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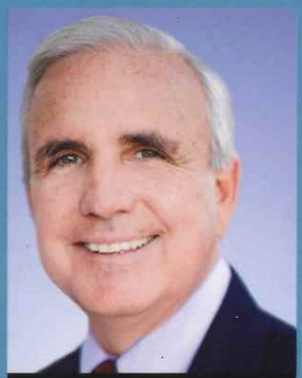
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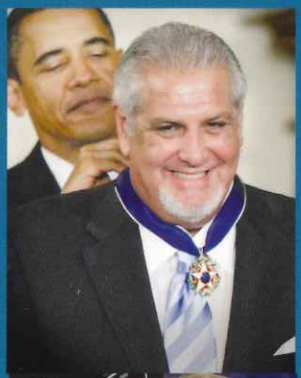
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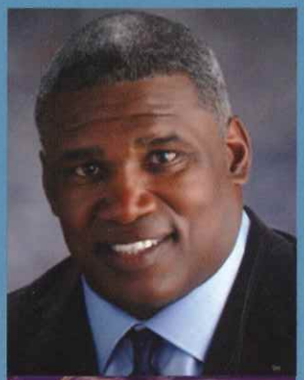
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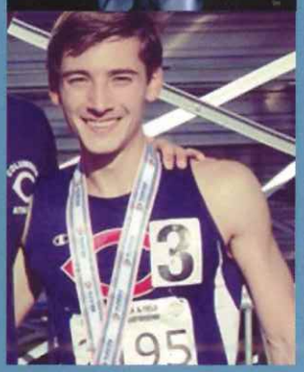




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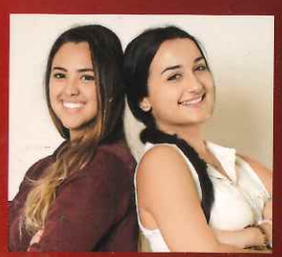


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MILLION DOLLAR GRADS

Class of 2015's accomplishments add up to nearly $152 million in scholarships, and more

Ana Rodriguez Soto - Florida Catholic newspaper

In the Archdiocese of Miami, the class of 2015 is worth a million bucks — actually, a lot more. Graduates of the 13 Catholic high schools in South Florida got nearly $152 million in scholarships to universities in and outside the state this year.

They also donated more than 600,000 service hours to school and community organizations. More than half the members of the class received some type of college scholarship. And nearly a third of the graduates attended Catholic school since kindergarten.

Those are the statistics for the nearly 3,000 students who graduated this year from nine archdiocesan high schools: Archbishop Coleman Carroll, Archbishop Curley Notre Dame, Archbishop Edward McCarthy,Cardinal Gibbons, Immaculata-La Salle, Msgr. Edward Pace, Our Lady of Lourdes, St. Brendan, and St. Thomas Aquinas; as well as four high schools run by religious communities:Belen (Jesuits), Carrollton(Religious of the Sacred Heart) Chaminade-Madonna (Marianists), and Columbus (Marists).

The data-driven stats were compiled from end-of-year surveys sent out by the archdiocesan Department of Schools. Other stats came in the form of honors or accomplishments.

Three members of the class won Silver Knights, and eight more got honorable mentions as a result of their academic excellence and outstanding community service.

A Lourdes Academy graduate claimed a spot among America's Top 10 Youth Volunteers in the Prudential Spirit of Community Awards program.

Columbus' CCNN Live team was crowned the best high school broadcast journalism program in the country as well as the #1 Daily High School News Show in the U.S.

Catholic schools also won state championships ingirls' soccer (St. Thomas Aquinas), baseball(Columbus), boys' basketball (Gibbons) and water polo (Belen).

St. Thomas Aquinas High earned the distinction of having more of its football players drafted by the NFL than any other high school in the nation: Phillip Dorsett (Indianapolis), Rashad Greene (Jacksonville) and Bobby Hart (New York Giants) all played for the top-ranked Raiders before moving on to college.

Zuhayr Pigot, a swimmer from St. Brendan, won the state championship in the 50-yard men's freestyle with the fastest time among all the competitors at the meet.

Catholic schools had 23 athletes make the All-Dade team in their sport and 49 make the All-Broward team; dozens more made the second team or earned honorable mentions.

