



# WOLFEPACK

## WEEKLY

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AUGUST 11, 2023

## WELCOME BACK STUDENTS

TO THE 2023-2024  
SCHOOL YEAR

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## WOLVES ATHLETICS

FALL SPORTS  
BEGIN THIS WEEK

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## CASINO NIGHT

SAVE THE DATE  
SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

The mission of Saint Francis Catholic Academy is to inspire all students to **Serve** others, to preach the gospel through our Catholic **Faith**, to live a life of **Charity** as God's instruments, and to seek understanding through **Academic** excellence in the tradition of St. Francis.

# MARK YOUR CALENDAR



## WELCOME BACK STUDENTS

### THIS WEEKS SCHEDULE

**MONDAY, AUGUST 14**

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 15**

All School Liturgy  
Feast of the Assumption  
10:37am  
*MASS UNIFORM*

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16**

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 17**

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 18**  
Freshmen Retreat

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 19**

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 20**

### SAVE THE DATE

**AUGUST 22**

Meet the Teacher  
6:00pm

**AUGUST 26**

SAT @ SFCA  
7:00am

**AUGUST 30**

SWI School Pictures  
for Underclassmen  
[CLICK FOR FORM](#)

**SEPTEMBER 1**

No School

**SEPTEMBER 4**

No School

**SEPTEMBER 18**

Early Dismissal  
12:18pm

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dear SFCA Families,  
I wanted to take this opportunity to make you aware of a situation we are facing at SFCA. We are in search of a new bus driver to transport our athletic teams to away games. This seems to be a problem many schools are currently experiencing. I have had conversations with many schools in our area and our diocese about the shortage of qualified bus drivers.

A lack of bus drivers may necessitate that we ask parents to transport our student athletes to away games in our general area (Alachua and surrounding counties). We are looking into alternative solutions, but without qualified drivers, we may be forced to cancel some away games that are out of our general area.

We will continue to search for a qualified bus driver to assist with transportation needs. I would like to reach out to our SFCA Community as well. If any SFCA parents possess a CDL (Bus license) or would be interested in acquiring one to assist with our needs, the school would be willing to pay for the CDL, provide an initial bonus for becoming certified, and would compensate for time spent driving teams to away games.

In addition, if any of you know someone that has a CDL and would be interested in helping, Mr. Acosta would be eager to speak with them.

If interested, you can contact me at [jkerkau@sfcawolves.org](mailto:jkerkau@sfcawolves.org) or Mr. Acosta at [jacosta@sfcawolves.org](mailto:jacosta@sfcawolves.org). You can also call the school at 352-376-6545

Sincerely,  
Josh Kerkau  
SFCA Athletic Director



### DECA AT SFCA

This year we are starting a DECA chapter (Distributive Education Clubs of America) at Saint Francis. DECA prepares emerging leaders and entrepreneurs for careers in marketing, finance, hospitality and management in high schools and colleges around the globe.

[CLICK HERE](#) to learn more about DECA. For additional questions contact Mrs. Geiser at [geiser@sfcawolves.org](mailto:geiser@sfcawolves.org).





# SFCA ATHLETICS



## SPORTS CALENDAR

MONDAY, AUGUST 14

TUESDAY, AUGUST 15

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16

Swim Meet  
NE Pool  
5:30pm

THURSDAY, AUGUST 17

FRIDAY, AUGUST 18  
Football vs Franklin County  
Kickoff Classic  
7:00pm

SATURDAY, AUGUST 19

**Bold indicates home game**



**GOFAN** will be the official online ticketing partner for Saint Francis Athletics this year. All tickets must be purchased online through GOFAN. Cash sales will not be accepted. [CLICK HERE](#) to purchase tickets to SFCA Home Games.

## BOOSTER CLUB

This year we are going to be initiating a pair of fund-raising initiatives for the athletic department. The first is the SFCA Athletic Booster Club. We are offering three levels of membership with varied perks. We will be including additional surprise perks for our Boosters throughout the year. Having the booster pass will grant admission for two people to all home SFCA athletic contests. It will eliminate the need for you to purchase tickets on GoFan and pay the additional service fee.

We will have reserved parking at all home contests for booster club members. For the \$750 level we will also include a subscription to the NFHS Network where all our volleyball, basketball, football, and soccer games are streamed. This membership can be used by family or friends that live out of town and could not otherwise watch our student athletes compete.

All proceeds from the Booster Club Program will go directly to supporting our SFCA teams. We will be expanding this program in the future and offering renewal discounts in following school years.

[CLICK HERE](#) to become an SFCA Booster Club Member. [CLICK HERE](#) to pay for your membership.

Email Mr. Kerkau at [jkerkau@sfcawolves.org](mailto:jkerkau@sfcawolves.org) with any additional questions.



## SPONSORSHIP

Before we open up sponsorship opportunities to outside businesses in our area, we wanted to present this information to members of our SFCA community that have businesses or work at places that would be interested in sponsoring SFCA Athletics.

If you or your company are going to invest in our athletics programs, we want to give you something in return. We are offering sponsorship levels that give your business various advertising and recognition opportunities at our school.

In addition to sponsorship packages, we are also offering opportunities for businesses to purchase naming rights to our various facilities on campus. These naming rights would be for a two year period. We would have signage designating the name of the facility and it would also be called by that name on any social media referring to events at that facility. Once an agreement has been reached, we will present the facility name to the Diocese for approval and then begin using the name on the facility.

[CLICK HERE](#) to become a SFCA Business Sponsor. This form will provide us with information needed

for the banner and scripts for PA announcers.

[CLICK HERE](#) to pay for the your sponsorship package online. If you would like to pay via check, please make checks payable to Saint Francis Catholic Academy designated Wolves Athletics.

Email Mr. Kerkau at [jkerkau@sfcawolves.org](mailto:jkerkau@sfcawolves.org) with any additional questions.





# PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS

Lord make me an instrument of your peace

Where there is hatred let me sow love

Where there is injury, pardon

Where there is doubt, faith

Where there is despair, hope

Where there is darkness, light

And where there is sadness, joy

O divine master grant that I may  
not so much seek to be consoled as to console  
to be understood as to understand

To be loved as to love

For it is in giving that we receive  
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned  
And it's in dying that we are born to eternal life

Amen

