

# BISHOP LUDDEN

BISHOP LUDDEN JR-SR HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER | APRIL 2019

## JUNIOR HIGH SHOW



### *The Trial of the Wicked Witch*

*Friday, June 7 at 7  
Saturday, June 8 at 1 and 7*

*Tickets at the door. \$5*

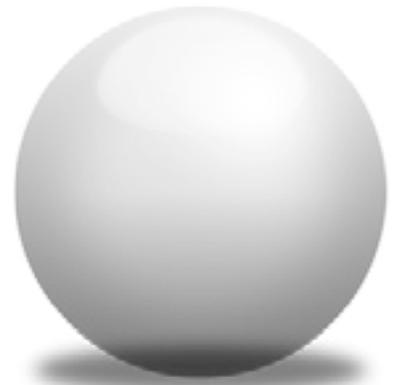
## SWEEPSTAKES

### Less than 200 tickets left!

Applications are on the website or in main office.

We are looking for volunteers for the night before, morning of and during the event.

Contact Emily Wheeler at [ewheeler@syrdiocese.org](mailto:ewheeler@syrdiocese.org) to volunteer or for more information.



## SAVE THE DATE

### MONDAY, AUGUST 5TH

BISHOP LUDDEN JR-SR HIGH SCHOOL

PATRICK T. MATHEWS '95

*Gaelic Knights Open*



A TRADITION OF EXCELLENCE

## ALUMNI MASS

The alumni memorial Mass is April 30th.  
Please join us!



## SUPPORT THE SOFTBALL TEAM



### SOFTBALL SMOKER

SATURDAY, APRIL 13  
1-4PM  
TWIN TREES, TOO

### FISH FRY

FRIDAY, MAY 10  
11AM-6PM  
BISHOP LUDDEN PARKING LOT



## BOTTLE AND CAN DRIVE



Start saving your bottles and cans!

The bottle trailer will be in the Ludden parking lot the weekend of Trivia Night - 4/8 and 4/9.

Please bring your bottles to drop in the trailer and help support the junior and senior class After the Gala!

## TRIVIA NIGHT

Tuesday, April 9th

Doors open at 6. Trivia starts at 7pm

\$10 per person if paid in advance

Sign up online - information at [BishopLudden.org](http://BishopLudden.org)



## TO ALL WANNA BE TRAVELERS!

Now is the time to plan for the 2020 Europe Trip.

We will be going from Spain to France. This includes Madrid and Barcelona in Spain and Paris and Normandy in France.

We will go to the Prado museum, visit Versailles and the American cemetery in Normandy, along with many other exciting places.

This is a great opportunity to broaden you son or daughter's perspective, especially those who are looking to attend college.

Cost includes airfare, hotels, breakfast and dinner, as well as the entrance to the sites we are visiting.

While the trip is designed for students, parents and other family members may also enroll. The group size is limited.

Price increases the nearer we get to departure. Please don't wait. Enroll now! Go to [eftours.com/2145772PZ](http://eftours.com/2145772PZ) or call 1 800 665 5364 to enroll.

For more information or any questions, please contact Mrs. Pietropaolo at [spietropaolo@syrdiocese.org](mailto:spietropaolo@syrdiocese.org)



*"Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things you didn't do than by the ones you did do. So throw off the bowlines, sail away from the safe harbor. Catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore. Dream. Discover."*

*author unknown*

### Adult Trip July 2020

Experience rich culture against a backdrop of soaring Alpine peaks.

Journey from Switzerland's mountain-lined Lake Lucerne to France's inspiring Lake Annecy. Take in the picturesque Chamonix Valley and stroll along Italy's Lake Como. Then, cross Liechtenstein and hit the winter wonderland of Innsbruck before heading to Munich, the lively capital of Bavaria.

#### Included highlights

Chapel Bridge, Lake Annecy boat ride, Chamonix, Mont Blanc, Lake Como, Bernina Express train ride, Liechtenstein, Nymphenburg Palace, the Glockenspiel.

#### Your tour package includes:

- 11 nights in handpicked hotels
- 11 breakfasts
- 5 dinners with beer or wine
- 8 guided sightseeing tours
- Expert Tour Director & local guides
- Private deluxe motor coach
- Go to [suzannep.grouptoursite.com/](http://suzannep.grouptoursite.com/) for more information and to enroll!

#### Tour pace

On this guided tour, you'll walk for about 1 hour daily across moderately uneven terrain, including paved roads and cobblestone streets, with few hills or stairs.