But the true picture of the class of 2015 encompasses much more than numbers. It is revealed in the discipline and determination that enabled their successes; in the time and service they devoted to the less fortunate; in the financial sacrifices of their parents; and in the youthful enthusiasm that marked their work, their play and their faith.

Class of 2015: This space (and the June edition of the Florida Catholic) is dedicated to you and your achievements, some of which appear in print, most of which do not.

May you never lose faith or hope as you enter the grown-up world.

May the love of God and your families keep you safe and give you strength.

And may you wear your Catholicism as proudly as your school colors wherever life takes you, for you have been entrusted with a mission: to be "disciples in faith and missionaries of hope" in a world sadly lacking both.

Onward then, with faith and courage.

Godspeed and God bless.

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St. Brendan High School senior Zuhayr Pigot was named Male Swimmer of the Year at the Miami Herald's All-Dade Sports Banquet.

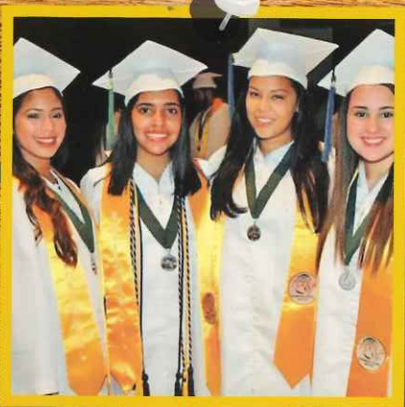
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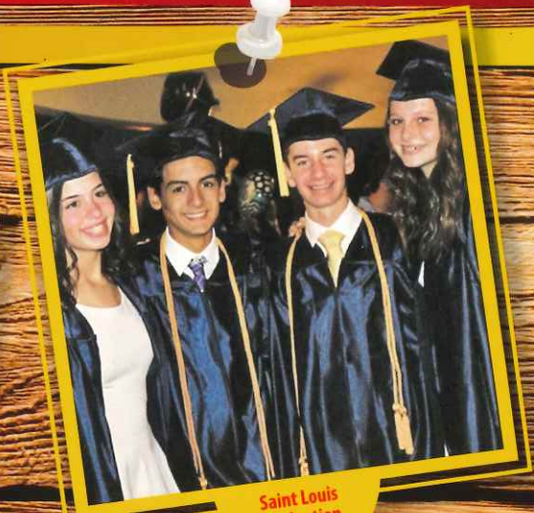
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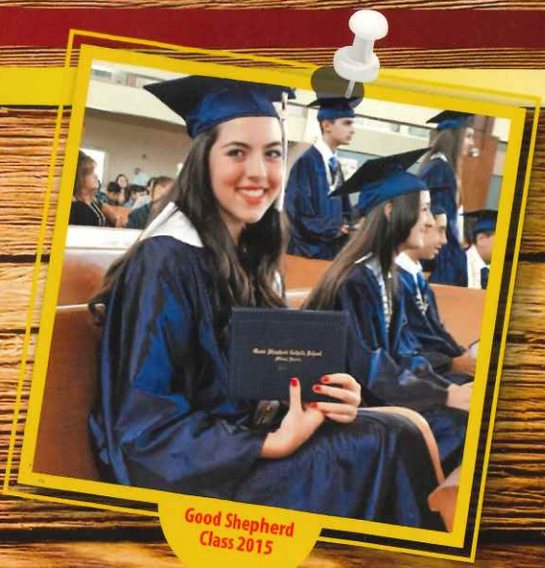
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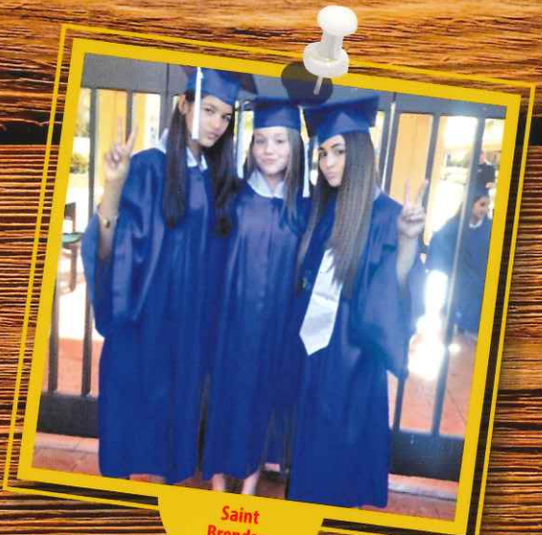
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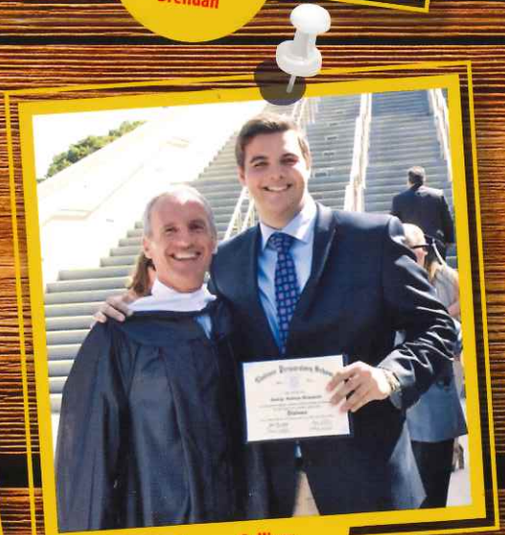
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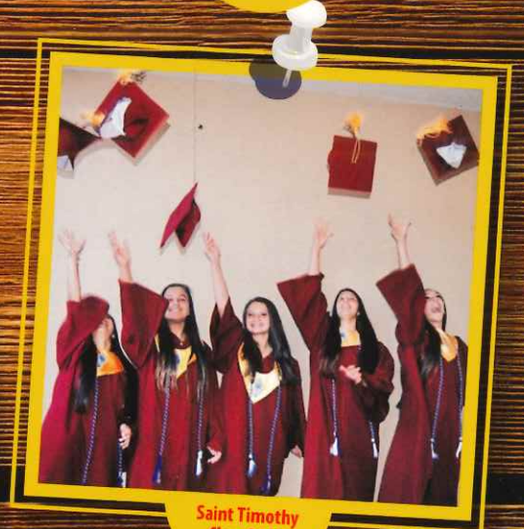
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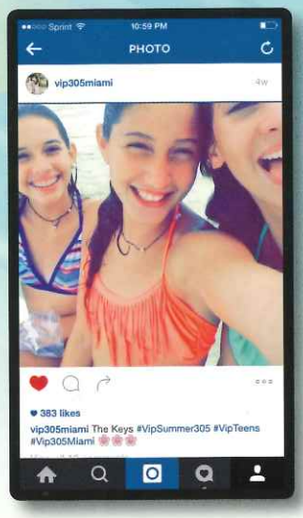

