

# Cardinal Mooney High School CMHS



## Our spirit lives in our relationships

Dear Cardinal Mooney Family:

Last Monday, it was a blow to hear the Governor announce that school was closed for the rest of the school year. We experienced disappointment and sadness because we would not be able to come together. But, as we have done throughout these weeks, we reached down and found ways to adjust to this new reality and carry on. We began to move forward with plans for how to wrap up the year remotely. In particular, we have been working on ways to celebrate our wonderful seniors. Sadly, we are precluded from having in-person celebrations for prom, awards day, Baccalaureate Mass, graduation, and other related events. The traditions of Mooney are rich and deeply engrained in the community, and we seek to keep their spirit alive even though events will be conducted virtually to keep everyone safe during the pandemic. The spirit of Mooney lives in the relationships we maintain. While we are separated by distance, our hearts remain united, and we will find ways to celebrate that spirit.

Many of you have been sharing ideas for virtual ways to mark these occasions, and each one is being considered very carefully. In addition, Ohio's Superintendent of Public Instruction published directives for schools to follow that mirrored ones the Diocese had been working on with principals. To keep everyone healthy, all school programs are to be virtual events held on their originally scheduled dates so that social distancing can be maintained. Seniors, there is a special letter for you included in this bulletin that will bring you up-to-date on what we know so far. While all of this is still being sorted out, we can assure you that in the coming weeks the community will be made well aware of Cardinal Mooney's salutes to our seniors. (Hint: Watch both social and broadcast media.)

The Auction on Saturday night was a wonderful expression of how the Mooney Family pulls together to have fun and support the needs of the high school in a new way. Many thanks to Sue Brandenstein and her committee for the creativity and hard work that made our virtual auction a night to remember.

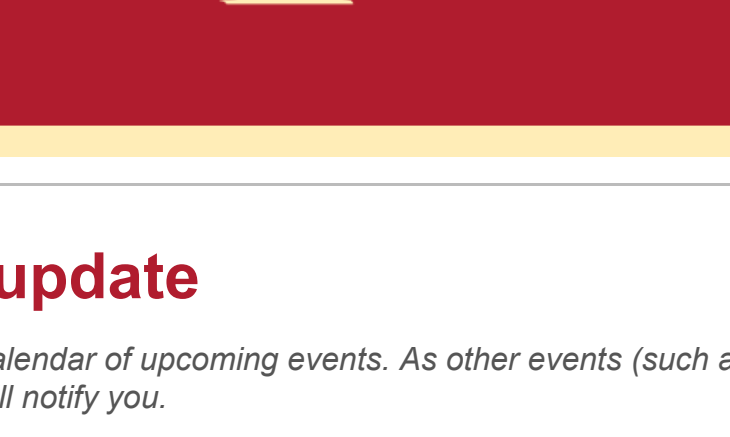
May God bless each of us and give us strength as we navigate the extraordinary difficulties brought about by the global crisis we are enduring together.

God bless you.

