



mentoring,
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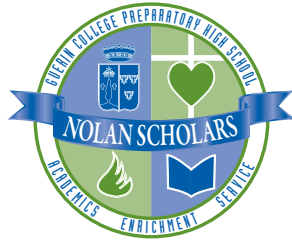


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A NOLAN SCHOLAR

Each year, students earning the top 25 scores on the Guerin College Preparatory High School Entrance Exam are invited to be Nolan Scholars, a program for students who exhibit potential for academic excellence. Nolan Scholars pursue advanced courses of study, participate in enrichment experiences and receive special mentoring. The program prepares students not only to succeed at top-tier colleges and universities, but also to model the values and beliefs of the Christian community.



BENEFITS OF BEING A NOLAN SCHOLAR

- Provides students with a support network
- Offers the opportunity for dual credit in some classes
- Creates positive role models for academic achievement
- Improves financial scholarship opportunities for college
- Enables students to take Advanced Placement Tests in various disciplines
- Seeks to raise scores on standardized tests, especially college entrance exams (ACT/SAT II)
- Offers interdisciplinary learning experiences
- Helps students prepare for success

RESPONSIBILITIES OF A NOLAN SCHOLAR

Nolan Scholars must fulfill a rigorous course of study (3.6 grade point average or higher each semester), participate in various enrichment activities and exercise good character and decision-making.

FRESHMAN YEAR REQUIREMENTS

Nolan Scholars are required to take a minimum of two honors classes per semester. An academic counselor is assigned to help the Nolan Scholar enroll in the appropriate classes. This academic counselor will work with the Scholar during all four years at Guerin Prep. In addition to the counselor's guidance, the Nolan Scholar director will foster an environment where students will have the opportunity for individual mentoring, group/personal study, reading circles and test preparation.

Additionally, Nolan Scholars are required to participate in enrichment opportunities such as field trips, service-learning activities and academic competitions.

Nolan Scholars and their parents are invited to an orientation session in August before school begins. This offers an invaluable opportunity to interact with other Nolan Scholars, their families and faculty mentors.

THE NOLAN SCHOLAR FOUR-YEAR PLAN

FRESHMAN YEAR

- Two honors courses, minimum
- Enhancement of study and test-taking skills
- Development of a portfolio that includes identification of academic endeavors, service-learning opportunities, extra-curricular and other activities to build a college resume
- Enrichment opportunities
- Field trips such as university visits, architectural tours, and political speaking engagements

SOPHOMORE YEAR

- Three honors courses (could include one Advanced Placement (AP) class)
- Continued emphasis on enhancing study and test-taking skills
- Continued development of a portfolio that includes participation in academic endeavors, service-learning opportunities, extra-curricular and other activities to build a college resume
- Enrichment opportunities
- Field trips

JUNIOR AND SENIOR YEARS

- Four honors courses (prior to graduation, a minimum of four AP classes and two AP tests)
- Emphasis on development of skills for ACT/SAT II test-taking
- Continued development of a portfolio that includes participation in academic endeavors, service-learning opportunities including volunteer time as a LEAD tutor in the Welch Center, extra-curricular and other activities to build a college resume
- Enrichment opportunities
- Field trips



The Nolan Scholars Center provides Nolan Scholars a place to study, relax and enjoy a sense of community.



Nolan Scholars are encouraged to explore numerous enrichment opportunities during the academic year.

Nolan Scholars also receive college-level classroom experience which often translates into college credit.

The program prepares students for success in top-tier colleges and careers.



Nolan Scholars

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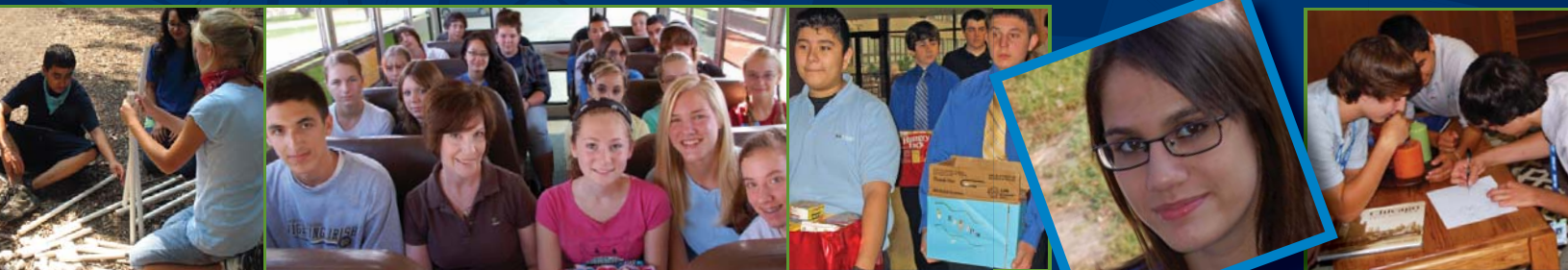


SISTER NANCY NOLAN, S.P.
President Emeritus
Guerin College Preparatory
High School

Sister Nancy Nolan served for nine years, first as president of Mother Theodore Guerin and then Guerin Prep High School, retiring in 2008.

The Nolan Scholars program was established in recognition of her years of service and outstanding dedication as an educator and role model for the Christian youth community.

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