

Bourgade Catholic High School



Club and Activity Guide
2008-09

Student Council

The Student Council is a group of 35 elected and appointed students, which promotes the goals of leadership, citizenship, scholarship, human relations and cultural values. The purpose of the Council is to encourage student participation in school government and to give the student body a representative voice to the administration.

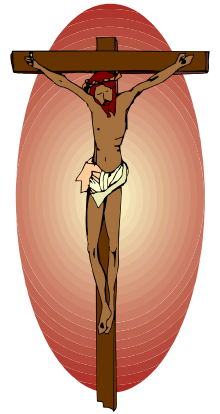


This representative group is responsible for planning and organizing Spirit Weeks, Pep Rallies and assemblies, running charity drives, Town Hall and school dances. They are the heart of the student activity program. BCHS Student Council has earned the distinction of Arizona Association of Student councils Outstanding Student Council Awards continuously since 1986. We are the only private high school in the state to hold this distinction!

Elections are held in the spring for sophomore, junior, and senior class officers and the Executive Boards. In the fall, each class appoints 3 class senators. Elections for the freshmen class are held after the First Quarter report cards are posted.

Active Bourgade Christians -- ABC

ABC is a student organization, which strives to support the Bourgade Catholic community as spiritually centered Christians through works of justice and mercy. ABC students witness to their faith by helping with our school liturgies, as Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, and musicians. ABC club members coordinate our campus food and clothing drives, they volunteer at the St. Vincent de Paul dining room twice a month, as well as help with the Mexico Mission trip and our adopted child from Nuestros Pequeños Hermanos. Every other year, ABC sponsors a benefit concert for Play Pumps International, helping to fund water wells for countries in sub-Saharan Africa. ABC is a group of living witnesses to the love that Jesus shared.



National Honor Society

The National Honor Society recognizes and encourages academic achievement. The purpose of this organization is to create enthusiasm for scholarship, to stimulate a desire to render service, to promote leadership, and to develop character in the students of secondary schools.

To be considered for membership in NHS, a student must be at least a sophomore and must have been in the school for at least one semester. Students must have a GPA of 3.2 or better; demonstrate leadership, and completed service to others. Twice a year a committee of teachers will review applications. NHS promotes school spirit with student dances, and service projects as well as a reception for all Honor Roll students.



Mu Alpha Theta

Mu Alpha Theta is a national organization promoting excellence in mathematics. To be inducted into the national organization, students must have completed 5 semesters of honors mathematics with a grade of B or better and have performed at least 20 hours of tutoring service to the school prior to induction. At Bourgade Catholic, students in the honors math classes may join as Associate Members beginning in their freshman year. Associate Members may participate in all meetings and activities of the Bourgade Chapter. The Bourgade Savant Chapter of Mu Alpha Theta was chartered in 1996.

National Art Honor Society

National Art Honor Society inspires and recognizes students in grades 10-12 who have shown outstanding ability in art. To be admitted as a member of **NAHS**, a student must have completed a minimum of 1 semester of art at Bourgade Catholic, and have a minimum art scholarship average of B. **NAHS** members coordinate art displays throughout the school year, participate in art exhibits, act as liaisons and judges for the visual art section of the annual Fine Arts Festival, sponsor various art activities, curate the art at Bourgade's annual Art and Architecture Exhibit, contribute to art by designing and painting works such as the Eagles in the Gym and the wrestling room, and host the annual Soup and Bread Dinner and the pottery workshops for students and parents. Members also participate in Art Walks sponsored by the Scottsdale art galleries.



National Spanish Honor Society



Sociedad Honoraria Hispánica, The purpose of the Society is to recognize high achievement in Spanish by students of secondary schools and to promote continuity of interest in Hispanic studies. A regularly enrolled student of a secondary school who has maintained an honor average in the study of Spanish for at least three semesters in grades 10-12 is eligible for membership in the Society. The student must be enrolled in the study of the language at the time of initiation.

