



Roman Catholic High School Parent Newsletter



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BACK TO SCHOOL FORMS- PARENTS!

Parents and Guardians: Please click [here](#) for directions on how to e-sign all of your son's back to school forms. If you need assistance getting into your parent portal on PowerSchool, please contact Ms. Shipton at mshipton@romancatholicchs.com. These forms can **ONLY** be accessed through your **parent portal**, not on the student portal. *It is easier to complete on a desktop computer and must be done on an internet browser, not the PowerSchool app.*

Peace in Our Streets

As part of a religious response to the increasing gun violence on our neighborhood streets and the need to pray for peace in our City, the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul is opening its doors every Sunday from 5:30 to 6:30 PM for prayer. This focused and intentional period of prayer is open to all people of every Faith and Tradition. Please click [here](#) for more information.

Mother's Club

Click [here](#) for information on the 2022 Louis Vuitton Fall Raffle!



HOMECOMING DANCE

The "Out of this World" Homecoming Dance will be on Saturday, October 22nd, at Roman Catholic High School from 6-9pm in the gym! Little Flower has been invited to attend this dance. **YOU DO NOT NEED A DATE TO ATTEND!** Announcements have been made and emails have been sent to the entire student body for the past three weeks. **Forms are due by Tuesday, October 18th! There are no exceptions!** Forms can be picked up from the Student Affairs office. Forms can also be found by clicking [here](#)!



Homecoming Spirit Week 2022!

Homecoming Spirit Week will begin on Monday, October 17th! The week will end with our Homecoming Football Game on Friday 10/21 and our Homecoming Dance on Saturday, 10/22! Please see below for more details!

Monday 10/17: *JERSEY DAY: please wear your favorite sports jersey (Philadelphia, Roman, etc.) for Jersey Day! No inappropriate clothing or material may be worn.*

Tuesday 10/18: *Bell 5 (Junior Ring Assembly)*

Wednesday 10/19: *ROMAN PRIDE DAY: wear your favorite Roman gear or purple and gold! No inappropriate clothing or material may be worn.*

Friday 10/21: *Bell 4, Homecoming Football Game and Senior Night! 7pm at Cardinal O'Hara High School. PINK OUT: please wear your HoCo shirt or school sponsored breast cancer awareness shirt in addition to your uniform! Thank you for showing your support!*

(Dress Down Day Pre-sale: wristbands will go on sale starting Monday, 10/10, before school or during your lunches. Pre-sale wristbands are \$1. If you wait till the day-of, wristbands will be \$2. If you have any questions, please see Ms. Canavan.)

Saturday 10/22: *Out of this World Homecoming Dance! 6-9pm. Information packets can be found at the Student Affairs Office next week and tickets will go on sale Monday, October 3rd until Tuesday, 10/18! Click [here](#) for more information! Click [here](#) for the permission form!*



Veteran's Day Assembly

Ten Hut! The Roman Community will honor its veterans at an assembly on Thursday, November 10th. If you have a family member who is currently serving in or who has served in the Military, please come to Student Affairs and give us their name so that we can invite them to our assembly. See Mrs. Brown with any questions or contact her at mbrown@romancatholichs.com. Never forget that you live in the land of the free because of the brave. Thank a vet today!



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SENIOR
PARENTS**

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ADS WILL BE SOLD UNTIL JANUARY 9, 2023
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TWO YEARS,
ALL ADS HAVE
SOLD OUT!**

YOACAP Youth Programs

Please visit www.yoacap.org to learn more about the YOACAP Youth Programs that help send teens in our area to trade schools and colleges with scholarships and grants! YOACAP offers: internships, summer jobs, scholarships/grants, career exposure, SAT Prep/tutoring, youth driving class/lessons, pre-apprenticeship, after school programs, college prep, life skills, GED training, and more! You can also call 215-851-1968 to learn more!

Aramark-PaySchool Information

Please click [here](#) for information on how to set up your son's PaySchool lunch account!

CSC- lots of service!

CSC will be collecting **COATS AND CANS** beginning on November 2nd until November 30th. Please consider donating a canned good or other non-perishable food item to support those who face food insecurity in the Philadelphia area. Our canned good collection will be a friendly competition between homerooms. The top 3 homerooms with the most pounds/ounces collected will win a soft pretzel day! *(continued on the next page)*



Additionally, CSC will partner with **CAHILLITES FOR KIDS** in collecting gently used coats, hats, scarves, and gloves from November 2nd to November 30th. Donation boxes will be placed inside the school. We appreciate your donations in making this a successful endeavor.



RED CROSS HOLIDAY CARDS FOR HEROES CAMPAIGN - Once again CSC will be partnering with the Red Cross in sending Christmas/Holiday cards to our Veterans. If you have any cards that you would like to donate, please send them to school with your son by November 21st. He may bring them to Mrs. McKenna in Room 6.

A Taste of Philly- HELP NEEDED

The 2022-2023 Roman Catholic High School Fundraiser Event needs your help! This year will be *A Taste of Philly*, on Saturday, April 15th. Interested in lending a helping hand? Know any restaurant owners or connections in the area? Please contact Ms. Maggie Canavan at mcanavan@romancatholicchs.com if you are interested! We look forward to an amazing event! *We are still in need of one co-chair.*

School Parking Lot

Please do not pull into the school parking lot to pick up your son at the end of the school day. This creates traffic and issues for our staff, maintenance crew, and deliveries navigating in and out of the school lot.

Reminders from Guidance

Interviews for seniors are well underway! If your son has not yet scheduled his meeting please encourage him to do so. The Class of 2023 has been great requesting appointments so we apologize if they have to wait a bit to be seen.



Grief Group

If you believe your son would benefit from attending, please reach out to Ms. Brown at megan.brown@romancatholicchs.com

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 (mdesmond@romancatholicshs.com)--*Guidance Director/Juniors and Seniors*
 - Mrs. Snyder (csnyder@romancatholicshs.com)--*Sophomores*
 - Mrs. Connell (mconnell@romancatholicshs.com) and Ms Brown (megan.brown@romancatholicshs.com)*Freshmen*
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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 academics@romancatholicshs.com.
 - **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 - jmurphy@romancatholicshs.com
 - **English**—Mr. Fitzgerald Gallagher – fgallagher@romancatholicshs.com
 - **Science**—Mr. Dennis DiGiovanni – ddigiovanni@romancatholicshs.com
 - **Social Studies**—Mr. John Corrigan – jcorrigan@romancatholicshs.com
 - **World Languages**—Mr. Nicholas Azzara - nazzara@romancatholicshs.com
 - **Mathematics**—Ms. Antoinette High – ahigh@romancatholicshs.com
 - **Business**—Ms. Theresa A. Lazorko - tlazorko@romancatholicshs.com
- If you do not hear back from a teacher within 48 hours, please reach out to their respective department chair with your concerns.***
- **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 academics@romancatholicshs.com.



- **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 mdesmond@romancatholicshs.com .
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