



Rosati-Kain High School
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newsletter



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The New R-K is Here!

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From the President

Dear R-K Families,

Welcome to a new school year at Rosati-Kain—our very best yet, I believe. Early in the Hebrew scriptures (Isaiah 43:19) until very late in the recorded accounts of inspired writings (Revelation 21:5) we hear the message, “Behold I make all things new.” Always God is in the process of inspiring our growth and development—as the very best people we can be who reflect the image of God’s great love.

That is the purpose of everything we do at Rosati-Kain. We exist to cooperate in God’s redemptive plan. Our new and renewed facilities are testament to the support and commitment of our entire community to this mission. Through a vibrant Catholic Education we cultivate the individuality, faith, talents, and aspirations of young women who will lead and serve the world.

As parents you know the many daily, “unglamorous” tasks involved in raising your children. The same is true in the operation of a school. Thank you for your commitment to the many details of supporting the great mission and ministry of our school. Your efforts to provide the best possible environment for your daughters to grow in wisdom and grace have brought you to Rosati-Kain. Welcome and thank you. Now, a great year begins!

In Notre Dame,

Sister Joan Andert, SSND
President

Founder’s Day Liturgy September 1 at 10 a.m.

Please join us as we celebrate and acknowledge the religious founders: The School Sisters of Notre Dame and the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet with Mass in the Cathedral Basilica at 10 a.m. Religious from those communities have been invited to join us. A special reception will follow. We will also celebrate Sister Judith Schulte, CSJ, and her dedication to 49 years of teaching at R-K.





From the Principal

Dear Parents,

Hope your summer is fun and relaxing. We are working diligently preparing ourselves for the return of your daughters in just a few weeks. As I review each aspect of our students' high school experience, I consistently recognize what makes Rosati-Kain special is our dedicated teachers. Their commitment to the academic and spiritual formation for each student is unmatched. Thus, I look forward to you meeting our newest members of our faculty: Stephanie Bonnat, Jackie Bova, Liz Clyne, Patty LaBelle and Bill Taylor. Each of them bring diverse gifts that make our community even better.

This will be my second year as principal of Rosati-Kain High School. I cherish the opportunities to be with your daughters. As I watch our students learn, stretch and grow in the classroom, during prayer time or on the fields, the courts and the stage, I am confident of their successes in the future.

It is indeed a joy to be a part of the R-K community where each of us contributes something valuable and worthwhile. I encourage each of you to get involved by sharing your gifts. In doing so, we as a team (student, parent, teacher, administrator or benefactor), nurture relationships and strengthen the bonds of our community while building God's kingdom.

This year we will be focusing on the charism of scientia (knowledge) – using the gift of intellect and life experiences to transform and empower us. We receive this core value from the School Sisters of Notre Dame.

“For us, education means
empowering persons to reach the fullness of their potential
as individuals created in God's image.”
(Teresa Gerhardinger, Foundress of the SSNDs)

At our Kolleague day of prayer on August 17, we will gather at the Motherhouse of the School Sisters of Notre Dame to strive to deepen our understanding of scientia. This time of prayer allows us to visit with one another and recommit ourselves to the mission of our school.

Know that I am here for you and your daughters and please do not hesitate to contact me. May we be open to the guidance of the Holy Spirit throughout this new year.

Dr. Elizabeth Ann Goodwin
Principal

Mandatory Meeting for Seniors & Parents

Members of the Class of 2016 and at least one parent should plan to attend a meeting at R-K. The faculty, administrators and guidance services will present on the unique responsibilities, opportunities, challenges and events that are part of being an R-K senior. Attendance is mandatory for all seniors planning to participate in senior celebrations such as prom and graduation. Plan to attend:

Tuesday,
September 1, 2015
7:00 p.m.
at Rosati-Kain High
School Gym



Back to School Schedule

Freshman Orientation

August 20, 2015 8:45 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Freshmen yearbook photos. Freshmen do not have to wear uniforms but appropriate attire is required, no spaghetti straps and no low-cut shirts.

- Big/Little Sister Lunch at R-K 11:30 – 12:55 p.m
- Final Orientation activities 12:55 – 3:55 p.m.
- Prayer Service and R-K Welcome 4:15 – 4:45 p.m.
- Ice Cream Social 4:45 – 5:30 p.m.
- Kougat Klostet will be open from 4:45 – 5:30 p.m..