## SPRING MUSIC NOTES



### Bishop Ludden's Annual Variety Show

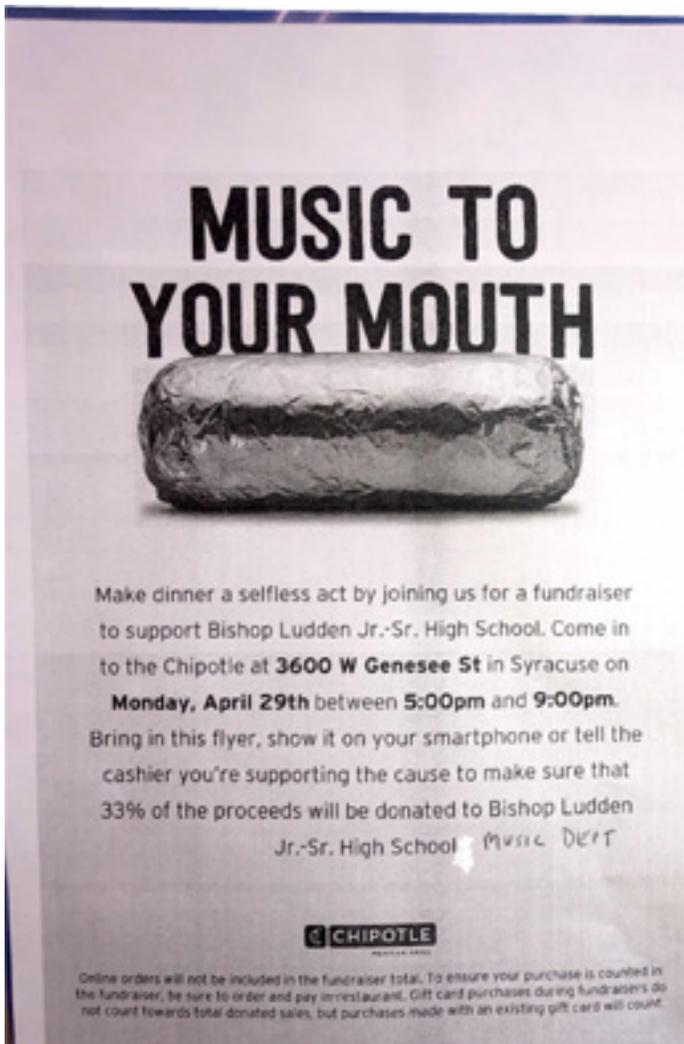
THIS Friday, April 5th at 7pm in the gym!

Come see some fantastic dancers and hear lots of singers---solos, duets and Ludden's choruses!

Admission is \$5./ person, \$20./ family.

THANK YOU for supporting our performers and music department!

**A MUSIC DEPARTMENT FUNDRAISER AT CHIPOTLE MEXICAN GRILL.** Monday, April 29th from 5-9pm at the Camillus Chipotle! What a fun way to raise some money! Please support our bands and choruses while eating a delicious Chipotle dinner! Just bring the flyer below, your appetites and your family and friends!!! Hope to see you there---THANK YOU!



## SPRING CONCERT

Wednesday, May 22nd at 7pm!

The choruses and bands will perform and our graduating seniors will be recognized!



## COUNSELING NEWS

### JUNIOR TIMELINE APRIL:

- Register for May 4 SAT (regular deadline is April 5)
- Continue to put together an activity sheet (utilize resume builder on Naviance)
- Do college/career research on the Internet/Naviance
- Schedule college visits
- Investigate summer opportunities on college campuses, volunteer work, or employment
- Study for ACT/SAT exams
- Compile an athletic profile package to send to coaches if you are looking at Division I, II or III schools, and include your season schedule
- Talk to your counselor about filing with the NCAA Clearinghouse for Division I & II athletes. <http://www.eligibilitycenter.org>



### NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTION CEREMONY

April 24 at 7:00 pm in the gym.

Come celebrate the accomplishments of 17 students as they receive the honor of being inducted into this prestigious Society.

### NYS TESTING DATES:

April 3-4: Grades 7-8 ELA assessment

May 1-3: Grades 7-8 Math assessment

The last day to register for the MAY 4 SAT at Bishop Ludden is Friday, April 5. Registration can be completed through [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org). Remember to bring a photo id to the test. If you do not have one, you can get a identification form from the Counseling Office.



Counselors have met with students regarding their course selections for next year. Course request forms have been given to students to share with you at home.

Please review with your child, sign and return to the Counseling Office **by April 5.**

## IB INFO

Bishop Ludden is currently a candidate school for authorization to offer the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (DP). Once the authorization period is successfully completed, we can anticipate offering IB courses starting September, 2020.

The IB Diploma Programme (IB DP) includes at least one course from each of six subject areas: English Literature, Second Language, Individuals & Societies, Science, Mathematics, and the Arts. The IB DP also has unique Core requirements, which include a class called Theory of Knowledge (TOK), a program of Creativity, Activity, and Service (CAS), and a major research project called the Extended Essay (EE). While students are guided to take pre-diploma courses in grades nine and 10, their actual IB DP courses start in grade 11, and extend through grade 12. (This effectively ends any idea of “senioritis” in the senior year...)

