

# DUCHESNE PIONEERS

## FIELD DAY

A DAY FULL OF  
FUN, GAMES, AND  
COMPETITION

## EXCEPTIONAL PIONEER WORK

FROM HALLOWEEN COS-  
TUMES TO BLOOD DRIVES  
STUDENTS ARE PRODUCING  
AMAZING WORK

## FINAL FOUR

PIONEERS MAKE  
HISTORY

## WELCOME WEEK

PROVIDING A  
SAFE AND FUN  
ENVIRONMENT FOR  
NEW PIONEERS

WE BLED BLUE IN  
2022



# The Phantom of the Country Opera



Star of Duchesne's spring musical, Dianne Collins, shares some her fascinating experiences as Sally Barker.

Hi! My name is Dianne Collins and last year I played Sally Barker in the musical, The Phantom of the Country Opera. I was apprehensive about being in the show at first because I had never heard of this musical before. It was also my first year doing the musical so I had no idea what I was getting into. Even though I was unsure, it turned out to be so much fun. Everyone put in so much work and dedication to make the musical the best it could be.

One of the great things about the musical is how many new people you get to meet. I made so many new friends throughout the season. Spending two hours after school everyday with a group of people really bonds you. It also pushed me out of my comfort zone because none of my close friends were doing the musical so I was forced to talk to people I normally wouldn't have talked to.

Starting the musical as a junior left me a little out of the loop because almost everyone had done it every year they had been there and they all knew each other. However, everyone was so welcoming and helpful that I didn't feel behind at all. My biggest worry was about what other people would think of me but I needn't have worried. After my performance I was given so many compliments; I was touched by how supportive people were. I'm so glad I decided to do the musical despite all of my doubts. I will remember it for years to come and I can't wait to do it my senior year! The Phantom of the Country Opera was a great way to get out of my comfort zone and it challenged me to try something new. It turned out to be a really great musical!

**By: Dianne Collins**  
**Incarnate Word Parish**





# Band Trip

Every year in the spring, the music department at Duchesne travels to compete with other schools around the country at the Worldstrides Music Festival. The competing categories are Concert Band and Jazz Band, led last year by Mr. Adelman, and Royal Impressions, led by Mrs. Owen. These competitions usually involve traveling to fairly close locations such as Branson, MO, but once every four years, the competition is held in Orlando, FL.

In April 2022, the music department took a seventeen hour bus ride to Orlando to compete in one of the biggest music festivals of the nation. The Concert Band took home a silver award, Jazz Band finished with bronze, and Royal Impressions earned silver as well. Additionally, 2022 graduate Ryan Leick was selected to win the Ovation Award, which is given only to one out of the thousands of students at the competition.

By: Mk Beckemeier  
St. Charles Borromeo

Although the music department spent almost all of second semester preparing for this competition, playing and singing music were not the only things they did in Orlando. The students were rewarded with an entire day of fun in Disneyworld in Universal Studios, hitting every last rollercoaster. This spring, the music department will be going to Branson to compete in this year's music festival. Wish them luck!



## The Curious Savage

The Fall Play is definitely one of the highlights of my school year. This year the play was the Curious Savage. It's a play about a woman who inherits a good amount of money and then uses it for good causes until her children think she is insane. Being a part of the play can be a chaotic and stressful time but it gives us all another community away from academics and a chance to make new friendships. The play always brings people together and it is a super fun experience for everyone involved.

In the show, I was one of the angry children and it was my favorite role that I have had the opportunity to have. I would come to rehearsal and it was a time I could focus on the play and nothing else. The play brings out the best in all of us actors and shows our school community talents that we have in the drama department. It is a super fun time of the year and it has given me many friendships and experiences I never would have had without the play.

By: Charles Owen  
St. Cletus





# Field Day



Last year's Field Day did not get to plan. A last minute audible due to a rainy day meant that Field day had to be moved from the football field to the gym and around the school. Despite this change of plans, the day went great. In the morning, small groups visited stations to compete against other small groups of different houses. Some of the stations included checkers, H-O-R-S-E (the basketball game), Phase-10, geography bee, and sack race. These different stations gave each student an opportunity to use their talents to help their house gain points, and set their house up for success in the Gauntlet. After the morning, we had lunch in houses, and house leadership gave final rousing speeches and strategy talks.