Sincerely,

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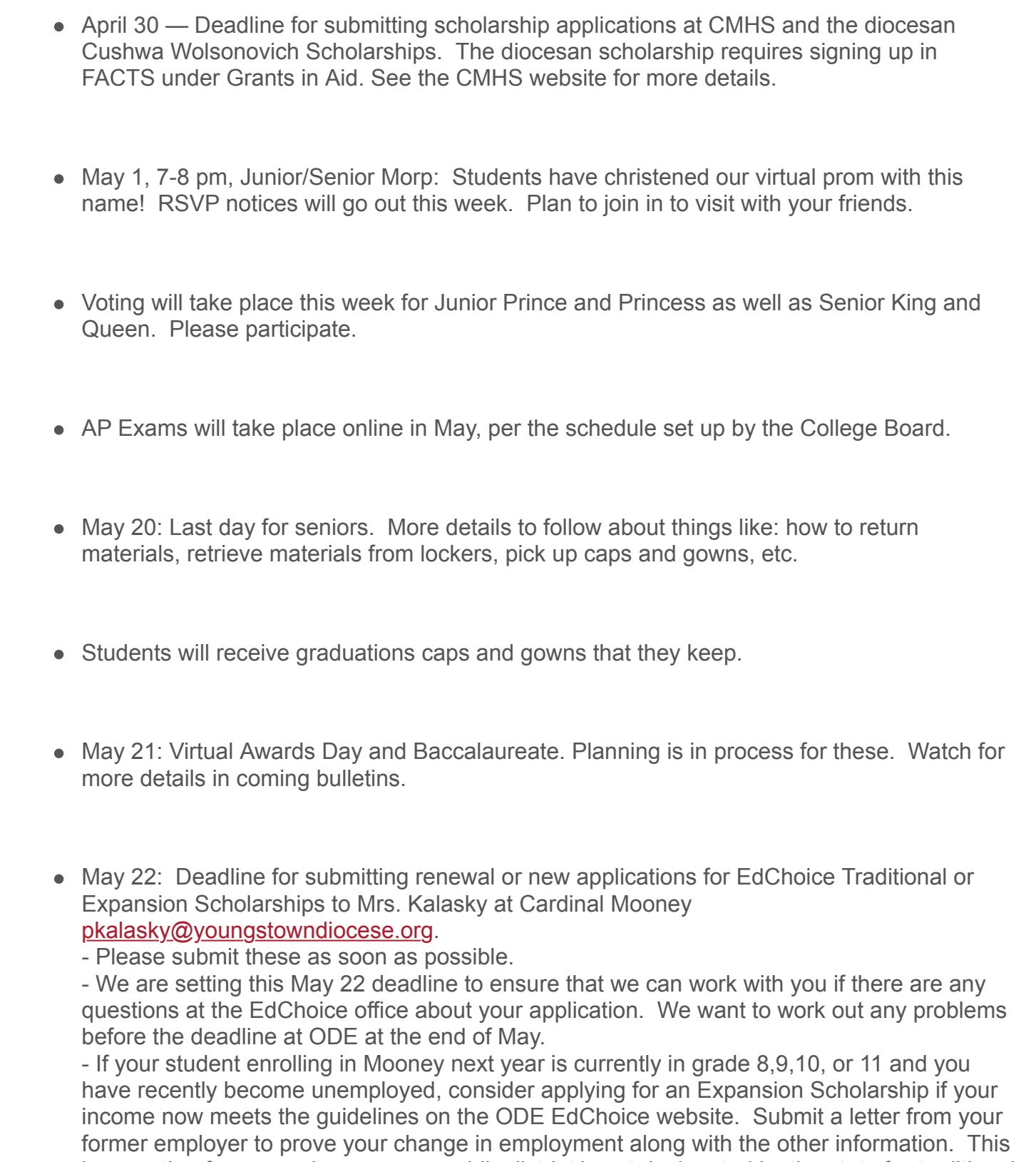


## Graduation and other end-of-year recognition ceremonies guidelines

### A prayer to endure

God of the present moment,  
God who in Jesus stills the storm  
and soothes the frantic heart;  
bring hope and courage to all  
who wait or work in uncertainty.  
Bring hope that you will make them the equal  
of whatever lies ahead.  
Bring them courage to endure what cannot be avoided,  
for your will is health and wholeness;  
you are God, and we need you.  
- Adapted from New Zealand Prayer Book, p. 765

We offer a special intention for Eileen Therese Mattiussi, who passed away. Mrs. Mattiussi was the mother of our Theology teacher, Dr. Richard Mattiussi, and she had a great devotion to St. Theresa of the Little Flower. In that honor, here is a St. Theresa prayer: Little Teresa of the Child Jesus, please pick for me a rose from the heavenly gardens and send it to me as a message of love. O Little Flower of Jesus, ask God to grant the favors I now place with confidence in your hands ... (Intention in silence here) St. Therese, help me always believe as you did in God's great love for me, so I might imitate your "Little Way" each day. Amen



## Academic update

This week we offer a calendar of upcoming events. As other events (such as NHS Induction) are finalized for May, we will notify you.

Please remember that we are still accepting registration forms and will need your student's information as we prepare for scheduling. We are also still accepting applications for the 2020-2021 school year, so please spread the word.

