



PADUA NEWSLETTER

Letter from the Principal



I grew up in Parma, in a suburb much like Brunswick. I attended St. Charles School and Padua Franciscan High School. As I look back upon this, I am so thankful that my mom and dad decided to provide me this great education. I know that decision did not come lightly, nor without sacrifice. Their wisdom to not go on vacation every year, not to always purchase the greatest and best new things, and to almost always eat dinner at home truly

gave me the opportunity to earn a premier Catholic education.

I am excited for you to learn about the importance of the \$6,000 EdChoice Scholarship that is now available in Brunswick. Receiving a financial windfall, like winning the lottery or hitting a jackpot, is often reserved for only a few lucky people. When it happens, it can be life transforming. In an exciting way, many of you reading this article now, have just had that happen to you in the form of the EdChoice Scholarship.

The Ohio Department of Education placed the attendance zone of Brunswick High School on the EdChoice list. **This means that if your child is assigned to that school, you are now eligible to receive a \$6,000 voucher to go to Padua.** The voucher reduces the initial cost of a premier Padua education at just about half of the full tuition. After additional need-based financial aid and all our merit-based scholarships, such as music and academic scholarships, some of you may pay as little as \$275 a month. This is an extraordinary value for an extraordinary experience. Once you receive the EdChoice Scholarship, it is guaranteed for all four years of school, which equals \$24,000 over the course of those four years. In order to attend Padua, your child still needs to meet our high-level academic and performance criteria, but many of your children already do.

Visit paduafranciscan.com/news/edchoice/ to watch a video about the value of a Padua education. Padua can help transform your child at an incredibly affordable cost. As a Franciscan school, the values are built into the environment. Our facilities are cutting-edge and our award-winning programs, like MedTrack and MyTrack build a strong foundation for college and life success. Come see if a Franciscan education focused on *Happy, Healthy, Holy, and Highly-Prepared* students is the right fit for your child.

Peace & all good,
David Stec '86
Padua Principal

Padua Franciscan High School Now Accepting EdChoice Scholarship for Brunswick Students

EdChoice Scholarship Frequently Asked Questions

What is the EdChoice Scholarship?

The Educational Choice Scholarship Program provides students from designated public schools the opportunity to attend participating private schools.

What is the value of the scholarship?

The EdChoice scholarship amount is currently \$6,000 for grades 9-12.

Who is eligible?

Students who reside in the attendance zone for Brunswick High School are eligible to apply.

How do I apply for the EdChoice Scholarship?

Once a student is accepted to Padua, we will contact you with next steps.

Are there additional tuition assistance opportunities?

Yes! If a family is interested in applying for tuition assistance, they must complete the FACTS Financial Aid Application for the 2020-2021 school year. Incoming families will be notified of their award.

Are there other scholarships at Padua?

Yes! Padua offers scholarships for academics, vocal and instrumental talent and many others.

How do I apply to Padua?

Padua utilizes MyPad, an admissions portal for 8th graders and transfer students. To create a MyPad account for your child, please visit our website and complete an Inquiry Form. Once you have a MyPad account, you can register to take the high school placement test, sign up for a visit day, complete the Application Form and more.

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Padua to Implement Virtual Reality Experience



Padua is thrilled to announce that virtual reality glasses and specialized software will be integrated into Honors Anatomy & Physiology classes. These funds are made possible through a generous donation from a Padua graduate and his wife, both of whom are also parents of graduates. Padua will be designating special classroom space to pave the way for this cutting-edge technology. In fact, students' virtual reality will actually be "augmented." Students will be able to walk entirely around a 3-D model of the human body, "touch" it, manipulate it, peel back layers or zoom into a particular body part, and ultimately understand the material with more depth and efficiency.

Padua has been exploring technology to enhance the anatomy curriculum for the past several years, including the Anatomage table and Syndaver synthetic cadaver. Padua ultimately selected the virtual reality technology

because it represents the next generation of medical education. For example, Case Western Reserve's brand-new medical school, built in connection with the Cleveland Clinic, will implement HoloLens virtual reality technology to transform medical education. Medical students testing the tool found that 15 minutes in the HoloLens would have saved dozens of hours spent in the cadaver lab.

The possibilities for enhancing other areas of the curriculum are endless, allowing students to virtually experience a foreign country, Renaissance art, or the Milky Way Galaxy, just to name a few. Padua is currently selecting and sourcing the headsets and software, hopefully making it available to instructors and students in the second semester of this school year. This revolutionary technology will differentiate both MedTrack and Padua Franciscan and empower our students far beyond their peers in medical education at the secondary level.



MedTrack Program

Preparing students in the Franciscan tradition for careers in science and healthcare

MedTrack is a four-year, award-winning program designed to help students explore and prepare for careers in science and healthcare.