International Thespian Society

The International Thespian Society is a non-profit honorary organization for high school theater students. The society is committed to the advancement of educational theater, sponsors Thespian festivals, produces educational material, and provides college scholarship opportunities for high school Thespians. Bourgade Thespian Troupe 3211 has had the distinction of being an Arizona Honor Troupe for many years.



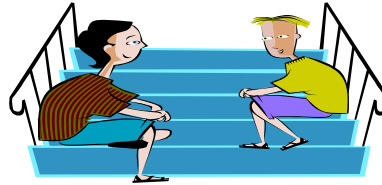
Drama Club



The Drama Club is open to all students interested in any aspects of theater, speech, or theater arts. Yearly activities include the Fall Teacher Talent Show, the Fall play, the student-directed one-act play, the Spring musical and the Spring Student Talent Show. Members attend various conferences, camps, plays, and work closely with their buddy troupes throughout the year. Members can earn points toward becoming inducted into the International Thespian Society and also have the opportunity to earn a letter and graduate with honors.

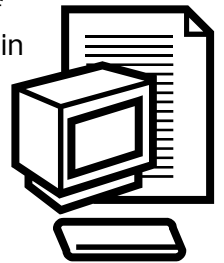
Peer Helpers

In order to meet the needs of all students, the counseling department has a Peer Helpers group composed of selected and trained students. The aim of the group is to be available for those students who are in need of counsel and may feel more comfortable talking with a peer helper. Various staff members and other peer helpers must recommend peer Helpers. They must attend a summer training retreat. This group is open to Juniors and Seniors; applications are available in the Spring.



Yearbook

The Yearbook, a pictorial presentation of the school happenings for an entire year, is one of the school's journalistic endeavors. This one credit course is designed to induce excellence in yearbook objectives: design, copy, layout, and photography. The yearbook is done digitally utilizing computers and digital cameras. Membership to the Yearbook staff is by application, subject to approval of the advisor, and is open to all grade levels.



Eagle's Eyrie

Journalism is a one-year elective course for freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors. This is a writing course as well as a newspaper laboratory, which produces eight issues per year of The Eagle's Eyrie, the school newspaper. Students write news; features; editorials and commentaries, reviews of movies, music and restaurants; and sports. Students prepare the final layout on the computer using industry-standard software. Students learn the ethical and legal standards of professional journalism and are expected to adhere to those standards. The Eagles Eyre has won awards from the American Scholastic Press Association, Quill & Scroll International Honorary Society for High School Journalists, National Association of Press Women, Arizona Latino Media Association, National Scholastic Press Association, and the Arizona Newspapers Foundation.

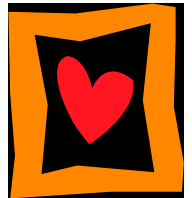


Journalism Club

Bourgade's Journalism Club provides a vehicle for potential student journalists who may elect to submit their articles to the student newspaper, The Eagle's Eyrie. All members will study ethical journalism practices, will partake in writing sessions, will write at least one potentially publishable article per quarter, and will secure at least one appropriate newspaper advertisement per semester. This is a "writing club" as well as a newspaper laboratory, and those interested in joining The Eagle's Eyrie staff next year are encouraged to join. This is an opportunity to find out if journalism is for you.

Blood Drive

Four times each year, the Bourgade Catholic High School community gives the gift of life by donating blood through United Blood Services drives. Donors include students, faculty, staff, parents, alumni and friends of Bourgade. Throughout the years, Bourgade Catholic High School has consistently been an award winning school in the state of Arizona for the number of pints of blood donated and for the level of student participation in these events. These awards have included on the field introductions in the pre-game show for the Arizona Diamondbacks and use of the pool and a party suite at Chase Field for the Banner night game.



ROOTS and SHOOTS



Roots and Shoots is open to all students who are concerned about the environment. The club has established a recycling program on campus and has been a model program for other schools throughout the state in the past. Roots and Shoots maintains an Adopt-A-Highway mile; collects cans, bottles, and paper for recycling on a weekly basis; and embarks on several environmentally inspired field trips. The club is very active and does require a passion for "green" stewardship.

