



**HOLY CROSS HIGH SCHOOL
PARENT CONNECTION
FEBRUARY 2016**



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GENERAL ITEMS

Denim & Diamonds

Denim & Diamonds will be held on Saturday, February 6th at Receptions in Erlanger. Thanks to all who contributed gifts/gift cards/general donations for this event. Tickets are still on sale thru Wednesday, February 3rd. Admission of **\$60 per person** includes dinner, drinks, and lots of excitement! Please email 2016denimanddiamonds@gmail.com for more information and/or to purchase tickets.

Faculty Meeting

The February faculty meeting will take place on Monday, February 8th. Students will be dismissed at 2:00 pm

Progress Reports

Third quarter progress reports are due February 4th. Grades should be posted online by the end of the day on Tuesday, February 9th.

All School Mass

The February "All-School Mass" will be celebrated on Ash Wednesday, February 10th.

Mulch Kick-Off

Information regarding the Mulch fundraiser will be distributed at school on Thursday, February 4th for Freshmen and Sophomores and 5th 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 8-10 & 22-24 and May 6 & 7. Please mark these dates on your calendar since HCHS students must help deliver mulch and we will also need a lot of parent volunteer drivers.

Scrip Orders

Scrip orders are due on **Thursday, February 11th**. Order forms are available at <http://www.hchscov.com>. Delivery will take place on or around **Tuesday, February 16th**. If you have any questions, please contact Tina Feldman at tina.feldman@hchscov.com or at 859 291-8588.

Sophomore Alumni Scholarship Application Deadline

The deadline for Holy Cross Alumni Sophomore Scholarships is **Friday, February 19th**. 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 next week.

Spaghetti Dinner

On **Friday, February 5th**, the **Junior Class** will be sponsoring a spaghetti dinner from **5:00 -8:00 p.m.** in the school cafeteria. The proceeds will help to defray the costs of their senior trip to Washington DC next fall. The dinner, which consists of spaghetti, meatballs, salad, a soft drink and dessert is **\$9.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children under 10**. Pre-sale tickets are available and preferred. **Please see any junior student to purchase tickets or email rob.knox@hchscov.com.**

Night at the Races

The ever-popular Night at the Races is being named **Pat Taney Night at the Races** in recognition of all the hard work and dedication Pat has given to Holy Cross High School. The races will be held on Friday, February 12th from 7:00 pm – midnight in the gym. This Booster's fundraiser, in its 30th year, is smoke-free and a great way to meet other parents/supporters of Holy Cross. Tickets can be purchased for \$15 at the door. The Boosters will also host their traditional fish fry in the cafeteria from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. For **every meal you purchase** you will receive a **complimentary admission to Night at the Races**. Come join the fun!

Fish Fry

The Athletic Boosters are sponsoring a weekly fish fry every Friday (except Good Friday) during Lent from 5:00 – 8:00 p.m. in the cafeteria. The menu consists of fresh, hand breaded and baked haddock, shrimp baskets and fish tacos. There is cheese pizza and grilled cheese for kids. Sides include hush puppies, mac and cheese, green beans, stewed tomatoes, cole slaw or French fries and dessert. Drinks are available for purchase. Take-out orders are also available.

February Booster's Meeting

The February meeting will be held on Monday, February 15th at 7:00 in the Arlinghaus House.

Sound of Music

The musical, *Sound of Music*, will be performed March 3 – March 6, 2016 at Carnegie Center for the Arts in Covington. Showtime on Thursday through Saturday will be at 7:30 p.m.. Sunday's performance will begin at 2:00 p.m. Tickets are available at the Carnegie box office at 859 957-1940. Cost is \$15 general admission ages 5 and under \$10. For more information call 859-991-2444.

Senior Retreat

The last group of seniors will be on retreat from February 19th – 21st. 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 859 431-1335 or email Mrs. Judy Borchers at judy.borchers@hchscov.com. Local television and radio stations will also carry the information.

Alumni & Friends Newsletter

If you are receiving newsletters for your children who do not live at home please send in their current address by contacting the Alumni office at hc.alumni@hchscov.com. Thank you.

After Prom Committee

After Prom 2016 will be held at Town & Country immediately following Prom on Saturday, April 30th. More details to follow!

Annual Appeal

It is not too late to donate! If you have not had an opportunity to donate to the 2015-16 Annual Appeal you can still donate. Please send a check to the high school office or donate online. Any help you are able to give is greatly appreciated!

Absentee Notes

School policy states that a parent must call the office (859 431-1335) 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). 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 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.

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 and go to the bottom of the home page and 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.

Upcoming

Friday, February 12 – Friday, March 18

- *Boosters' Fish Fry in Cafeteria*

Wednesday, February 24

- *Sophomore Day of Reflection*

March 9th

- *Third Quarter Ends*

March 14th

- *Faculty Meeting*

March 15

- *ACT at Holy Cross*

March 16th

- *Report Card Night 5 – 7 p.m.*
- *Sophomore Rings Ordered 5 – 7 p.m.*

March 21

- *Booster Meeting 7:00 in Arlinghaus Haus*

March 24th & March 25th

- *Holy Thursday and Good Friday – NO SCHOOL*

March 28 – April 1

- *Spring Break – NO SCHOOL*