

# The Wave

eNewsletter

## Editor's Note

Dear St. Edward Community,

As we forge ahead through the school year, we have been met with nothing but progress and success!

With your support, our student athletes competed in fall athletics and advanced in their respective sports at sectionals. We hosted virtual tours for prospective students and their families, too.

We continue to do what we have always done, albeit somewhat differently in certain circumstances.

Here, in this "Reimagined School Days" issue, you can read about how we continue to champion this new normal and ask that you celebrate along side us on these small victories.

As always, I look forward to you sharing your thoughts and ideas with me about what you would like to see in future issues at [editor@stedhs.org](mailto:editor@stedhs.org).

Sincerely,

**Michelle Kaufman '86**  
Editor-in-Chief

## Happenings 'Round the Halls



### Development of Enrollment Management Team

As we progress with the 2020-21 school year, amid the many challenges presented by COVID-19, administration has made a preemptive move forward with the development of an Enrollment

Management team.

The team is comprised of five faculty members, two administrative staff and two “student-at-large” members. All have diverse backgrounds and interests to help create synergy and encourage collaboration and idea sharing.

As a student centered, metrics based, technology driven team, they are committed to working in conjunction with our student body, faculty, staff and external partners to ensure strategic alignment with our school mission, vision, values, strategy and goals surrounding enrollment planning, academic planning and student success.

**Team Members:** Miss Aimee Adams, Mr. Jason Briski, **Mrs. Michelle Kaufman '86**, Mr. David Sanders, Mrs. Megan Schmidt, Ms. Penny Siewert, Mr. Brian Tekampe.

**Student-at-Large Members:** Nathan Daehn '21 and Jase Leonard '21.

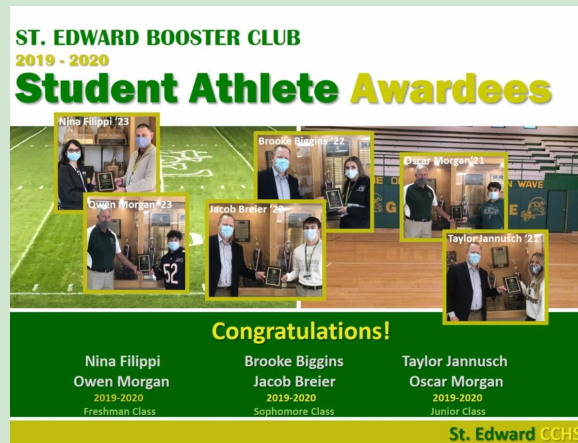
## Athletic Excellence

### 2019-20 Student Athlete Awardees

**St. Edward Booster Club** announced their 2019-20 Student Athlete awardees. Student athletes must have participated in at least one sport and have a cumulative GPA of 3.25 or higher to apply for this award.

Congratulations to our 2019-20 school year underclass awardees, pictured with presenters Mike Ellsworth, Frank Celarek, and Brian Tekampe. Junior class: **Taylor Jannusch '21** and **Oscar Morgan '21**. Sophomore class: **Brooke Biggins '22** and **Jacob Breier '22**. Freshman class: **Nina Filippi '23** and **Owen Morgan '23**.

View individual photos on [Facebook](#).



**Liam Pomeroy '21**, **Madison Schueler '21**, **Sammy Shepherd '21**, **Grace Vitek '21**. Current juniors; **Max Kaufman '22**, **Delaney Lutzow '22**, **Delaney Nolan '22**, **Madeline Pogorzelski '22**, **Sophia Scheider '22**, **Kyle West '22**. Current sophomores; **Michael Cozzi '23**, **Emmanuel Esquibias '23**, **Maxwell Holland '23**, **Drew Pemberton '23**, **Luciano Rolando '23**, **Thomas Walla '23**.

View individual photos on [Facebook](#).

### 2019-20 Three Sport Athlete Awardees

**St. Edward Booster Club** announced their 2019-20 Three Sport Athlete awardees. Athletes must have participated in three sports during the 2019-2020 school year to receive this award.

Congratulations to our 2019-20 school year underclass awardees, pictured with presenters Mike Ellsworth and Frank Celarek. Current seniors; **Ariann Franco '21**, **Edgar Menendez '21**, **Josh Nordan '21**,

## In the Sports Spotlight



## Happy Fall Sports Y'all Boys and Girls Golf

Congratulations to **Evan Sperling '24**, **Charlie McQueeney '22** and **Ivy Burnett '23** for bringing their "A" games at their respective regional and sectional matches.

