

Mary Anne Beiting principal | CMHS

Dear Parents and Students, One of the most important tasks we work on as school leaders is to figure out how to balance traditions and innovation. Especially in a Catholic school, we know the importance of being firmly rooted in our core beliefs and values, and we express them through the traditions we have developed. Yet we also know that we prepare our

a year, I believe that we need to take a serious look at how we balance

tradition/innovation in the opportunities we can create for both students and teachers because of how we spend our time together. A block schedule is a unique way to organize our daily, weekly, and monthly time. Longer time together allows teachers to create innovative and engaging lessons that allow students to go deeper in their learning. We are dedicated to having a block schedule and that deep teaching/learning experience. There are various ways to organize a block schedule. For instance, many schools today have found that using a schedule that includes block classes but extends them over the course of a full semester or year adds a chance for teachers to lead students to learn more thoroughly the concepts and skills of the course. We owe it our community to conduct an evaluation of our current practices.

As we explore with the faculty whether our traditional arrangement of the block best fits our needs today, we are also studying our current curriculum of courses to analyze and compare it with current curriculum standards. Here are some of the questions we are exploring: Does our current use of time create a student-centered school that has creative teaching and learning experiences for students throughout each period? • Is there flexibility in our current use of time to achieve our goals in the classroom as well as to allow time for all students to seek extra help outside of • Does 9 weeks for a .5 credit course or 18 weeks for a 1 credit course provide enough time for students to master a course at a deep level? Does our current use of time promote the social/emotional growth of students? • Does our current use of time create opportunities for students to learn to strike

• Does our current use of time create opportunities for student engagement in clubs or activities by allowing time for meetings, etc. on a regular basis? Does it allow time for leadership development for students? Does our current use of time allow opportunities for the spiritual growth of students outside of class instruction? Does our current use of time include professional learning time for teachers to collaborate within and across departments in professional learning communities? As we continue these discussions as a faculty, we will keep you informed. There is a faculty in-service on February 26, and we will be studying answers to these questions

strike that balance between traditions and innovation that is at the core of our mission

- were sick with various diseases, and he drove out many demons, not permitting them to

Feb.10 Distribution of re-enrollment Mentoring day information to students in grades 9-11, how to choose courses for next year, and information from Jostens for students in grade 12 and measuring for graduation gowns will be available. Feb.11 Parent teacher Parents email each teacher with 3:30-6pm conferences whom you would like to request a conference to arrange a time.

No school on Friday, 2/12 and

Four-day weekend

Feb. 12 & 15

March 9, 10 **IOWA** testing Freshmen & Sophomores 8am - noon March 22 Application for Financial Aid Parents (virtually) 6-7 pm (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.)

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 nonrefundable \$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. EXT 'ARMO Every day, our athletic program gets closer to a state-of-the-art facility ... and in TRUE Cardinal Mooney fashion, the FAMILY is coming together to REFORGE the place where our young men and women will prepare for greatness! It's also exciting to announce that through an agreement with BSN Sports, Cardinal Mooney Sports teams will be outfitted with Nike apparel. Exciting things are transpiring daily at Cardinal Mooney!





Thank you to all of the volunteers, parents, and everyone who helped make our

you in our classrooms. Please remember ... anyone can go to a high school, but

winter open house a success. To all of the future Cardinals ... we can not wait to have

you're choosing to be a part of a family — an extended network of people with whom



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.

AmazonSmile purchase to Cardinal Mooney High School whenever you shop on AmazonSmile. AmazonSmile customers can now support Cardinal Mooney High

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

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 Tursday from 2 p.m. to 6, and Friday through Saturday from 2 p.m. until 6.

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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

Emergency Rental Assistance: MYCAP re-opens applications on Feb. 1. Please Free Dental Care given to children without insurance on Feb. 26. Call 330-545-2000 to reserve an appointment with Dr. Paul Bertolasio (26 E. Wilson Ave., Girard, 44420).

students for their future, and that they will need to be able to adapt to innovations. Using technology is an area that illustrates the ever-present tension between tradition and innovation in education. Just think of the ways we have had to educate differently in the past year due to the challenges we faced to figure out how school operates in a pandemic! Mooney's overarching goal is to teach students to think critically and creatively in order to balance tradition and innovation as they lead lives of sanctity, scholarship, and discipline, now and in their future. One of the most precious commodities that we have as we seek that balance is time. We wrestle with the question: What is the best way to organize the hours we have together to educate the students in our care? After serving as principal at Mooney for

a good life balance in how they use time, or does it just pre-schedule them daily? Does our current schedule allow time for students to meet with counselors about school issues (scheduling, college advice, etc.) or personal issues without missing class time? and planning. Watch for more information after that. We also invite students and parents to share with us any questions or thoughts you might have. Our goal is to

at Mooney so we can serve the needs of our students today.

Sincerely, Mary Anne Beiting, Ed.D. Principal Gospel of Mark He cured many who

speak because they knew him. Mark 1:34 aportant dates

Monday, 2/15 (Presidents Day) Feb. 17 Ash Wednesday Mass times and details are being arranged by Mrs. Trewella. Feb. 18 Students will **CCP** Application day (For those wanting to do CCP receive a time slot from the counselors through YSU. If you want to do CCP through another college, the to apply during the application would be through that school day with a college's website.) YSU representative assisting virtually. ACT / Feb. 23 Juniors / 8am - noon **PreACT** Sophomores Re-enrollment reminders 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 <u>here</u>. 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

CADDY'S CORNER

A MESSAGE FROM OUR DEAN OF STUDENTS.

