

MAY-JUNE 2021



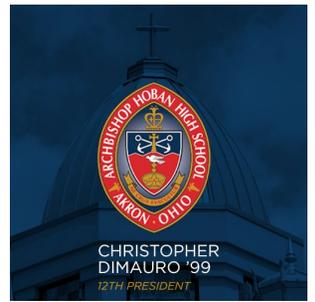
Class of 2021

The 65th Annual Baccalaureate Mass and Commencement Exercises took place on May 23 at Akron Civic Theatre. This year has been anything but typical – for our educators, families and, most especially, for the students. Regardless, the Class of 2021 and the entire student body have excelled. As a class, the graduates earned more than \$34 million in college scholarships.

Visit the [Class of 2021 webpage](#) for information and photos of senior events.

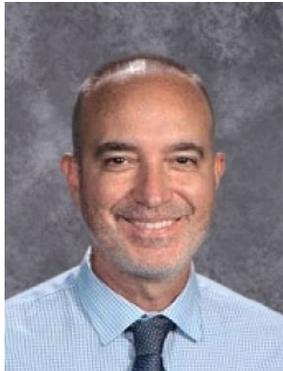
Christopher DiMauro '99 selected as Hoban's new president

The Hoban Presidential Search Committee, Hoban Board of Directors and Brothers of Holy Cross announced Christopher DiMauro, Class of 1999, as Hoban's 12th president. DiMauro is an experienced educator, administrator and leader with a strong and enduring commitment to the proven values and life-long benefits of a Catholic and Holy Cross education.



"It is an incredible honor to become the next president of Hoban," DiMauro said. "Hoban has always held a special place in my heart, and I look forward to giving back to the school community that gave so much to me."

[Read the full announcement.](#)



Griffith to serve as interim principal

Effective June 14, Mr. T.K. Griffith '89 will serve as Hoban's interim principal. Griffith is a proud alumnus and parent of three Hoban graduates and one current student. He has taught at Hoban for the past 27 years and this year was his 28th as boys basketball head coach. As co-chair of the English department, T.K. has served on many committees and task forces. He is an exemplary member of our community, an outstanding role model to students and lives out his faith and our Holy Cross values.

STUDENT SUCCESS AND NEWS

CONGRATULATIONS, CLASS OF 2021
THE NUMBERS TELL THEIR SUCCESS

- 191** graduates in the Class of 2021
- \$34M+** earned in college scholarships*
- 98%** of graduates attend college or serve our country

*Self-reported from 64% of the Class of 2021

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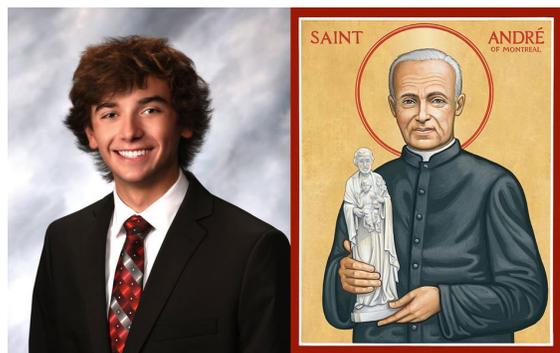
Academic Excellence Awards

Hoban proudly recognizes seniors who have been awarded the President's Award of Educational Excellence, President's Award of Educational Achievement and Hoban's Honor for Academic Excellence. [View the many recipients.](#)

2021 Monsignor Richard A. Dowd School Spirit Award

announced

The highest award given by Hoban, the Monsignor Richard A. Dowed School Spirit Award is given to students who have made outstanding contributions of their time, effort and talent to the Hoban community and to the activities connected with the school. Faculty committees select students who have best exemplified the ideals of Christian service, leadership and spirit. Each year one student from each grade level is selected for the award. Senior Natalie Vrobel, junior Veronica Savitski, sophomore Elizabeth Savitski and freshman Megan Crowe are the deserving winners for 2021.



The 2021 recipient of the Brother André Heart of Holy Cross Award is Luke Minick

This honor, now in its fifth year, is bestowed on a senior who has taken the Holy Cross mission to heart and follows the example of St. André Bessette, the first member of the Congregation of Holy Cross to be canonized a saint. The recipient welcomes all and shows care and concern for the whole Hoban community. Each member the of Hoban community who encounters this award winner is always shown the hospitality of Christ.