Once we got to the afternoon, it was time for the Gauntlet. The Gauntlet was the biggest event of the year, and it gave hope to all of the houses of potentially winning the Rose Cup. Jogues entered the finale with a lead, but every house had a chance at the championship. DeVeuster followed Jogues in second place, and was in touching distance of the favorites. Drexel and Kateri rounded out the pre-gauntlet house standings, but championship ambitions still loomed large, for good reason. Leading up to the Gauntlet, the atmosphere was frantic excitement. Every single member of each house had a role to fulfill and everyone was excited to get underway.

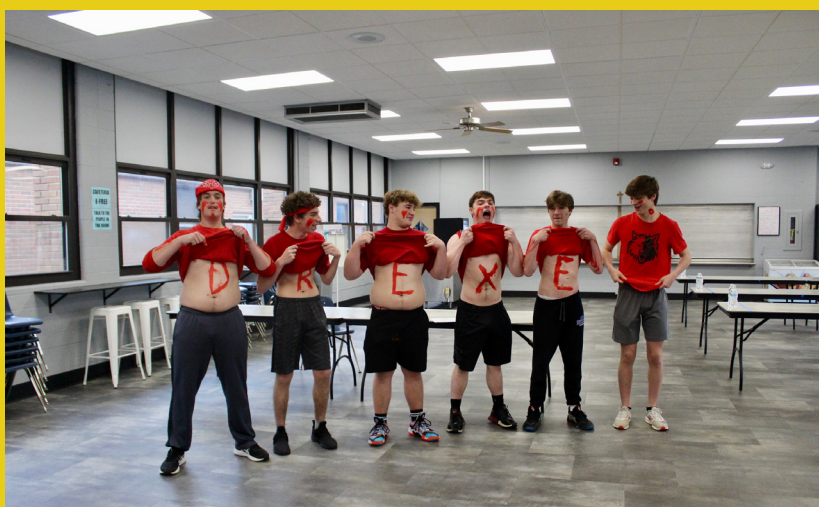






Once we got to the gym, everyone went to their places, either on the court, or in the bleachers in anticipation for when they would be called on to compete. Some of the stages of the Gauntlet included toxic waste bridge, water bottle flip, hula hoop relay, and bean bag toss. The event started at a rapid pace and everyone cheered to urge their house on. The eventual winner turned out to be Jogues house, whose members cleared the bleachers and stormed the court upon winning the Rose Cup. Although the Gauntlet did not go the way that the other houses wanted it to, it was great to see Jogues' passion and joy after having dominated the regular season. Overall, the day was a great and spirited success. Everyone was involved and active and the whole school came together in competition.

By: Josh Purvis  
Holy Spirit





# EXCEPTIONAL

By: Ella Nikodym  
St. Charles Borromeo

# PIONEER WORK

On the right students at Duchesne are pictured completing exceptional work in our STEM classes. In our STEM lab students are often found planning, designing, creating, and testing their creations. We take pride in that fact that our students' standardized test scores are consistently above national and state averages, our college acceptance rate is 100 percent, and honors courses



Duchesne hosts two blood drives a year. The blood drives are almost completely organized and put on by house leaders with the help of our house deans. Students are then encouraged to donate for a good cause, and as a student body we almost always meet our donation goal!

On the right is DeVeuster houses leadership halloween costume! It was pretty exceptional this year. They dressed up as the Addams family and successfully secured the group costume point for their house.



## Teacher of the Year

This school year Mrs. Moore was selected as the teacher of the year by many of her peers and students. Her true dedication to bettering her students in and outside of the classroom is admirable. Mrs. Moore cares about more than just the grade her students receive, her main focus is that her students feel confident in themselves and feel prepared for life after high school.

