



**HOLY CROSS HIGH SCHOOL  
PARENT CONNECTION  
FEBRUARY 2014**



For latest school updates, check the website [hchscov.com](http://hchscov.com). The *Parent Connection* can also be viewed on the school website.

**GENERAL ITEMS**

**Weather Related Calendar Change**

**School will be in session on President's Day, Monday, February 17<sup>th</sup>.** This is a make-up day. Other days that will be considered for make-up days should they be necessary, are as follows: Wednesday, April 23, Tuesday, April 22, and Friday, March 21<sup>st</sup>.

**Catholic Schools Week**

January 27 – 31 has been designated as Catholic Schools Week. The student council has prepared a week of activities as we celebrate the unique opportunity that is shared within the Catholic School of Holy Cross High School. I thank you for allowing us to be a part of your child's life and education. Holy Cross will be represented at the Diocesan Mass that will be celebrated at the Cathedral on Wednesday, January 29th.

**Denim & Diamonds**

Denim & Diamonds will be held on Saturday, February 1st at Receptions in Erlanger. Thanks to all who contributed gifts/gift cards/general donations for this event. Tickets are still on sale. Admission of \$55 per person includes dinner, drinks, and lots of excitement! A listing of silent and live auction items will be on the website by the end of the week. An opportunity to purchase rapid raffle tickets should have been received by email. Those chances are due by Wednesday, January 29. Contact Katie Wesseling at 655-2192 or email [katie.wesseling@hchscov.com](mailto:katie.wesseling@hchscov.com) for more information and/or to purchase tickets.

**Faculty Meeting**

The February faculty meeting will take place on Monday, February 10th. Students will be dismissed at 2:00 pm

**Progress Reports**

Third quarter progress reports will be posted online by the end of the day on Friday, February 7<sup>th</sup>. If you do not have computer access at home or would prefer to have a hard copy of your son or daughter's progress report, please call the high school office and a copy of all progress reports will be given to your son or daughter to be delivered home to you. The computer lab in Room 1 will be open on the following dates in the event that you do not have computer access at home, but would like to review progress reports within Edline.

Monday, February 10th – 3:00 – 4:30 PM

Wednesday, February 12th – 3:00 -4:30 PM

If you have any questions concerning progress reports or Edline, please feel to contact Mr. Kues at 859-815-6005 or [rob.kues@hchscov.com](mailto:rob.kues@hchscov.com).

### All School Mass

The February "All-School Mass" will be celebrated on February 12<sup>th</sup>.

### Mulch Kick-Off

Information regarding the Mulch fundraiser will be distributed at school on Thursday, February 13<sup>th</sup> for Freshmen and Sophomores and 14<sup>th</sup> for Juniors and Seniors. This is a fundraiser that is usually seen as a good thing – the mulch is a good quality, the price is reasonable and delivery is included in the price. Do your friends and neighbors a favor by asking them to purchase their mulch from HC students! Delivery will take place the weekends of April 11-13 & 25-27.

### Scrip Orders

Scrip orders are due on Thursday, February 13. Order forms are available at <http://www.hchscov.com> Delivery will take place the following Tuesday or Wednesday.

### Sophomore Alumni Scholarship Application Deadline

The deadline for Holy Cross Alumni Sophomore Scholarships is Friday, February 14<sup>th</sup>. There is one scholarship awarded by the Holy Cross Alumni Association to an incoming sophomore student. Scholarship applications will be distributed to all freshmen through their religion classes by Monday, February 3.

### Night at the Races

The ever-popular Night at the Races will be held on Friday, February 14<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 pm – midnight in the gym. This Boosters fundraiser, in its 28<sup>th</sup> year, is smoke-free and is a great way to meet other parents/supporters of Holy Cross. Tickets can be purchased for \$15 at the door, which includes 5 drink tickets.

### President's Day – Make Up Snow Day

**School will be in session on President's Day, Monday, February 17<sup>th</sup>.** This is a make-up day.

### February Booster's Meeting

The February meeting will be held on Monday, February 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 in the Arlinghaus Haus.

### Ladies Night Out at Fabulous Furs!

The Denim & Diamonds committee will host a Ladies Night Out at Donna Salyers' Fabulous Furs on Tuesday, February 18<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 -7:30 pm. Admission is only \$10 per person and includes a 15% discount on all purchases and complimentary cocktails and appetizers. Fabulous Furs is located at 20 W. 11<sup>th</sup> Street in Covington. Contact Jill Hamlin by February 10<sup>th</sup> for reservations at 240-3601 or [jillhamlin@twc.com](mailto:jillhamlin@twc.com)

### Annie Get Your Gun

The musical, *Annie Get Your Gun*, will be performed February 20 - 23, 2014 at Carnegie Center for the Arts in Covington. Showtime on Thursday through Saturday will be at 7:30. Sunday's performance will begin at 3:00 pm. For more information call 859-991-2444.

