



**HOLY CROSS HIGH SCHOOL
PARENT CONNECTION
DECEMBER 2017**



We would like to wish everyone a **Merry Christmas** and **Blessed New Year**. We hope you all are able to spend time with family and friends and that your sons and daughters get well rested and ready to begin the second half of the school year.

CAREER DAY

On Friday, November 10, 2017, Mrs. Dipzinski held a Career Fair for the entire school! Freshman and Sophomores had the opportunity to tour the different booths from 1:15-2:00. Juniors and Seniors were able to walk around to the booths from 2:00-2:50. This was our biggest turn out yet! We had well over 35 different careers turn out for the event and many of the representatives brought props, hand-outs and even free give-away items! The Cincinnati Reds were even at the event taking job applications for next spring/summer!

The careers that were in attendance: *Structural Engineer, Occupational Therapy, Registered Nurse, Accounting, Lawyer, Attorney, Cosmetology, Massage Therapy, Manufacturing, NKY Home Builders Association, Welding, Electrician, HCHV, Masonry, Remodeling & Maintenance, Plumbing, Carpentry, DEA Group Supervisor, Radiological Technology, Army National Guard, Math Professor, Criminal Justice, Police Officer, Detective, Respiratory Care, Fire Fighter, Pediatric Doctor, Child Psychiatrist, Dimension Machine, Auditor, Sisters of Notre Dame and their Associates, Kelly Bros Home and Design Center, Human Resource Manager, Cincinnati Sports Service @ Great American Ball Park, Social Work.*





GENERAL ITEMS

Y-Club

The Holy Cross Y-Club has been invited to attend the Harvard Model Congress in San Francisco January 11-15, 2018. Last year HCHS was the only school from Kentucky who participated in the Harvard Model United Nations in Boston. This year 19 students and their teachers travel to California to take part in this prestigious conference. If you have questions about the Y-Club, model government, or would like to sponsor a student, please contact Katie Miller at katie.miller@hchscov.com.

Snow Alerts

In the rare incidence of school delays or cancellations due to weather related issues, Holy Cross High School will initiate an automated phone call to school families as soon as a decision has been made. Automated phone calls are used for various reminders about school related activities. If you have not received these phone calls and would like to be added to the list, please contact the office at (859) 431-1335 or email Mrs. Judy Borchers at judy.borchers@hchscov.com. **Please note that weather related delays and cancellations will not be posted on the website.** Local television and radio stations will also carry the information.

Scrip Orders

Scrip orders are due on **Tuesday December 5**, with delivery a few days later. This is the last chance to order Scrip before Christmas. Order forms are available at www.hchscov.com or in the school office. For more information contact tina.feldman@hchscov.com or at (859) 291-8588.

Amazon on the Website

Holy Cross High School can receive up to 7% of your purchases from **Amazon.com, with no additional cost to you.** All you have to do every time you want to shop at amazon.com, is go to the HCHS website, www.hchscov.com, go to the bottom of the home page, click on the Amazon box, and it will take you to a page with an Amazon link to click on. If you already shop online at amazon.com or would like to try it out, please go through the HCHS website every time you shop at amazon.com. As you do your shopping, all you have to do to support HCHS is to use this link and HCHS will receive a percentage of your purchases. If enough shoppers use this link, HCHS can receive up to 7% of purchases! Please spread the word to family, friends, neighbors and co-workers. This can be a huge fundraiser for HCHS, especially at Christmas time!

December Faculty Meeting

The December Faculty meeting will be held on **Monday, December 11th**. Dismissal will be at 2:00 p.m.

Parent Club Service Project

Holy Cross High School is currently working on a service project to help Holy Cross families who are in need as we approach Christmas. If you are interested in participating, please email tholtz@fuse.net.

Athletic Participation Fees Due

Holy Cross Athletics Participation Fee is \$150 per athlete, per school-year. Any athlete who is participating in a winter sport and did not participate in a fall sport (and therefore has not yet paid an athletic fee) must submit the \$150.00 Participation Fee. Athletic Fees must be submitted to Ms. Julian by **December 6th**.

