Dismissal -11:45am
- Friday, May 17: Senior Robing Ceremony
- Saturday, May 18: Baccalaureate Mass
- Sunday, May 19: Commencement
- Monday, May 20: No School
- Tuesday, May 21-24: Semester Exams

## **SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS**







# Celebrating Ava Glover: Recipient of the TCU STEM Scholarship

On March 21, representatives from TCU presented Senior Ava Glover with the esteemed TCU STEM Scholarship. This recognition stands as a testament to Ava's exceptional academic accomplishments during her tenure at Nolan Catholic High School, highlighting her remarkable potential to make meaningful contributions to the fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM).

Congratulations, Ava, on this well-deserved honor! We are immensely proud of your achievements and eagerly anticipate the impactful contributions you will undoubtedly make to these fields in the future.



#### Click the image below to visit our Admission website.

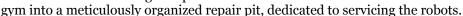


#### **First Robotic Triumphs**

By Julia McGreal

The FIRST Robotics Competition hosted by Nolan Catholic High School undoubtedly stands as the largest event on our campus. It's a testament to the incredible support and dedication of our donors, parents, volunteers, mentors, alumni and staff, whose unwavering commitment makes this event possible.

Over the last three years, our dedicated facilities team, volunteer coordinators, and cleaning staff have meticulously prepared for the arrival of over thirty-two FIRST Robotics competitor teams hailing from Texas and New Mexico, along with over 2,000 spectators and attendees over the two day competition. It's an immense endeavor that converts the arena into a bustling competition field and the





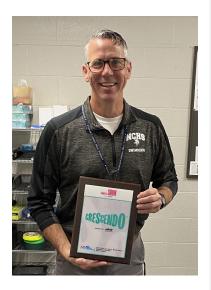


Witnessing the event unfold is undeniably remarkable, but bidding farewell is tinged with a hint of sadness. With Spring Break coming to an end, the campus will resume its routine, seemingly untouched by the fervor of the competition. However, amidst the return to normalcy, the legacy of the event perseveres, immortalized through the extraordinary achievements of the Robo Vikes, Team 4206.

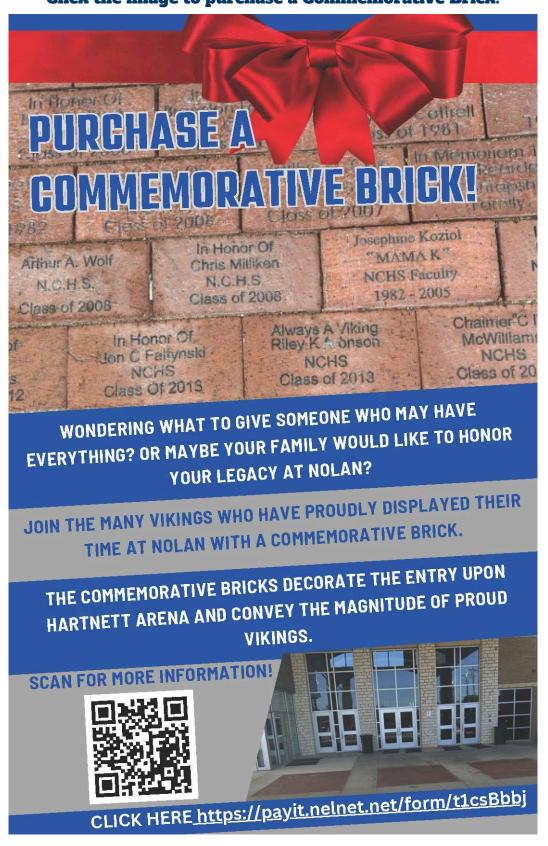
Their triumphant journey culminated in a series of notable victories, including the prestigious FIRST in Texas "Finalist" award, earned through hard-fought matches that showcased their skill, resilience and determination.

Additionally, their innovative prowess was duly recognized with the attainment of the FIRST in Texas "Innovation in Control" award, a testament to their ingenuity and mastery of cutting-edge technology. Furthermore, the invaluable contributions of Grant Thomas, honored as the "Volunteer of the Year" by FIRST in Texas, underscore the collaborative spirit and dedication that define the Robo Vikes community. Amidst these accolades, another shining star emerged in the form of a Junior team member Michael Valenti, whose commitment to safety earned him the coveted Safety Star of the Day award for the team.

