

ROMAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL PARENT NEWSLETTER



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Next Week at RCHS

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Mathletes (Room 3I)
Cooking Club (Caf)

Bell 1

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No School for Students

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BSU (Room 3O) Anime/Gaming (LC)
No Place for Hate (Mezzanine)

Bell 1

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Engineering Club (Room 3OI)
College Fair (Gym)

Bell 1

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**Art/Ceramics Club (Art
Room in the Howard Center)**

Bell 1

FOR ATHLETICS SCHEDULES [CLICK HERE](#)

PCL

Champions



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THE ROMAN ARENA

TALKING BASKETBALL



TED REIFSNYDER '26
SETH YOUNG '26
MATT MCGOVERN '26
BRYCE HILLMAN '26



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ARENA MOST
RECENT
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THE ROMAN ARENA PCL BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP RECAP



COLE
SONLIN '26

NICK
MIGATZ '26

GUESTS



CHRIS MCNESBY '95
HEAD COACH



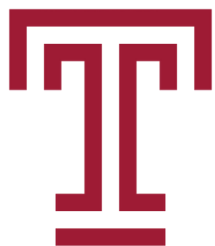
AHMED KEITA '24
MANAGER





MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**MARCH 9TH
4:00-6:30 PM**



On March 9th, over 50 colleges and universities will be in Roman's gym.

There will also be representatives from trade schools and the military. All students and parents are welcome to attend.



Please join us for this event to learn more about colleges and what they have to offer.



WILLIAMSON
COLLEGE of the TRADES
Founded 1888

COURSE SELECTION

Course selection for the 2023-2024 school year has begun. Mr. Buck is currently meeting with students to discuss the process and distribute course selection forms. guidance counselors are also present during these meetings to answer student questions. They met with juniors last week and sophomores this week. They will meet with freshmen next week. Approximately two weeks after these information meetings, Mr. Buck will meet with students again to collect the completed forms. Students should use the time in between to consult with parents about their elective options. Students can also meet with their guidance counselors and Mr. Buck to ask questions.

***Click here for the
Parent Guide for Course
Selection***



Baseball Tryouts

Baseball tryouts are next Monday-Wednesday
March 6-8 at Smith Playground immediately
after school from 2:45-5:15. Smith is located at
2100 S. 24th Street.

In case of inclement weather, please check the
baseball Twitter page at Romanbaseball1






ROMAN CATHOLIC
VOLLEYBALL TRYOUTS

CAHILLITES

MARCH 6TH & 7TH

5:30 - 7:00


Questions, comments, or concerns?
Email volleyball@romancatholichs.com



Open to all! You
don't even have
to be Irish!

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

Interested in
marching with Roman
Catholic? Come by
the Student Affairs
Office to sign up.



PARENT SURVEY

Dear Parents & Guardians,

As in past years, I write with a special invitation for you to participate in a very important project here at Roman Catholic High School – our annual Continuous Improvement Survey. The data we gather from the survey helps us understand what we are doing well as a school and also what opportunities we have to make us even better.

Survey questions center on five key areas, Instructional Quality, Constituent Relations, Operational Excellence, Finance, and Overall Satisfaction. We estimate it should take 15-20 minutes to complete. You will have the chance to rate each area on a five point scale and also add comments where necessary.

Some other details:

- The survey will be open from now, until March 10, 2023.
- Since parents from each Archdiocesan high school will be completing the survey, we ask that if you have students at a high school you complete the survey at each school.
- All information gathered is secure (you don't have to provide your name).
- For data accuracy, we ask each family to complete the survey once.

We will receive the survey results in April and will communicate them to you soon after. Know that all data gathered benefits us here at Roman Catholic High School. The survey results will provide us with needed data that helps us maintain a school culture focused on continuous improvement.

Here is the survey link:

<https://www.research.net/r/aops-pf>

The code is: H#214

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

John Curry
Roman Catholic High School

LIFEGUARDS NEEDED!

The City of Philadelphia is hiring lifeguards for the summer.