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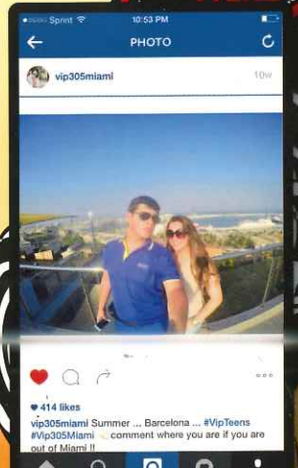
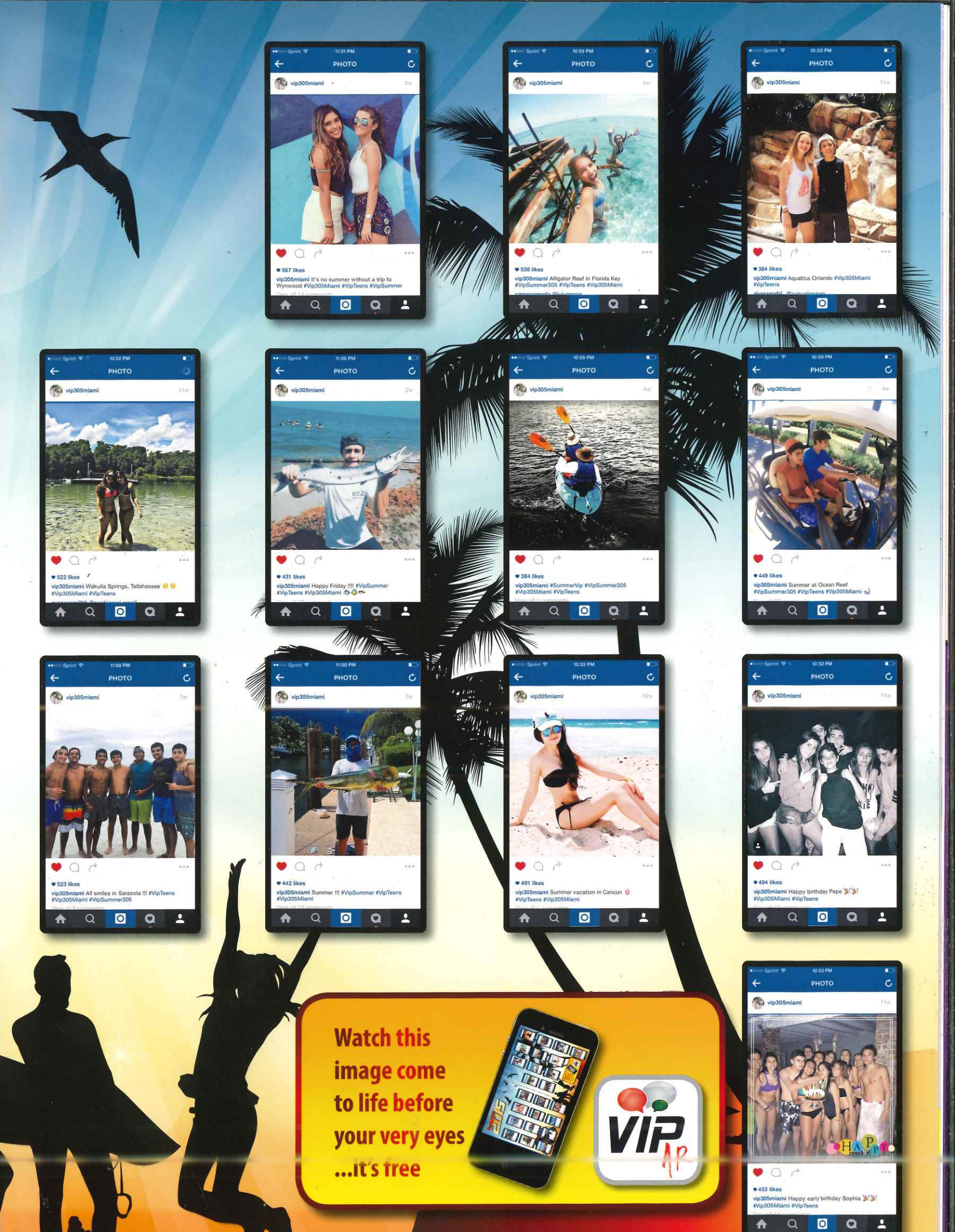