The three pillars of MedTrack are:

- Rigorous academic preparation
- Methodical career exploration
- Franciscan values

**Newsweek Names Padua
Top STEM High School**



MyTrack Programs

Padua currently offers four MyTrack Programs to help students further their educations with courses, career shadowing, field trips, guest speaker series, clubs and additional learning opportunities in the following areas:

MyTrack Business

Four-year program for students interested in accounting, entrepreneurship, marketing or technology

MyTrack Computer Science

Four-year program for students interested in computer programming, engineering or technology

MyTrack Engineering

Four-year program for students interested in engineering

MyTrack Studio Art

Four-year program for students interested in visual arts: drawing, painting, printmaking and sculpture

MyTrack Studio Law

MyTrack Law will be offered starting in the 2020-2021 school year.

Fine Arts



Premier Performing Arts

- Marching Band & Spirit Bands
- Fall Production
- Winter One-Act Plays
- Spring Musical
- Mystery Theatre
- Shakespeare Club



Padua's Symphonic Band has earned seven superior ratings in the past decade, under the direction of Mr. Mark Wozniak '97.



Padua's Theatre Program continues to produce great shows. In the past few years, we have performed *Les Miserable*, *Phantom of the Opera*, *Beauty and the Beast*, *Mary Poppins*, *Shrek*, *White Christmas*, *Newsies*, and many more.



Three Bruins Named National Merit Commended Students

Three Padua Franciscan High School seniors were recognized as a National Merit Commended Students. A letter of commendation from the National Merit Scholarship Corporation was presented to Christine Blatnik '20, Rochelle Fabregas '20 and Maria Rich '20 in September 2019 by Principal David Stec '86 .

About 34,000 Commended Students throughout the nation have been recognized for their exceptional academic promise. Commended Students placed among the top five percent of more than 1.5 million students who entered the 2020 competition by taking the 2018 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test.



Bruins Give Back to the Community

During the 2018-2019 school year, Padua students performed over 13,000 hours of service to the surrounding communities. Students volunteered at nursing homes, food pantries, hunger centers, surrounding neighbors and area parishes. Many students begin their service over the summer. Through Padua's Franciscan Service Program, students learn the value of helping out those who are unable to help themselves.

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 <p>PREMIER COLLEGE PREP SCHOOL</p>	 <p>21 VARSITY SPORTS</p>	<p>20 STUDENTS FROM ALL AROUND THE WORLD IN OUR INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM.</p> 
<p>22% OF OUR FACULTY AND STAFF ARE PADUA ALUMNI</p>	<p>77% OF STUDENTS ON HONOR ROLL</p> 	
 <p>OPPORTUNITY TO EARN 33 COLLEGE CREDITS</p>	<p>35+ CLUBS</p>	 <p>FRANCISCAN HOSPITALITY MAKES ALL THE DIFFERENCE</p>
<p>MEDTRACK[®] PADUA FRANCISCAN</p> <p>AWARD-WINNING ADVANCED SCIENCE AND HEALTHCARE PROGRAM</p>	<p>20% OF OUR STUDENTS HAVE PARENTS WHO ARE ALUMNI</p> 	<p>MYTRACK[®] PADUA FRANCISCAN</p> <p>4-Year Programs in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business • Computer Science • Engineering • Studio Art
<p>764 STUDENTS REPRESENTING 85 GRADE SCHOOLS, 75 CHURCHES AND 40 CITIES</p>	<p>YEARLY RETREATS FOR ALL STUDENTS</p> 	<p>99% OF OUR STUDENTS ARE COLLEGE-BOUND</p>  <p>FULL CAMPUS MINISTRY PROGRAM INCLUDING WEEKLY MASS OPPORTUNITIES</p>
		<p>FRANCISCAN VALUES FOCUS ON CHRIST</p>

Interested in Padua?

Here are your next steps if you have an 8th grade student:

1. Go to paduafranciscan.com/admissions-process/ and fill out an Inquiry Form to get your MyPad account.
2. Once your Inquiry Form has been processed, you will receive an email with a username. Use that username to login to MyPad and then click "first time logging in" and click password to set your password.
3. Log into MyPad, click on your child's name in the upper left corner to review Admissions Progress Checklist and do the following:
 - Register your child for the Placement Test on December 9 or January 25.
 - Register your child for a Shadow Day.
 - Fill out the FACTS Financial Aid Application.
 - Complete the Teacher Recommendations steps.
 - Complete the Application Form by January 27.
4. Feel free to contact us with any questions or to set up a personal tour.
5. Decision letters will be mailed February 12.

If you need any assistance, please contact Director of Recruitment Katie DeAngelo '08 at kdeangelo@paduafranciscan.com or 440-845-2444 x 123