1. Positions start at \$16

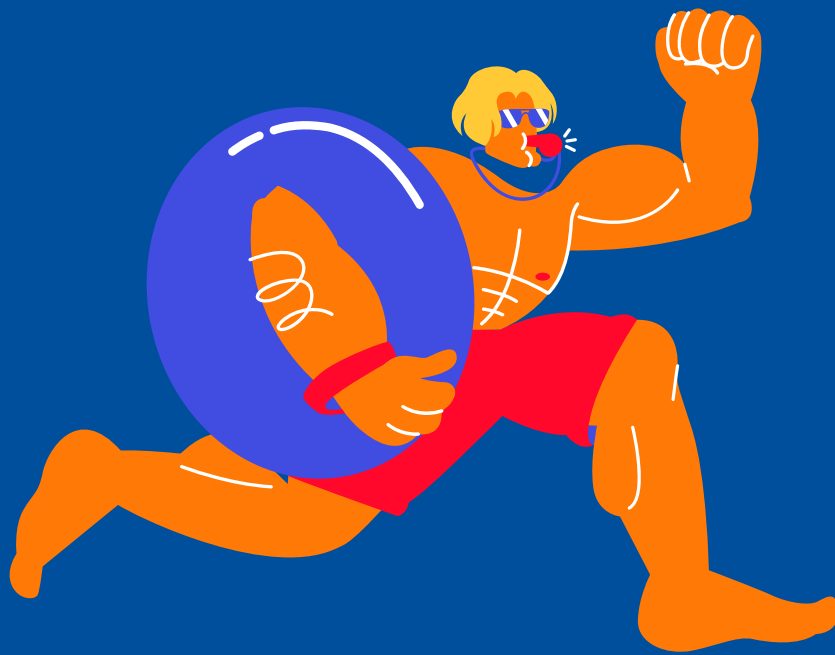
2. Ages 16 and up

3. Free training

4. Free certification for 16-24 year olds

5. Apply before April 15 to receive a \$1,000 end-of-the-season bonus.

For more information, visit Phila.gov/lifeguard



GREATER PHILADELPHIA AREA LEADERSHIP AWARD DINNER



The 31st Annual Greater
Philadelphia Area
Leadership Award
Honoring
Charles P. Pizzi

Thursday, March 30,
2023

Union League Liberty Hill
800 Ridge Pike
Lafayette Hill, PA 19444

Cocktails - 6:00 PM
Dinner - 7:00 PM
Business Attire
Tickets: \$300/person

All proceeds support
students at Roman
Catholic High School

To attend the event,
make a contribution, or
for sponsorship
opportunities, please
contact John
Prendergast '08,
Executive Director of
Mission Advancement, at
jprendergast@romancatholicchs.com or (215) 627-
5487, Ext. 204.

31st Annual Greater Philadelphia Area Leadership Award

Presented by
**Roman Catholic
High School**

Thursday, March 30, 2023
Union League Liberty Hill



ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMINDERS

From the Mothers' Club:



Roman Catholic High School Mothers' Club

When: Saturday, April 22, 2023

Where: Roman Catholic High School Gymnasium
301 North Broad Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107

Time: 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm
Doors open at 1:00 pm

Cost: \$35.00
Price includes 12 rounds of Bingo

Basket Raffles, Extra Game Cards, Dabbers, 50/50 Tickets & Special Bag Game Cards available for purchase Venmo or Cash

BYOB & Food Permitted

Purchase Tickets Online:

<https://secure.acceptiva.com/?cst=KV3MmG>

To Reserve a table – please purchase tickets by April 8th and send one email with a list names – tickets must have been purchased. The table will be reserved under the name of the person sending the email. Send email to: mothersclub@romancatholichs.com

Ticket Sales Close on April 20th

No Tickets are sold at the door – Must be purchased in advanced – Tickets are Non-Refundable

This is a BOB Event *PA State Law must be 21 years of age or older* No one under 21 admitted



*Join high school students from across the country
in a once in a lifetime leadership and civic education experience!*



**FREEDOMS
FOUNDATION**
at VALLEY FORGE



SPIRIT OF AMERICA

YOUTH LEADERSHIP

OUR PROGRAM DATES:

FEBRUARY 23-26, 2023

MARCH 2-5, 2023

MARCH 30-APRIL 2, 2023

APRIL 13-16, 2023

APRIL 27-30, 2023



**DON'T MISS THIS
FREE OPPORTUNITY
OF A LIFETIME!**

**APPLY
TODAY!!**

"I HAD A BLAST LEARNING ABOUT OUR COUNTRY AND HOW I CAN CONTRIBUTE TO SOCIETY WHILE ENJOYING THE COMPANY OF MY PEERS AND MAKING NEW FRIENDS. IT WAS AN AMAZING SUMMIT ON BEAUTIFUL GROUNDS WHERE I LEARNED A LOT MORE ABOUT OUR COUNTRY. IT BROUGHT ME OUT OF MY SHELL IN A SAFE SPACE SO THAT I WILL FEEL MORE CONFIDENT VOICING MY OPINION." – AMELIA

"THIS HAS BEEN THE MOST INTERESTING, ENGAGING EXPERIENCE. IT HAS CONNECTED ME WITH SO MANY PEOPLE THAT I WOULD NEVER HAVE HAD THE CHANCE TO MEET OTHERWISE. I TRULY ENJOY THE DIFFERENT WAYS WE GET TO LEARN FROM THE STAFF, SPEAKERS, EXPERIENCES, AND PLACES." — SHANNON

QUESTIONS?

email spiritofamerica@ffvf.org

or call 610-933-8825 ext. 221

CRAFTED FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Join like-minded high school students interested in cultivating the rights and responsibilities of citizenship by participating in Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge's Spirit of America Youth Leadership program! Over 100,000 students from across the country come for our four-day immersive programs on our private residential campus for a series of fun, thought-provoking, engaged activities with a core focus on our founding documents. Students become inspired to become active leaders in their own communities and retain a deeper appreciation for America's history and civic responsibility.

MOCK CONGRESSIONAL DEBATE

Students engage with each other in a mock congressional forum where they learn how to debate amongst their peers while weighing the balance of liberty and security. Constitutional scholars guide their discussions as they revise a bill, consider constitutional amendments, and review relevant legal cases.

FREE ENTERPRISE CHALLENGE

Our popular shark tank challenge provides an entertaining and stimulating way for students to learn about America's free enterprise system. Students work as a team to develop a product and present a pitch to a panel of judges.

LEADERSHIP WORKSHOPS

Different styles of leadership are introduced to students as they review the character traits demonstrated by the recipients of the Congressional Medal of Honor.

VISITS TO VALLEY FORGE AND PHILADELPHIA

History comes alive for students as they walk the hallowed grounds of Valley Forge, crucible of the American Revolution. They also visit the birthplace of America during a tour of Independence Hall in Philadelphia followed by a close look of the Liberty Bell.

"THIS PROGRAM WAS NOT WHAT I WAS EXPECTING. IN FACT, IT WAS BETTER. DURING THESE FEW DAYS I LEARNED VALUABLE INFORMATION THAT I WILL BE TAKING BACK AS A NEW LEADER. I LEARNED THAT EVEN THE SMALLEST THINGS, THE SMALLEST OPINIONS, AND PARTICIPATION CAN MAKE THE BIGGEST DIFFERENCE TO ANYONE AND ANYTHING." — ANGEL



APPLY NOW

For more information on Spirit of America visit
www.freedomsfoundation.org/program/spirit-of-america/



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PARENT REMINDERS

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@romancatholichs.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.

From the Tuition Office:

The Facts Tuition 2023-2024 Financial Aid Application is open at factsmgt.com. If you need assistance applying, please call 1-866-441-4637.

Academic Help for Struggling Students:

Did your son struggle academically the first semester? We have been running Academic Assistance Program after school since the end of the first quarter. AAP is held every Monday, Wednesday and Thursday right after school for about an hour. The group meets in either Room 10 or the Learning Commons. National Honor Society tutors are available to assist students. If after school is not a great option, Mr. Giachetti is also holding tutoring sessions from 7am - 8am every morning in Room 10. He is able to assist students with English and with writing for any class. Please encourage your son to attend!

For Information from Guidance

[CLICK HERE](#)

Tips for Addressing Academic Concerns

[CLICK HERE](#)