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COLUMBUS News



We are proud to announce that five seniors were name in 2015 National Merit Scholarship Semi-Finalist. Congratulations to the following academically talented young men: Nestor Montejo, Michael Tonarely, William Reis, Brian Fenaughty and Tomas de la Casas. * This is the second consecutive year that CCHS has had more National Merit Scholarship Semi-finalist than any other Miami Dade County Catholic schools.

Congratulations to Daniel Valcarcel and William Wagner!



They are pictured atop of Mt. Phillips, New Mexico holding a Columbus flag. Daniel attained the rank of Eagle Scout this past June and was the trek's crew leader of 10 boys who summited on June 30, 2015.

Also, **Dante Cloutier** was selected to play in the 2015 Brine National Lacrosse Classic held in River City Sportsplex in Virginia.

In June, **Daniel Sanchez-Lopez** and **Pietro Palazolo** represented Columbus at the the Congress of Science and Technology at the University of Massachusetts where 4000 students from the US and other countires participated.

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Una mañana cargada de emociones nos envolvieron entre bailes, cantos, risas y mucha pero mucha alegría.

Eventos como este nos muestran que las mejores cosas de la vida están en los momentos más sencillos pero a la ves mágicos y llenos de amor.

No dejes de preguntar en tu escuela si hay el club de los "Best Buddies" y si lo tienen te invitamos a que te unas a esta experiencia única de compartir con niños especiales.

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St. Brendan Catholic Elementary School

Written by: Ivette Orizondo Gambin





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Sixty years later, over 700 students grace the halls of SBE. Striving to improve the educational, literacy, and scholastic status of students, many innovative programs are offered. Such programs include PK2-8th grade, St. Thomas Aquinas Accelerated Language Arts Program, and the Felix Varela Program for students with special needs.

