

## ST. IGNATIUS Parish School

Sept. 23, 2015

Dear St. Ignatius School Parents,

Last November, as most of you know, we went through the WASC/WCEA Accreditation Process. We are pleased to share with you that we earned a Full Term Accreditation of 6 years and just recently received our certificate of achievement. We are proud of our school, our faculty & staff, our programs, parents, and most importantly our children.

In the end, this process provides us with commendations and areas of growth. One area of growth, that we had self-identified and the accreditation process affirmed, was to continue our work in Ignatian Spirituality as a staff, with our children, and with our school families.

Being part of a Jesuit school offers us many blessings. One of which, is not just the commitment to the education of our children, but to the continued education of our faculty, staff, and families. The faculty and staff have participated and will continue to participate in classes and retreats on Ignatian Spirituality and what it means to be part of a Jesuit School. We are excited, that with the addition of Tony Cortese as our Campus Minister, we can also focus that education in our parent community. Mr. Cortese, along with our parish priests, will be leading a workshop on Ignatian Spirituality. *Attendance at this class is a REQUIREMENT for all families who have a child enrolled in the school.* One parent from each family is REQUIRED to attend. If both parents would like to attend, that is great. We are offering four dates to choose from and the class will last about two hours. Again, we are offering four dates, a parent must attend ONE of these workshops. Nov. 12, 2015, Nov. 17, 2015, March 8, 2016, or March 10, 2016.

As the primary educator in your child's life, we are blessed to be in this partnership with you. We look forward to strengthening our community's Catholic Identity and look forward to spending this time together as we learn and grow in faith together.

Blessings,

Patty Kochis