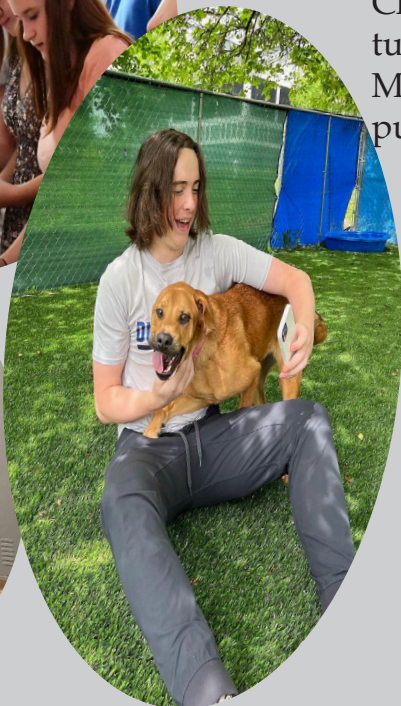
Mrs. Moore is much more than a good teacher in the classroom, she is also there to aid her students outside of the classroom. She always makes sure that every single student feels they belong, she makes everyone feel like family. Mrs. Moore is always the first person to check up on her students and make sure everything is going okay, and whatever the answer may be she is willing to help. Mrs. Moore is the first to congratulate students for their accomplishments. Her selfless and kind heart shines through at all moments. For many reasons Mrs. Moore was named teacher of the year in 2022, a much deserved accomplishment.

By: Maggie Boschert  
St. Cletus



# A Foundation: Our Faith Community

"When it comes to spiritual formation at Duchesne, there are many opportunities. In addition to the theology courses offered each year, students attend a yearly retreat, attend mass and reconciliation services, and complete community service to serve Christ by serving others. Students also have opportunities offered throughout each year from Campus Ministry." -Mrs. Broyles, religion teacher and campus minister.



Duchesne is a wonderful place to foster religious growth and change. One of the big ways we do that is through our retreats. Every grade level goes on retreat once a year. Freshman year we did a retreat in the Performing Arts Center at Duchesne. The theme is bonding and how to get involved at Duchesne. Sophomore year we go to Saint Ferdinand Shrine. During this we learn a little bit more about our namesake, Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne. Junior year is unique in that we have a retreat and a week of service. The boys and girls split up into two different groups for the retreat. We focus about the religious vocations.

Along with a junior retreat, juniors complete a week of service. Juniors get out of school a week early and in that week we volunteer at an organization of our choice and

help them with whatever they need. From this week alone you will get at least 20 -35 service hours. That right there is a fourth of your 100 service hour requirement to graduate. Pioneers volunteered for many organizations including local hospitals where students even had the opportunity to observe surgeries, five acres, womens centers, Boys and Girls club. and at goodwill. Junior service week is certainly an invaluable experience!

On top of that, as a school community we are constantly doing drives and completing service activities throughout the year! Duchesne is extremely competitive and as a result we normally dominate service competitions with other schools in the area!

Lastly, for our senior year we went to White House Retreat Center for an overnight retreat.

We got to listen to talks given by our classmates and teachers. Afterwards we reflected on these talks in small groups and enjoyed the scenery at the retreat center. We spent our free time on walks, playing games, and overall bonding. My favorite part of the retreat was waking up early the last morning to watch the sunrise with my classmates. It's an experience that I'll never forget!

**By: Lauren Lesinski  
Sts. Joachim and Ann**







The Duchesne Pioneers have seen great success from their football and basketball teams in 2022. Both programs consecutively made final four appearances. The first final four appearance for the basketball program ever. Truly an unforgettable year for our Pioneers.

# FINAL FOUR.







The talk around school from last spring to this fall has been our basketball teams surprise final 4 run. I was lucky to be apart of it myself. Although we struggled in the beginning of the regular season, we ended up playing in the district championship and the crowd for the game was live. It was just an amazing feeling. The students stormed the court and celebrated with us. The best part of winning was that we beat Louisiana on their own court. My teammate Philip Peltes described the win as relieving given all the adversity we experienced. This however was not the end the journey, this just punched our ticket into the state playoffs.

Our first playoff game was played at Francis Howell Central against Monroe City. At the time, they were ranked 1st in the state and the favorite to win the Class 3 state title. The gym was even more packed for this game as our student section was huge and it was a big gym so it was loud. The game was very close up to the final buzzer. With 1.2 seconds left Nathan Deguentz hit a go ahead layup to put us up 45-44. The crowd erupted unlike anything I've ever seen in person. We pulled off arguably the biggest upset in the state that year. After another win, we traveled to Battle High School to play Cole Camp. The crowds at this point had just gotten bigger and bigger. There was an insane amount of alumni in attendance. We ended up winning that game pretty easily as well. By now we had made history. We were appearing in the first final 4 in Duchesne history. We ended up losing by 3 to the State champs but the journey there was still amazing. Being a part of the first team ever to make it to state was amazing and something I will never forget.