At the core of SBE's philosophy is to not only enrich the academic and social development of its students, it is to develop a spiritual connection with the fundamentals of our Catholic faith. Mass is held on a weekly basis where the entire school gathers as one. With the guidance of Pastor, Father Heria and Principal, Mrs. Cristina Capote-Alonso, Monsignor O'Donovan's legacy not only continues, it evolves and grows stronger everyday!











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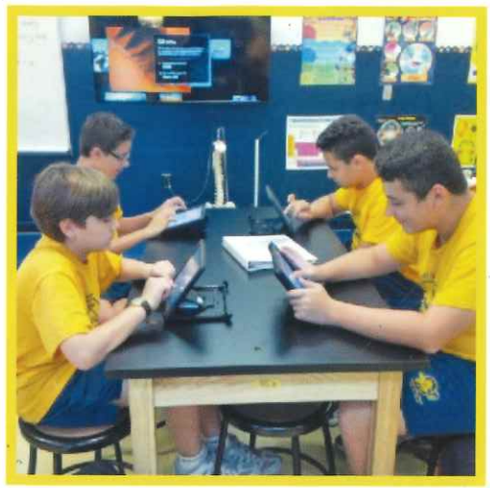


When you enter our school you can feel the love that we all have for each other. "It is a great school with great teachers and I like the fact that the whole school is very close," said Rebecca Garcia, member of choir and the cross country team. "I think it is a great school academically and sports wise," were some exact words from Daniel Ramirez-Vital, a member of the flag football winning team and basketball team. The school principal Mrs. Clara Cabrera has been here at Good Shepherd for five years and knows each student by name, a rare thing for most principals. Mrs. Cabrera has made this school a more enjoyable place by adding more sports and activities that match with each student's personality.

Sports, Arts, and Academics



Good Shepherd has excelled in sports and arts. Our choir has been recognized for outstanding performances at Universal Studios and Walt Disney World. The girls varsity basketball team is back to back champions and is going for their third title this year. Last year, our boys varsity football team brought home the first boys trophy for our school. The varsity cross country team placed top ten last year and our runners are always winning medals and other awards that bring Good Shepherd honor. Good Shepherd is also known for its participation in various academic competitions such as the Academic Olympics, Geography Bee, and Spelling Bee. Last year our students brought back medals for excellence in science,



Technology

Our thirst for knowledge and success has steered us towards implementing the latest technology. A year ago we started using iPads for the middle school students, and it has been quite a success. All assignments and tests can now be completed through the iPad making learning more enjoyable. Also, the Apple TV used in each class makes it easier for teachers to show videos and include interactive lessons that help their students. Student Nicholas Osorio-Parra stated, "the iPad helps me by not carrying so many books and now I don't forget so many books at home so there are less low grades on my report card." On the iPads, students get to make movies, learn new prayers, create flash cards that make studying easier, and organize assignments with the greatest of ease. Good Shepherd is also bringing its daily morning announcements to the 21st century. Every morning, students broadcast school news live from our library. We are working on a new journalism studio in the media center and will become one of the few schools in the county to include one. Good Shepherd is truly going places that it has never gone before!



By: Gabriela Ruiz

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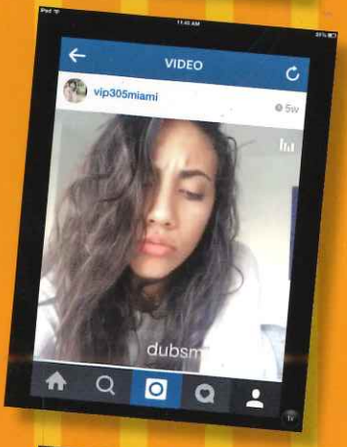
















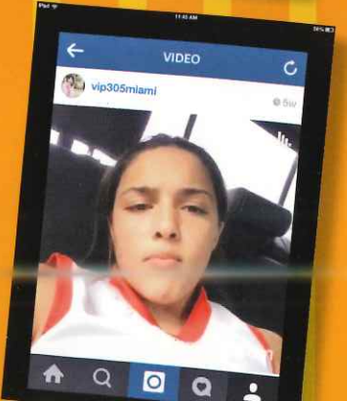














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Social Media optimization

- Social Media Setup (Facebook, Twitter, Tumblr, Pinterest, Instagram)
- Develop Fan Page
- Daily Updates/5 days week
- Feeds Social Networking Sites

Branding

- Business strategy
- Image creation

Events and activities

- Give your business the right exposure by attending our monthly events
- Participate with your company banners, brochures, or any other promotional items

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Animation Reality

- Allows your products to jump of the page while enhancing print with interactive menus, video or 3D content to add a new dimension to the customer experience.

