



Meet Michael and Kristen Astilla and their daughter, Ava, an eighth-grade student at Immaculata, who attended Open House. They are also the parents of William '20, a Gibbons junior. Read what they gained from the event.

Q: What did you hope to gain from attending the Open House?

A: Michael and Kristen Astilla - We wanted Ava to see the school through her own eyes and look at Gibbons as no longer just her older brother's high school.

Ava: I wanted to gain more knowledge of the school and how to navigate around it.

Q - What did you learn about Cardinal Gibbons?

A- Michael and Kristen Astilla - We were really impressed with the Maker Space and the art offerings.

Ava - All the many clubs and activities that are offered at Gibbons. I was really excited to see that there is a cooking club.

Q: What was your favorite part of Open House and why?

A: Michael and Kristen Astilla - Hearing Mr. Curtis speak and being around the energy of the school, the teachers and of the students. They truly love their school.

Ava: I enjoyed the tour and getting to speak to the students about what they liked about the school.

Q: How did you feel when you left Open House?

A: Michael and Kristen Astilla - Excited. Excited to see what paths Ava will forge with the encouragement and opportunities Gibbons is going to offer her.

Ava: - I felt really excited to have the opportunity to come to Gibbons next year.