Uppercassmen Schedule Pick –up

Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors August 20, 2015 9:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Uppercassmen will pick up schedules and have their yearbook pictures taken. The following forms **MUST** be turned in before a student can receive her schedule:

- Completed emergency form
- Completed student information form
- Completed PARK volunteer form (one per family)
- Completed Student Notebook agreement
- Completed Media form
- Completed medication form

Orientation Reminder to Seniors:

Please remember to report to advisory at 11:00 a.m. on August 20. After your brief advisory period, you will have lunch (provided) with your little sisters as well as have your pictures taken together. Your attendance at the Big/Little sister lunch is required. You are free to leave after lunch at 1:00 p.m.

August 21 2015: First Day of School

Students should be in Advisory at 8:00 a.m. in full dress code, prepared to follow a special schedule.

Back to School Basics

Reminders about R-K's most important policies and procedures.

Asbestos Management Information:

Please visit the R-K website at: www.rosati-kain.org under Current Families to review current asbestos management information.

Tuition Payment Plans:

Thanks to all who have tuition plans on file and are keeping them current. Your prompt payment keeps R-K financially solvent. Only students with current tuition payment plans may pick up their schedules or participate in sports tryouts. Contact Stephanie Boyd at extension 2214 to verify tuition plans.

Insurance:

Student accident insurance is available to any family in our school who may be interested. This coverage is offered through K& K Insurance Group, Inc. a company that has been dealing with student accident insurance for many years. The plans are underwritten by Nationwide Life Insurance Company, an A.M. Best A+ "Superior" rated carrier. To find out more information about the programs, access K & K's website at www.studentinsurance-kk.com. Online enrollment is also available at this site. You can also obtain printed information through the school office. You can also access the enrollment page by going to the Current Families button on the school's website.

Attendance:

The regular school day begins at 8:00 a.m. and ends at 2:45 p.m. All students are expected to be punctual. Student absences are usually due to student illness, emergencies, unavoidable appointments or a death in the family. Work missed must be made up in a timely manner according to the policy set by each teacher. A written absence note signed by the parent must be provided or an email from a parent/guardian account registered with the front office and emailed to rkattendance@rosati-kain.org may be sent.

Waiting for Rides:

The school building is officially closed at 3:15 p.m. on normal school days. Students who wait for a ride later than 3:15 p.m. must wait in designated areas. Under no circumstances may a student stay alone in the building. Parents must arrange for students to be gone from school no later than 5:00 p.m. unless the student is part of a supervised after school activity. Families violating this policy will be subject to disciplinary action.

Student Health Forms:

In order that students can be cared for, it is necessary that emergency forms are complete and kept current. Any changes to the emergency form, including change in insurance and contract information, must be reported to the office immediately.

BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT

Remember that
Rosati-Kain's
Back-to-School night is
scheduled for 6:30 p.m.

**September 10,
2015.**

Welcome to the class of 2019!

Dear Parents and R-K Kougars,
Welcome to Rosati-Kain High School! You will join our current students on Lindell Boulevard at a school rich with history and brimming with excitement for the future – and we are thrilled that the future will include you!

This fall we officially welcome you at Freshmen Orientation on August 20. Details regarding this event have been included in this newsletter. At the time of orientation, you and your daughter will receive a Student Agenda, which will include her Student Handbook. Be sure to read over it carefully for policies and procedures. If you have any questions, please feel free to call my office at 314-533-8513. Please see the information below for more details. It will be helpful to review these highlights before we begin in the fall.



Enjoy the rest of your summer.
Elizabeth Ann Goodwin, Principal

Immunizations:

All health and immunization forms are due to the R-K front office on or before August 1, 2015. Students will not be allowed to begin classes without having submitted their record of immunization and physical exam form if needed. This is a requirement by the State of Missouri Department of Health.

Drop off Procedures:

Students arriving between 6:15 and 7:30 a.m. are to enter through the “G” and “J” R-Kade doors. Students arriving after 7:30 a.m. should be dropped off at the Newstead Ave Learning Commons entrance. Please do not use the Engineer’s Club parking lot.

Punctuality:

The school day begins with the 7:55 a.m. warning bell and students must report to their advisory by the 8:00 a.m. bell. A student who is not in her advisory period will be marked tardy.

Homework:

Rosati-Kain is a college-preparatory school and students are expected to do their work. We want our students to have a successful year, and we know that staying current with their homework contributes to their success. Many assignments are posted on Moodle for parents to view.

Cell Phones:

Students are not allowed to use cell phones during the day. Phones must be turned off. If they ring during the day, they will be taken from the student and returned at the end of the day. Please do not text or call your daughter during the day with the expectation of her returning your call before the end of the day. In an emergency, please call the office at 314-533-8513 to reach your daughter.

Uniforms:

Uniforms are a reflection of pride in self and school. We ask that you check your daughter’s uniform every so often to ensure that it is in good repair. Please review the uniform policy in the handbook.