 During the winter months, if your student is late to school and they are driving, we are now asking them to not park in the tennis court lots when it is snowing outside. They are to park in the main student parking lot. The nurse will meet them at the door to do their wellness check. Thank you for your cooperation. Students, please remember that you are not permitted to text your friends to have them open any of the outside doors for you. A few dresscode reminders for students: The only crew neck and hooded sweatshirts are permitted are Cardinal Mooney ones. All jackets, including letterman jackets, are to be stored in the lockers. Yoga pants/leggings are still not permitted to be worn at any time. If

• If you are a remote student, please remember that school begins at 8:00 a.m. All cameras and microphones have to be on. You are expected to be participating in class. If you will not be in class, your parents are still required to call in to the main office to report you absent. • A friendly reminder from the main office: If your student is leaving early, please have the

student drop a note off in the main office before 8 a.m. They can pick up their early dismissal slip after the first period. Unfortunately, we are not able to accept phone calls for students

• It is very important that your student arrives on time for school. The warning bell is 7:55 a.m. and the tardy bell is at 8 a.m. We are noticing more students that are arriving late to school.

• If you are having any trouble with your Chromebook or Chromebook charger, please see Mrs. Cadman in the main office. Just remember, the Chromebook you are using is your responsibility. Please take care of your Chromebook. Make sure you are carrying it in your

• If you or your student is having any trouble logging into Powerschool, please send an email

• If you are having internet issues, the public library has a limited amount of free personal hotspots to rent — all you need is a library card. You are able to rent them at all Mahoning County libraries, but the main branch downtown is the only one that has them onsite. The

Information on the Wifi Mobile Hotspots: WiFi Mobile Hotspot devices can be borrowed from the Public Library of Youngstown & Mahoning County to bring wireless Internet access to those without a home connection, or those who need to gain access in unconnected areas. Each hotspot allows

• Do not place in Book Drop or Media Drop. Remember ... patrons are responsible for the safety

On Saturday at the Ohio Speech and Debate Association Youngstown District

Tournament, Cardinal Mooney's Speech & Debate team qualified 12 students to the

Senior Maureen Baker and sophomore Sarah Owens took the top spots in United

The other qualifiers include Millie Heschmeyer (junior, Dramatic Interpretation), Olivia

States Extemporaneous and Lincoln Douglas Debate, respectively.

Speech&Debate

MRS. JANET CADMAN

there are any dress code concerns, please contact Mrs. Cadman.

leaving. If a student would need to leave, please email the dismissal to

*Missing from picture is Millie Heschmeyer

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 **R** FUNDRAISING

CAFETERIA NOTES — Mooney families can access important cafeteria information,

Earn money for Cardinal Mooney every time

you shop at Rite Aid. Sign up and get started.

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

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

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

interview, they will clean it for free. **YNDC:** Accepting applications for emergency home repair to assist low income

OPINION | MAIN STREET

Here is a fantastic article from the Wall Street Journal. "Amid all the pain and disruption, a year of coronavirus has given Americans a new respect for those working to keep daily life as normal as possible, from the frontline nurse to the Amazon delivery man. Near the top of this honor roll is an especially unsung hero: the Catholic-school teacher." Read the rest <u>here</u>.

Winter Open House

you will share a very unique bond.

• Visit the circulation desk to check out a mobile hotspot device. Keep up the good work in and out of the classroom students! Keep your grades up, do your best work, and have a wonderful week! Smile and make a new friend everyday! - Mrs. Cadman

and return of Mobile Hotspot devices. For adult cardholders in good standing

• Limit: 1

• Fine: \$3 per day

state tournament.

• Replacement cost: \$150.

jcadman@cardinalmooney.com.

Please call the office if your student will be late.

main branch is on 305 Wick Ave., 44503, (330) 744-8636

for a connection of up to 10 devices at a time. The loan period is seven days.

All customers are responsible for fines (including Senior Cards).

backpack and it is charged for the day.

to jcadman@cardinalmooney.com.

-Embracing our Culture & Heritage kimberlycox89@gmail.com. -Having fun with Mixology

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

tradition.

recipes. Now is the time to restart this

SPECIAL SECTIONS

-Appetizers and Small Plates

-Tailgating To Remember

-Holiday Traditions

-Main Courses and Large Plates

-The Youngstown Cookie Table

-Crockpots, Instapots and Air Fryers

app and tap into 'Settings' Tap 'AmazonSmile' and follow the onscreen instructions to complete the process. All you need to do is start your shopping at smile.amazon.com.

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

Wilson. Home Energy Assistance(HEAP) helps eligible low-income Ohioans to hear their homes by providing one-time payment on a heating bill 800-282-088- or energyhelp.ohio.gov call 330-747-7921 for information.

Catholic Schools Are Beating Covid

Send recipes NOW 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! Send us YOUR recipes now. If you have any questions, please contact Kim Simons Cox at kimberlycox89@gmail.com. FIRST SINCE'87 CARDINAL MOONEY FAMILY COOKBOOK IT'S BACK! WE NEED YOU

> 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

WHAT'S NEXT?

Watch for announcements in the

submission and cookbook pre-

order forms. In the meantime if you

have any questions, please contact

next few weeks with recipe

Kim Simons Cox at

late April or early May!