

On November 10, 2017, Saint James will celebrate Veteran's Day. Students may wear red white and blue. The cost of the dress down is \$ 2.00. All money will be donated to the Dennis W. Zilinski Fund.

Lt. Dennis W. Zilinski II. was an alumnus of Christian Brothers Academy. Dennis earned a nomination to the United States Military Academy at West Point and graduated in 2004.

Lt. Zilinski made the ultimate sacrifice while serving his country in Iraq. Assigned to the 101st Airborne Division's 1st Battalion, 187th Infantry Regiment 3rd Brigade Combat Team, Dennis was conducting combat operations when an improvised explosive device detonated. He was 23 years old.

Dennis was a fierce competitor in the pool, and played a key role when CBA won its first state title in 1998. As a senior, he led the team as captain, and went on to West Point to excel in the pool where he was also named team captain. Lt. Zilinski's medals include a Combat Infantry Badge, Bronze Star, Purple Heart, Global War on Terror, Iraq Campaign Service Medal and the New Jersey Distinguished Service Medal.

The Lt. Dennis W. Zilinski II Memorial Fund, a 501 (c)(3) non-profit charitable organization was created in 2006 to honor Dennis' memory and spirit of life. The mission of the organization is to support and improve the morale and welfare of members of the United States Armed Forces and their families.