Lockers:

Students are expected to lock their lockers and keep the combination to themselves. If left unlocked, someone else may “borrow” something. The school is not responsible for lost or stolen items.

Attention Parents of Freshmen

Please remember that all incoming students must have at least one parent attend a meeting of the Coalition of Catholic Secondary Schools in order for your daughter to be eligible to attend the Homecoming Dance. If you have questions about the coalition meetings, contact Tery McNamee, 314-533-8413 ext. 2202.

Graphing Calculators

Incoming freshmen at R-K are required to purchase a graphing calculator, which will be used all four years. Before making a decision about the required model, the math and science departments research the newest technologies, available from the leading calculator manufacturers. Your daughter will be required to purchase the model that will be used by the R-K math and science departments. That model for the class of 2019 is TI84-Plus C Silver edition (the C is for COLOR). It costs approximately \$140, but can often be found on sale in the late summer. The calculator must be purchased by the beginning of the 2015 -2016 school year.

Attention all Parents: Lenovo Notebooks Info

Please refer to the Student Notebook Agreement in your packet regarding the 2015-2016 Lenovo Notebook distribution. The signed agreement must be returned by Thursday, August 20th in order for students to receive their Lenovo notebooks. Freshmen will receive their notebooks during computer class with Mrs. Hargis. The 10th, 11th and 12 grade students will receive their notebooks during advisory on Thursday, August 20. Any questions should be directed to Mr. Paul Antonacci at pantonacci@rosati-kain.org (314)533-8513, ext 2248.

SUMMER NEWS

Summer Achievements

Please share your daughter's summer achievements with us. Contact Patti Eischen at peischen@rosati-kain.org. An email is preferred. Please include a phone number with your email.

From the Athletic Department

The Fall sports pre-tryout meeting will take place on August 2, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. in the cafe. Rosati-Kain's athletic fee for the 2015-2016 school year is \$80. Fall sports try-outs begin on August 3, 2015.

For parents and students new to R-K sports, here are the basics on practice locations:

Volleyball- Home game location/practice

RK Gym 4389 Lindell St. Louis MO 63108

Field Hockey- Home game location

Midwest Soccer Academy

5247 Fyler Ave. St. Louis MO 63139

practice location- Midwest Soccer and SLUH

4970 Oakland Ave. St. Louis MO 63110

Cross Country- practice location field next to Dwight Davis Tennis Center

Tennis-home/ practice location Dwight Davis Tennis Center

5620 Grand Dr. St. Louis MO 63112

Softball- Home game location Affton Athletic Association

10300 Gravois Rd. St. Louis MO 63123

Practice location Central Field in Forest Park

Additional Information

Dressing for Dances:

Students and guests are to be properly attired. Dress for all in attendance must be modest and appropriate for the occasion. All school rules regarding appropriate self-portrayal apply; bare midriffs and extreme cleavage are not permitted; body piercings and tattoos should not be visible.

School Dress Code:

Polo shirts and the plaid skirt may be purchased at Just Me Apparel. Shorts and slacks must be solid khaki with no decorative pockets, trim, zippers or metal rivets. Knits are not acceptable. Skirts must be buttoned and zipped, and end no more than two inches above the knee. Hairstyles are to be simple, and when hair is treated, it must be a natural color. Visible tattoos are not permitted, and body piercing is limited to two piercings per ear. Eyebrow, lip or tongue piercings and nose rings are not allowed. For a more detailed description of the dress code, please see the appropriate section of the student handbook.





Mother Daughter Dance

All Grade Mother /Daughter Dance - October 9

The annual Mother /Daughter dance will be held at R-K on October 9 in the gymnasium. More details will be forthcoming. The dance is a lot of fun with food, music and dancing. T-shirts and tickets will go on sale in September online. Contact Laura Schulte, Enrollment Director, at lschulte@rosati-kain.org or 533-8513 ext. 2215 for more information or to volunteer.



ROSATI-KAIN PRESENTS
UNIQUE BOUTIQUE

Girls Night Out

Coming November 19th

Unique Boutique is a great opportunity to shop for the holidays, catch up with R-K friends, have a night out with the girls—all while supporting a great cause, tuition assistance at Rosati-Kain. This year, our third year, promises to be great! We need many volunteers to help make this event successful. If you can help prior to the event, solicit raffle items and other donations or help plan, please contact Liz Christman at echristman@rosati-kain.org.



Rosati-Kain High School – Advertising Form 2015-2016

Please Note: **All ad payments and electronic artwork are due Oct. 31, 2015.** Please send electronic artwork to: peischen@rosati-kain.org; please mark your email in the subject line: AD SALE. To make a payment for an ad, go to: http://support.rosati-kain.org/cgi/display.cgi?item_num=1. For questions about an ad, contact Liz Christman at echristman@rosati-kain.org.

