

THE SCHOOL THAT WILL CHANGE YOUR LIFE

JESUIT

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DEAREST LORD, TEACH ME TO BE GENEROUS.
TEACH ME TO SERVE YOU AS YOU DESERVE;
TO GIVE AND NOT TO COUNT THE COST;
TO FIGHT AND NOT TO HEED THE WOUNDS;
TO TOIL AND NOT TO SEEK FOR REST;
TO LABOR AND NOT TO ASK FOR REWARD,
SAVE THAT OF KNOWING THAT I AM DOING
YOUR WILL.

—ST. IGNATIUS LOYOLA
PRAYER FOR GENEROSITY



WELCOME TO JESUIT

Congratulations for giving your son the guidance and support necessary to prepare him for the next chapter in his life: high school. Choosing a high school is an important decision that you and your son will make together. The school should not only be a good fit for both of you, but also an environment where your son can grow academically, spiritually, socially, and physically. This is all part of the Jesuit tradition of *cura personalis*, or educating and caring for the whole person.

College is challenging. One reason young men choose Jesuit is to prepare them for this next level. From what is taught to how it is taught, everything at Jesuit is geared to prepare your son for a successful college experience and for a successful life in the 21st century.

To get a feel for the school and all it has to offer, I suggest that you and your son participate in a Morning Tour with an admissions representative. This will allow your son to see firsthand a day in the life of a Blue Jay.

I encourage you to visit jesuitnola.org for more information and to schedule a campus visit.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "Peter S. Kernion". The signature is fluid and cursive, written over a white background.

Peter S. Kernion
Principal



IN THE HEART OF MID-CITY NEW ORLEANS,
1,400 STUDENTS FROM MORE THAN 50 ZIP CODES
GATHER TO ENGAGE IN AN

exceptional

HIGH SCHOOL EXPERIENCE.

THE IGNATIAN VALUES

OPEN TO GROWTH

Blue Jays regularly seek new experiences, relationships, and ideas.

INTELLECTUALLY COMPETENT

Blue Jays excel not only in high school, but in college and throughout their lives.

RELIGIOUS

Jesuit students strive to recognize and appreciate all of God's gifts.

LOVING

Jesuit men learn to treat everyone with dignity and respect.

COMMITTED TO DOING JUSTICE

Blue Jays aspire to be Men for Others in imitation of Jesus.

Founded in 1847, Jesuit is the only high school in New Orleans operated by the Society of Jesus, or "the Jesuits." It is part of an extensive network of more than 400 Jesuit high schools around the world with 60 high schools located in the United States. Jesuit High School is the oldest all male high school in the city of New Orleans.

Jesuit dedicates itself to preparing young men for lives of faith, love, service, and leadership in the Jesuit tradition of *Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam* or "for the greater glory of God."

Jesuit's culture and curriculum are based on five interrelated qualities known as Ignatian Values.

Ignatian values are based on the teachings of St. Ignatius Loyola, the founder of the Society of Jesus.

THE JESUIT

academic

PROGRAM STRIVES TO DEVELOP THE WILL AND
INTELLECT OF EACH STUDENT.

IN THE PAST 5 YEARS, MORE THAN...

160 Blue Jays were honored as National Merit Semifinalists

78 were named National Merit Scholarship Program Commended Students

21 Blue Jays were honored as National Hispanic Scholars

Jesuit's competitive admissions process fills classrooms with students committed to developing a life-long love of learning.

By accepting the challenge to grow in the Jesuit tradition of education, Blue Jays are on the road to becoming Men for Others. Capitalizing on strengths and eliminating weaknesses is a proven formula for academic success.

The advanced and regular college preparatory curricula provide a solid academic foundation. Blue Jays are expected to think, inquire, discuss, and apply—all within a broad scope of subjects.

A Jesuit student's academic experience is enhanced by access to state-of-the-art technology and abundant library resources, all integral components of an extraordinary campus.





THE JESUIT EDUCATIONAL
EXPERIENCE IS ROOTED IN

faith.

Jesuit builds Men of Faith and Men for Others. These are the ultimate goals of a Jesuit education. By truly being a man for others, Blue Jays fulfill their responsibilities to God, their family, and themselves.

MEN THAT FIND GOD IN ALL THINGS

Jesuit offers a five-year retreat program. Grade-level retreats, days of reflection, liturgies, and other forms of personal and communal religious formation are all part of the Jesuit experience.

Each class level makes an annual religious retreat: prefreshmen and freshmen have on-campus retreats; sophomores spend a day at Manresa; juniors participate in an overnight retreat at a spiritual center, and seniors have the opportunity to make a three-day retreat.

Mass is offered each morning on campus, and once a month the entire Jesuit community gathers for Mass in the Chapel of the North American Martyrs.





leadership

BLUE JAYS ARE LIFE-LONG LEARNERS
AND COMMUNITY LEADERS.