- April 27 and 29, 9 am-noon: If you need to drop off materials, replace your student's Chromebook because of a problem, or pick up a book, we will be in the office Monday and Wednesday from 9-noon. Please contact Mrs. Kalasky or Dr. Beiting to let us know when you would be coming and what you need. [Pkalsky@youngstowndiocese.org](mailto:Pkalsky@youngstowndiocese.org) or [mbeiting@youngstowndiocese.org](mailto:mbeiting@youngstowndiocese.org)
- April 29—Virtual Parent/Teacher Conferences, Noon-6 pm: Email the teacher for a conference and the teacher will get back to you within 24 hours. List questions you want to discuss with the teacher. Include your phone number if you would want a call. Teachers are reviewing grades and will prepare Progress Reports this week for students who are not participating through Google Classroom or are in danger of failing.
- April 30 — Deadline for submitting scholarship applications at CMHS and the diocesan Cushman Wolsonovich Scholarships. The diocesan scholarship requires signing up in FACTS under Grants in Aid. See the CMHS website for more details.
- May 1, 7-8 pm, Junior/Senior Morn: Students have christened our virtual prom with this name! RSVP notices will go out this week. Plan to join in to visit with your friends.
- Voting will take place this week for Junior Prince and Princess as well as Senior King and Queen. Please participate.
- AP Exams will take place online in May, per the schedule set up by the College Board.
- May 20: Last day for seniors. More details to follow about things like: how to return materials, retrieve materials from lockers, pick up caps and gowns, etc.
- Students will receive graduations caps and gowns that they keep.
- May 21: Virtual Awards Day and Baccalaureate. Planning is in process for these. Watch for more details in coming bulletins.
- May 22: Deadline for submitting renewal or new applications for EdChoice Traditional or Expansion Scholarships to Mrs. Kalasky at Cardinal Mooney [pkalsky@youngstowndiocese.org](mailto:pkalsky@youngstowndiocese.org).  
- Please submit these as soon as possible.  
- We are setting this May 22 deadline to ensure that we can work with you if there are any questions at the EdChoice office about your application. We want to work out any problems before the deadline at ODE at the end of May.  
- If your student enrolling in Mooney next year is currently in grade 8,9,10, or 11 and you have recently become unemployed, consider applying for an Expansion Scholarship if your income now meets the guidelines on the ODE EdChoice website. Submit a letter from your former employer to prove your change in employment along with the other information. This is an option for you as long as your public district is not designated by the state for traditional EdChoice this year.
- May 24: Virtual graduation ceremony. Planning is in process. Watch for more details in coming bulletins.

A special note from the Yearbook staff: Yearbooks for freshmen, sophomores and juniors are now on sale. Seniors get their yearbook as part of the senior fee. Go to <http://www.jostensyearbooks.com/> to order.

## Community resources

### Food

- Sheetz free meals for kids continues, ask for Kidz Meal Bagz.
- Call 211 for available food pantries in your area.
- No Kid Hungry — Text the word FOOD to 877-877. They will ask for a zip code to provide you with the closest locations in your area.

### Legal Services

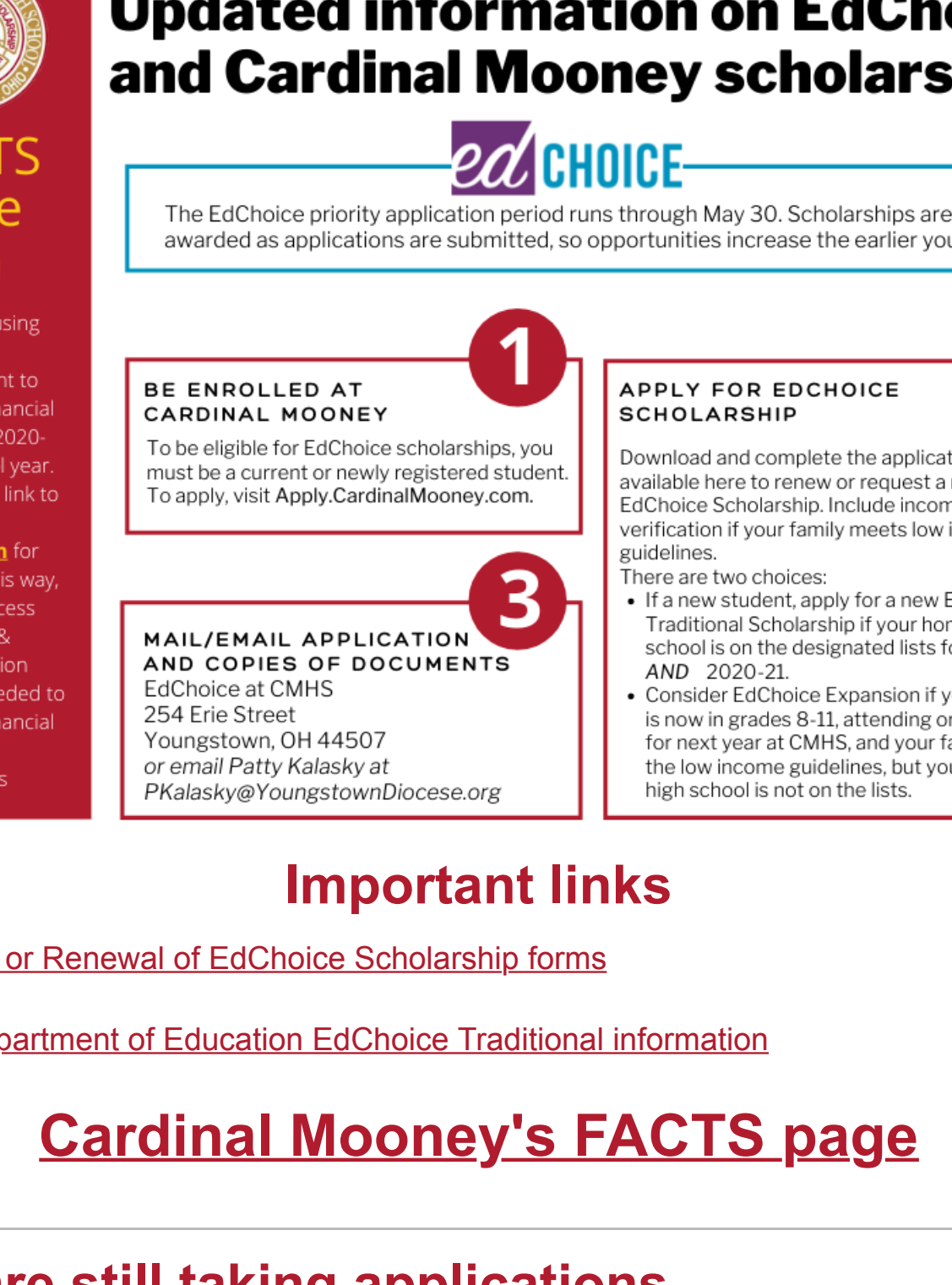
- Community Legal Aid — Ask a lawyer live on Facebook Wednesdays at 5 p.m. on their website, [www.facebook.com/comm.legalaids](http://www.facebook.com/comm.legalaids). You can attend any of their free events on the website.