Ad artwork requirements:

- The minimum acceptable size for artwork is 150 x 150 pixels; acceptable formats are PDF, JPEG or EPS files.

**All ads are subject to R-K editorial discretion.*

Parent Newsletter Ad

\$150

Business-card sized, ad in one edition of the parent monthly newsletter

Circle preferred month(s) to sponsor:

December/January, February, March, April/May, June/July, August, September, or October

Spring Play Ad

\$150

Have your half-page ad featured in the *Pride and Prejudice* program, March 10-12, 2016.

**Contact the Communications Director for exact ad specs. Ads will be in black and white.*

R-K Today Ad

Exclusive sponsorship opportunity to 8,000 constituents! The *R-K Today* is published only 3 times per year. Sponsorship includes logo & other info on the back cover in color. *Specify if you'd like to be featured in the **winter 2015-16, spring 2015-16** or **fall 2015-16** issue.*

\$1,000

Half-page ad: 8 inches wide by 5.5 inches high

\$500

Fourth-page ad: 3.75 inches wide by 5.5 inches high

**R-K Today ads are first come, first served.*

**At least 300 DPI is required for artwork*

Vinyl banner in the gym

\$1,200

Your business information will be included on an 18x24 color banner in the R-K gym from December through May of the 2014-15 school year. Only **two** banner spots will be issued and it's first come, first served! Have your banner seen at every home game, concert, play and event!

**If you have artwork - at least 300 DPI is required*

BEGIN SEMESTER ONE: AUGUST

- 3 Resume regular office hours; Fall sports tryouts begin
- 7 Grade School Rec Night
- 17 Faculty Retreat Day
- 18 & 19 Faculty Professional Development Meetings
- 20 **Freshmen Orientation 8:45am – 4pm**
- 20 **Forms & Picture Day 9:30-11am; Big/Little Sister Lunch**
- 20 **Freshmen Parent Meeting 4:00-5:30pm**
- 21 **ALL CLASSES MEET 8:00am-12:25pm**
- 23 **RIBBON-CUTTING DEDICATION**
- 24 **FIRST FULL DAY OF CLASSES**
- 28 Back to School Night 6:30pm
- 29 Late Start 9:00am – Faculty Meeting

SEPTEMBER

- 1 **Founder's Day Mass**
- 1 Senior Night (parents & students) 7:00pm
- 2 Faculty Meeting; 12:15pm dismissal
- 3 Jostens – Ring cleaning and Photos of Juniors 11am– 1pm
- 7 Labor Day – School Closed
- 8 Auditions – Fall Musical: *Grease*
- 9 Audition Call-Backs – Fall Musical
- 10 Back to School Night 6:30pm
- 11 Late Start 9:00am
- 17 High School Night @ R-K; Mid-Quarter 1
- 23 Wednesday Advisory
- 25 Fall Pep Rally
- 26 Homecoming Dance 7:30 – 10:30pm
- 28 Grandparents' Day – 11:45am dismissal; Faculty PD Noon
- 29 Photo Retakes
- 29 Junior Ring Information – Jostens: JR Activity: Day 1 @ STUV
- 30 Sophomore Prayer Day

OCTOBER

- 7 Junior Ring orders 11:00am – 1:00pm
- 9 Mother-Daughter All School Dance
- 14 TEST DAY – Soph. & Jr. PSAT; Faculty Meeting @ 12:15pm
- 14 Freshmen Prayer Day; Senior College Visit Day
- 16 Quarter 1 Ends
- 16 & 17 Alumnae Reunion Weekend
- 20 NHS Induction 7:00pm
- 21 Wednesday Advisory
- 24 ACT @ R-K
- 26 Red Ribbon Week
- 27 Seniors receive Graduation information – Mods EFGH
- 28 Extended Advisory
- 29 Parent-Teacher Conferences; student dismissal @ 12:15pm
- 30 OCTOBER DAY; SR Class Picture

NOVEMBER

- 2 Winter Sports begin
- 4 Faculty Meeting; 12:15pm dismissal
- 8 Open House Noon – 4pm
- 9 School Closed; Faculty PD
- 11 Graduation Orders taken 11am – 1pm - Jostens
- 11 Fall Musical *Grease* 7:30pm
- 12 – 14 Youth in Government Convention
- 13 & 14 Fall Musical *Grease* 7:30pm
- 16 Mid-Quarter 2
- 18 Wednesday Advisory
- 19 12:15pm dismissal; Unique Boutique; Faculty PD
- 20 Father/Senior Daughter Dinner Dance 6:30pm
- 21 Kairos #31 begins @ 4pm, continues through 11/24
- 24 Thanksgiving Liturgy
- 25 – 27 Thanksgiving Break
- 30 Big Rehearsal

