

# Roman Catholic High School Parent Newsletter



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Calendar Notice: 3/24 and 3/25 NO SCHOOL

## **Purple vs Gold Challenge- UPDATE**

Current Standings: Team Purple: 1,055 Team Gold: 1,000

## **Mothers' Club**



**Spring Designer Bag Bingo tickets are on sale!** Grab your friends and family to join us for an afternoon of fun on **Sunday, April 24th!** Doors open at 1pm. Bingo begins at 2pm. Click here to purchase.

Louis Vuitton Bag Raffle tickets are on sale! Ladies....If you're missing an LV bag in your collection, here's your opportunity to win one! Click here to purchase. Winner need not be present but drawing will be done at the end of the Spring Designer Bag Bingo on Sunday, April 24, 2022.

Next Mothers' Club Meeting is Monday, April 4th at 7pm! Current Board will provide a list of candidates interested in a position for the 2022-2023 school year and nominations will be taken at that time for additional candidates for the ballot. Email the Mothers' Club at mothersclub@romancatholichs.com if you would like to have your name added to the slate of candidates by Thursday, March 31st.

### PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Parent-Teacher conferences are scheduled for the evening of *Thursday, March 24th* from **5pm-7pm**. The meetings will take place in-person at Roman. Parents can meet with teachers on a first come first serve basis. Meetings are not mandatory, but it is strongly recommended that the parents of students whose sons are failing a course, attend and meet with the teacher of the course(s).

### Romauction 2022!

The 2022 Romauction is scheduled for *Saturday, April* 23, 2022! It will start at 6:00pm in the school gymnasium. This year's theme is Roman Shore! Come join us for a night of fun, food, drinks, music and get in the beachy mood!

Interested in donating a LIVE or SILENT auction item?

Interested in joining the Romauction Committee? Please email <a href="mailto:romauction@romancatholichs.com">romauction@romancatholichs.com</a> with any questions!



## **CLICK HERE TO PURCHASE TICKETS TO ROMAUCTION 2022!**

All proceeds from the auction go directly towards clubs, activities, and athletics for the students of Roman Catholic High School!

Purchase a special shout out to your son or his team for \$10! One line advertisement in our tribute video (100 words or less). The tribute video will be displayed the night of the event. This would be a great way to honor students/graduating seniors.

Click here for information about the 2022 Specialty Item!

Sneak peak at special items to be auctioned off:



SENIOR PROM PACKAGE
JUNIOR PROM PACKAGE
GRADUATION 2022 RESERVED SEATING
CLASS OF 2023 RING MASS RESERVED SEATING



Please help our Auction Committee cut the costs of our boys' athletics and activities and spread the word! Please feel free to pass this flyer out at your places of work, weekend businesses, to family and friends, etc! We appreciate your support!

## 2022-2023 Facts Financial Aid application

2022-2023 Facts Financial Aid application can be completed at <u>factsmgt.com</u>. There is no district code. Parents can choose parent log in, payment plans/financial aid, then create a username/password for new parents. If the parent already has an account, please log in with an existing username/password. A Facts representative can be reached at 1-866-441-4637 if you need any assistance.

#### PROOF OF VACCINATION INFORMATION

If your son is vaccinated, please provide proof of vaccination to our School Nurse, Mrs. Schickling, at <a href="mailto:mschickling@romancatholichs.com">mschickling@romancatholichs.com</a>.

When there is a positive Covid case reported to the school, students who are fully vaccinated are NOT required to quarantine. Please email Mrs. Schickling with any questions!



## **CSC- Can Tab Collection**

The Community Service Corps is collecting can tabs for the Ronald McDonald House of Philadelphia! *Collect those tabs throughout the month of March*. You can fill a pringles can, milk carton, or coffee can! The student that collects the most tabs by weight will receive a \$50 Visa Gift Card, with two \$25 consolation prizes!

## **Morning Drop-Off**

Reminder: when you are dropping your son off in the morning, please *do not* block the parking lot entrance!

#### PROM INFORMATION-TICKETS NOW ON SALE

Please click <u>here</u> for important information regarding the **Senior Prom**.



Please click <u>here</u> for important information regarding the *Junior Prom*.

## **Graduation 2022**

SENIOR PARENTS: please click here for information on the 2022 Graduation.

Each graduate will receive 4 total tickets- 2 Reserved and 2 General Admission.

Such practice has been in place so we can accommodate each of our graduate's families and respect the guest limit of the Cathedral. As stated in the information packet, "Brothers who currently attend Roman may volunteer as ushers or altar servers and would not need a ticket." We cannot guarantee requests for additional tickets. We certainly understand this may cause some frustration, but there is a physical limit to the Cathedral and we want to ensure each of our Graduates and their families have an equitable experience on such a special day. We are exceedingly grateful for your understanding.