### Diapers

- MyCap Emergency Diaper Bank — Mondays 10 a.m. -5:30 p.m. You must call 330-747-7921 ext. 1725 to schedule

### Mental Health

- Compass Sojourner House is open for anyone in need of emergency shelter due to domestic violence, 330-747-4040.
- Compass Support Line — Free, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., 330-531-7499.
- Help Network — Food pantries and referral information, 330-747-2696.
- Neil Kennedy Recovery Clinic, 330-744-1181.
- Alta Behavioral Health, 330-793-2487.
- Meridian Healthcare, 330-747-2696.
- Catholic Charities, 330-744-3320.
- These agencies are open for new and continuing clients. They offer Telemed services for the appointments.



Pray for guidance, strength, and the needs of all affected by COVID-19

## Updated information on EdChoice and Cardinal Mooney scholarships



The EdChoice priority application period runs through May 30. Scholarships are awarded as applications are submitted, so opportunities increase the earlier you apply.

### 1 BE ENROLLED AT CARDINAL MOONEY

To be eligible for EdChoice scholarships, you must be a current or newly registered student. To apply, visit [Apply.CardinalMooney.com](http://Apply.CardinalMooney.com).

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### 3 MAIL/EMAIL APPLICATION AND COPIES OF DOCUMENTS

EdChoice at CMHS  
254 Erie Street  
Youngstown, OH 44507  
or email [Pkalasky@YoungstownDiocese.org](mailto:Pkalasky@YoungstownDiocese.org)

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### 2 APPLY FOR EDCHOICE SCHOLARSHIP

Download and complete the application form available here to renew or request a new EdChoice Scholarship. Include income verification if your family meets low income guidelines.  
There are two choices:  
• If a new student, apply for a new EdChoice Traditional Scholarship if your home high school is on the designated lists for 2019-20 AND 2020-21.  
• Consider EdChoice Expansion if your student is now in grades 8-11, attending or registered for next year at CMHS, and your family meets the low income guidelines, but your district's high school is not on the lists.

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## Important links

[Request or Renewal of EdChoice Scholarship forms](#)

[Ohio Department of Education EdChoice Traditional information](#)

## Cardinal Mooney's FACTS page

## We are still taking applications

Cardinal Mooney is still accepting applications for the 2020-21 school year. Please visit [CardinalMooney.com/admissions](http://CardinalMooney.com/admissions) to start your application process today!



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Although the on-campus 2020 YSU English Festival was cancelled, there will be a 2020 Virtual English Festival on May 13-15! All Mooney students are invited to join the online festivities, as the event is not limited to those who registered for the Festival. Please visit [www.yсуenglishfestival.org](http://www.yсуenglishfestival.org) for additional information, including contest instructions.

## THE TRADITION CONTINUES



With all of the challenges facing the world, this year's Celebrate Mooney Auction had to be done unlike the years past. And, thanks to the generosity of the Mooney Family, this year succeeded beyond expectations.

This year's auction was also special, because an appeal called "Sharing your Blessings" was set up for our families that are in need. Many members of our Mooney Family, both students and individual families, are hurting. If you are able to help financially ... to our "Sharing your Blessings" appeal ... you would help the students have a better quality of life. This money will go directly to students and families in need. May God bless you and your family.  
You may donate directly at [bidpal.net/mooney](http://bidpal.net/mooney) under share your blessings, or mail a check to Cardinal Mooney High School (attention: Share your Blessings).



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