Student Council announced for 2021-22

Students have voted and the Student Council members have been announced for the 2021-22 School Year. They are:

Executive Co-Presidents

- Mia Gallagher
- Jude Yovichin

Class Representatives:

CLASS OF 2022

- President Sawyer Huckabee
- Vice Presidents Julia Martin, Eden Nichelson and Olivia Scott

CLASS OF 2023

- President Dominic Henry
- Vice President Frank Bradshaw, Andrew Griffith and Lauren Tonsing

CLASS OF 2024

- President Italy Simmons
- Vice President Megan Crowe, Barrett Dillon and Lane Shannon



Child learns to walk with help from Hoban's Engineering Department

Each year, Hoban pre-engineering students have the opportunity to create a modified ride-on toy vehicle for a child with developmental disabilities. As with so many things this year, COVID limited this program, but a new project presented itself. Three-year-old Aleyna,



born with Spina Bifida, is learning to walk using a set of parallel bars built by Senior Ava Dobbins and teacher Greg Pero in Hoban's Asente and Scala Families Innovation Center Maker's Space. These bars were given to Aleyna and her family to help her build her strength at home. Without the set of bars at home, her practice was limited. "We are so grateful for all of Hoban's support in bringing engineered solutions to Summit DD families over the years. Aleyna was all smiles and the family was so thankful for all of Greg and Ava's hard work

customizing, designing and engineering these parallel bars. Thank you for bringing more opportunities and independence to Aleyna and so many others," said Haylee of Summit County Developmental Disabilities Board.

Hoban's Junior Leadership Akron representatives

Rising seniors Rachel Alexander and Grant Waller were selected as Hoban's Junior Leadership Akron representatives. JLA is a program that fosters leadership skills, specifically those of inspiring, connecting, serving and empowering. It connects juniors in high school from the Akron area with other leaders and adults in the community. Through monthly program days, students learn how to grow in leadership skills and awareness of different possibilities in our Akron community.



Monteleone wins second place for business pitch

Seven Hoban students (split among three teams) participated in the first annual NEO Pitch Championship on May 7. They presented business ideas to a panel of judges, including Hoban graduate and president of **Evolve Marketing Team** Todd Bertsch '89. Among the placing "teams" was senior Luke Monteleone, who won second place honors for his business idea "Power Pots." Other students who participated in the event included Sydney Harrison, Madelyn Powell, Aaron Bielecki, Josh Fenn, Sam Fess and Alex Wong.

Revolutionary War Days return to Hoban

Mr. Anderson's Museum Studies class presented the Revolutionary War Living History Days on May 11 and 12 to elementary students. Since 2010, local schools have visited Hoban's campus to learn from Hoban students about life during the Revolutionary War. Throughout the semester, Anderson's students researched local Revolutionary War veterans and have brought their stories to life on the upper practice field, dressed in full colonial apparel. New this year, students were able to hear the sound of a firing cannon, similar to what would have been used in battle. Through the students' research, they deliver historical presentations, including a fife and drum corps performance, field kitchen cooking and 18th-century printing press demonstrations.



ATHLETICS OFFICE NEWS



ARCHBISHOP HOBAN HIGH SCHOOL

ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

NOMINATIONS OPEN

The Hoban Athletic Hall of Fame, established in 1989, recognizes accomplished Hoban athletes, coaches or athletic benefactors every other year. Nominations can be made by any interested party.

Nominate a candidate

This year inductees will be acknowledged during the Hoban vs. Walsh football game on Friday, Sept. 3, and the induction ceremony will be Sunday, Sept. 5.

Strength coaches conference held at Hoban

Hoban recently hosted the National High School Strength Coaches Association’s Great Lakes Regional Conference. The Great Lakes Region consists of six states (Ohio, Kentucky, Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, and Wisconsin). The conference was a two-day event in April that hosted 10 presenters speaking on various strength and conditioning topics. The event was designed to continue to educate high school coaches on building and/or improving high schools' strength and conditioning programs. Eighty-five strength and conditioning coaches from eight states along with 10 vendors were in attendance.



REGISTER FOR SUMMER CAMP

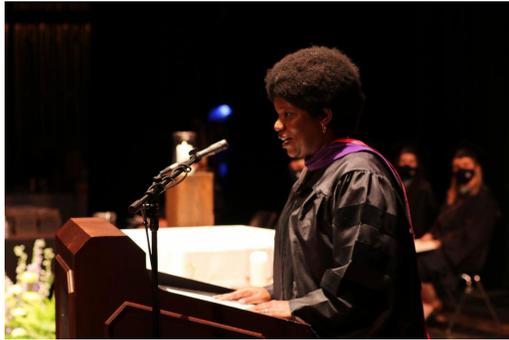
Students in various grades are invited to experience life at the Castle, gain additional instruction, continue advancing in skill and have fun during Hoban’s academic and athletic camps.

REGISTER FOR A FUN-FILLED, EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE.

Class of 2025: Don't forget to sign up for athletic programs in FinalForms. Coaches will be communicating pre-season meetings, tryouts, and schedules. Log into Final Forms and select your sports programs.

