



CAMDEN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Camden Catholic Families,

Core to Camden Catholic's mission is to develop leaders in the Catholic tradition in order to empower students to define their purpose, to serve others and God and to develop creative solutions leading to a just society. Camden Catholic High School recognizes that for students to be successful leaders in the 21st century economy there are a set of skills and competencies that students need to develop beyond the fundamental lessons of traditional education. Based in the research of Positive Psychology, the Leadership Academy provides students with a menu of Leadership Academy programs that enable students to build this additional skill set.

In January, during Catholic Schools Week, Camden Catholic will incorporate a new program into the Leadership Academy - *J-Term: Irish Immersion*. J-Term, short for *January Term*, will take place over three days in January (1/29-1/31) immediately after first semester exams and before second semester begins. Over the course of these three days, Camden Catholic will offer course offerings outside of the regular curriculum rooted in student interest and faculty passions. Students will sign up for a course and immerse themselves in the content of that one course over the three days.

Beginning September 14, Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors can register for their J-Term course through www.camdencatholic.org. On the homepage find "Quick Links" and select "J-Term," then select the "J-Term Course Offerings" option to read various course descriptions. Then, after reading through the courses, students should click on the link for "J-Term Registration" and rank their top ten choices of courses. Every attempt will be made to place students in their preferred course based on their rankings. Although students are ranking their top ten courses in order of preference, students will only be placed in ONE course for the three day J-Term. Students should consider how they would like to spend those three days and read the various options being offered. Please be aware that some courses might incur an incremental fee (\$20-\$85) for supplies or trip expenses. Registration for Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors should be completed by Thursday, September 28.

Freshman J-Term registration will take place after September. We understand the transition into Camden Catholic while exciting, can be stressful. We will be offering J-Term courses specifically designed for Freshman and will conduct a separate registration after September.

Passionate, purpose driven, innovative, and creative, J-Term provides students and faculty the opportunity to investigate and reflect. J-Term will be yet another innovative learning experience that makes Camden Catholic the premier Catholic high school in South Jersey.

If you have any questions please email jeffrey.bruckner@camdencatholic.org.

Thanks for your continued support of Camden Catholic.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Bruckner *J-Term Coordinator*