



HOLY CROSS HIGH SCHOOL

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August 2021

Dear Student and Parent/Guardian of Freshmen Class of 2025:

Welcome to your Freshmen year at Holy Cross. I am pleased to provide information that you will need for the start of your school year. We are planning to open this year under a Regular Schedule format (all in person learning). The school day begins at 8:05 a.m. and ends at 2:30 p.m. The school will follow New York State health regulations that are required in September. All students and faculty will also be required to participate in a Health Monitoring Survey every morning before heading out to school. We will be utilizing the SchoolPass app in order to accomplish this daily requirement. You will be receiving an email with instructions prior to the start of school.

Chromebook and Workbook Pick-up August 23 & 25- By Appointment Only

Our Director of Instructional Technology, Ms. Pirovolikos, will be scheduling appointment times for this event. You will be receiving an email on or around July 16th. After picking up your Chromebook you will be able to purchase your workbooks and gym uniform. Mr. Adams, our Bookstore Manager, has bundled your required books based on your courses.

Your Bookstore fee is \$250, which includes the gym uniform, 2 sweatshirts for the winter months, workbooks, novels, Bible, lock, and backpack. If your scholar is taking art, there is an art fee of \$40 for supplies. Additional purchases may be made at the Bookstore. Bookstore payments can be made directly to the Bookstore by check, money order, Master Card, Visa, Discover, American Express, and debit card. No cash payments will be accepted.

Freshmen Experience Day - Thursday, September 2nd - 8 a.m. to approximately 1p.m. All students are encouraged to attend. The day begins at 8 a.m. Our Campus Minister, Mr. Rampulla, will be sending out an invitation so you can sign-up for the event. We will be using the courtyard entrance opposite the Athletic Field to enter the building. Dress code for this day is athletic attire to include sneakers.

Parent/Student Communication:

Holy Cross High School uses the following forms of communication because of privacy concerns:

- School assigned Gmail Account
- PowerSchool
- SchoolPass- Visitor Management and Health Monitoring
- SwiftK Alerts- text messages, automated voice phone calls
- Holy Cross Website for school calendar, up to date News and Events <https://holycrosshs.org/>
(Gmail and PowerSchool accounts will be activated during ChromeBook appointments.)

All official communication between the school and its families will be conducted via the aforementioned methods.

Freshmen Orientation Day- Thursday, September 9th from 8a.m. to approximately 2:00 p.m.

This is the first day of school for the Class of 2025. School dress code is in effect. Students will run through their class schedule for the first time and meet their teachers. Students will have the opportunity to purchase lunch (cash only) or bring their own lunch.

Monday, September 13, 2021 is the First Day of Classes for all students

Homeroom starts at 8:05 a.m. and the school day ends at 2:30 p.m.

Remember it is important to establish a good routine for study, sleep and play. In the first cycle of schedule days 1 through 6, students will not be required to bring gym class apparel. Gym classes will review our Physical Education protocols.

Academic Reminders:

- Math courses require graphing calculators, which are not available for purchase at the Holy Cross Bookstore. Recommended calculators are: TI-83, TI-83 plus, TI-84, TI-84 plus.
- Under the New York State Textbook Law, textbooks are loaned to students without cost. Students are responsible for returning these books at the end of the academic year. Students who do not return their textbook or return a damaged book, will be charged a replacement fee per book.
- **Student-Parent Handbook & Acknowledgement Forms** will be distributed during Chromebook pick-up and the Acknowledgement Form should be returned no later than Tuesday, September 14th.
- **Summer Reading**. Your child is responsible for the summer reading assignment. Summer reading is available at our website www.holycrosshs.org scroll down to "Additional Resources" Summer Reading. Students will have assignments and assessments on these books.

Tuition: All payments must be up-to-date in order for a student to participate in the September Orientation Program, as well as all end of the summer athletic tryouts. Tuition payments are made through Smart Tuition. No in person payments can be accepted.

Back to School Night for Parents is also very important. This event will take place on **Thursday, September 23rd** at **7:00 p.m.** Schedules and other materials will be distributed at **6:30 p.m.** Please arrive **on time**. Finding a parking space always takes time and you will have to pick up materials prior to the start of the program.

Medical Office: Reminder the following completed medical forms are required for enrollment and are available on-line under the *Students* tab:

Child/Adolescent Health Exam Form. This form must be completed by a doctor to include the immunization record and be submitted to the Medical Office by June 1, 2021, if you have not done so already.

The Personal History Form. This form is to be submitted to the Medical Office by August 1, 2021. If you have any questions regarding this form, see our website.