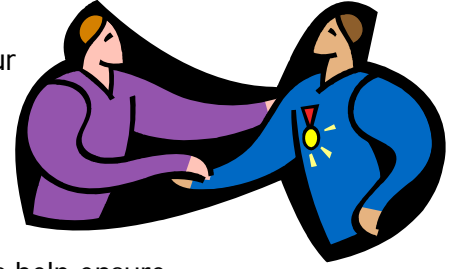
Key Club

Key Club is an international student-led service organization. We have members everywhere from Canada to Jamaica. Our focus is service and leadership development. Club projects include everything from volunteering at school to accompanying disabled children at the Arizona State Fair. During the year there is ample opportunity for leadership training as well. Key Leader, now to be held in Arizona, and Weekend of a Lifetime, at Kamp Kiwanis in New Mexico, are just a few of the different leadership seminars that are offered. And don't forget about District Convention where 500 Key Clubbers rally together to elect the new Executive Board and celebrate all things Key Club.



Student Ambassadors

We all have a duty to spread the word about Bourgade Catholic High School, but Student Ambassadors take a more active and formal role in promoting our school to others. Duties of Ambassadors include giving tours and talking with campus visitors at events such as Open House as well as going to other locations to promote our school. Ambassadors receive special training to become more knowledgeable about our school. The Shadow Day experience is also very important to the growth of our school.



Ambassadors are closely associated with the Shadow Program. Ambassadors help ensure that a visiting student is welcomed to our campus and introduced to appropriate club moderators and coaches. It is also very helpful to be involved in various activities here at school and in your community. Students interested in becoming Ambassadors must complete an application process in the spring.

STUDENTS AGAINST DESTRUCTIVE DECISIONS (SADD)

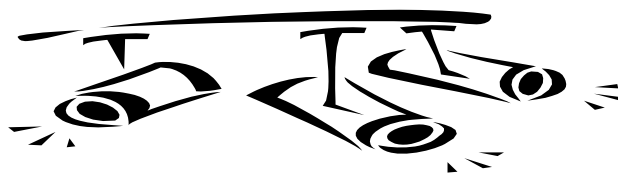
The SADD chapter at Bourgade Catholic is a charter member of the state and national organizations. Membership is open to all students. SADD's mission is to provide students with the best prevention and intervention tools possible to deal with the issues of underage drinking, drunk driving, drug abuse and other destructive decisions.

Each year SADD members attend the state conference, participate in the Red Ribbon Campaign, sponsor SADD week, and host assemblies and speakers on the issues of underage drinking and drug abuse.



Tech Club

The Bourgade Catholic Tech Club, otherwise known as "the Techies", is a group of students interested in basic electronics and the operation of sound and lighting equipment. The Techies run the sound for all school masses, pep rallies and stage productions. They also run lighting and sound effects for stage productions. The club officers and moderator train new members on the basic operation of most of the equipment, but members in the club are expected to take their basic knowledge and apply it to a variety of different situations. If you like putting things together and taking them apart, "the Techies" is the club for you!



Athletic Leadership Team

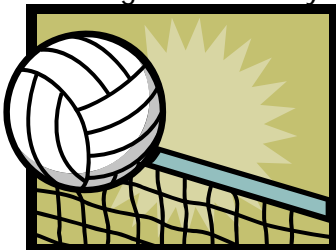
The Bourgade Catholic High School Athletic Leadership Team is dedicated to the total student. The goal of the Leadership Team is to work in the best interest of the school and the active student body. The Leadership Team will set standards by which all members shall abide. It brings together athletic, academic and community service qualities in our students. Being a part of the Athletic Leadership Team will give you a chance to learn more about what it takes to be a leader on your respective teams and within the broader school community as well.



