

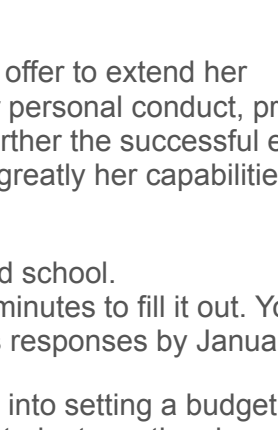


Cardinal Mooney High School CMHS



FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

WEEK OF JANUARY 17, 2021



Dr. Beiting's commitment, Open House light the way to next year and beyond

Dear Parents and Guardians,

It is with gratitude that I inform you Dr. Mary Anne Beiting has accepted my offer to extend her relationship with Cardinal Mooney through the 2021-22 academic year. Her personal conduct, proven professional competence, and qualities of leadership have done much to further the successful execution of Cardinal Mooney's mission. It is hardly necessary for me to tell you how greatly her capabilities and experience are needed now and the year ahead.

Please join me in thanking her for her continued support of our students and school. Please look for the survey we sent out Thursday. I ask that you take a few minutes to fill it out. Your input helps us to provide better customer service. Please return your anonymous responses by January 22.

We have begun planning for the 2021-22 academic school year. A lot goes into setting a budget that is based on enrollment; determining staffing levels, collecting feedback from students on the classes they want and need, and setting a calendar.

We encourage you to spread the word about our upcoming Open House on Sunday, February 7, 1-3 p.m. Our current families are our best marketing tool. Please read the word, and let them know they can reserve a spot [here](#).

Over the past several years we have heard from you that you want a seamless start for your children and simpler processes. I believe our response this past fall moved us in the right direction, yet we can and will do more to ensure our students can start fast. Here's why that's important.

Did you know that 100% of a student's GPA is earned in the first semester of their freshman year? With each passing semester, the percent earned decreases by 12.5%, so by the second semester of senior year, only 12.5% of a student's GPA is earned.

A fast start without interruption, scheduling changes, etc. benefits the long-term success of each student. Our goal is to have our students registered and the master schedule well underway by the end of the school year.

Here's how you can help us.

From Feb. 1 through March 1, we will be re-enrolling our current students in grades nine through 11 with no re-enrollment fee. We will extend office hours to accommodate you, answer questions, help with submitting forms, and registering in FACTS, etc. The Tuition Agreement form can be found [here](#).

Re-enrolling during this timeframe will greatly improve our ability to begin collecting student input for classes, and constructing the master schedule. Since the students in grades nine through 11 represent three quarters of our population, imagine how much further along Mooney can be in scheduling if we have 75% of the student body re-enrolled by March 31 (We understand family circumstances may change, still we ask that each of you re-enroll).

Re-enrollment packets consisting of the tuition agreement form, information on how to register in FACTS and course selection sheet will be sent to our current families by January 29, 2021.

The tuition agreement form, registration in FACTS, and course selection sheet signed by a parent or guardian must be completed by March 1, 2021. After March 1, a non-refundable \$100 administrative fee will be charged to re-enroll.

For transfer students and incoming freshmen our registration time frame is Feb. 20 through March 31.

Our budget and staffing levels are determined by the total number of students enrolled at Mooney. Your commitment helps us to be a more efficient and effective institution.

Mooney and its faculty operate under a Collective Bargaining Agreement. That agreement requires us to make staffing decisions by the middle of April. Re-enrolling by March helps us to staff appropriately.

Our Board of Directors have frozen tuition at \$8,700.00 and the Student Life Fee at \$300.00 for next school year. They remain committed to providing affordable and thus accessible quality Catholic education to our families. Your \$9,000.00 investment (a short-term expense for a life-time return) remains less than our actual cost to educate by approximately \$2,200.00. We are grateful to our many alumni, benefactors, and friends who support our mission and partner with us in keeping Mooney accessible.

Our Board of Directors voted to support a couple of policy changes that go into effect for next school year.

1. Mooney will require families to enroll in FACTS (our tuition management system) to pay tuition and to be eligible for Diocesan and Cardinal Mooney Scholarships. Families that pay in full by July 15, 2021 do not need to register to make payments through FACTS. The purpose of this policy is to provide Cardinal Mooney with consistent revenue from tuition throughout the school year and thus help us to be good stewards who pay our obligations in a timely manner.
2. Families must reapply annually for financial aid and scholarships through FACTS. Those families receiving EdChoice must renew their EdChoice grant each year. Families who are eligible for EdChoice must apply for those scholarships before applying for financial aid at Cardinal Mooney. The diocese Cushwa-Wolsonovich scholarship is based on financial need and for families who do not qualify for EdChoice. This scholarship is determined through FACTS grants and aid.

