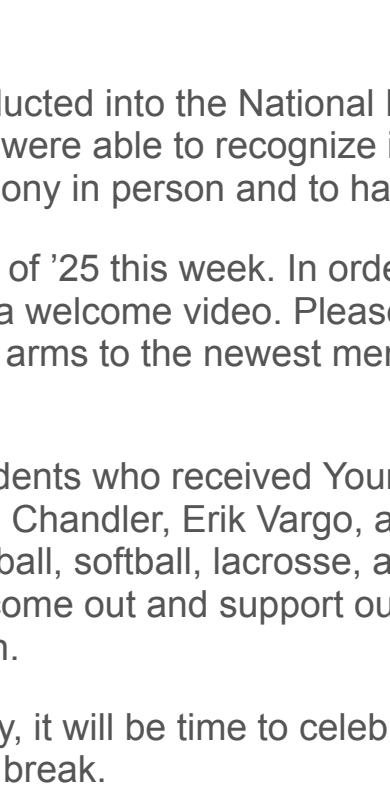


This new era will propel us to the next chapters of greatness



From the President's Desk

Dear Parents and students,

Congratulations to those students who were inducted into the National Honor Society last week and to those inducted last year whom we were able to recognize in person. It was especially gratifying to host the induction ceremony in person and to have parents join us.

We also welcomed more members of the Class of '25 this week. In order to commemorate this new beginning of their journey, we created a welcome video. Please take a moment to [watch](#) our students, faculty, and staff open their arms to the newest members of the Mooney Family.

They will get to chase goals like the current students who received Youngstown Rotary Scholarship awards. Congratulations to Leanne Chandler, Erik Vargo, and Steve Hiner. The emerging spring weather also means baseball, softball, lacrosse, and track. Over the next couple months, we hope you'll be able to come out and support our men and women Cardinals as they compete in this spring season.

After our athletes make their mark on our history, it will be time to celebrate the Class of 2021. Updates on these plans will follow spring break.

Around the state, many schools remain remote or educating in a hybrid model as COVID protocols loosen. Our own approach to the past year's challenges has been to continue in person and look for opportunities to grow and expand. Here, I give credit to our Board of Directors, which has been guiding us with the very affirmative intention of using this moment to increase our competitive advantage in the area. To assert this kind of leadership, we must stay attentive, be aggressive, and continue to focus on advancing our students and school.

Throughout an unprecedented year, our institution continues to undergo significant change — in rebuilding administrative and athletic capacity and leadership; in repairing and maintaining our 65-year-old building with two skilled maintenance leaders; simplification of many processes; the initiative of renovating the Armory; laying the groundwork for a high-performance culture; and the reorganization of our block schedule.

We've accomplished a lot in a short period of time and have more to do. Here, the point I want to make is the need to see these pieces as part of a whole. While I recognize that so much change is difficult, it is also absolutely necessary. To reap the greatest rewards, it is essential that the transformation be carried out as one carefully articulated effort.

The institution-wide picture is this: We are very deliberately reconfiguring Cardinal Mooney in a fully integrated fashion, an approach I've used to turn other schools into high-performing institutions. Our efforts this year began with informal gatherings where I learned from and of our parents, students, alumni, and others. Our accreditation is a continuous learning process that Mooney uses to self-assess and improve. Our Board required principal Dr. Mary Anne Beiting and I to conduct a formal evaluation of all departments. Though not a formal strategic plan, it does address our academic plan. That is supported by our financial plan, which helps to drive the physical plan. All of this is enabling us to prepare for the future, to look forward to the possible, and to take advantage of our resources.

Accomplishing comprehensive change concurrently ensures that Mooney's progress accelerates an institution, instead of incremental starts and stops.

I acknowledge that the cumulative effect of so much change can be daunting. And at times, especially under COVID, we've caused stress. Yet I find Mooney to be a healthy and increasingly strengthening institution capable of leading. With the support from alumni and friends, Mooney can be unique in its ability to remake itself for the future. And we are doing so deliberately, thoughtfully, and always with our founding principles in mind: to extend and ensure an enduring Catholic educational opportunity to our sons and daughters.

While each one of our initiatives this year is worthy of even deeper introspection, I want to examine the benefits of our new AB block schedule, which will be implemented next school year.

Moving to our enhanced block schedule will **keep the longer class periods**, while allowing students to experience a greater variety of what they are learning. This will also eliminate gaps in sequential courses, so deeper learning and mastery can be achieved.