Approximately 65% of our student population participated in A.I.A. sanctioned activities at Bourgade Catholic. Sports are offered three times per year: fall, winter and spring. Our athletes compete in the 2A West Region throughout Arizona. We ARE a Pursuing Victory With Honor School of Distinction. We are one of only 13 high schools in the state of Arizona (and the ONLY Catholic high school) to be recognized by the A.I.A as a School of Distinction.

Volleyball

The Lady Eagles have consistently placed in the Phoenix Country Day School Tournament and in the Metro Region. Our Lady Eagles have been First Team All-Region as well as Honorable Mention All Region. Volleyball is a Fall sport and we compete on the Freshman, JV, and Varsity levels.



Football



Many of our Golden Eagles have been voted to the All-State team, 1st team All League and to the 2nd Team All League. Coach Chris Andreadis is continuing the tradition of Golden Eagle football going in to his first year as coach. The Football program has made it to the State playoffs for the 7 times in the past 9 years. An important accomplishment for the Golden Eagles Football team was to be awarded Matt O. Hanhila Sportsmanship Award by the Central Arizona Referee Association for 1A-3A two years in a row. We offer Freshman, JV, and Varsity levels.

Cheer

Our Varsity cheer squad will participate in the A.I.A State Cheer competition in February. The cheer squad continually places in the top four in this state-wide competition. The Varsity and JV squads cheer for both football and basketball.



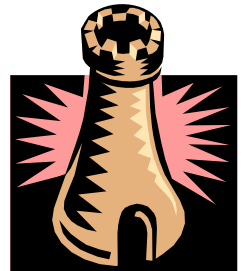
Dance

Our Dance squad will participate at all of the Home Football and Basketball games this year. The Dance squad placed 2nd in a state-wide dance competition. Dance is offer to Freshmen through Seniors.



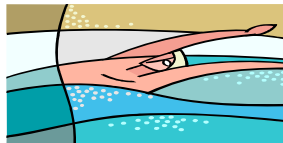
Chess

Chess competes in the fall and is open to all students. The Golden Eagles annually rank in the top at State. The Bourgade Golden Eagle Chess Team is an AIA sanctioned activity. Chess is open to all grade levels and all ability levels. Players compete against teams from all over the state of Arizona. If you've never played chess before, or if you are well versed in the game, the Bourgade Chess Team offers a chance for you to come and enjoy the game.



Swim

This is the inaugural year for the Bourgade Swim team. Our Boy's and Girl's swim program will compete in the 1A-3A state meet in October. This is an exciting time for Bourgade Catholic Athletics as we introduce our first new sport in 10 years.





Soccer

In our ten years of existence the Golden Eagles have been the Central Region Co-Champions for the four years and made it to the Semi-Finals in the 1A-3A State Championships in 2004. In 2004 the Golden Eagles won the State Championship! We have won First place in the Arizona Lutheran Academy Invitational and 1st Place in the Higley High School Invitational. Soccer competes during the winter season and is open to all students. We offer only the Varsity level.

Girl's Basketball

Girls compete in basketball during the winter season and compete in the 2A West Region. The Girl's took 3rd place in the Desert Classic tournament in 2007. Many players have been named Honorable Mention All League. We offer Freshman, JV, and Varsity levels.



Boy's Basketball

The Golden Eagles expect to finish in the top in the 2A West Region again this year, and are only a few years removed from a trip to the State semi-finals at US Airways Arena. The Golden Eagles annually have players were named to the All-Region Team. Boys compete in basketball during the winter season. We offer Freshman, JV, and Varsity levels.

Wrestling

Our Golden Eagle wrestlers recently took 6th place in the State Tournament, 2nd place in the Metro Region and 1st place in the Golden Eagle Team Tournament. The wrestlers had 7 wrestlers qualified for the state tournament and 5 that finished in the top 6 in State. Wrestling is a winter sport.



Baseball

The baseball program competes in the spring and supports both a JV and a Varsity team. Last season, the Golden Eagle baseball team went undefeated in the 2A West League. The team continued this success through the playoffs until coming up short in an exciting State Championship game. As the defending state champion runners-up, the team looks to continue the tradition of excellence into the future.