At the 1A Boys Golf regionals hosted at Byron High School, Evan shot an 81 and Charlie shot an 82. Evan and Charlie advanced to sectionals hosted at St. Bede Academy in Peru, IL. At sectionals, both finished in the middle of the pack with Charlie placing 42nd and Evan 45th.

At the 1A Girls Golf regionals, Ivy shot a 90 and advanced to sectionals hosted at Seneca High School in Seneca, IL. At sectionals, Ivy shot 111 and placed 56th. Congratulations, all!



## Trying Something New



Click here to view: [Virtual "8th Grade Visit Day" Tour](#)

### Virtual "8th Grade Visit Day" Tour

We were excited to host our first-ever, virtual "8<sup>th</sup> Grade Visit Day" at St. Edward CCHS on Friday, Oct. 23. Take a few minutes to virtually walk along our school hallways, meet our teachers and learn all about different classes, clubs and activities, and athletics programs available to prospective students.

Use your mouse to click your way up and down our hallways. Make sure to click on all the "GREEN" and "GOLD" bubbles as you move along on your self-guided tour.

And, don't miss the **Green Wave Fight Song** sing-along – we've included the lyrics – just click on the "GREEN" bubble located in the Fr. Edward Seisser Large Gymnasium.

Enjoy your visit with us!

[Start Tour](#)

## Join Our **St. Edward CCHS** Team

### We Are Hiring!

Are you interested in joining our **St. Edward CCHS** team? We have the following positions open for the 2020-21 school year:

#### Full-time Faculty, Staff Positions

- **Technology Integration Specialist:** view [job description](#). [APPLY](#)

Individuals applying for open positions or submitting resumes for future consideration must apply through the Catholic Diocese of Rockford's Frontline website, or by clicking the 'APPLY' link.

For general questions regarding open faculty or staff positions, contact Brian Tekampe, Principal/Superintendent, at [btekampe@stedhs.org](mailto:btekampe@stedhs.org) or AnnMarie Woj-Dufelmeier '98, Assistant Principal, at [adufelmeier@stedhs.org](mailto:adufelmeier@stedhs.org).

#### Athletics Positions

- Boys Track Coach
- Girls Track Coach
- Boys Assistant Volleyball Coach
- Girls Freshman Volleyball Coach
- Girls Junior Varsity Volleyball Coach

Individuals applying for open athletics positions or submitting resumes for future consideration must apply to PJ White, Athletics Director, at [athletics@stedhs.org](mailto:athletics@stedhs.org) with a letter of introduction and resume.

## The Alumni Corner

### The Alumni Corner Alumni Updates, News and More

**St. Edward CCHS alumni**, we are interested in hearing from you! Share with us all the latest news on college graduations, new jobs, extended trips, marriages, and births of future Green Wave! Don't forget to include photos with your alumni updates.

**Isadore "Izzy" Nottolini ('17)** has returned to the University of Central Florida to continue his studies in biomedical science. In December 2019, Izzy suffered life-changing injuries during a winter break ski trip to Colorado. Prayers from the St. Edward community for his continued health and recovery are greatly appreciated.

*A full-length, inspirational story on Izzy will be published in the November 2020 issue of The Wave eNewsletter.*

**Gerald "Tex" Hoffmann ('65)**, pictured right, holds the new "Alumni of the Year" plaque listing all honorees of years past which will be displayed in a place of honor at St. Edward CCHS. Tex and his wife, **Mary Kae (Weidner) Hoffmann '65** were honored as "Co-Alumni of the Year" recipients in 1998.

Alumni from the **Class of 1981** would like to know if anyone is interested in planning a 40th reunion for classmates. If interested, please email [alumni@stedhs.org](mailto:alumni@stedhs.org).

Do you have alumni updates, reunion news, photos and other info to share?  
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Isadore "Izzy" Nottolini '17  
returns to UCF.



Gerald "Tex" Hoffmann '65 with  
"Alumni of the Year" plaque.