As the event fades into memory, these remarkable achievements serve as enduring testaments to the indomitable spirit and unwavering excellence embodied by Team 4206, the Robo Vikes, ensuring that their legacy continues to inspire generations to come!



### Click the image to purchase a Commemorative Brick.



#### **CAMPUS MINISTRY**



#### **Student Volunteer Opportunities**





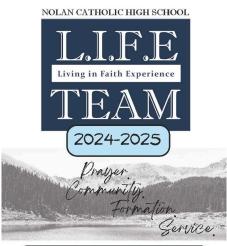
#### **On Campus Student Volunteering**

Viking Pantry

• <u>Click this link</u> for more information. Donations can be delivered to Mrs. Reimer at the Front Desk.

#### Viking Club Volunteering

- Service hours can be logged via
- Use this link to sign up



Applications Open Now!

Check your Nolan email for Google Form Link

DUE Friday, March 22





#### **Parent Point Opportunities**

Viking Club Volunteering

• 5 Points towards your student's house for each event where you volunteer. Sign up here

#### Friday Adoration

- 5 Points towards your student's house for each day you volunteer
- Sign up here

# 2024-2025 LIFE team Applications

Hello, Vikings!

Applications for the 2024-2025 LIFE team have opened! L.I.F.E. stands for "Living in Faith Experience". Our pillars are Prayer, Community, Formation, and Service. LIFE team is a discipleship group here at Nolan Catholic that meets during the school day and is open to incoming Juniors and Seniors.

Please check your school email for the Google Form link. Applications are due this Friday, March 22 at 10 pm.



#### **Student Retreats Opportunities**



#### High School Girls Summer Retreat

The <u>Dominican Sisters of Mary</u>
<u>Immaculate Province</u> - Sister Anna
Imelda, O.P.'s community) are hosting a high school girls' retreat this summer,
July 9- 13 in Houston. If you are interested, please <u>click here</u> for more information.



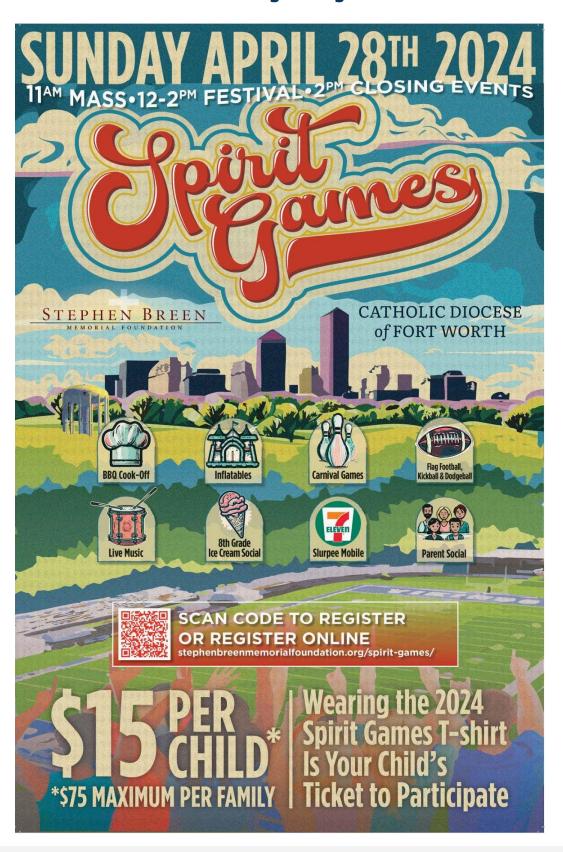
#### **High School Women's Retreat**

Join us for a day retreat as we journey together as women learning about who we are as women in Christ. We will have talks, games, activities, testimonies, small groups, times for prayer, worship, and adoration.

We will begin after the 9 am daily Mass and go up until the 4 pm vigil Mass. Click on this  $\underline{link}$  to register

Breakfast snacks & lunch will be provided!

#### Click the image to register.



### **SCHOOL RESOURCES**





#### Help Keep our Students Safe

Hiring off duty police officers costs \$1.7 million annually throughout the Diocese. We are evaluating this solution as well as other cost effective means to provide security at each Diocesean school. Please prayerfully consider donating to the school security initiative so that we can continue to protect our most valuable asset, our kids.



<u>Click here</u> to learn more about Catholic School Security



Click the image for a list of all upcoming sessions and to register.