Background:

Cardinal Mooney and its donors grant approximately \$2,200 a year to each student. Additional funds are awarded annually to Mooney families through the State of Ohio's EdChoice programs.

Because requests for assistance exceed the amount available (\$600,000) it is necessary to establish policies and procedures for distributing tuition assistance grants to ensure consistency and fairness. Once a family has registered in FACTS, they may request a scholarship application.

Although each application is reviewed on a case-by-case basis and consideration is given to any special family circumstances, awards are mainly determined based on family need due to financial resources.

The Diocese provides subsidies for parishioners of our Catholic churches. If you are an active parishioner, please let us know your parish and we will verify with them eligibility for the \$1,000.00 parish discount.

We look forward to collaborating with you through these registration processes so we can continue to help our students grow to be all that God calls them to be. How exciting it is to build that future!

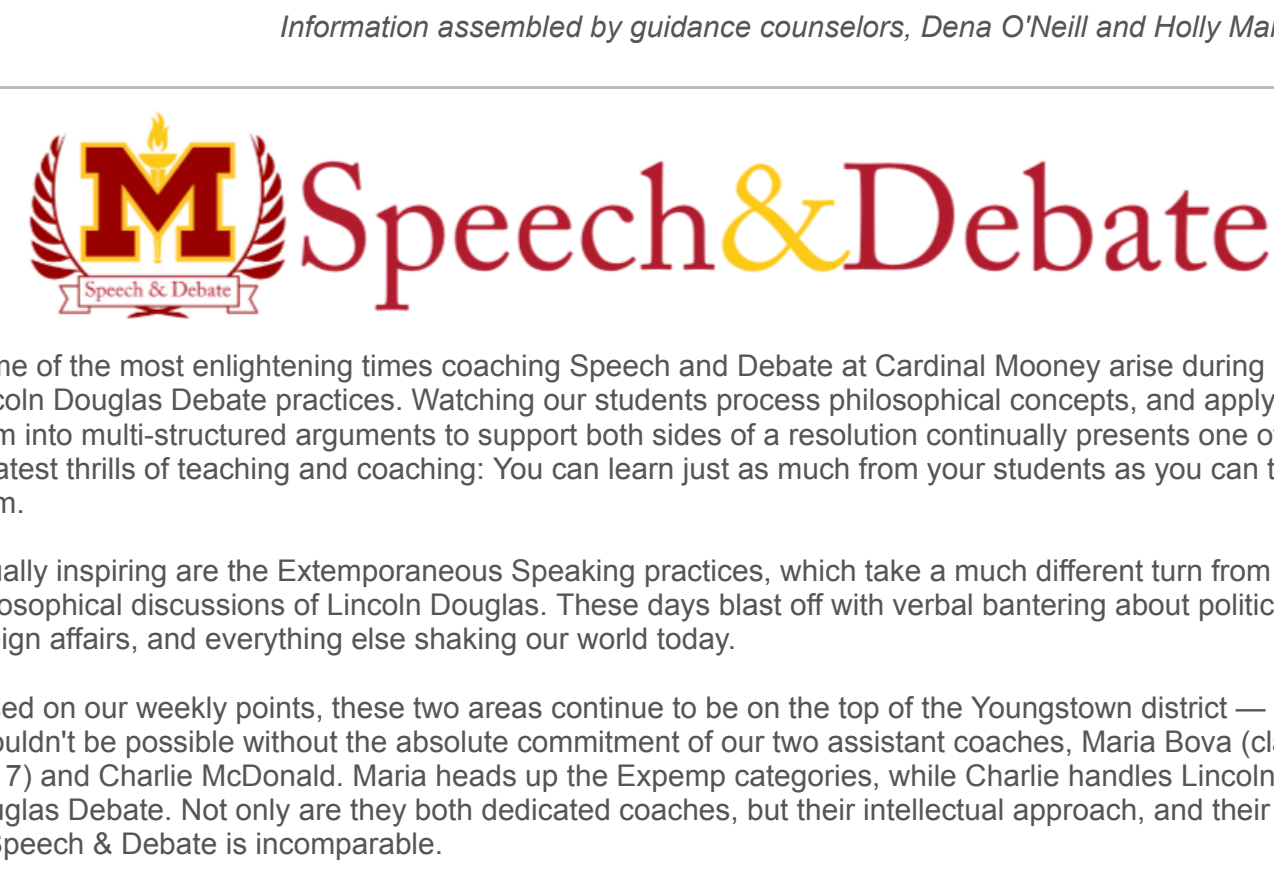
Gospel of John

The next day John was there again with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said, "Behold, the Lamb of God"