After a memorable basketball season we looked to take that same energy into our football season. All 5 of our starters in 2022 played both football and basketball. We were ready to do anything possible to chase that state feeling. And we did just that. Our schedule more than prepared us for a deep playoff run. Over the season, we had good wins some of our biggest rivals Borgia and St. Dominic. After playing together for 4 years in football, it was an incredible experience to get to play in the state semifinals together for the first time in our high school careers, something we had been working for since we were freshmen.

My favorite memory was having the opportunity to play three playoff games on our home field, an experience that not many teams get to have. As a team, we took in every last moment we had together, and overall my teammates who turned into my family were the best thing to come out of sports at Duchesne. I am so lucky to have been able to experience the final four feeling in both football and basketball. This story is by far my favorite from high school and I will tell it for a long time to come.

**By: Ethan Kissell**  
**Hardin Middle School**



# Dodgeball

**The Duchesne Dodgeball Tournament was first held in both the spring and fall of 2022 and was put on by our house leadership program.**

The Duchesne Dodgeball Tournament was played for the first time ever last spring. This Dodgeball Tournament was a fundraiser for our house system. The Dodgeball tournament was open to all students and teachers. The team sign up was first come first serve. In total 16 teams of 6 participated in the tournament. Every team was guaranteed at least 3 games and 1 play-off game. It turned out to be a hit and the day was a blast! During the tournament there was not much down time, players had much to do with games as well as pizza eating and promotions in between games.

The dodgeball tournament

By: Ethan Kissell (Hardin Middle School)

is catered to all people of Duchesne. If someone didn't want to participate but still wanted to be a part of the day they could spectate. Everyone who finished in the top 3 received awards such as dress down days, extra pizza, and more!

This tournament was amazing to me because we were given the platform to host this tournament as house leaders. It really shows the incredible freedoms we have as student leaders at Duchesne. In total we raised over 500 dollars for the house system as well as a good memory for students.

## Back 2 Back Champs



Back 2 Back champions Dodge These Balls captain Philip Pelties shared his thoughts, "It was a unique thing to get to compete with my friends for prizes in a dodgeball tournament during school, it was honestly so much fun."





# Homecoming

## A Night "Under the Stars"



Spirit week and school dances at Duchesne are easily some of the most exciting weeks and events of the school year. During the week leading up to homecoming, coronation, and prom students always seem to have a very high morale. This year's homecoming spirit week was easily the most fun I have experienced while attending Duchesne. One of my favorite parts was the original themes for this year and getting to see what people wore every day, especially the day of BBQ dads vs. Soccer moms. Each day it seemed that the enthusiasm for the big homecoming

football game against our rivals St. Dominic became greater and greater. By the time Friday came and it was time for the pep rally the school spirit seemed to be the highest it had been all year.

When Friday night finally rolled around almost everyone attended the football game. Not only was the turnout great by current students, but the entire Duchesne community came together for this one game. Although I loved seeing everyone at the game, I found it to be quite nerve racking due to the fact I was on court and had to walk out in front of

everyone. Despite being nervous for this, once I walked out onto the field I felt nothing but support from the Duchesne community making this a very memorable experience. After the big win against St. Dominic the energy at the dance on Saturday could not have been any better. All grades were able to come together and create an amazing night full of singing, dancing, and great memories.

**By: Mary Smith**  
**St. Charles Borromeo**







# Summer Fun!

The Duchesne Pioneers were busy over the summer of 2022. Seniors Mason Kimberlin and Josh Purvis were two of four boys from Duchesne to attend Boys State, a week-long program for Missouri high school boys to learn about leadership and the workings of government. Mason and Josh helped create their own city and the government. Josh said his favorite part was “meeting new people and that he made his city look the best.” Mason had the most fun spending time in the mock casino.

Mason and Josh were not the only Pioneers to have an eventful summer, senior Mk Beckemeier, future student at the Naval Academy, went to the Naval Academy Summer Seminar, a week-long camp at the Naval Academy in Maryland. “The whole experience was like a week-in-the-life of being a Plebe (what they call freshman) and we learned lots of new interesting things that all what make up the uniqueness of the Academy” (Mk Beckemeier). Mk had very full, busy days during this camp but she loved every part of it.