### **Reminders from Guidance**



Congratulations to all seniors who have been accepted to a college or university! Please bring in your acceptance letters and scholarships to Sister Jane in the Guidance Office. Encourage your son to check in the cafeteria and near the guidance office for the list of acceptances and scholarships. If they think anything is missing, have them see Sister.

Students also will receive a candy bar for their acceptances and scholarships! **So far seniors** have earned over \$12 million in scholarships!

Click <u>here</u> for a list of Summer Programs available for our students!

If you believe your son is struggling emotionally please let us know. We understand that the pandemic has been particularly difficult for students.

### **Grief Group**

If you believe your son would benefit from attending, please reach out to Mrs. Hoole at <a href="mailto:ihoole@romancatholichs.com">ihoole@romancatholichs.com</a>.

As always, the members of the Roman Catholic High School Guidance Team are available to assist the students at Catholic High! If your son is ever in need of assistance, please reach out to his counselor!

#### • Grade-Level Counselors:

- Mrs. Desmond (<u>mdesmond@romancatholichs.com</u>)--Guidance Director/Juniors and Seniors
- o Mrs. Snyder (<u>csnyder@romancatholichs.com</u>)--Sophomores
- Mrs.Connell (<u>mconnell@romancatholichs.com</u>)--Freshmen
- <u>Family Connections Counselors:</u> The Family Connections staff at Roman Catholic provides an extra layer of support for students who may be struggling with personal/emotional issues that are affecting their learning. They also provide a bridge between home, school, and the community by providing information and resources to support student success. Family Connections staff is available 5 days a week.
  - Mrs. Hoole (jhoole@romancatholichs.com)
  - Mrs. Levine (<u>mlevine@romancatholichs.com</u>)
  - Ms. Duffy, Family Connections Liaison (<a href="mailto:dduffy@romancatholichs.com">dduffy@romancatholichs.com</a>)



# **Tips for Addressing Academic Concerns**

- **Monitor PowerSchool**—parents have access to PowerSchool, which allows them to closely monitor their son's performance in his coursework. Login information was mailed to each family at the start of the school year. If you are still in need of PowerSchool login information, please contact Mrs. Shipton at <a href="mailto:mshipton@romancatholichs.com">mshipton@romancatholichs.com</a>
- Open Dialogue with your Son—As grades are entered into PowerSchool, have a conversation with your son about both the positive grades as well as the grades that need to be improved. Providing your sons with positive feedback throughout the marking period often makes it easier to address academic obstacles. When assignments are missing or test grades are low, this timely dialogue with your son is critical. The importance of completing work on time and studying for assessments is critical to a student's success at Roman Catholic High School.
- **Email the Teachers**—the Roman Catholic Faculty is comprised of many talented educators who are here to support your sons along their academic journey. After having a conversation with your son, please feel free to reach out to your son's teachers through email.
- Please give teachers 48 hours to respond as their teaching loads consist of around 150 students. Also, feel free to copy the Department Chair for the academic discipline on your correspondence to the teacher. The Department Chair emails can be found below:
- Theology—Mr. Jim Murphy <u>imurphy@romancatholichs.com</u>
- English—Mr. Fitzgerald Gallagher fgallagher@romancatholichs.com
- Science—Mr. Dennis DiGiovanni <u>ddigiovanni@romancatholichs.com</u>
- Social Studies—Mr. John Corrigan <u>jcorrigan@romancatholichs.com</u>
- World Languages—Mr. Nicholas Azzara <u>nazzara@romancatholichs.com</u>
- Mathematics—Mr. Jim Brennan <u>jbrennan@romancatholichs.com</u>
- Business—Ms. Theresa A. Lazorko <u>tlazorko@romancatholichs.com</u>
- Physical Education/Health--Mr. Robert Hill <a href="mailto:rhill@romancatholichs.com">rhill@romancatholichs.com</a>
- Fine Arts/Music--Mrs. Shannon Gallagher- sgallagher@romancatholichs.com

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- Assistant Principal for Academic Affairs
   — If after reaching out to your son's teacher
   and the department chair you still have concerns, please feel free to email Mr. Buck at
   <u>cbuck@romancatholichs.com</u>
- Contact the Guidance Department—Our Guidance Director, Mrs. Mary Desmond, may be able to assist you with finding additional resources for your son to improve his academic performance. Please reach out to Mrs. Desmond at <a href="mailto:mdesmond@romancatholichs.com">mdesmond@romancatholichs.com</a>.