John 1:35-36

Open House set

Reserve your spot [here](#)!



Notes from the guidance office



2021 Important dates

DATE	EVENT	NOTES
Jan. 26 8am - noon	PSAT / NMSQT	Sophomores & Juniors
Feb. 23 8am - noon	ACT / PreACT	Juniors / Sophomores
March 9, 10 8am - noon	IOWA testing	Freshmen & Sophomores



YOUNGSTOWN STATE UNIVERSITY

College Credit Plus Program

Jan. 19 6-7 pm	CCP Parent Information Night	Parents and students virtually
Feb. 18	CCP Application day (For those wanting to do CCP through YSU. If you want to do CCP through another college, the application would be through that college's website.)	Students will receive a time slot from the counselors to apply during the school day with a YSU representative assisting virtually.
March 22 6-7 pm	Application for Financial Aid (This is the only way that the CCP courses will be free. Otherwise you will have to pay a discounted tuition price to the college.)	Parents (virtually)



You **DO NOT** need to register your student for these tests. The counselors have already registered students.

College Credit Plus (CCP) is a program that allows students in grades 7-12 to begin to take college level courses at Ohio colleges/universities. It is a great opportunity for students to get started on their college careers while getting dual credit. The courses taken count for both college credit and high school credit.

If your student is interested in participating in CCP for the 2021-2022 school year, YOU MUST go through the steps listed above. Once the date of application closes, your student will not be able to participate in the coming school year. For more information see [College Credit Plus | YSU](#) and join us at the parent information night.

Please register for the CCP parent information night [here](#).

Information assembled by guidance counselors, Dena O'Neill and Holly Marshall



Speech & Debate

Some of the most enlightening times coaching Speech and Debate at Cardinal Mooney arise during Lincoln Douglas Debate practices. Watching our students process philosophical concepts, and apply them into multi-structured arguments to support both sides of a resolution continually presents one of the greatest thrills of teaching and coaching. You can learn just as much from your students as you can teach them.

Equally inspiring are the Extemporaneous Speaking practices, which take a much different turn from the philosophical discussions of Lincoln Douglas. These days blast off with verbal bantering about politics, foreign affairs, and everything else shaking our world today.

Based on our weekly points, these two areas continue to be on the top of the Youngstown district — and it couldn't be possible without the absolute commitment of our two assistant coaches, Maria Bova (class of '17) and Charlie McDonald. Maria heads up the Expemp categories, while Charlie handles Lincoln Douglas Debate. Not only are they both dedicated coaches, but their intellectual approach, and their love of Speech & Debate is incomparable.

It's an absolute blessing to lead our students into competition alongside such brilliant coaches.

Please connect with the Speech & Debate program through various social media outlets to follow their progress through the entire year.

Sincerely,

Vince Taddei, '92
Director of Forensics



CMHS Speech & Debate

WOOSTER 2021

Maureen Baker
12th
United States Extemp

Sophia Sdregas
5th
Lincoln Douglas Debate

Olivia DeCesare
7th
Lincoln Douglas Debate



On Saturday at the massive Wooster Speech & Debate tournament, our Lincoln Douglas debaters showed why they form one of the best groups in the entire state.