For the students that stayed local during the summer of 2022, many Pioneer athletes volunteered to help run elementary and middle school sports camps and some newly added science camps here at Duchesne.

The Pioneers have exciting summer plans for their future too! During the summer of 2023 Mrs. Morris will be taking a group of students to Europe. Maria Thornton and Julia Winklier are two students who plan on going. Maria wants to go to “experience cultures with friends and classmates for the first time.” Julia is most looking forward to watching a show at the Shakespeare Globe Theatre and the Louvre. The Duchesne Pioneers have made the most of their summers and have many things to look forward to!

Duchesne students weren't the only ones busy this summer. Our amazing administrators have been working tirelessly to try and give students the best opportunities possible. Some new additions Duchesne has seen is a new African American class taught by our principal, Mr. D'Urso. It is a semester long class which consists of a deep dive into the works of literature from African American authors and musicians who made significant contributions to society. The 15 student class typically shares their analysis in class discussions and essays.

Another amazing new addition is our top notch e-sports program. Our 310 building is now stacked with large TVs, the highest tech gaming systems and consoles, PCs, and headphones. If that wasn't enough we also received a fully equipped green screen room with tech for classes such as video productions. And of course our newest team, the e-sports team, who will be able to utilize all of these amazing new advancements to represent Duchesne!

**By: Beth Bricker (Sts. Joachim and Ann) and Ella Nikodym (St Charles Borromeo)**







By: Brennan  
Carpentier '23  
St. Rose

At  
Duchesne, many students have the opportunity to get involved in a fall sport. Volleyball, boys soccer, cross country, women's golf, women's tennis, football, and cheer are all fall sports that are offered for students to get involved in. With that being said, there is plenty of variety for each individual to participate in the sport they love here at Duchesne. It is important that sports are offered not only because students get participation in their sport, but it also builds a sense of small communities, competitiveness, character on and off the field/court, and pride for the program. These are all that I have experienced while being a pioneer.

I have participated in boys varsity soccer all four years at Duchesne. As a senior, I have earned the chance to be a captain and lead the team. This season, our district and were able to compete in that state tournament. Through soccer, I gained a sense of family between me and my teammates. Another positive is the sense of pride and competitiveness that comes with playing the game. Having the opportunity to be a pioneer and being able to go compete in games to the best of my ability is what it is all about.

Other notable successes in our fall sports program includes Mary Kathleen Beckemeier's impressive tennis career and state run to finish off her senior year. Along with Maddie Denker, girls golf player, making a state appearance in her first season playing golf ever. Lastly, is Ella Nikodym, girls volleyball player, who was named conference player of the year and reached a career milestone of 1,000 assists during her senior season.



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# Athletics

Duchesne has a wide variety of spring and winter sports, including baseball, girls soccer, boys volleyball, boys tennis, track and field, boys golf, girls and boys basketball, and girls swim. Our girls soccer program is one of our most successful spring sports as they are six time state champions. Gabbi Schlapper '22 was selected to be a part of the Youth Soccer Olympic Development Program National Training Camp this past spring. This program allows the top soccer players in the country to develop and gain recognition on a national level. Gabbi continued her soccer career at Missouri State University this fall. Other notable accomplishments for the pioneers in spring included Matt Eltes being named conference player of the year for baseball. One of the most notable accomplishments for the athletes who participated in track was that most of the athletes who participated in track qualified for

to be a part of the track team at Duchesne. I have had a great experience in the program these past few years. I am a pole vaulter and have made it to the state championship in both 2021 and 2022. I'm very thankful for all of the opportunities that Duchesne track and field has given me.

By: Heidi  
Hartwig  
Academy of the  
Sacred Heart



# ACES and Science Olympiad

Duchesne's ACES and science olympiad team have been one of the main groups to repeatedly produce exceptional work in our school. Led by high level science teacher, Ms. Ziegler and the brightest students we have, both teams have been succesful in 2022.

Ms. Ziegler describes Science Olympiad as, "the track meet of science." They participate in competitions inclduing building events, core knowledge events, laboratory events, and a hybrid event. In 2022, our Science Olympiad team placed 4th in regionals and 12th at state.

ACES is a competition where students from schools all around the area send their best students to take tests covering chemistry, biology, math, english, and physics. Success is measured by how well each school does on these tests. In 2022, the ACES team placed second in the region and took 5th in the bi-state last year, both amazing accomplishments.