It takes a special type of young man to accept the challenge that a Jesuit High School education offers. The accelerated and college preparatory curricula provide solid foundations.

Jesuit's college counseling services guide Blue Jays toward schools throughout the country that are the best fit for their passions, goals, and, ultimately, their careers.

Jesuit graduates successfully matriculate to colleges and universities such as Fordham, Yale, Harvard, Brown, Alabama, Spring Hill, and Notre Dame. Blue Jays also attend various in-state universities such as Loyola, LSU, Tulane, ULL, UNO, and Xavier, among others.

IN RECENT YEARS OUR GRADUATES HAVE...

Achieved a 28.1 average ACT Score.

Received more than \$230 million in scholarship offers in the past 10 years.

Matriculated to more than 50 different colleges and universities.

BLUE JAYS ARE TAUGHT TO SERVE THE

community

BY DEEDS RATHER THAN WORDS.



EACH YEAR...

Senior Blue Jays volunteer 28,000 hours to various local and international agencies and programs.

Over 50 Blue Jays serve as either Student Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion or ushers at school community Masses.

More than 50 Blue Jays volunteer as Peer Support counselors.

Becoming Men for Others involves more than attending religious services. Blue Jays are asked to complete more than 100 hours of service to a non-profit or charitable organization. Some Blue Jays choose to volunteer at special-needs camps, to assist at retirement homes and day care centers, or to perform service projects that help people from Mexico to Appalachia.

Virtually all of Jesuit's 70-plus clubs and organizations serve their fellow man by volunteering.

Jesuit encourages students to grow in their commitment of social justice. Blue Jays are prepared for lives as active, competent, responsible, and concerned members of their local and global communities.

Jesuit students strive to be Men of Faith who express their faith by being Men for Others.



athletics

IN THE PAST 5 YEARS BLUE JAY ATHLETIC TEAMS HAVE EARNED MORE THAN:

20 state championships

35 district championships

BLUE JAY CO-CURRICULARS HAVE EARNED:

Superior ratings at Concert Band and Marching Band festivals

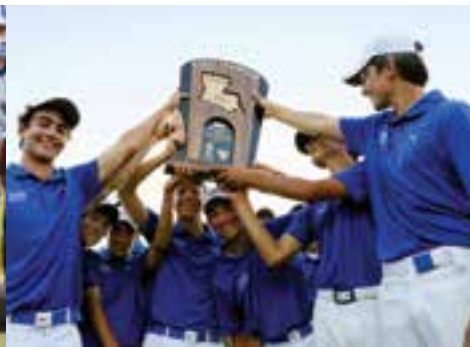
State championships in Mock Trial, Debate, Chess, and Quiz Bowl

TRADITION NEVER GRADUATES.

Athletic excellence at Jesuit extends beyond championships and achievements. It is embodied in the sweat and grind of practice—to develop discipline and grow in the mind, body, and spirit of the athletes. It is guided by the care of our coaches and is manifested in the way our student-athletes conduct themselves—with pride and humility—on and off the field.

Our athletic program, distinguished by a strong tradition, offers Blue Jays incredible opportunities in 14 interscholastic sports: the opportunity to build character and become leaders, and the opportunity to fulfill our mission of building Christ's kingdom as members of a team—"one body with many parts"—to further Jesuit's longstanding legacy.

Jesuit athletes enjoy the use of John Ryan Stadium, an off-campus multi-sport athletic facility. Blue Jays also enjoy up-to-date athletic facilities, including a newly renovated gymnasium and physical education building.









spirit



BE A PART OF THIS AMAZING BROTHERHOOD.

A day at Jesuit entails more than just the classroom and homework. Jesuit offers nearly 100 artistic, honors, spirit, service-oriented, and recreational clubs, organizations, and athletic teams. These opportunities allow students to realize the Jesuit ideal of "*cura personalis*," the care of the whole person.

Co-curricular opportunities range from fine arts and student publications to service organizations and honor societies. Blue Jays are encouraged to explore their passions, try new things, and develop leadership skills through a multitude of student activities.



ACADEMICS

The courses offered at Jesuit provide students with a well-founded preparation for college and for life. While the courses more than fulfill the entrance requirements of all colleges, Jesuit's academic program also strives to develop the will and intellect of each student.

The program of studies extends for a period of four years for those entering as freshmen and five years for those entering as pre-freshmen.

All underclassmen must carry a minimum of 6.5 units per year. Seniors must schedule a minimum of 6.25 units.

Jesuit offers a challenging college preparatory curriculum. More than 20 honors courses are offered. Approximately a dozen Advanced Placement courses allow students opportunities to earn college credit. Dual enrollment courses are taught in conjunction with LSU.

Teachers at Jesuit assume many important roles—instructors, advisers, moderators, and coaches. Jesuit teachers are mentors and role models for Blue Jays.



Several teachers have their Ph.D., and more than half of Jesuit's faculty have master's degrees. Our faculty includes several Jesuit priests, brothers, and scholastics. The student-teacher ratio is 12:1, with an average class size of 24.

