

# MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

THE LATEST UPDATES AND NEWS FROM  
THE JOHN XXIII EDUCATIONAL CENTER

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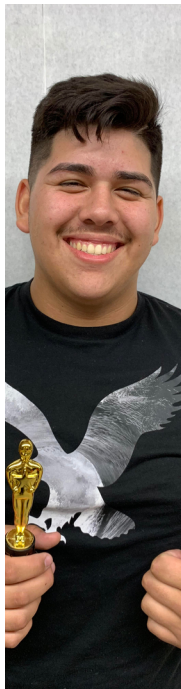
## NEW CREW.

The John XXIII Educational Center started the 2019-2020 school year with a new teaching and management team that includes some familiar faces. This year's staff includes:

- **Bro. Michael Kadow**, a De La Salle Christian Brother, who serves as Executive Director of the John XXIII Educational Center. He was a founding member of the Center from 2009 to 2015.
- **Marisol Salazar** serves as Executive Director Assistant. Her role consists of providing support and guidance to staff in their new roles. Ms. Salazar also assists with program development.
- **Alicia Jarrett** balances multiple roles as Assistant Director of Development. Her duties include scholarship research, managing donor involvement to coordinating fundraising events and assist Shirley Heck, Volunteer Development Director.



- The Center coordinator positions are navigated by two new staff members: **Geraldine Bodi** the Middle School Coordinator, and oversees the Middle School Outreach program, as well as the after school support services. Ms. Bodi comes to the Center with over 26 years of experience within the Racine Unified School District. Most recently, Ms. Bodi worked at Mitchell Middle School as a counselor. As High School Coordinator, **Noelle Steffen** manages after school academic support. Ms. Steffen has worked in parochial schools as a language arts teacher, both at St. Catherine's High School in Racine, and St. Anthony's High School in Milwaukee.
- In August, two Lasallian Volunteers flew in to assist at the Center: **Nicolas Pezzola**, from California, and **Pepe Estesó**, from Spain. As Middle School Supervisor, Nicolas Pezzola coordinates various activities at the Center, in addition to facilitating program outreach in local schools. Pepe Estesó serves as the High School Supervisor, directing Center activities, in conjunction with implementing academic support for students.
- **Shirley Heck** continue her long time role as volunteer Development Director, Shirley continues to oversee our grant requests and other fundraising ventures.
- Finally, **Claire Wagner** serves as an ESL (English as a Second Language) teacher for adults during the week. Mrs. Wagner advises students on English communication and expression.



## A Ministry of Saint Patrick's Parish

1109 Douglas Avenue  
Racine, WI 53402

Monday-Thrusday  
4:00-5:30 pm  
6:30-8:00pm

## ESL Classes for adults

Please contact Claire  
Wagner at 262-902-6668



## Students of the month

The students of the month of September were: **Juan Morales** from middle school and **Jesús Arias** and **Emoni Foster** from high school. In this first month we have rewarded their perseverance and good work. Both attend the center several sessions a week and always show an attitude of hard work and effort.



## International Lasallian Days of Peace

Between September 21st and October 21st the "International Lasallian Days of Peace" are held around the world to make our students aware of the importance of peace and the different realities in the world.

Our center has actively participated in these activities in favor of peace under the slogan "Peace is always possible".



## Important Dates:

24th October Center Closed  
29th October Halloween Yard!