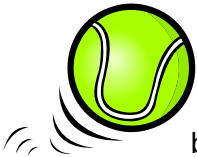
Softball

The Golden Eagles Softball varsity team finished their 2007-2008 season as the undefeated champions of the Western Conference and 3rd in the Metro Region. For the past five years, the varsity teams has been a contender in the state playoff games and are determined to continue their advancement to the state championship. Seven of our players were named to the All Region team and many players have been received academic accolades along with tournament recognition. Two of our players also received athletic scholarships to play softball at the NCAA Division I levels. The softball competes during the rigorous spring season in a competitive, challenging conference. Bourgade Catholic strives for excellence on the softball field for both the JV and Varsity level.



Golf

Our Golden Eagles finished 6th in a strong Metro region last season with two golfers qualifying for the State Tournament in Laveen. Tyler Rizzo finished in a tie for 5th place in the state tournament in May 2008. Golf matches are 9-hole match play with regionals and state a 72-hole tournament over 2 days. Varsity Golf competes during the spring season with Maryvale as our home course. Golf is open to both men and women.



Tennis

Tennis is open to all student athletes and competes during the spring season. There are both varsity boys and girls tennis teams at Bourgade Catholic High School. Many of our doubles teams have qualified for the state tournament in May.

Track

The Golden Eagles boast of 3 regional champions and the advancement of 24 athletes to the State meet in 2007. The boys team finished 12th in the state. Golden Eagles have earned the title of STATE CHAMPION in several events. BCHS hosts 3 QUALIFYING Track meets including The Glendale Knights of Columbus track meet with many schools attending. Both the boys and girls track teams compete during the spring season.



Athletic Accomplishments

The Golden Eagles have a tradition that spans several decades, numerous conference championships, several State Championships, a plethora of All-Conference and All-State players, and the quality of athletics that has no doubt become one of the best in the State of Arizona. Just in the past two years we have:

2003: Football team host first playoff game in school history

2003: Central Region Co-Champions: Soccer.

2003: 1A-3A State Champions: Soccer.

2003: Three Metro Region Champions: Wrestling.
2003: 2A State semi-final appearance: Wrestling (125lbs. Weight Class).
2003: 1A-2A Co-Ed Cheer State Championship Runners-up.
2003: 2A Spiritline State Championship Runners-up.
2003: 2A State semi-final appearance: Boys Basketball.
2003: 2A State semi-final appearance: Softball.
2003: Three Metro Region Champions: Boy's and Girl's Track.
2003: Metro Region Runner-up: Athletic Department Sportsmanship Award.
2003: Matt O. Hanhila Sportsmanship Award 1A-3A: Football
2004: Metro Region Runner-up: Athletic Department Sportsmanship Award.
2004: Central Region Champions: Soccer (Best Record in School History: 20-1-1).
2004: 1A-3A State semi-final appearance: Soccer.
2004: One Metro Region Champion: Boy's and Girl's Track.
2004: Three Metro Region Champions: Wrestling.
2004: Bishop's Cup winner: Football.
2005: 2A Metro Region Sportsmanship Award.
2005: Softball qualifies for state tournament
2006: Wrestling qualifies 10 for the state tournament
2006: Wrestling one region Champion
2006: Cheer 4th place in AIA State Championship
2006: Baseball qualifies for state tournament
2006: Tennis qualifies four for the state tournament
2006: Golf qualifies three for the state tournament
2006: Football team beats 2A West #1 seed in playoffs
2006: Cheer placed 3rd in State competition
2007: Wrestling placed 6th in State
2007: Baseball team finished 2nd in Metro Region Tournament
2008: Wrestling finished 1st at Last Chance Tournament
2008: Wrestling finished 11th in State
2008: Wrestler Arnold Coronado finished 1st in State
2008: Softball 2A West League Champions
2008: Baseball 2A West League Champions
2008: Baseball 2A Conference State Runner Up