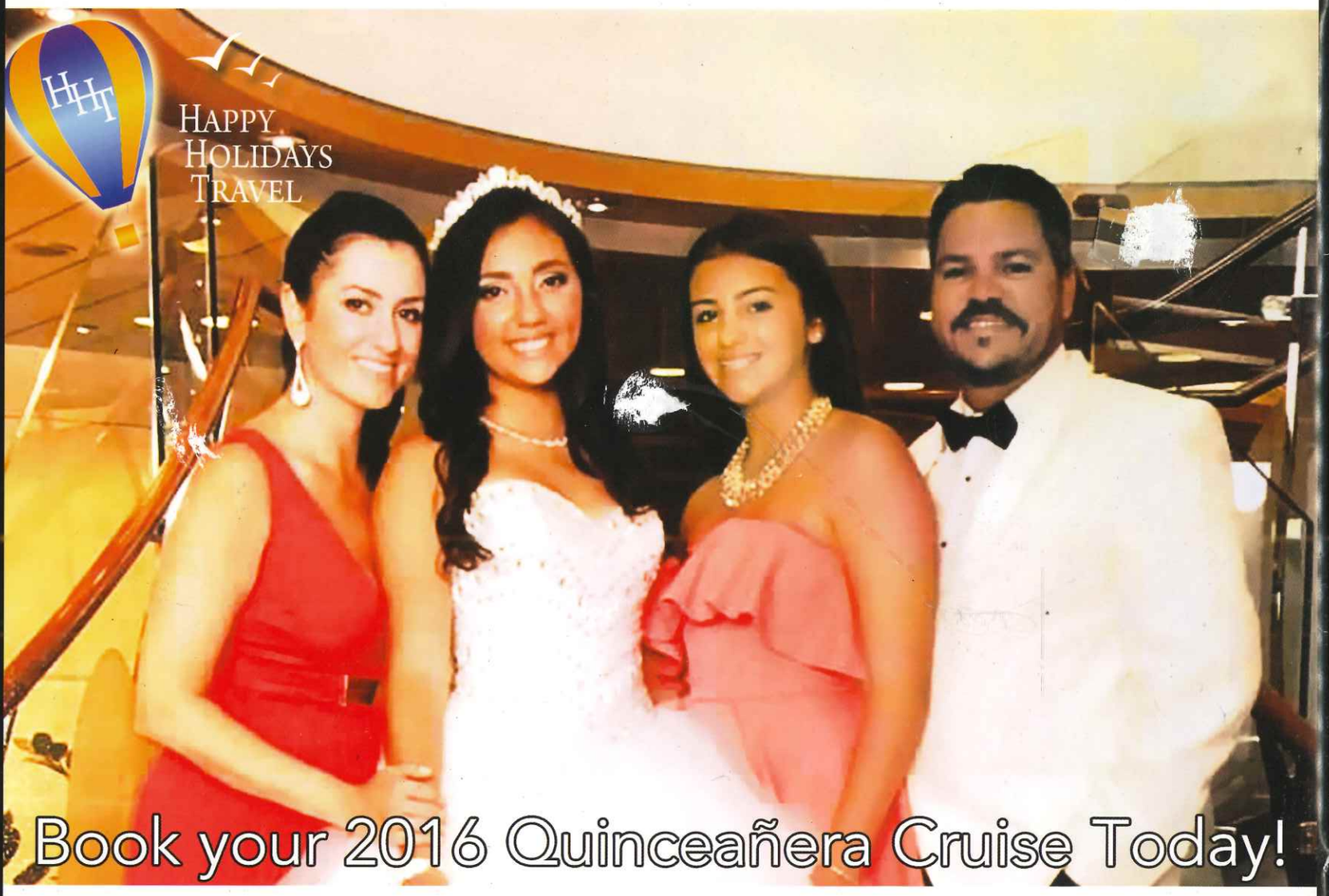
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