

# News from the Knights

#### Virtug: Gratitudg

October's virtue is GRATITUDE, how apropos that we will be celebrating Thanksgiving in just a few short days. Our quote for this month is "This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad" Psalm 118:24. "Thanks" is a simple word, but it is a precious fountain of faith in God, and it fills our hearts with a readiness to cherish everything we have. Although the world is currently experiencing economic challenges, and we may have difficulty saying thank you for some of our hardships, sometimes this can release us from that sense of entitlement that can prevent us from really seeing God's grace in our daily lives. The choice to be grateful is not always without effort.

#### O'Gorman High School Receives the Dr. Bette Stephenson Recognition of Achievement Award!

I am pleased to announce that O'Gorman High School is one of this year's recipients of the *Dr. Bette M. Stephenson Recognition of Achievement.* This recognition program was established by the EQAO board of directors in 2009 as a tribute to Dr. Stephenson's lifelong commitment and contribution to education and public service. Our school will be honoured at the recognition ceremony in Toronto on November 6th. Also, the school is being profiled in EQAO's 2012–2013 Provincial Reports, for its efforts over many years at improving student achievement and for its use of EQAO results to improve student learning.

This award is dedicated to the entire staff for their support and hard work over the years by putting students first.

## Parent Involvement Opportunities

O'Gorman High School is proud to have two parent committees dedicated to supporting our students in and out of our school. O'Gorman Parents For Kids and the Catholic Parent Council, are looking for new members. Our next meeting dates are:

OPK meeting
6:30 in the Library —October 9
Catholic Parent Council Meeting
6:30 in the Library—October10

#### Your Five Keys to Success Here At O'Gorman High

Be here! Be on time! Be prepared!

Be respectful! Be involved!

#### 24th Annual Sister Fay Edmonds Girls' Basketball Tournament

Good luck to the Senior and Junior Girls' Basketball teams who will be competing against a large number of teams from around the area on October 4th and 5th. Come out and cheer on the Knights.

Go Knights Go!

### University Information Program The UIP is taking place on Tuesday, October 8th,

2013 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. here at O'Gorman. All grade 11 and 12 students are invited to attend this event and meet with representatives from all of the Universities in Ontario. All university bound senior students are encouraged to attend.

#### College Information Program

The CIP is taking place on **Thursday, October 10th, 2013**. All **grade 12** students are invited to attend this event at Northern College and meet with representatives from all of the Colleges in Ontario. A bus will be leaving OHS at 9:00 a.m. and returning at 10:45 a.m. Students will be expected to report to their period 2 class upon arrival at the school. Grade 12 students are encouraged to hand in their permission slips to Guidance by this Friday (Oct. 4th).

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Mark Your Calendar!
October 2
IEPs go home
October 5
World Teacher's Day
October 10
Progress Reports go home
Catholic Parent Council Meeting
October 11
P.A. Day—No school

October 14

October 16

October 28

CLC day

Thanksgiving

Picture Retake