### Senior Retreat

The last group of seniors will be on retreat from February 21<sup>st</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>. Please continue to keep our seniors and all of our students in your prayers.

### Snow Alerts

When there are 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 431-1335 or email Mrs. Judy Borchers at [judy.borchers@hchscov.com](mailto:judy.borchers@hchscov.com). We have also been sending out an email to parents since many receive email messages on their cell phones. We will try to continue this practice. **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.

### Alumni & Friends Newsletter

The February edition of the Alumni and Friends newsletter has should have been received. Parents of all Holy Cross students should receive a copy. If you do not receive this, please contact [katie.wesseling@hchscov.com](mailto:katie.wesseling@hchscov.com) to be added to the mailing list.

### Annual Appeal

You should have received information regarding the 2013-14 Annual Appeal. To date, the response has been great. If you did not get a chance to look over the information that was sent, I ask you take the time to do so and consider a gift to this year's Annual Appeal. A pledge envelope is included in the pamphlet that you received or you can donate online through the website [hchscov.com](http://hchscov.com). We are counting on your support.

### "Straight A" Cincinnati Reds Tickets

Ticket vouchers for all students who received straight As during the first and second quarter of this school year have been ordered and will be distributed as soon as they are received. Eligible students will be required to complete the form and mail it **by the date that is specified on the form** to obtain these tickets.

### Absentee Notes

School policy states that a parent must call the office (431-1335) on any day that your son or daughter is absent. For the safety of our students, it is also a school regulation that parents must send a note stating the reason for their child's absence on the day they return. This note can be either a written note or a note in the form of a fax (859-655-2184) or email ([kathy.lonneman@hchscov.com](mailto:kathy.lonneman@hchscov.com)). Even though the parent may have spoken to someone in the office on the day of the absence, it is still necessary to send the note on the day of his/her return. If a note is not received within seven days, the student will receive detention.

### Dress Code

As the school year progresses, we are seeing an increase in the number of dress code infractions. Some that are common are:

1. Girls' uniform skirts that are too short. Remember, skirts are not to be more than 3 inches above the knee.
2. Out-of-uniform day infractions. Although HCHS tries to help various charities by having these days, there are restrictions on how students may dress.
3. Sweatshirts of Holy Cross colors (red, black or white) or Holy Cross spirit wear may be worn. Sweatshirts that advertise companies or other logos are not permitted.

We appreciate your help in monitoring your son or daughter's dress before they come to school.

### 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 done 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 [tinarfeldman@yahoo.com](mailto:tinarfeldman@yahoo.com) or at (859) 291-8588.

### Buddy Cards

The Parents Club continues to sell LaRosa's Buddy cards. They can be obtained by contacting [katie.wesseling@hchscov.com](mailto:katie.wesseling@hchscov.com) or they can be purchased in the school office. LaRosa's Buddy Cards sell for \$10 and can be used 14 times for "buy a large pizza, get a large cheese pizza Free". The offer can be used for dine in or pick up.

### Amazon on the Website

With the introduction of the new website, a link is available for Amazon. If you already shop on line or would like to try it out - Just click on Fundraising Options at the bottom of the home page and it will take you to a page with an Amazon link. All you have to do to support Holy Cross is to use this link and HC will receive a percentage of your purchases. If enough shoppers use this link, Holy Cross can receive up to 7% of purchases! Please spread the word to family, friends and co-workers. This can be a huge fundraiser for Holy Cross.

### Upcoming

*Wednesday, March 5*

- *Ash Wednesday – All School Mass*

*Friday, March 7 and every Friday during Lent (except Good Friday)*

- *Boosters' Fish Fry in Cafeteria*

*March 10<sup>th</sup>*

- *Faculty Meeting*

*March 11<sup>th</sup>*

- *Third Quarter Ends*

*March 17*

- *Booster Meeting 7:00 in Arlinghaus Haus*

*March 18*

- *ACT at Holy Cross*

*March 19<sup>th</sup>*

- *Report Card Night 5 – 7 p.m.*

*March 21<sup>st</sup>*

- *Diocesan In-Service – No School if snow make-up day is not necessary.*
- *Junior Class Bingo*

*March 28 – 31*

- *Alumni Basketball Tournament*