Immunizations required for the start of school: We would like to take this time to remind everyone that vaccines are an integral part of keeping our school healthy. Vaccines protect children from getting and spreading diseases. There are a number of vaccine requirements for children attending school in NYS. It is important that you keep your child's vaccine schedule up to date. Please check with your child's pediatrician to make sure they have received all of their *required* vaccines. **If your child is missing required vaccines in September, our school nurse will notify you and you will have 14 days from the notification to get the vaccination, or your child will be excluded from attending school.**

Student Entrance: All students are required to use the secure designated Main Entrance opposite the Athletic Field. Access to this entrance will only be through the 169th Street gate. The building opens at 7:30 a.m. for all students and the Cafeteria is open at that time.

May you enjoy the remaining days of summer. I look forward to seeing you in September.

Sincerely,



Edward Burns
Principal

THE HOLY CROSS WOMEN'S GUILD

September 2021



"Together We Can Make A Difference"

Dear Holy Cross Families,

Welcome to the 2021-2022 academic year! The Women's Guild at Holy Cross is excited to welcome back all of our current members and hope to embrace new members. The past year has been difficult, yet we managed to host a few fundraising events and continue our longstanding tradition. The Women's Guild puts the "fun" in fundraising while building friendships with fellow past and present Holy Cross Moms and Guardians. We look forward to seeing some familiar faces and welcoming all new Knights moms!

We hope that you can join us at a meeting, an event or both! We will start the year off with our traditional opening Mass in the 4th Floor Chapel on Wednesday, October 6th at 7 p.m. followed by some light refreshments. Our main event of the year, the Dinner/Dance will be held on April 9th. This has been our biggest and most attended event, so save the date!

Halloween and March Bingo are back, as well as our traditional Holiday Vendors Day. We are planning and a new event "Comedy Night" in May. We would love to share all of these events with you while fundraising for Holy Cross.

The Women's Guild has been in existence for over 60 years and we are excited about beginning another year. Holy Cross prides itself on tradition and we are happy to be a part of that tradition.

We hope to see you at our meetings and/or events.

Best Regards,

Pat DellaVecchia President	Roberta Bilello Vice President	Chris O'Hagan Treasurer
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Women's Guild Board

President	Pat DellaVecchia	Please Visit our Website: www.holycrosshs.org Under "About" click on "Parent Organizations" for more information Email us at: womensguildhc@gmail.com Follow us on Facebook.com/Women's Guild Holy Cross
Vice President	Roberta Bilello	
Treasurer	Chris O'Hagan	
Secretary	<i>Position Open</i>	
Alumni Liaison	Rosemarie Pergolizzi	
Board Liaison	Shirley DellaVecchia	
300 Club	Mary Kern	

Calendar of Events:

Opening Mass: Wednesday, October 6th at 7pm (Chapel of the Holy Family)

Halloween Bingo: Friday October 22nd at 7 pm (Cafeteria)

General Meeting: Wednesday November 3rd at 7 pm (Cafeteria)

Christmas Party: Wednesday, December 1st at 7pm (Cafeteria)

Holiday Vendor Day/Bazaar: Saturday December 4th (Cafeteria)

General Meeting: Wednesday January 5th at 7 pm (Cafeteria)

General Meeting: Wednesday February 2nd at 7 pm (Cafeteria)

General Meeting: Wednesday March 2nd at 7 pm (Cafeteria)

March Bingo: Friday, March 11th at 7 pm (Cafeteria)

General Meeting: Wednesday April 6th at 7 pm (Cafeteria)

Dinner/Dance: Saturday, April 9th at 7 pm (Gym)

General Meeting: Wednesday, May 4th at 7 pm (Cafeteria)

Comedy Show: Saturday, May 7th at 7 pm

Women's Guild Calendar Member Only Events

Opening Mass followed by General meeting: Wednesday, October 6th at 7 pm The Women's Guild kicks-off the school year with a Liturgy Mass followed by our general Women's Guild meeting. Light refreshments will be served. Please join us for an enjoyable night to welcome the new freshmen moms. All are welcome.

Women's Guild General Meetings: All meetings take place on Wednesday evenings at 7 pm in the cafeteria. This years meetings will take place on: November 3rd, January 5th, February 2nd, March 2nd, April 6th and May 4th

Christmas Party/General Meeting: Wednesday, December 1st at 7 pm in the Holy Cross High School Cafeteria
Our general meeting will be followed by a small celebration with hors d'oeuvres and desserts. Come join us and bring your traditional family desserts or hors d'oeuvres to share with the women of the Guild. Members only please.

General Meeting/Year-End Party: Wednesday, May 4th at 7 pm in the Holy Cross High School Cafeteria
The Women's Guild hosts a year end celebration thanking members for their outstanding contribution to our fundraising efforts. We honor those who are leaving the Guild as their children graduate and announce the new board members for the upcoming academic year. Refreshments are provided by the Guild as a token of our appreciation.