DECEMBER

- 2 Faculty Meeting; 12:15pm dismissal
- 4 Winter Pep Rally
- 4 & 5 Christmas Concert 7:30pm
- 8 Feast of the Immaculate Conception Liturgy
- 11 Sacrament of Reconciliation 1:30 – 2:45pm
- 12 Breakfast with Santa 9:00am
- 17 Semester 1 Ends
- 18 Exams
- 21 & 22 Exams
- 23 Make-Up Exams
- 23-Jan. 1 Christmas Break

BEGIN SEMESTER TWO: JANUARY

- 4 **Semester 2 begins; All Classes Meet**
- 4 Young Alumnae Liturgy 1:30pm
- 12 Sophomore Parent Night 6:30pm
- 14 Senior Trip to the Rep
- 14 Auditions – Spring Play: *Pride & Prejudice*
- 15 School Closed; Faculty PD
- 18 MLK Jr. Day – School Closed
- 20-24 Pro-Life Trip – leave after school 1/20; March on Jan. 22
- 22 Living Rosary for Pro-Life - 30 Min. P.M. Schedule
- 25-29 Catholic Schools Week
- 26 Junior Parents Night 6:30pm
- 27 Wednesday Advisory
- 29 Grade School Rec Night 7:00-10:00pm
- 30 Trivia Night

FEBRUARY

- 1-5 ROAR WEEK
- 3 Mid-Quarter 3
- 4 & 5 1 Hour Afternoon Assembly
- 10 Ash Wednesday Liturgy
- 12 Career Day – 90 Minute Afternoon Activity
- 15 Presidents' Day – School Closed
- 18 Class of 2020 Registration 7pm (Regular day of classes)
- 19 School Closed – Faculty Retreat/PD
- 24 Wednesday Advisory
- 24 & 25 Phone-a-thon
- 27 Winter Dance 7:30pm
- 29 Spring Sports begin

MARCH

- 2 Faculty Meeting; 12:15pm dismissal
- 8 Quarter 3 Ends
- 10 – 12 Spring Play *Pride & Prejudice*
- 13 Senior Mother/Daughter Brunch
- 18 Pep Rally
- 20 Palm Sunday; Kairos #32 begins @ 4:00pm; continues through 3/23
- 23 Holy Week Liturgy – Passion Mime
- 24 Holy Thursday – Easter Break
- 25 Good Friday – Easter Break
- 27 Easter
- 28-April 1 Easter Break

APRIL

- 4 School resumes
- 6 Faculty Meeting; 12:15pm dismissal
- 8 Rec Night
- 9 ACT @ R-K
- 13 Mid-Quarter 4 – JR & SR
- 14 Junior Ring Mass 7:00pm
- 15 TEST DAY for FR & SO; SR Prayer Day; JR College Visit Day
- 16 7th Grade Math Contest
- 16 Junior Ring Dance 7:30 – 10:30pm
- 20 Mid-Quarter 4 - FR & SO
- 20 Ring adjustments - Jostens 11am – 1pm
- 22 Prom, seniors dismissed @ 11:15am
- 22 Shakespeare Festival - juniors
- 24 Alumnae Mass & Brunch 9:30am
- 25 Big Rehearsal for Spring Concert
- 27 Wednesday Advisory

MAY

- 1 Father/Daughter PARK Picnic 11:00am
- 2 AP Exams Begin
- 4 Faculty Meeting; 12:15 dismissal
- 5 Theatre for Social Change
- 6 Fine Arts Festival; Hot Dog Day
- 7 Fine Arts Festival 7:30pm
- 9 Senior Exams
- 10 & 11 Junior & Senior Exams
- 12 Junior Exams
- 12 Graduation Practice & Senior Appreciation Lunch
- 12 Senior Class Night 7:00pm
- 12 Senior Lock-In 10:00pm – 5:00am on 5/13/16
- 13 Junior Commissioning Liturgy
- 14 Math Placement Tests 8:30 – 10:00am
- 14 Science Placement Tests 10:15am – 12:00pm
- 16 ASK Reception 4:30 – 6:00pm
- 16 **GRADUATION 7:00pm @ Cathedral**
- 24 Semester 2 Ends – All classes meet
- 25 - 27 Exams – FR & SOPH – dismissal after last exam
- 30 Memorial Day - holiday
- 31 Make-Up Exams; last Faculty day