By: Ella Nikodym  
St. Charles Borromeo



A very important question, if not the most important question when considering highschools is how will this school prepare me for my future. At Duchesne students, teachers, counslers, and administrators all work together to set each and every student up with the best route to help them reach their full potential. Duchesne is a certified college prepatroy school. We are geared to help prepare young adults for their future. Duchesne does this in multiptle ways including career and college days.

In 2022, Duchesne's seniors and juniors were given a day off of school. However, this was not a typical day off. During this day every junior and senior was required to go on a college visit. From my own experience, my college search was an extremley difficult and stressful process. The only way I ever actualy found out what I wanted was by visiting schools and finding what I liked being on the college campus. I think many of my peers would agree with this. Therefore, this day dedicat-ed to a college visit was perfect for juniors and seniors. Fun fact this day

was actually envisioned, propsed, and carried out by one of our very own students. She propsed this idea as a way that Duchesne as a school could help ease the college search process. Obviously, her proposal was accepted by administrators and it was overall very scucesful.

On this same day, all of the freshamn and sophomores actually walked from Duchesne to Lindenwood as a group to start to dip their toes into the idea of the college search. It's important to start thinking about college early even if it is just for a day .They also have some fun stories to go along with it!

Also, Duchesne hosts one career day each year. On this day we invite parents from all different professions to come in and talk to students about their careers. Students are allowed to choose three differnt careers that interest them to learn about this day. All of this takes place at school during the day.

Duchesne has an 100% college acceptance rate and many of our graduates have seen great success in their lives. Graduates of the 2022 class

said college is difficult, but they feel like they are able to adjust much easier because of both the hard and soft skills Duchesne had given them.

The most special thing about our graduates is that many of them come back and return the favor. For example, Maddie Krause a 2020 graduate has coached both girls and boys volleyball at Duchesne for the past two years! Mr. Bouslog, known to many as Coach Bouslog, hosts a Duchesne "legends league" where former Duchesne basketball players come back and play with current players in a summer league every year. With that, at least half of our faculty is alumni and a large number of our students come from alumni parents. Ducehsne is the perfect place for a student loooking for a family like community that will give them the tools they need to have a future full of success.

**By: Ella Nikodym  
St. Charles Borromeo**



# Looking Ahead





Mrs. Turner, dean of students, looks pretty excited to kick off the school year!



# Welcome Week

When entering into high school it can seem scary in so many ways. You might not know any kids in your class or feel completely lost in the hallways. This is completely normal as it takes time adjust to a new environment. The transition from middle school to high school can be rough, but here at Duchesne we do our best to make you feel at home.

The summer before your freshman year at Duchesne, each student is required to attend freshman orientation prior to the first day of school. Orientation is a way to ease

anxious students into the high school process. Freshman will start the day off with fun activities to get familiar with their classmates. Then, class schedules are passed out to each student. The students working orientation at this time, will help freshman learn their rotating class schedule and walk them through where each class is. This way freshman are prepared and know their way around school for the first day.



Prior to the first week of school, seniors were allowed to paint their parking spots! A fun way to get ready for the year!



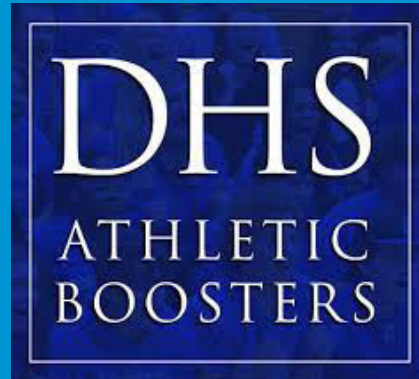
As the day goes on, each student is then sorted into one of the four houses that are apart of the house system at Duchesne. Freshman will be sorted into either DeVeuster, Drexel, Jogues, or Kateri house. The selection is randomized, so students are surprised when finding out their chosen house. Each house will then “induct” the freshman, get to know them, and tell them about their house. Students will begin to learn how the house system plays a big role in everyday life at Duchesne. It’s a way to make new friendships with other students, get involved around the student body, and be introduced into leadership.

We think It is extremely important that all freshman feel comfortable when beginning a new chapter for the next four years at Duchesne. By the end of the day all of our freshmen are smiling, laughing, talking, and playing games! Join us!