#### **Bad Weather Make-up Day**

We will have our bad weather make-up day on a day originally listed as a No School/Teacher Inservice Day: Friday, May 10, 2024. We will have no school on Easter Monday. As of now, we have decided not to utilize Monday, May 20th as a bad weather day. Therefore, there will be no school on Monday, May 20th.

Week 3/18-3/22	Monday	Tuesday			
3/18-3/22			Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Anselm Day	Felix Day	Crispin Liturgy Day	Gertrude Day	No School:
	A, B, C, D, E pds.	F, G, H, A, B pds.	C, D, E, F pds.	G, H, A, B, C pds.	Diocesan Inservice
3/25-3/29	Dominic Day	Anselm Day	Felix Liturgy Day	Bede Day	No School:
	D, E, F, G, H pds.	A, B, C, D, E pds.	F, G, H, A pds.	B, C, D, E, F pds.	Good Friday
4/1-4/5	No School:	Gertrude Day	Dominic Liturgy Day	Helena Day	Edith Day
	Easter Monday	G, H, A, B, C pds.	D, E, F, G pds.	H, A, B, C, D pds.	E, F, G, H, A pds.
4/8-4/12	Bede Day	Gertrude Day	Dominic Liturgy Day	Helena Day	Edith Day
	B, C, D, E, F pds.	G, H, A, B, C pds.	D, E, F, G pds.	H, A, B, C, D pds.	E, F, G, H, A pds.
4/15-4/19	Bede Day B, C, D, E, F pds.	Gertrude Day G, H, A, B, C pds.	Dominic Liturgy Day D, E, F, G pds.	Helena Day H, A, B, C, D pds.	Edith Day E, F, G, H, A pds. Sr. Community Day/Jr. Lendership Day
4/22-4/26	Bede Day	Gertrude Day	Dominic Liturgy Day	Helena Day	No School:
	B, C, D, E, F pds.	G, H, A, B, C pds.	D, E, F, G pds.	H, A, B, C, D pds.	Teacher Inservice
4/29 - 5/3	Edith Day	Bede Day	Gertrude Liturgy Day	Crispin Day	Helena Day
	E, F, G, H, A pds.	B, C, D, E, F pds.	G, H, A, B pds.	C, D, E, F, G pds.	H, A, B, C, D pds.
5/6-5/10	Edith Day	Bede Day	Gertrude Liturgy Day	Crispin Day	Helena Day
	E, F, G, H, A pds.	B, C, D, E, F pds.	G, H, A, B pds.	C, D, E, F, G pds.	H, A, B, C, D pds.
5/13-5/17	Edith Day E, F, G, H, A pds. Senior Exams/ Review Day	Bede Day B, C, D, E, F pds. Senior Exams/ Review Day	Gertrude Day G, H, A, B, C pds. Review Day	Dominic Day D, E, F, G, H pds. Review Day	Half Day: Special Schedule (Mass and Awards) 6:00pm- Senior Awards and Robing
5/20-5/25	No School:	A pd. Exam: 8:30	C pd. Exam: 8:30	E pd. Exam: 8:30	G pd. Exam: 8:30
	Snow Day	B pd. Exam: 10:15	D pd. Exam: 10:15	F pd. Exam: 10:15	H pd. Exam: 10:15

#### **4th Quarter Class Rotation**

As we conclude the 3rd Quarter the administration would like to provide you with the 4th Quarter Class Rotation. If you have any questions please contact at us at <a href="mailto:principal@nchstx.org">principal@nchstx.org</a>

## Safe Environment Awareness

Adult volunteers or employees who serve the Catholic Diocese of Fort Worth or the school community — in any capacity — must be current in their certification. Participants can see a list of all upcoming sessions offered throughout the Diocese and can register for the session which best fits their schedule. Contact Michelle Wessel

mwessel@nchstx.org to check your status.



#### **Admission: Future Vikings**

Do you have a rising freshman or are you looking to transfer your child to Nolan Catholic High School? Admission applications are still being accepted for the 2024-2025 school year! Please <u>click here</u> to visit our Admission website.

If you have any questions about the admission process or would like to tour the campus, please contact Donna O'Malley at domalley@nchstx.org or 817-395-0245.

## Re-enrollment is open for the 2024-2025 school year!

Click <u>here</u> to view Mr. Ortiz's re-enrollment letter outlining 2024-2025 tuition fees.

