



Event Schedule

May 19-21, 2023

Unless otherwise noted, all events are open to both the visiting parent/s and their student.



11:00 - 11:45 am | Classroom M (155 W. Grand Ave., Escondido)

Friday Mass

12 noon | Student Life Center (200 W. Grand Ave., Escondido)

Arrival & Check-in

3:30 pm, 5:30 pm | Meet at 155 Main Entrance

Tours of Future Creative Arts Academic Complex

Renovations will begin soon on this property, and these 15-minute tours will give you a chance to go inside the building and see how it will be utilized. Please sign up for a specific time slot when you arrive for Parents Weekend, and meet at the Pieta at your tour time.

4:00 - 5:30 pm | Student Life Center

Opening Prayer + Wine & Cheese Reception

Enjoy networking and conversation at this reception exclusively for the parents.

5:30 - 7:00 pm

Break for Dinner

Browse the many local restaurants on Grand Ave!

7:00 - 9:00 pm | Student Life Center

Trivia Night & JPII Birthday Celebration

This casual Trivia Night is a fun opportunity to test your knowledge on categories like movies, famous parents, school spirit, and Pope John Paul II. You can form teams yourself (6 people max), or simply show up and we will help you join a team. Cake and ice cream provided, and there will be prizes for the winning teams!

7:00 - 9:00 pm | Classroom M

Movie Night & Popcorn

Enjoy a screening of some faculty short films, including "The Scar" by Profs. George and Melinda Simon, and "No Time Off For Good Behavior" by Prof. Chris Riley.



8:30 - 10:00 am | Way Up Trail (8818 Harmony Grove Rd., Escondido)

Frassati Club: Hike at Elfin Forest

Join the Frassati Hiking Club on this short hike (2.2. miles and 524 ft. elevation gain) for some great views of north county San Diego. Meet at 8:30am at the trailhead, where the hike will begin with a short prayer. We will take the Way Up Trail to Harmony Grove Overlook, and the estimated hiking time is 1h15m. Please bring water. *View on AllTrails*

9:00 - 10:30 am | Student Life Center

Art Club: Painting Workshop

Join the Art Club for a casual painting tutorial. All skill levels are welcome, and coffee and cocoa will be served.

11:00 am, 11:30 am | Meet at 155 Main Entrance

Tours of Future Creative Arts Academic Complex

Please sign up for a time slot when you arrive for Parents Weekend.

If you are arriving on Saturday, please check-in 15 minutes before lunch.

12:00 - 1:00 pm | Student Life Center

Lunch Provided

12:30 - 1:00 pm | Student Life Center

President's Welcome

Dr. Derry Connolly will welcome families and address the current state and future of JPCatholic

1:00 - 2:00 pm | Various Locations

Academic Breakouts

Each department chair will host informative breakout sessions for their program areas.

2:00 - 4:00 pm

Free time to spend with your student

2:00 pm | Meet at 155 Main Entrance

Tours of Future Creative Arts Academic Complex

Please sign up for a specific time slot when you arrive for Parents Weekend.

4:00 - 4:45 pm | Classroom M

Vigil Mass

6:00 - 9:00 pm | Vintana Wine & Dine (1205 Auto Park Way, Escondido)

Scholarship Gala

This fundraising event celebrates student musical talents while benefiting Student Scholarships.

Tickets must be purchased in advance at www.jpcatholic.edu/go/gala



11:00 am - 12:00 pm | Classroom M

Sunday Mass

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm | Student Life Center

Farewell Coffee and Doughnuts

Stay after Mass for coffee, pastries, and a final opportunity to mingle with other students and families.

10:00 am - 6:00 pm

Optional Activity: Grand Avenue Festival

This free annual street festival in downtown Escondido includes live music, a beer & wine garden, and Art in the Garden. Shop from hundreds of vendors including unique hand-crafted gifts and imports, and international cuisine.

6:00 am - 6:00 pm

Optional Activity: Temecula Valley Balloon & Wine Festival

The annual festival, located 40-miles north of Escondido, features morning balloon launches, evening balloon glows, wine tasting from more than 20 wineries, wine competition, food and wine pairing, concerts, and more. For tickets visit www.tvbwf.com

Please note: Schedule is subject to change