To enhance opportunities Cardinal Mooney provides, the AB block will provide great potential to add programming. **Physical education** for athletes and non-athletes; **STEM** like GIS, robotics, pre-engineering, research, and 3D printing; **choir**, and possible **co-ops/internships**.

Students and teachers will also have much more time to collaborate.

There are **three main areas** that help frame our decision to move to the AB block schedule.

The AB block will maximize our resources

The first, is the efficient use of resources. As President of Cardinal Mooney I'm obligated to be a good steward of the human and financial resources entrusted to me to maximize student performance. Too often in the education debate, the meaning of efficiency has been turned into something unpleasant and counterproductive. Efficiency does not mean cost cutting. Nor does it mean reducing education to an assembly-line based on procedures certified as efficient. What it does mean is that educators should measure both the costs and benefits of various approaches to education and to choose the approach that maximizes benefits over costs. Too often, by contrast the benefits of a plan are often assumed rather than systematically measured, and little effort is made to compare the potential net benefits of programs competing for limited resources. Bad programs are allowed to continue, siphoning off resources that could be productively deployed to improve student performance.

The AB Block keeps us on the edge of innovation

Secondly, schools ought to strive for continuous learning and adaptation. One lesson I've learned running schools is that those that failed to learn systematically from their experience get into trouble. No matter how successful or unsuccessful strategic plans are, schools will always face the challenge of improving. Without mechanisms or procedures for managing a continuous process of improvement, schools have no way of discovering which programs work and which do not; they have no way for promoting the good programs or weeding out the bad. In other professions and businesses there are constant efforts to improve. I believe schools ought to do the same.

The AB block will frame tangible goals

Finally, we must develop performance incentives. Educators and students should be rewarded for actions that improve their performance. Education is too complex an endeavor to manage by rote, or by curricula and rules handed down by the state or by faculty handbooks that dictate every minute of every day. We can't be a 21st. century school with a 20th century reward system. To create such incentives, schools must define both goals and measures of progress toward promoting student achievement. One of my goals is to be able to show parents real achievements gains — year over year for both the individual student and in the aggregate.



PALM SUNDAY

Hosanna!

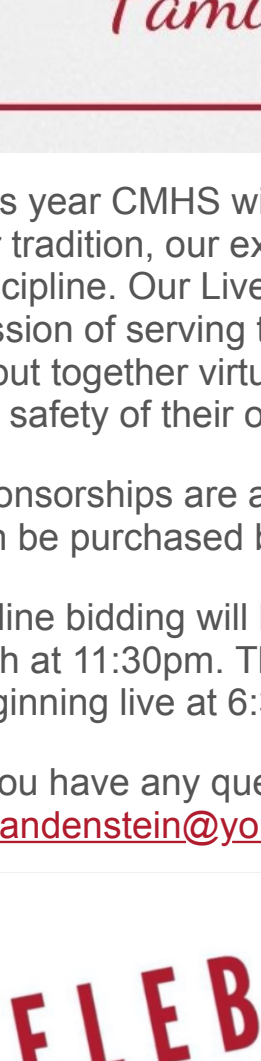
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is to come!

Hosanna in the highest!

Mark 11:9-10

Enhanced block Q&A session



SEE THE RECORDED **zoom** MEETING

PRESENTED BY:
MOONEY PRESIDENT,
TOM MAJ, AND
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL,
MATTHEW MONTER

Scholarship and EdChoice reminders

Ohio Ed Choice is now open for both Traditional and Expansion. If you have not already submitted your renewal application, please do so as soon as possible. The deadline for Expansion is April 30,2021 and the deadline for Traditional is May 15, 2021. If you need assistance or need a copy of the renewal application, please contact Patty Kalasky at 330-788-5007 ext. 162 or via email pkalasky@youngstowndiocese.org.

The admissions process is open. If you have a new student who wants to attend Cardinal Mooney or know of someone who is interested in attending Cardinal Mooney, please go to our website, cardinalmooney.com, click on admissions tabs, then "apply now." Follow the link for the application and complete it. If you need to stop in the office for an application, please see Patty Kalasky in the main office to apply or email her at pkalasky@youngstowndiocese.org. If your student wants to spend some time at Cardinal Mooney, please contact Lori Radinsky at lradinsky@youngstowndiocese.org to schedule a date and time.