ALUMNI NEWS

Alumni-Senior Breakfast was held May 18 at a limited capacity to welcome the Class of 2021 into the Hoban alumni community. **See photos.**



Boyd delivers commencement address

Tona Boyd '99 was the commencement speaker at the 2021 Baccalaureate Mass and Commencement Exercises held on May 23. She is a 2003 graduate of the University of Notre Dame and earned her law degree from Harvard Law School in 2009. Tona was formerly Sen. Corey Booker's Chief Counsel and Senior Legal Adviser, and served in the U.S. Department of Justice for 10 years. You can watch the video on the **Class of 2021 webpage.**

Alumni speak to Hoban classes

Jim McCool '77 spoke to students from the entrepreneurship and leadership classes, as well as select members of Leadership Institute in May. He shared about his career path and the many lessons he learned working for a small business to becoming an executive vice president at Charles Schwab. He stressed the importance of relationship-building, daily interactions with all people, humility and setting challenging goals to pursue with passion.



Todd Bertsch '89, also had a great message for Hoban's entrepreneurship class. Owner and President of Evolve Marketing, Bertsch says, "Be a good steward in your community, become the expert and always be humble."



Virtual **REVERSE RAFFLE**

MAY 13 - MAY 27



The winning number is #93! The winner would like to remain anonymous.

Proceeds from the Virtual Reverse Raffle will support need-based student scholarships, allowing Hoban to live up to its commitment to provide a Holy Cross education to all qualified students.

Alumni Survey - We value your feedback!

Archbishop Hoban High School wants to learn more about how we can improve engagement with our alumni. Your input is important as we look for new and improved ways to strengthen and connect with our alumni family. Thank you in advance for your feedback, it will only take a few minutes. Please take our **SURVEY**.



COME HOME to Hoban

SEPTEMBER 3-6, 2021

Save the Date for Come Home to Hoban Labor Day Weekend!

Alumni festivities will begin Friday, Sept. 3, 2021 with the football game vs. Walsh Jesuit. Stay tuned for more details soon.

Stay Connected

As a member of the Hoban family, there are numerous ways for you to connect with fellow alumni, stay engaged with Hoban and make a difference in the community. Visit the **Alumni page** on the Hoban website. You can also connect with Archbishop Hoban High School Alumni on **Facebook**, **Instagram** and **LinkedIn**.

The Advancement Office would like to celebrate with you! Please notify us of accomplishments whether its professional, weddings, births or awards, we'd like to know. **Update my Information**.

Have pictures you'd like to share? **Email us**.

FROM THE ADVANCEMENT OFFICE

Kick-off event held for new practice fields

The Cleveland Browns and Hoban hosted a kick-off event on May 6 to celebrate the implementation of high-quality synthetic turf fields at the Wentz Financial Family Fields, the Brown's 11th field installment in the past five years. Resurfacing the Wentz Fields is fully funded through philanthropic efforts. An initial \$250,000 grant from the NFL Foundation Grassroots Program, made possible through the Browns partnership, was given to help finance the resurfacing of one field. Hoban raised the additional funds necessary to create a transformational project to include a second, lined athletic field and softball field, which will ultimately impact a much larger number of student-athletes, both at Hoban and among Akron youth athletic leagues. The enclosed fields will provide a safe and clean environment for student-athletes to practice and compete. A dedication ceremony will also be hosted once the field is finished, which is expected to be ready for the 2021-22 school year. Learn more at **hoban.org/wentz-fields**.



Extravaganza 2022

Extravaganza Golf Outing: Oct. 15, 2021

Mark your calendar for the Extravaganza Golf Outing at Fox Den Golf Course on Oct. 15.

Gather your foursomes now!



Extravaganza 2022 Volunteers

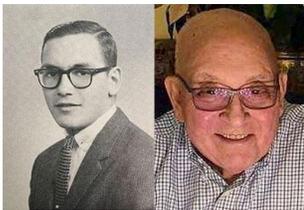
Volunteers are being sought for Extravaganza 2022 to help with co-chairing a committee. This is a great way to meet other Hoban

families and get involved.

CREATE STUDIOS Grand Opening

A grand opening of CREATE Studios will be held during Come Home to Hoban - alumni weekend. **Schedule a tour** with the advancement office or make a gift to help us finish the project on budget and fully funded through philanthropy.

DONATE TODAY.



Les Radwany "Bulldog" Scholarship

Honor the memory Leslie S. Radwany, Jr. '60 by donating to the Les "Bulldog" Radwany Scholarship, a permanently restricted endowment of the Hoban Trust Fund. The scholarship will be awarded to a Hoban student who experienced the foster care system or is adopted. For complete details and to donate, visit **The Les "Bulldog" Radwany Scholarship page.**

Hoban store available online

Both spirit wear and uniform shirts can now be purchased **online** through the Hoban store.

Summer hours for the store will be posted soon for July.

For any questions on school apparel, please contact Helene Markowski at markowskih@hoban.org for more information. Follow the Hoban Store on Twitter @hobanstore for store hours updates and other information.

