Greetings

Dear Friends,

After a very successful and historic first semester at Cristo Rey De La Salle East Bay High School, we are excited to reflect on the progress we’ve made. During the 2018-2019 school year, we’ve had the amazing opportunity to witness our inaugural freshmen class flourish from bright-eyed teenagers into professional young adults within their workplaces.

St. John Baptist de La Salle, patron saint of teachers and founder of the De La Salle Christian Brothers said, “To be entrusted with the teaching of the young is a great gift and grace of God.”

With springtime upon us, we continue to watch in joy and amazement how our students are growing into young men and women of mission, purpose, and service. Watching them blossom in school and at work is a direct result of our community of donors, supporters, ambassadors, volunteers, parents, staff, faculty, and board of trustees who continue to nurture, water, and gently prune our students who have chosen Cristo Rey De La Salle East Bay High School for their educational experience. For this, we are so very grateful to each of you for your tireless effort and commitment in supporting our work as we prepare our students to succeed in college and in life.

As American poet Edgar Guest once stated, “Spring’s greatest joy beyond a doubt is when it brings the children out.” As you read through our Spring newsletter you will see our students out at school, work, sports, and community. This joy that we see daily would not be possible without support from you. Thus, after reading through our newsletter, we would like you to consider making a gift to support our current and future students. We realize that this transformational work that we have embarked on is only possible because we are blessed to have such a strong community behind us.

With Gratitude,
Matt Powell, Interim President
Ana Hernandez, Principal
John Coughlan, Director of the Corporate Work Study Program

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Cristo Rey De La Salle
East Bay High School

“Thank God for the grace God has given you in your work.”
- St. John Baptist de La Salle
Student Digital Learning Tools Enhanced
CRDLS was one of only 13 schools (out of over 400 nationally) chosen to be a part of the Summit Learning Innovation Schools program. As an “Innovation School”, we will be one of the very first schools to receive new features in the Summit Learning Platform. The Summit Learning Platform is our personalized educational tool that teachers use to instruct our students at their own pace. CRDLS will benefit from this program by receiving increased platform features (i.e. curriculum integrations with Britannica and Learnosity), additional teacher support, and a dedicated Innovation School program manager.

Corporate Work Study Program Hosts Executive Forum
On March 21, the CRDLS Corporate Work Study Program sponsored a panel discussion with Bay Area executives on “The Future of Work.” The panel explored current challenges faced by organizational leaders and human resource professionals, including attracting talented employees, changing workforce demographics, and maintaining a diverse and inclusive environment. CRDLS provided this conversation to engage with our current sponsors and to connect with future corporate partners.

Social Justice Teach-In
Students recently attended a Social Justice Teach-In at Bishop O’Dowd High School, where they learned about the importance of their voices and opinions as youth advocates for social justice.

CRDLS Athletics
Our students are work, and all play this semester! We’ve added 3 teams to our roster including Girls Volleyball, Girls Basketball and Boys Basketball. All students are required to attend study hall and maintain a 2.5 GPA in order to play. With equipment from St. Ignatius College Prep and a partnership with The Olive Street Agency for PE and game uniforms, our students are ready to take on the season! Check our website for schedules and come help cheer the Mustangs on to victory!

Students Who Excel Attend Warriors Game
Earlier this year, our top performing students both academically and in the Corporate Work Study Program were invited to a Golden State Warriors Game on behalf of the Golden State Warriors Foundation.

Student Leader Creates First-Ever Dance Troupe
One of the fascinating things about only having a ninth grade class is that the students have the opportunity to create clubs and groups based on their desired interests. Here at CRDLS, we cultivate environments where students feel free to express themselves in creative manners as we come alongside them to help give them the necessary tools to be successful. As a part of the Student Exploration Program, Khaleah is using her leadership skills and incredible moves to lead a dance group on campus. The group currently has 15 members and will be performing at a majority of our future events here on campus.

CRDLS kicked off 2019 with our first Open House of the new year. The Recruitment Team welcomed prospective students from all over the Bay Area. Eighth grade families from Claremont Middle School, St. Cornelius, Oakland High School, Berkeley Maynard Academy and more converged on CRDLS to get a glimpse of what it’s like to be a part of the Mustang community. Families were greeted by tours every 15 minutes from our student associates and served great meals by parents. The Boys Basketball team ran practice in the gym while student and parent panels engaged our visitors. Those still working on application materials were assisted by current parents and staff. We can’t wait to welcome the new cohort of CRDLS students!