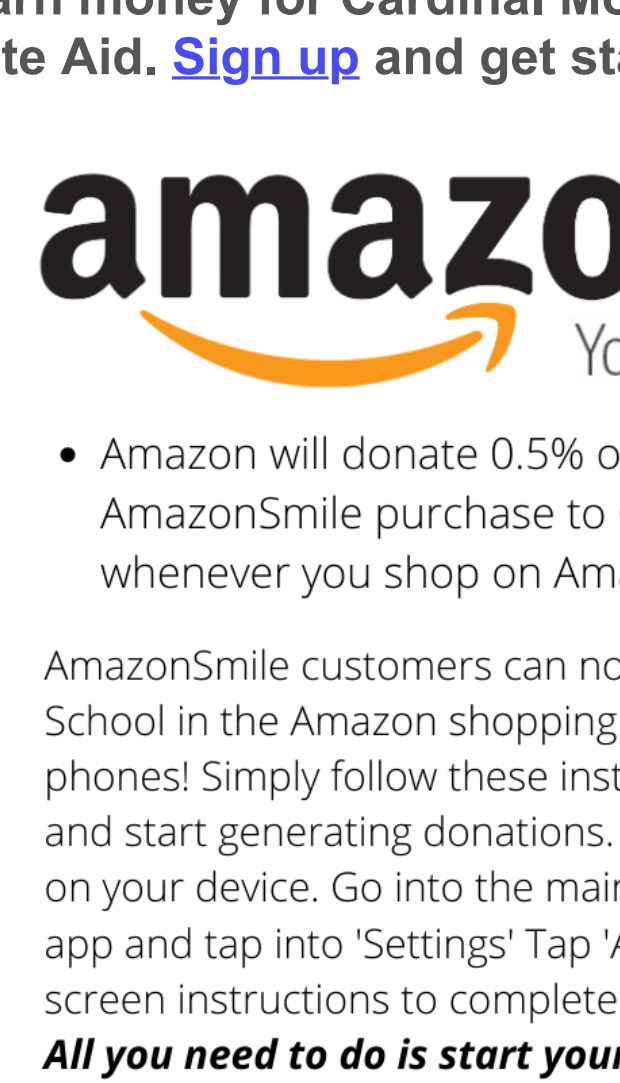
Out of the 83 schools in competition, our debaters recorded the second highest point total in the tournament.

Junior, and defending Youngstown district champion, Olivia DeCesare, broke all the way into the quarterfinal round. Sophomore Sophia Sdregas maneuvered the field to finish in the octafinal round, and finished fifth in the overall standings. Olivia finished seventh. Also contributing to the group's points were junior Ed Driscoll, sophomore Sarah Owens, and freshman Aidan Markey.

Junior, and defending Youngstown district champion in United States Extemporaneous, Maureen Baker, competed in a field of nearly 60 competitors, and missed making it to the final round of six by mere percentage points.

The team hosts a virtual tournament next Saturday. The state qualifying tournament is in February 6. Great job, team!

This post appears on Instagram via [CardinalMooneySpeechAndDebate](#)
Designed by sophomore, Mitchell Bogan

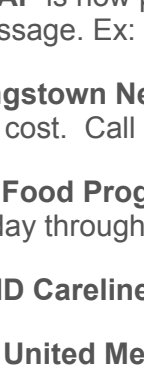
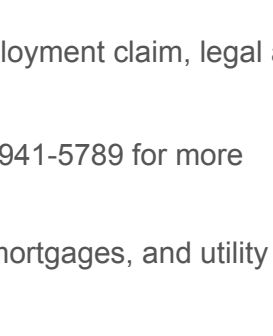


In 2009, Cardinal Mooney renovated the football locker rooms and moved its football weight room to the National Guard Armory on the east end of the campus.

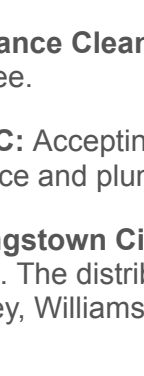
At that time, the 6000 square foot training area was converted to a traditional weight room.

Eleven years later, we have fallen behind area schools in terms of athletic training.

CARL PELINI,
Athletic Director for Advancement and Head Football coach



\$1000 Gifts at this level will be recognized on recognition plaques inside the Armory training center.



\$5000 Gifts at this level will be recognized on plaques and will be awarded membership in our new Monogram Club. Members of this club will receive monthly Athletic Newsletters, and seasonal gifts from the athletic department.



\$10,000 gifts will name a piece of equipment in the weight room. Plaques commemorating the gift will be placed on the equipment. Donors will also receive membership in the Monogram Club.

\$25,000 gifts will name either the men's or women's locker areas, the supplemental lifting area, or the agility area in your honor. A \$50,000 gift will name the primary training area in your honor. The "Jones" Strength and Conditioning Center. A \$100,000 gift will name the building. The "Smith" Armory. All givers at the Champion level will receive lifetime memberships in the Monogram Club.

