



Success

UPDATE 2022

College ACCEPTANCES for the SMA Class of 2018

Cornell University
NYU
University of Rochester
LeMoyne College
SUNY New Paltz
SUNY Maritime
Canisius College
Mount Saint Mary College
Fordham University
Syracuse University
SUNY Stony Brook
SUNY Binghamton
Skidmore University
Northeastern University
Piedmont College
Savannah College
of Arts and Design
Case Western University
Bucknell University
Bentley College
University of Wisconsin
Ithaca College
Dominican University
of New York
Boston College
SUNY Orange

College ENROLLMENTS for the SMA Class of 2018

Kenny Aguilar – SUNY New Paltz
Angel Arizpe – SUNY Orange
Amageo Burks – Savannah
College of Arts and Design
Jack Minano – NYU Stern
School of Business
Brandon Pineda – Dominican
University of New York
David Salazar – Boston College
Anthony Tehuitzil – SUNY Orange

When we received word that **Jack Minano, SMA Class of 2018, was accepted into the Fordham Prep Class of 2022**, we were elated! Jack has a promising intellect, so we all knew that the rigors of Fordham Prep would challenge him to develop even further his God-given gifts. There was at the same time some hesitation. The daily commute would consume at least four and a half hours of Jack's day on the Metro North Hudson Rail Line. His mother would have to get him to Beacon, on the east side of the Hudson River, every morning by 6:15am. Many of our staff expressed concern about the responsibilities that lay ahead for this family. It was a concern I shared.

One day, as I was reviewing with Jack what a typical day would involve over the next four years, I simply asked, "Can you do it?" At this point in his life, Jack's verbal skills were less than effusive. Most often he was soft spoken, if not non-verbal, preferring a nod rather than a spoken word. But on this day Jack looked me straight in the eye, with a resolve I didn't expect, and responded, "I know I can do it!"

Challenge accepted, Jack and his mother, who made multiple sacrifices for her son's education in the Bronx, committed to an arduous daily schedule in pursuit of the American dream. Though Jack got off to a very slow start, struggling to socialize with his peers, he persisted day after day as the drip of the Jesuit culture cut through his doubts and apprehensions. Fast forward to 2022: Jack made it, graduating in the top 10% of his class! Even more impressive is that Jack will be attending New York University's Stern School of Business beginning this September.

Jack's journey is a source of great pride for his family. **Jack credits San Miguel Program for providing the opportunities that otherwise would not have been attainable.** So too, Fordham Prep made an indelible mark on his character as he has resolved to live his life as a "man for others."

Enjoy the pages that follow. **Your goodness and generosity have allowed our mission to inspire so many young men and now at last, young women.** The hallmark of our program is character formation, which encourages commitment and determination. As you read about our alumni achievements remember that in each vignette the cycle of poverty has been vanquished. The lives of our students are no longer limited by the negative influences of this troubled city, nor by a pessimistic outlook that often inhabits the minds of those born into poverty. Can you do it? The San Miguel Program student will always respond, "I KNOW I CAN DO IT!"

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Scholarships

Michael Santangelo, Jr., Scholarship Fund

The San Miguel Academy Santangelo Scholars traveled to Marblehead Farm, Virginia, for the annual Michael G. Santangelo, Jr. Fundraising Luncheon. In addition to giving individual testimonies on the impact of private education to the donors who were present, the boys also had time to ride the horses and swim in the farm's pool. **We are grateful to Michael Santangelo, Sr., Georgia Derrico and Rod Porter for hosting this annual event.**



Current Santangelo Scholars are:

Miguel Benitez - Blue Ridge H. S. in Saint George, VA
Luis Chirinos - Vermont Academy, Saxtons River, VT
Khalil Agullar - The Harvey School, Katonah, NY
Julian Marin - The Harvey School, Katonah, NY
Geoffrey Moran - Canterbury School, New Milford, CT

Arturo Giron - Church Farm School, Exton, PA
Adan Aguilar - Church Farm School, Exton, PA
Brandon Rodriguez - Canterbury School, New Milford, CT
Carlos Enamorado - Saint Benedict's Prep, Newark, NJ
Jaime Ruiz - Saint Benedict's Prep, Newark, NJ

Also pictured above on the left are **Henry Garcia**, SMA '11, Canterbury School '15, Fairfield University '19; and **Brian Lopez**, SMA '11, Canterbury School '15, Mount Saint Mary College '19, and current teacher at San Miguel Academy. Henry and Brian served as chaperones for the weekend excursion.

Magliocco Family Scholarship in Memory of Jay Andretta

In 2018, **Pat and John Magliocco** funded a scholarship for certain members of the San Miguel Academy Class of 2018, to bridge the tuition gap. **Members of Jay Andretta's family** also supported this initiative, making private education possible for many of our families. The following boys were Magliocco Scholars, and we are happy to provide an update on their success:

Kenny Aguilar attended The Harvey School and is now enrolled at SUNY New Paltz.

Brandon Pineda attended Saint Benedict's Prep and is now on scholarship at Dominican University of New York.

Axel Juarez graduated Marvelwood School and is taking a gap year to work and save for college.

David Salazar attended Canterbury School and is now a Quest Bridge scholar at Boston College.

Amageo Burks attended Friends Christian School and is now enrolled at Savannah College of Arts and Design.

Cristian Lucero is taking an additional year of high school at Our Lady of Lourdes.

James F. McCarthy Scholarship Fund - Updates:

Martin Mendoza is entering his senior year at The Mount Academy, Esopus, NY

Alexis Mendoza is entering his junior year at The Mount Academy, Esopus, NY

Emanuel Giron-Luna is entering his junior year at The Mount Academy, Esopus, NY

Jayden Barrera is entering his junior year at Church Farm School, Exton, PA

Alexis Martinez is entering his junior year at Marvelwood School, Kent, CT

Steven Palacios is entering his junior year at Saint Benedict's Prep, Newark, NJ

Jonathan Ochoa is entering his junior year at Saint Benedict's Prep, Newark, NJ

Our continued gratitude to **Lianne and Sean Dugan**, and **all the many fans of Jim McCarthy** who continue to fund this scholarship.