All School Mass

Our all-school Christmas Mass and Christmas Concert will be celebrated on **Wednesday, December 13th** at 10:45 a.m.

EXAM SCHEDULE

The first semester exam schedule is as follows:

- Monday, December 18th 1st period exam 7:55 – 9:30
(Monday is a full day of school)

- Tuesday, December 19th 2nd period exam 8:55 – 10:30
 3rd period exam 10:45 – 12:15
(Dismissal will be at 12:15)

- Wednesday, December 20th 4th period exam 8:55 – 10:30
 5th period exam 10:45 - 12:15
(Dismissal will be at 12:15)

- Thursday, December 21st 6th period exam 8:55 – 10:30
 7th period exam 10:45 – 12:15
(Dismissal will be at 12:15)

2017-18 Annual Appeal

Annual Appeal information was mailed out mid November. For more than 20 years, this appeal has breathed life into our school beginning with the renovation of the cafeteria back in 1987 and continuing with the classroom renovation, improved technology; air conditioned classrooms, bathroom renovation, the ability to offer tuition assistance programs, the institution of the Academic Enhancement Program and an Educational Endowment Fund. This year again we are looking at giving the gift of education to our students. Last year we had nearly 150 students with documented financial need and the total financial need for all families was in excess of \$550,000. We were only able to meet approximately 65% of that need.

Your children are the direct recipients of all that the Annual Appeal continues to do. Please join the alumni, parents, past parents and friends who have supported this endeavor in the past. A pledge envelope will be included in the Annual Appeal information you receive. I hope you will see fit to donate to our lifeline of support. We believe that our school lays an important spiritual and academic foundation and with that, endless possibilities. Information has been mailed to each household. If you have not received the Annual Appeal brochure, please contact the Development/Alumni at 859-655-2190 or dot.trame@hchscov.com.

Denim & Diamonds Event Scheduled

If you are planning a class reunion or just a get together with friends, consider having your get together at the 2018 Denim & Diamonds event. The evening includes dinner, live and silent auctions, music and an environment to socialize with friends and enjoy the evening! The annual Denim & Diamonds Dinner and Auction is scheduled for Saturday, February 3, 2018 at 6:00 pm at Receptions Banquet Center in Erlanger, Ky.

The proceeds from this event are earmarked for the Scholarship Endowment Funds and financial aid at Holy Cross High School. The committee is currently seeking donations and sponsors. You can donate any item, service, concert or sporting event tickets, timeshares, gift certificates or money in any amount. There will be both a silent and live auction throughout the evening. Sponsorships are also available for this event. The Denim & Diamonds Committee is always expanding and you are welcome to become a part of it. This is a great way to get involved and meet other parents, friends and alumni.

For solicitation letters, sponsorship or more information, contact Stephanie Bornhorn at 859-655-2194, Dot Trame @859-655-2190 or Terry Niehaus at 859-655-2192 or you can send an email to

Virtus Info for Volunteers, Coaches & Employees

All volunteers, coaches and employees at HCHS must be Virtus compliant and current with the monthly online bulletins. If you have not already completed the online bulletin this month, please do so as soon as possible. If you have any questions, please contact our Virtus Coordinator, Tina Feldman at tina.feldman@hchscov.com or at (859) 291-8588.

SAVE THE DATE

“THE PAT TANEY NIGHT AT THE RACES” will be held on **Saturday March 24, 2018** in the Holy Cross Gymnasium. This event supports our 18 athletic programs and is the best place to meet Holy Cross Family and Friends. **Mark it on your calendar now!**

UPCOMING

Wednesday, January 3

- School resumes as we begin the second semester.
- Any senior who needs a transcript should sign up in the office.

Monday, January 8

- Faculty Meeting 2:00 Dismissal

Friday, January 13

- Alumni Scholarship Applications due in the office

Monday, January 15

- Martin Luther King Observance – No School