



DUCHESNE HIGH SCHOOL

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Hello all,

I am thrilled to announce that **Mrs. Glennis Ziegler** is this year's recipient of our annual Teacher Excellence Award. To determine our winner, I asked the students in my principal's council to each nominate a teacher who exemplifies the dual responsibilities any great teacher must master—content instruction and mentorship. This year our students nominated Mr. Adam Berner, Mr. Jaron Coleman, Mr. Wade Bouslog, Mrs. Julie Renaud, Mrs. Kris Witzel and, of course, our winner, Mrs. Ziegler. Once these teachers were nominated, the faculty voted.

In addition to nominating a teacher, our students were also asked to explain their reasoning. Reading those explanations is a joy and I'd like to take the next couple of letters to share with you the way our students feel about our faculty. You'll notice some common themes developing as you read through these recommendations. For example, Landon Kristensen recommended **Mr. Bouslog** and in doing so made a point to emphasize Mr. Bouslog's "positive attitude toward all the students. He is always trying to put a smile on your face. He is also very considerate, passionate about his job, and he has a great amount of dedication to the basketball program." Nolan Taylor said something similar in his recommendation for **Mr. Berner**. "Mr. Berner has shaped not only me, but my peers. He has changed our perspectives. Mr. Berner isn't just a good leader, he is someone who inspires others, listens, and sets a good example. He motivates and empowers the people around him to achieve their goals."

Alyssa Forti's recommendation of this year's winner struck a similar tone. "Mrs. Ziegler's teaching is one that intrigues and inspires. She's taught me so much this year and she always incorporates fun in her learning, which makes it much easier to grasp the concepts. Her class is one that makes me more determined as I pursue my dream to be a nurse. Every day I am excited to enter her class because I know that we never have a dull moment and are always going to learn. I think she's deserving of this award because of her dedication in the classroom as well as extracurriculars like Science Olympiad and Aces."

Next week, I'll share some of the other recommendations.

Pax,

Dominic D'Urso



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Announcements

April 6

Track (@ Chaminade) and Home Baseball Doubleheader (BMAC)

Athletic Boosters BBQ: Make sure you stop by Duchesne for some fantastic BBQ and support our Athletic Boosters.

Science Olympiad State Competition: Two of our juniors, **Ailsa Ide** and **Liliana Magers**, qualified for the Science Olympiad State Competition. They will compete at Missouri State on Saturday.

April 8



Schedule Change/No School: Last year, we sold out of our Dream Home tickets and earned a day off of school. We will take that day on April 8th to give students and faculty an opportunity to drive south to see the total eclipse.

Home Baseball (BMAC)

April 9



ACT & Pre ACT Testing: Our freshmen and sophomores will take a practice ACT. Our juniors will take the ACT. Seniors do not have school on the 9th. For our 9th through 11th graders, school will begin at the usual time and end around noon. Students should report directly to their testing rooms.

April 9

Home Tennis

April 10

Home Tennis, Volleyball, and Soccer

April 11

Home Tennis, Volleyball and Golf (Bogey)

April 12

Baseball (@BMAC)

April 15

Home Volleyball and Soccer

Track (@Zumwalt East)

April 16

Home Volleyball and Soccer



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Volunteer Opportunity

We need help covering the concessions stands for our spring sports. Sign up links for soccer and volleyball can be found below. Please consider assisting.

[Soccer](#)

[Volleyball](#)

Jr/Sr Finals

These will be regular days for our freshmen and sophomores, with the exception of Wednesday May 8th. That will be a regular start time for everyone.

May 7

Reading Day: Juniors and Seniors are not required to be on campus. They can, however, come to campus to meet with teachers in preparation for their finals.

May 8

Period 3 Final: 7:45-8:35

Period 5 Final: 9:55-10:45

Period 8 Final: 1:05-1:55

May 9

Period 4 Final: 7:45-8:35

Period 6 Final: 9:55-10:45

Period 1 Final: 1:05-1:55

May 10

Period 7 Final: 9:55-10:45

Period 2 Final: 1:05-1:55



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Senior Graduation Information

May 14

Baccalaureate Mass: The Baccalaureate Mass is the last mass the seniors will celebrate as a class. It is also the kick-off to graduation week. The mass will be held at St. Peter Church in St. Charles. It will start at 6:00. We will have an awards ceremony immediately following mass. Doors will open at 5:30

May 15

Graduation Practice: All graduates need to be in the PAC by 9:45 a.m. for graduation practice. We will not start practice until everyone gets to school.

May 16



Graduation: The ceremony begins at 6:00. Graduates should arrive to school and be in the PAC by 5:30. The doors to the Ted Yeater Athletic Center will also open at 5:00 for the friends and families of our graduates. Each graduate will get 8 tickets (4 preferred seating, 4 general admission) to the ceremony at graduation practice on the 15th. If families would like more tickets, please let us know. For more details on graduation, please see the email from Mrs. Turner