### **But what does any of this mean to college applications and admissions?**

College and university response to IB DP candidates is not uniform. College reaction can range from awarding full sophomore status to a DP student, to no recognition for IB classes at all. (That reaction is becoming very rare.) There are two considerations here: the actual, final performance of the student, and the policy of the selected college.

Typically, students begin taking entrance exams and looking seriously at specific colleges during their junior year. By the time they actually send out college applications, they likely will have completed a year of IB coursework, and can include in their applications that they are “IB Diploma Programme candidates,” meaning they are on track to completing all the requirements for the IB DP.

Keep in mind, though, that to be awarded the IB Diploma at the end of the senior year, a student must accumulate at least 24 total points, within a few other guidelines. So, a student who earns a 4 in each of the six IB courses is off to a great start, since  $6 \times 4$  is 24. BUT DP students must also:

- Complete all three Core components with passing grades, which can add up to 3 additional points
- Have no course score of 1
- Have no more than two course scores of 2
- Have no more than three scores of 3
- Score at least 12 points combined from the three HL courses
- Score at least 9 points combined from the three SL courses

Any IB Diploma Programme student entering the senior year is an IB DP candidate. If that student completes all DP requirements, the student is IB Diploma eligible. If enough points are earned, the student is conferred the actual IB Diploma.

Colleges and universities respond to IB DP in differing ways. If a student is actually conferred the IB Diploma, there are colleges that will allow the student to enter as a college sophomore, who are immediately granted 30 college credits, and who can then finish a bachelor’s degree in three years instead of four. This is equal to a free year of college expenses.

## IB INFO

Other colleges will allow college credit for some of the individual IB courses, assuming a certain minimum grade was achieved. There are many colleges that will even recognize and award college credit for students who were diploma eligible, but did not earn quite enough points to be conferred the actual IB diploma. Students who are not full IB diploma students but choose to take fewer IB courses may also receive college credit for those courses, provided their scores are acceptable to the college in question.

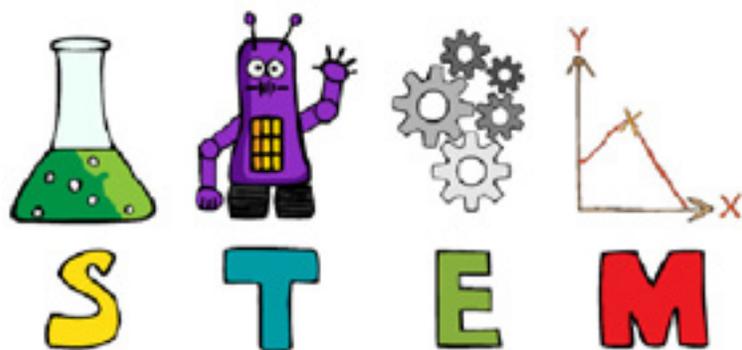
### How can you know where to look and how to choose?

Bishop Ludden's guidance counselors will help provide information on those colleges that are most receptive to the IB DP. Counselors receive professional training on how to help students make the most of their IB DP experience as they progress toward college level work. That training also includes powerful networking opportunities among counselors from across the country, to share the experiences of their students as they encounter and explore colleges' responses to their IB credentials, and reporting on those that accept IB credentials best.

College preparation via the IB DP is indisputably effective: IB DP students excel in their first year of college because they arrive so well-prepared for higher level work. By choosing a college or university strategically, a student may also enjoy the financial benefits of college credit awarded for work well done.

Next time: What's so "international" about the IB Diploma Programme?

## STEM CLUB NEWS



REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

WHO: Students entering grades 3 through 8.

WHAT: STEM Camp, exploring Lego Robotics, Drones, Kites, outdoors activities, and a variety of STEM exploration activities.

WHEN: Thursday June 27, Friday June 28, Monday July 1, and Tuesday, July 2, 2019. 8am-4pm.

COST: \$125

More information online, at [BishopLudden.org](http://BishopLudden.org) under News & Announcements

## THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone who walked with us in the St. Patrick's Parade!



# March 2019



Instructional Days 20      Total 119  
 Staff Development 1      Total 4

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 School Play 7pm Day 2	2 School Play 2pm & 5pm
3	4 Spring Sports Begin Day 1	5 Day 2	6 Shadow Day <b>School Mass</b> Ash Wednesday Day 1	7 Day 2	8 Mid 1/4 ends Day 1	9
10	11 Day 2	12 Day 1	13 Day 2	14 Progress Reports Issued Day 1	15 NO SCHOOL Staff Development	16 Dress Up Jr. High Social
17	18 Mod. Spring Sports Start Nat'l Coll. Fair OCC 5-8pm Day 2	19 Nat'l Coll. Fair OCC 9-12pm Day 1	20 Day 2	21 Day 1	22 Day 2	23
24	25 Day 1	26 Day 2	27 Day 1	28 Day 2	29 Day 1	30
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