**By: Kate Mikkelsen  
Sts. Joachim and Ann**



# Pioneer Parents



During high school it is important for parents to become involved with their teen’s school life. Here at Duchesne, there are many ways for parents to become involved and help the school in many ways. One of the main ways for parents to help is to join the booster clubs. The Athletic Boosters, which allows parents to help fund athletics at Duchesne, is one of the most important clubs for student life. During a student’s life here at Duchesne, sports is one of the most important and exciting organizations for students to participate in or watch. With extra help from parents, Duchesne can provide an even better sports program for their students by being able to help afford new bags, uniforms, and equipment. Besides just donating funds, there are many other ways parents can become involved. Another way is through the PPA. Some of the main ways parents in the PPA help the school is by volunteering for Open House and recruitment events. Although Duchesne already has help from their students, having parents volunteer at these events creates a warm welcome for families coming to visit.

Another way the PPA helps Duchesne is by allowing parents to help guide freshman families through their first year at Duchesne. A family who already have students at duchesne is paired with a new family to help answer any questions about the school or just invite these freshman families to school events. It is like a mentor program. The PPA also helps Duchesne by providing teacher support. Overall Duchesne provides many opportunities for parents to become involved and better their students’ lives.

**By: Anna Hertelendy  
St. Charles Borromeo**



# Our Angel

This summer, the Duchesne community mourned the loss of one of our very own, Dolores Boschert. Dolo was a beloved daughter, sister, aunt, and graduate of Duchesne. Dolo always said “life is how you handle plan B.” Her family, friends, and the Duchesne community have kept this in mind through this difficult time like Dolo would have wanted.

She has always been described as a ray of light by everyone who knew her. She was always willing to try something new and did everything with joy. Her infectious smile and fun loving personality will never be forgotten. She was truly a beautiful soul. A lot of her can be seen in her younger sister Maggie, a senior at Duchesne this year.



On top of that, Dolo was a very talented paramedic. Before her passing, Dolo was named paramedic of the year, an impressive feat for a 23 year old. Her coworkers honored her by dedicating an ambulance in her memory.

Just as her coworkers have pledged to continue her legacy so has Duchesne. We will live by the great example she has set for us. Also, the Boschert family is continuing her legacy through a Boschert Memorial Fund which will go towards scholarships for Duchesne, her work in paramedicine, or to any person who is passionate about a specific interest.



By: Ella Nikodym  
St. Charles Borromeo

## Clubs

Duchesne offers a large variety of clubs for students to participate in. All of them are welcoming and inviting for all students. Majority of the clubs are on-campus, after school so they're always easy to join. They're also perfect if a student can't drive yet, or stays after school to get involved and make friends.

Some of the clubs Duchesne provides are the Pizza Club, Ping Pong Club, Key Club, Art Club, Improv, Speech Team, and the iTeam. All of these clubs are very exciting and all students are all welcome. There is something for everyone at Duchesne!

A few new clubs were added just this year actually, including Garden Club, Drumline, Playwrites Workshop, and One Act. The Garden Club is a club to help students learn about nature and take care of our gardens. Drumline is a club that learns drum songs and plays them during sports games and pep rallies. The Playwrites Workshop is a workshop designed to make plays, these plays will later be performed by One Act. We are excited to see them!

By: Mason Kimberlin  
Holy Spirit

## Thank You!

This was such a fun project to create and it was the perfect way to wrap up my time at Duchesne. It was so fun to have the chance to work with everyone around our school. I loved getting to learn about things I am not involved in. I'm so excited to be able to share all the reasons I love Duchesne with you all!

That being said, I'd like to give a huge thank you to Zach and Emily Plackemeir, Duchesne graduates, and their State Farm insurance agency for helping sponsor this project. Another huge shout-out to the Duchesne student body and their help bringing in money on dress down days and Mrs. Williamson, our marketing director for her support! I'd also like to thank my mentor, Mr. Seiffert and Mrs. Moore for their guidance and encouragement. Not to mention, all the amazing students and teachers who helped write articles and sent in pictures. This could not have happened without any of you guys!

Remember to check out all of Duchesne's social media accounts. We are active on just about every platform. And of course it's a great day to be a pioneer!

-Ella Nikodym, designer and editor