



2019 – 2020

ASC 29



Alex Brewer

Having graduated from St. Louis University High School (SLUH) in 2015, I am extremely blessed and grateful for my high school Jesuit education. After graduating from SLUH, I attended the University of Dayton and studied economics and philosophy. My experience with Jesuit education helped me grow, and I am so excited for the opportunity to give back to the Jesuits in gratitude. I will be teaching at Arrupe Jesuit High School in Denver, Colorado, and hope to help develop the young men and women of Arrupe into men and women for and with others.



James Gasch

I first began my journey with the Jesuits in 2010 during my freshman year at St. Louis University High School. While at SLUH, I learned my reading, writing, and arithmetic, but more importantly, I learned how to be involved with my community, and how to defend myself and others from injustice. After graduating from SLUH, I continued my education at the University of Alabama where I double majored in atmospheric sciences and history. While I was a member of the Crimson Tide, I worked to make sure other students felt welcome in their new community by joining the orientation team and eventually becoming a leader. I am excited and look forward to joining the Rockhurst High School family where I hope to teach these young men to grow into men for and with others.



Sigmund Gusdorf

After four years away from St. Louis, I am excited to return to my home city and serve at my alma mater of St. Louis University High School. During my time away at Fairfield University in Connecticut, I majored in English literature and philosophy and minored in Black studies. I hope to teach my students some of what I have learned; and hope to learn from them so I can grow. I was a student in the Jesuit education system for eight years, and I look forward to giving back.



Ryan Higgins

I am a recent graduate from Saint Louis University and earned a B.A. in psychology. I am ecstatic for the opportunity to give back to a community that has truly formed me to be a man for and with others. Having attended De Smet Jesuit High School, I fell in love with the Jesuits and truly defined my outlook on life. I am looking forward to meeting the students at Regis Jesuit High School and growing with them. I cannot wait to see what the next school year has in store for me! AMDG



George Howe

I am a graduate of Macalester College in St. Paul, Minnesota with a B.A. in literature and a minor in Russian studies. I encountered Jesuit education for the first time at St. Louis University High School, and I have missed it greatly since then. I am excited to contribute to the De Smet Jesuit community by teaching English and coaching the track and field team.



Jackson Lamping

Jesuit education is a tradition in my family. Both my father and grandfather graduated from Saint Louis University. I attended De Smet Jesuit High School before moving to Rockhurst High School. I double majored in English and philosophy at Rockhurst University, where I earned my degree in 2018. These schools taught me the importance of academic excellence, concern for the whole person, and being a man for and with others. This past year, I was employed with Jesuit Volunteer Corps, serving the elderly at Little Brothers of Chicago while participating in liturgical choir at Old St. Pat's Cathedral. With a long-term goal of entering the Jesuits, I look forward to helping young men acquire the skills and values needed to succeed at Loyola Academy of St. Louis. I am grateful to ASC and Loyola for this wonderful opportunity.



Conor LoPiccolo

It is hard to describe the impact the Society of Jesus has had on my life. I graduated from De Smet Jesuit High School in 2015 and went on to study English and theology at Saint Louis University. In the past eight years, I learned not only the content my teachers taught in the classroom, but also the values by which I desire to live my life. I have a deep belief that Jesuit education, particularly on the high school level, teaches students how to become men and women for and with others. I look forward to the opportunity to be a part of the formation of the minds and hearts of the young men at Rockhurst High School in Kansas City and cannot wait to become a part of the community there. GO HAWKLETS!



Eric Lovan

Having attended De Smet Jesuit High School and Saint Louis University, I was humbled by the people and educators in these Jesuit institutions. I am happy to have the opportunity to serve at Rockhurst High School in Kansas City. I believe my education in Jesuit schools made me the person I am today, and I am grateful for the opportunity to shape others as an educator. In my year of service, I hope to model the Jesuit values of education in my work and in my life.



Isaac Martel

I graduated from St. Louis University High School in 2015 and studied instrumental music education at Webster University. Jesuit education has been a tradition in my family for two generations. My father, his brothers, my brothers, and I have attended St. Louis University High School. In addition, my father served SLUH as a teacher and coach for 25 years. My career goal is to work as a music and band teacher and I am grateful and excited to start my career through ASC at Regis Jesuit High School! I am an avid music listener, performer, focusing on a drum set being my primary instrument. In my free time, I attend concerts, play video games, and spend time outdoors taking walks or playing ultimate frisbee.



Alexis Medina

I am a graduate of Cristo Rey Kansas City High School and Rockhurst University, where I double-majored in Spanish and sports management. The Jesuits values have had a positive impact on who I am. The two Ignatian values I cherish most are *magis* and *cura personalis*. I love sports, playing video games, learning about people, and experiencing new things. It is only fitting that I receive an opportunity to share my time and experience at Arrupe Jesuit High School in Denver, both a Jesuit school *and* part of the Cristo Rey Network! I look forward to teaching and coaching soccer and baseball!



Alicia Meehan

After graduating from Cor Jesu Academy in my hometown of St. Louis, Missouri, I deliberately sought out a Jesuit university for college; not only for the academic rigor, but also for the opportunity to challenge and enrich my faith. Four years later, I can say with confidence that it was my best decision. As a 2019 graduate of Regis University, with a degree in English and religious studies, I am excited and humbled by the opportunity to use my gifts to serve the students of Regis Jesuit High School. Go Raiders!



Parker Pence

After graduating from St. Louis University High School in 2015, I spread my wings and flew all of six blocks to Saint Louis University to study economics. Over the course of my last four years at SLU, I played on the club hockey team with my brother, discovered a passion for walkability, and was lucky enough to get to travel to some interesting places. While I am a huge fan of St. Louis, I am very excited to be spending the upcoming school year away from home in Denver, Colorado, at Arrupe Jesuit High School. I look forward to teaching English and History classes, assisting with athletics, and possibly some skiing in my free time. Here's to a great year!



John Russell

I am a Rockhurst High School alumnus with a B.S. in mathematics, along with minors in professional education and special education from Xavier University. Over the course of the last eight years, the Jesuit education I received has been very formative. I could not be more excited to serve at De Smet Jesuit High School to give back to Jesuit education. I look forward to teaching mathematics and being involved in a variety of clubs and activities.



Elizabeth Stevinson

I have been a student of Jesuit education for the past eight years and I am excited to share my love of Ignatian Spirituality with the Rockhurst High School community. As a graduate of Creighton University, having earned a bachelor's degree in theology and minored in leadership, I am committed to serving others and strive to extend *cura personalis* whenever possible. I am enthusiastic about the opportunity to teach Intro to Catholicism and hope to inspire others to live their best life for and with others.



Joel Wilper

After graduating from St. Louis University High School in 2015, I went on to study theatre and English at Truman State University. While I learned a lot at Truman, many of the skills the I used to succeed I gained at SLUH from my teachers. I am thrilled to be able to give back to the Jesuit mission in a similar way for students at Regis Jesuit High School.



Ian Wuertz

My time at Regis Jesuit High School introduced me to Jesuit education and Jesuit theology, sparking an undying love of writing and literature. I was fortunate enough to continue my Jesuit education at Seattle University, where I studied creative writing and psychology. During my time at Seattle U, I worked with the Orientation Program, Campus Ministry, and University Recreation to create a more inclusive and vibrant community. I was also able to continue my writing career as an editing intern for an online literature company, as well as publishing my third novel in January 2019. This year, I am excited to be teaching English at St. Louis University High School and grateful for the opportunity to share my love of writing with students.