## Jersey Pre-Sale Ends Nov. 13!



Pictured, from left, are: (back row) Mr. Richard Drake, Olek Drobek '21, Will Diamond '22, Tyler Zemko '21, Trey Holly, Alex Burton '20, Ian Diamond '20, Chase Brieger '20 (front row) Jaden Delort '22, Anthony O'Connor '21, Salvatore Bullaro '21.

The success and enthusiasm behind last year's "Hockey Day Classic" demanded it expand into an annual event that is now open to both St. Edward student-athletes and alumni.

In keeping with COVID-19 guidelines, tentative plans are being made to host a "Hockey Day Classic" at Canlan Ice Sports, formerly The Leafs Ice Centre in West Dundee, during Christmas break with a date to be announced in the coming weeks.

Hockey jersey pre-sales are going on now through Friday, November 13. Proceeds from these sales will help fund ice rental for this event. Adult jersey sizes S – 4XL are available. [ORDER](#) your hockey jersey today!

Any current student, incoming student or alumnus who has previous hockey experience and is interested in representing St. Edward CCHS on the ice in this year's Classic can email Richard Drake, St. Edward faculty member, at [rdrake@stedhs.org](mailto:rdrake@stedhs.org).

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## In Memoriam

### Rest in Peace

**St. Edward CCHS** mourns the loss of these revered alumni. Here, in this edition, we honor our fellow Green Wave who have passed.

[Mary Jo \(Jaskula\) Waxler](#)  
**Class of 1967**

Departed this life on August 1, 2020

[Richard Kubiak](#)  
**Class of 1952**

Departed this life on August 17, 2020

[Michael Nease](#)  
**Class of 1967**

Departed this life on October 3, 2020

If you wish to submit information on an alumna or alumnus who has passed, email [editor@stedhs.org](mailto:editor@stedhs.org).



*In Memoriam*



## Gifting A Green Wave Education





Dear Alumni and Friends,

Now more than ever, St. Edward Central Catholic High School students need you and your support. Amidst a national pandemic and after many weeks of meticulous planning by the school's reopening team, classes at St. Edward began on August 18, 2020. The school, considering recommendations and guidelines from the Illinois State Board of Education, the Illinois Department of Public Health, and the Diocese of Rockford successfully reopened by implementing a hybrid learning plan.

This has been a challenging year for all of us, including our students and their families. Many school families have needed additional financial assistance from the school to cover tuition due to their family's economic burdens resulting from COVID-19. We remain committed to all our St. Edward students, but we need your help.

**Now more than ever, we need your financial support.** Please [donate now](#) to make a difference in the life of one of our students. No matter how big or small, your financial commitment will help us meet the challenges we face for a more prosperous tomorrow. Know that your donation will have an immediate impact.

If 2020 has taught us anything, it is the need to search for the hidden blessings in our lives and that our faith, family, and friends are more important than ever. As **Rachel Martini, Class of 2020 Co-Salutatorian**, reminded us in her graduation speech, "We must seek out the hidden blessings in our life." Now, more than ever, find and rejoice in all the hidden blessings in your life.

Blessings,

Brian Tekampe

Principal/Superintendent

AnnMarie Woj-Dufelmeier

Assistant Principal

*You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.*

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**Now more than ever, we need your financial support.** Please help make a difference.

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## St. Edward **Booster Club** News

### Pot of Gold 2020

The [St. Edward Booster Club](#) will hold their annual fall fundraiser, Pot of Gold, virtually on **Friday, November 6** by live broadcast.

This not-for-profit organization provides support to St. Edward athletic programs and student-

# POT OF GOLD 2020

**SAVE THE DATE!**

Friday, November 6<sup>th</sup>

**\$4,000**

**GRAND PRIZE!**

**REVERSE RAFFLE**

**Virtual Live Broadcast**



St. Edward CCHS

athletes through equipment and uniform needs.

Pot of Gold question? Email: [communication@stedsboosterclub.com](mailto:communication@stedsboosterclub.com)

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## Mark Your Calendar



SCHOOL CALENDAR

### Upcoming Events

- November 6: Booster Club [Virtual Pot of Gold](#)
- November 8: Virtual Open House
- November 12: Virtual Parent-Teacher Conferences
- November 25-27: Thanksgiving Break
- December 5: Incoming [Freshman Placement Exam](#)
- December 16-18: Semester 1 Exams
- December 21 - Jan 1: Christmas Break

All dates listed are tentative and may be rescheduled at the discretion of school administration.

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