Regardless of the day of the week, Blue Jays are often on campus participating in one or more of Jesuit's many co-curriculars. Co-curricular activities are integral to the total education of a student.

Prospective students and families can learn more about Jesuit High School's curriculum and course offerings by visiting jesuitnola.org/academics/curriculum.

SCHEDULE

The school day begins at 7:45 a.m. and ends at 3 p.m. The school follows a rotating schedule in which six classes meet in a given day. All students share the same lunch period, 12:10–1 p.m. each day.

DISCOVER

student life

AT JESUIT.

MORNING TOURS

Morning Tours provide families with the opportunity to experience a typical morning at Jesuit. Parents and their sons are encouraged to ask questions about any aspect of Jesuit—student life, academics, co-curricular activities, sports, tuition, financial aid, and the admissions process.

Families interested in attending one of these Morning Tours must schedule their visit in advance. The tours are intended for small groups only, so registration is limited. Call the Admissions Office to secure your spot on a Morning Tour.

ADMISSIONS INFORMATION NIGHT

Admissions Information Night, designed specifically for prospective parents to attend without their sons, features a more intimate setting than Open House. Topics such as pre-freshman and freshman year curriculum, admissions process, financial aid, athletics and co-curriculars, and student life are presented. Prospective parents do not need to register to attend.

BLUE & WHITE FRIDAY NIGHT

Prospective students are invited to attend Blue and White Friday Night, an evening of activities geared for the middle school student. Registration is required to attend.

OPEN HOUSE

Open House allows parents and their sons to tour our facilities and get basic information about academics, athletics, co-curricular activities, and tuition. Three tour times are offered. Plenty of parking is available in the school yard. Open House is open to the public; no registration is required.

APPLICATION DAY (JESUIT PLACEMENT TESTING)

Applicants will take the High School Placement Test (HSPT) at Jesuit beginning at 8 a.m.

WELCOME DAY FOR NEW BLUE JAYS

Welcome Day provides new students the opportunity to meet their Big Brothers, who will assist with the transition into Jesuit.

ADMISSIONS CRITERIA

An applicant for the pre-freshman or freshman year must have satisfactorily completed the seventh or eighth grade of elementary school or its equivalent.

The applicant is accepted on the basis of:

- his previous academic performance (grades and standardized test scores);
- recommendations of teachers, principal, and/or church parish pastor;
- promise of future development;
- his desire to profit from the moral, spiritual, academic, and athletic programs offered by Jesuit.

In some cases, a personal interview with the applicant and his parents may be required.

Jesuit admits male students without regard to race, religion, creed, or national or ethnic origin.

JESUIT PLACEMENT TESTING

Jesuit administers the High School Placement Test (HSPT) on Application Day. Taking the entrance exam at Jesuit is an important step of the application process. All applicants must be present. Application Day involves:

- attendance check (roll call) of students applying to Jesuit High School;
- verification of receipt of records and/or a notification that required items have not been submitted;
- administration of the HSPT.

TUITION

Jesuit strives to keep tuition at a level affordable for many families. Jesuit's tuition is one of the least expensive tuitions among Catholic and private high schools in the New Orleans area.

Since the founding of Jesuit High School in 1847, no qualified young man has been refused admission because his family could not afford to pay all or part of the tuition. (Obviously it takes a great deal of effort to ensure Jesuit remains available to young men from all socio-economic strata.)

The school flourishes because of the generosity of its alumni and its parents who recognize the importance and value of a Jesuit education. Each year, through the Parents' Annual Giving drive, parents voluntarily contribute the difference between tuition and the actual cost of educating a Jesuit student. Parents give what they can afford.

Alumni also help defray expenses and keep tuition affordable by their generous contributions to the Alumni Giving Drive.

Jesuit's finance office mails tuition bills in the middle of June and the middle of November. Tuition is payable either in a lump sum, or half by July 15 and the remaining half by December 1. A small convenience fee is assessed for tuition payments made with a credit card.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

For financially challenged families, Jesuit has a generous tuition assistance program available through the school's endowment. Numerous families receive more than \$800,000 in financial assistance each school year.

Tuition assistance is based solely on financial need, and recipients participate in the school's work-study program. Jesuit does not award academic or athletic scholarships.

Students must first be admitted in order to receive financial aid. Parents or guardians then request the financial assistance application packet from Jesuit's finance office. The application is for the following academic year and must be filed before April 30. The grant must be certified in writing by the president of Jesuit High School.

THE MISSION OF JESUIT HIGH SCHOOL
AS A CATHOLIC, COLLEGE PREPARATORY SCHOOL
IS TO DEVELOP IN ITS STUDENTS THE
COMPETENCE, CONSCIENCE, AND COMPASSION
THAT WILL ENABLE THEM TO BE
MEN OF FAITH AND MEN FOR OTHERS.

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