EVENTS Open To All

Halloween Bingo:

Friday, October 22nd at 7 pm in the Holy Cross High School Cafeteria

The Women's Guild is happy to host its Annual Halloween Bingo. This event was a huge success. Please come out and join in the fun. **Event Flyer to Follow**

Holiday Vendor Day/Bazaar:

Saturday, December 4th from 12-4 pm at Holy Cross High School Cafeteria

The Women's Guild has teamed up with local businesses and vendors from the community to help you get a head start on your holiday shopping. There is something for everyone, so tell your friends, family and neighbors~ and come join us.

Event Flyer and Vendor Registration Form to Follow

March Bingo Madness:

Friday, March 11th at 7 pm in the Holy Cross High School Cafeteria

The Women's Guild is happy to host its Annual March Bingo Madness. Please come out and join in the fun.

Event Flyer to Follow

Dinner/Dance: *Saturday, April 9th from 7-11 pm at Holy Cross High School Gym*

The Women's Guild is happy to announce our Annual Dinner/Dance. This dance is our biggest fundraiser of the year. We hope that you will join us. Let's dance the night awaywhile enjoying dinner, drinks, great music, amazing raffles and tons of fun! 21+ only!!

Event Flyer to Follow

Comedy Show:

Saturday, May 7th at 7 pm

Event Flyer to Follow



2021 FALL SPORTS SEASON TRYOUT START DATES

**ALL STUDENTS MUST HAVE A COMPLETED MEDICAL FORM
SUBMITTED VIA FamilyID IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE
(SEE REVERSE FOR DETAILS)**

FRIDAY, AUGUST 20TH

8:00 AM

Varsity Football – Report to Room 104
(SOPHOMORES, JUNIORS AND SENIORS ONLY)

MONDAY, AUGUST 23RD

9:00 AM

- Boys Varsity/JV Soccer – Report to backyard track
- Girls Varsity Soccer – Report to backyard track.
- Girls JV Volleyball (9th and 10th grade) – Report to gym.
- Boys/Girls Cross Country – Report to backyard track.
- JV-B Football – All Freshmen – Report to room 104.

10:30 AM

- Girls Varsity Volleyball – Report to Gym

Varsity Bowling and Cheerleading will begin tryouts the first week of classes.

If you have any questions, please contact:

Keith Goggin '92
Director of Athletics
kgoggin@myhchs.org

Tim Gilvary '85
Assistant Director of Athletics
tgilvary@myhchs.org

FamilyID Athletic Registration

Holy Cross is excited to announce that we are now offering the convenience of online registration through FamilyID (www.familyid.com). FamilyID is a secure registration platform that provides you with an easy, user-friendly way to register for our programs, and helps us to be more administratively efficient and environmentally responsible. When you register through FamilyID, the system keeps track of your information in your FamilyID profile. You enter your information only once for each family member for multiple uses and multiple programs.

ALL FAMILIES OF STUDENTS TRYING OUT FOR TEAMS MUST REGISTER:

Any student who plans to try out for any of our athletic teams must have their family establish an account with FamilyID in order to submit the NYS Physical Examination Form electronically to Holy Cross. *Paper forms are no longer accepted.*

INFORMATION NEEDED TO REGISTER:

It will be helpful to have the following information handy to allow for the accurate completion of your online registration:

- Doctor information, Health Insurance Information, Student ID

REGISTRATION PROCESS:

A parent/guardian can register by clicking the Family ID link on the Holy Cross Athletics page on our website at www.holycrosshs.org

Registering as a new user on FamilyID is simple. Follow these steps:

1. If you have not already done so, create a FamilyID account by following the link on the athletics homepage.
2. After you sign up for an account please check your inbox for an Activation Email from FamilyID. You'll need to click the link in that email to activate your account.
3. Once you have activated your account, you will be ready to register for our program!
4. Click the blue Submit button. After selecting Submit, the registration will be complete. You will receive a completion email from FamilyID confirming your registration.

That is it! We now have a simple, quick, more modern and streamlined method of submitting medical paperwork.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Keith Goggin at kgoggin@myhchs.org or Tim Gilvary at tgilvary@myhchs.org.

Office of Institutional Advancement
PARENT VOLUNTEER FORM
2021-2022

Parent Name _____

Name of Student(s) _____ Year(s) _____

Home Address _____

Primary E-mail Address _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

I am interested in assisting the Advancement Office with the following activities:

EVENTS:

Walkathon (October 29, 2021)

___ Clerical (day)
___ Day of Event (day)

Alumni Reunion (April 1-2, 2022)

___ Registration (evening)
___ Raffle Sales (evening)

Hall of Fame (November 13, 2021)

___ Registration (evening)
___ Raffle Sales (evening)

Golf Classic (June 20, 2022)

___ Solicit Prizes for Raffles (day/evening)
___ Day of Event Volunteer (day/evening)

OFFICE ASSISTANCE:

___ Database Maintenance (days) ___ General Clerical (days)

Check one: ___ weekly ___ as needed

Availability (please specify preferences or ALL):

Days _____ Hours _____

Evenings _____ Hours _____

PLEASE RETURN FORM TO:

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