

LOYOLA HOSTEL 2023-2024

A home away from home, Loyola Hostel is committed to the holistic, integral, and comprehensive formation of the students. In order to learn and interact with life in an informed way, students are exposed to a variety of fields. They are placed in a setting that encourages and comforts them while they learn about life itself. As they blossom in goodness, the surroundings are perfumed by this learning formation. The students are brought to a formation in a variety of subjects, including education, personality development, social services, spiritual transformation, cultural development, art and aesthetics, competitions, awareness programmes, leadership programmes, counseling sessions, sports and fitness, etc.

Administration

With a dedication to provide chances and outlets for the holistic formation and welfare of the students, Rev. Dr. Louie Albert SJ, the Director of Loyola Hostel under his management, inspires and mentors the management Team and the students. Sch. Hansel SJ, Sch. Antony David SJ, Sch. Vivekraj SJ, Dr. S. Arul Francis, Dr. Maria Jesu Raja, Mr. Ephrem Wilfred, Mr. M.N.R. Rutheesh, Dr. J. Samuel and Mr. Michaelraj are the Assistant Directors who work hand in hand with the Director for the administration. The Deputy Director, Rev. Fr. Justine Immanuel SJ, oversees the LOHO:2 team, while the Assistant Directors are Mr. Beni Arul and Sch. Jacob SJ.

Admission

After the applications were scrutinized, selection lists were published. Senior UG and PG students were admitted to the Loyola Men's Hostel on June 20, 2023. Following that, first-year PG admissions were held on August 1, 2022, while first-year UG admissions were held on June 27, 2023.

Year-wise & Blockwise meetings

Year-wise meetings were organized for the I, II, III UG and PG students respectively in the beginning of both odd and even semesters. Rev. Dr. A. Louie Albert, SJ – Director, Loyola Hostel addressed the students. He explained the rules and regulations that the students are expected to follow. He also introduced the Assistant Directors and Cabinet members as well. Assistant Directors conducted meetings for their respective blocks at various occasions.

Daily Study and remedial class

The Assistant Directors accompany and supervise the students from 8.30 p.m. to 10 p.m. during the study hour. Students received specialized instruction in various subjects to help them achieve academic success through remedial classes.

Liturgy

A holy mass was conducted on July 24, 2023 at 6.45 PM in Sauliere Hall in order to have a successful academic year, success in all pursuits, and for everyone's well-being. Rev. Dr. Antony Robinson, SJ Rector, Loyola campus was the main celebrant. Every Tuesday at 8.15 PM, Litany is held in-front of the College Church. Catholic students are encouraged to participate. We similarly encouraged students to participate in Penitential walk, Lent season mass, Candle light procession, Feast mass etc.

Blessing of Andrew Administrative Block

The first block of Loyola Hostel was renovated and the blessing was held on September 11, 2023 at 04:30 PM. Rev. Dr. Antony Robinson SJ, Rector, Loyola Campus was the main celebrant. He blessed the 'Andrew Administrative Block' and conducted a special mass. The renovated Jubilee mess and metro mess was also blessed and inaugurated.

A Session on Stress Management

Loyola Hostel in collaboration with Loyola Women's Hostel conducted "Handle with Care" a session on stress management on August 30, 2023 at 8:30 PM in Sauliere Hall. Mr. Padmanaban, International Sports trainer and Mr. D. Suresh Babu, Head Tennis Coach were the resource persons. They enlightened the students about various ways and tips to handle stress and lead a healthy life.

Youth Day Celebration

The Loyola Men's Hostel and the Loyola Women's Hostel participated in the Jesuit Chennai Province's "Year of Youth Celebration." The event was scheduled for December 18, 2023, at 8:30 p.m. at Loyola Men's Hostel's Teakwood Garden. A number of cultural competitions were held in front of judges. Rev. Dr. Antony Robinson SJ, Rector, presented the prizes to the students who participated enthusiastically from both hostels.

Tarpaulin Distribution

Loyola Men's Hostel in collaboration with Loyola Women's Hostel distributed bedsheets and tarpaulin sheets to the poor and deserving people who reside in Gummidipoondi refugee camp whose shelters were severely damaged due to the Michaung Cyclone. Students offered a total of Rs. 2,18,546/-. They were accompanied by the Directors and Assistant Directors were to the spot and distributed the blankets and Tarpaulin on December 10, 2023.

Workers' Trip

The workers of Loyola Men's Hostel and Loyola Women's Hostel were taken on an excursion to Kanyakumari on 21st October 2023 in order to rejuvenate and give a break from their tireless routine. They enjoyed well and were accompanied by the Director, Deputy Director and Assistant Directors. After visiting various places in different parts of the South, they returned to campus on 23rd October 2023.

Culturals and Celebrations

Freshers' Day to welcome the First years, Auditions for various cultural events, Terra Talents and Hostel Day were conducted to provide a platform for the students to exhibit their talents. Various competitions were conducted and the prizes were distributed at different occasions. Students also enjoyed Moon-light Dinner during Christmas occasion and various festivals like Diwali, Pongal, Christmas, Milad Un Nabi, Pooja Celebration, etc. were organized. Farewell for the outgoing students was organized on 16th March 2024. The students with commendable academic performance were honoured.

Club Activities

Club activities are conducted in Loyola Hostel to create contributing citizens. Mercy in Motion (To act for the poor), Helen Keller (To help the differently-abled friends), Art and Media (To decorate for Hostel Celebrations, preparing Backdrops for events, Animation Works/ Photography/ videography/

Promo makings and providing media support to the hostel celebrations), and Competitive Exam preparation group. Google forms were circulated among the students for registration. The club activities were officially launched on August 31, 2023, at 8.30 p.m. in Sauliere Hall. Thiru. P.K. Saravanan IRS was in attendance as the chief guest. Rev. Dr. A. Louie Albert, SJ gave the Welcome Address. An audio-visual presentation was made regarding the dynamics of various clubs. The guest was honoured by the director with a book and shawl. The incharges of all the clubs were badged and took an oath. The chief guest delivered an enlightening speech to the students about competitive Exams.

Sports

Volleyball, Basketball, cricket, kabaddi, fustal, football, tennis, tug of war, carrom and chess matches were conducted in various fixtures like batch wise, seniors vs juniors, Differently-abled etc. Selection was also held for various games and the students were given practice. Volleyballs and Basketballs were made available for the hostel students to play. Gym facility was also made available.