DONATE AT [CARDINALMOONEY.COM/SUPPORT](#) OR TEXT ARMORY TO 44321

CMHS Cookbook in the works

The Cardinal Mooney Alumni Relations Committee is excited to announce the 2021 Mooney Family Cookbook. It has been more than 30 years since we came together to create a wonderful collection of our Family's favorite recipes.

As Catholics, gathering around the table of the Lord is our central act of worship. Food and faith are intertwined into our social and spiritual tapestry. Through food we are able to share our culture, heritage & traditions. Making food together opens our hearts to each other. Food unites us, inspires us and encourages us to get back in the kitchen and around the table.

Join us — we need your help!

Especially over this past year, we have all been rethinking cooking. Coming together in meaningful and fun ways to cook and bake together ... so, let's share our creations!

During the month of February, we will collect your recipe submissions ... so, send more than one! We will work to organize and streamline submissions. Our goal is to have the book ready by late April early May!

If you have any questions, please contact Kim Simons Cox at [kimberlycox89@gmail.com](#).

FIRST SINCE '87

CARDINAL MOONEY FAMILY COOKBOOK

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SPECIAL SECTIONS

- Appetizers and Small Plates
- Main Courses and Large Plates
- Tailgating To Remember
- Holiday Traditions
- The Youngstown Cookie Table
- Crockpots, Instapots and Air Fryers
- Embracing our Culture & Heritage
- Having fun with Mixology

WE NEED YOU

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WHAT'S NEXT?

Watch for announcements in the next few weeks with recipe submission and cookbook pre-order forms. In the meantime if you have any questions, please contact Kim Simons Cox at [kimberlycox89@gmail.com](#).

School notes

Free and Reduced School Meal Applications are available on our website for the 2020-2021 school year. We encourage all eligible families to fill out the application in order to be ready to resume the Free and Reduced School Lunch program in January 2021 and for other qualifying purposes.

CAFETERIA NOTES — Mooney families can access important cafeteria information, including this week's menu [here](#). For any questions, please contact Lori Radinsky at [LRadinsky@youngstowndiocese.org](#) or by phone at (330) 788-5007, ext. 123.

Help while you shop

Earn money for Cardinal Mooney every time you shop at Rite Aid. [Sign up](#) and get started.

- Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchase to **Cardinal Mooney High School** whenever you shop on AmazonSmile.

AmazonSmile customers can now support Cardinal Mooney High School in the Amazon shopping app on iOS and Android mobile phones! Simply follow these instructions to turn on AmazonSmile and start generating donations. Open the Amazon Shopping app on your device. Go into the main menu of the Amazon Shopping app and tap into 'Settings' Tap 'AmazonSmile' and follow the on-screen instructions to complete the process.

All you need to do is start your shopping at smile.amazon.com.

The donation will be made at no extra cost to you!

Community resources

COMMUNITY LEGAL AID SERVICES: If you're having issues with your unemployment claim, legal aid may be necessary. Call 1-800-998-9454 for information.

WRTA: All rides are free through June 2021, but masks are required. Call (330)941-5789 for more information about the route.

FINANCIAL HELP is available for Mahoning County residents behind on rent, mortgages, and utility bills starting Nov. 2. Call MYCAP 330-747-7921 ext-1177.

MYCAP is now paying first month rent, security deposit and mortgage payments. Call MYCAP and leave a message. Ex: 1177

Youngstown Neighborhood Development Corp is accepting applications for emergency home repair at no cost. Call 330-480-0423 for information.

Free Food Program for Children at Newport Library and Michael Kusalaba Libraries Monday through Thursday from 2 p.m. to 6, and Friday through Saturday from 2 p.m. until 6.

COVID Careline: Call 1-800-720-9616. Help is available 24 hrs per day, seven days a week.

First National Methodist Church: Drive-thru dinner continues first and third Thursdays of each month from 5 until 7 p.m.. It is open to the public

LaFrance Cleaners: If you are unemployed and need an outfit cleaned for an interview, they will clean it for free.

YNDC: Accepting applications for emergency home repair to assist low income homeowners with furnace and plumbing repairs. Call 330-480-0423

Youngstown City Schools Food Distribution will be from 11 a.m. until 2 on Wednesdays beginning this week. The distribution sites remain the same: East, Chaney, Martin Luther King, Paul C. Bunn, Harding, Volney, Williamson, and Wilson.