#### FACTS Grant & Aid Application

If you missed the deadline to apply for tuition assistance, Nolan still urges you to complete the application. Those applications that were submitted by the deadline, will take priority. Applications after the deadline will be reviewed based on available funds. Do not delay complete the application today. It is located on your FACTS account. Reach out to Kimberlee Glover with any questions.

#### **Guidance Information**

# NOLAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL College Counseling Class of 2024

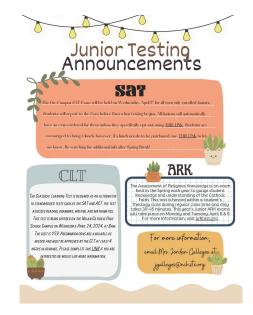
Senior Year March 2024

# NOLAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL College Counseling Class of 2025

Junior Year March 2024

#### **Calling all Juniors!**

Overwhelmed by all the testing coming your way? Confused about what is happening when? See the <u>attached PDF</u> for all the info and links to help guide you.



#### **Big Band Dance**

Join us for an evening of swingin' tunes and dance the night away at the Big Band Dance sponsored by the Nolan Catholic Band! Grab your family and friends and get ready to boogie-woogie! Admission is free, and we'll have refreshments and drinks available. Experience the timeless sounds of The Doug Maguire Big Band and the smooth melodies of the NCHS Jazz Ensemble.

Mark your calendars, <u>RSVP</u> and look for more exciting information to come. See you on the dance floor!





# Free Dance Lessons and Bring your Friends!

Students, lace up your dancing shoes! Swing Dance lessons will be held after school on **March 27th**, **April 3rd**, **4th**, **and 9th**. Our instructors? None other than the talented members of the University of Dallas Swing Dance Club. They will also be joining us for the main event! House points and senior points will be available for dance lessons and Big Band Dance attendance!

#### **Culinary Arts Showcase**

Nolan Catholic Culinary Arts is pleased to announce its first-ever NCHS Culinary Arts Showcase on Friday, May 10 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Come taste Culinary Arts II students' signature dishes and vote on category winners. There will also be food from Culinary Arts I students. The entrance fee is \$5 per person, which comes with five voting tickets. We hope to make this an annual event.



#### **Royelles Spring Events**

The team is hosting a dance clinic on April 6 from 1:00-4:00 pm to work on technique and prepare for auditions on April 22-24. Additionally, the team is hosting their Spring Show on April 11 at 7:00 pm to perform new and familiar routines from the year. Clinic registration, audition sign-ups, and Spring Show tickets can be accessed at this link. Can't wait to see you there!





#### **Cheer Try-outs**

Are you interested in Cheer? There will be a tryout information meeting on Tuesday April 2nd at 6:30 pm in the library. We will talk about our upcoming clinics and what to expect for tryout week! We hope to see you there!

#### **Lunches by ECI**

Need to add funds to your student's account for cafeteria purchases? You can do so by clicking here.

Click here for next week's menu



Dear Mills Family,

As the final step of our transition to DENNIS Uniform, we'll be performing a systems upgrade both online and at our Mills locations this week. All uniform shopping will pause temporarily from Wednesday, March 20 through Sunday, March 24. Our Mills locations will also be closed during this time. We will reopen for sales online and in stores with regular business hours on Monday, March 25. We apologize for the inconvenience of this short closure and thank you for your understanding! We look forward to serving you soon.



Best regards, **DENNIS and Mills Uniform Team** 



#### **Congratulations Phillip!**

On February 25th, Phillip Socha was honored at his Eagle Scout Ceremony. Phillip over the course of 12 years, has demonstrated unwavering dedication, culminating in significant accomplishments. Notably, Phillip led Troop 180 on an expedition to the Philmont High Adventure camp in New Mexico. Additionally, as part of his Eagle Project, he constructed and donated multiple FIRST Lego League Robotics practice boards to local grade schools, leaving a lasting impact on his community.

### THE VIKING CLUB



## **Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities**

Please consider signing up to work this event or check out other future events as well. Your student can receive those needed service hours for volunteering as well! Please click HERE to sign up.



### PROMOTING OUR COMMUNITY









Nolan Catholic High School is a ministry of the Diocese of Fort Worth providing a college preparatory education and evangelizing students to be tomorrow's servant leaders through

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