We are also inviting eighth-grade students for SHADOW DAYS. You can register for a shadow day by contacting Lori at Lradinsky@cardinalmooney.com or by phone at 330-788-5007, 123.

The Ron Stoops Memorial and Golden Cardinals (RSAP Foundation) Scholarships are renewable. Students who currently receive these scholarships will renew them as long as good academics, service work and extracurricular activities have been maintained.

Also, keep in mind that EdChoice is open. Forms are available in the main office. For more information please contact [Patty Kalasky](#).

Celebrate Mooney Auction

SAVE THE DATE

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YEAR

ONLINE BIDDING WILL BEGIN ON APRIL 22 AND CLOSE ON APRIL 24.

THE LIVE AUCTION WILL BEGIN AT 7 PM SATURDAY WITH OUR PRE-EVENT BEGINNING LIVE AT 6:30.

This year CMHS will be hosting our annual "Celebrate Mooney Virtual Auction" to continue our tradition, our excellence, and our commitment to the ideas of Sanctity, Scholarship, and Discipline. Our Live Auction will take place on Saturday, April 24. And with your help, our mission of serving the community through the Gospel values will continue. We are working to put together virtual opportunities to allow our members and friends to come together from the safety of their own homes.

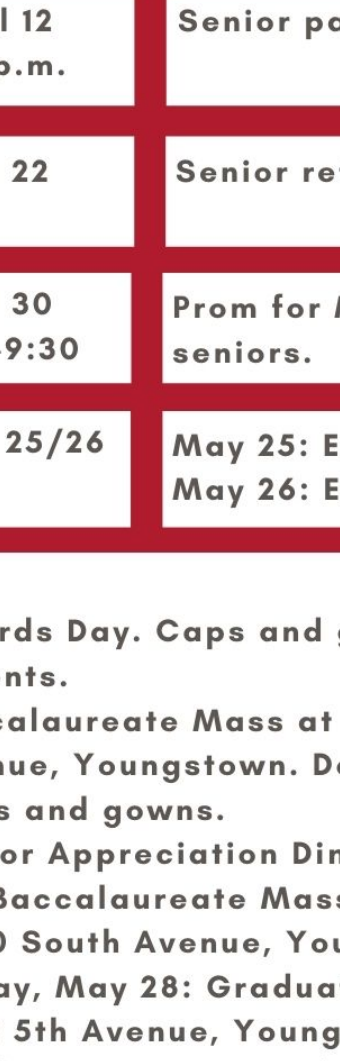
Sponsorships are available to purchase, gift donations are being accepted and raffle tickets can be purchased by visiting our Bidpal [page](#).

Online bidding will begin on Thursday, April 22nd at 9:00am and will close Saturday, April 24th at 11:30pm. The Live Auction will begin at 7:00pm Saturday with our pre-event beginning live at 6:30pm. You must register to participate in the bidding.

If you have any questions please contact Sue Brandenstein 330.788.5113 or sbrandenstein@youngstowndiocese.org.

CELEBRATE MOONEY Raffles

Buy your tickets now online at one.Bidpal.net/CMHS



#1001

50/50 Raffle

\$10

29,905 Remaining

#1002

Louis Vuitton NeoNoe MM

\$20

218 Remaining

#1003

Rare Bourbon Basket with Pappy Van Wink...

\$50

223 Remaining

The first raffle we want to promote is our 50-50 raffle. The price is \$10 per ticket. Half of the proceeds will benefit the students at Cardinal Mooney. The remainder will be awarded to the lucky winner chosen on the night of the auction.

Our second specialty raffle is the Rare Bourbon Basket with Pappy Van Winkle '15.

*First Ticket Drawn:
Wins a bottle of Pappy Van Winkle '15, (not available in Ohio) Elmer T Lee Single Barrel, Old WM TARR small batch 7 and Eagle Rare.

*Second Ticket Drawn:
Wins a bottle of Blanton's Single Barrel and EH Taylor small batch.

*Third Ticket Drawn:
Wins a bottle of Boom Boom Bourbon.

The last raffle raffle item we would like to highlight is the Louis Vuitton NeoNoe MM purse valued at \$1,810. Designed in 1932 to transport bottles of Champagne, the Noé returns for Spring 17 as the Néonoe, an on-trend bucket bag in supple Monogram canvas with colorful calf-leather accents and an adjustable strap that lengthens for a modern, cross-body carry.

Raffle tickets can be purchased by visiting our Bidpal page at <https://one.bidpal.net/CMHS/welcome>.

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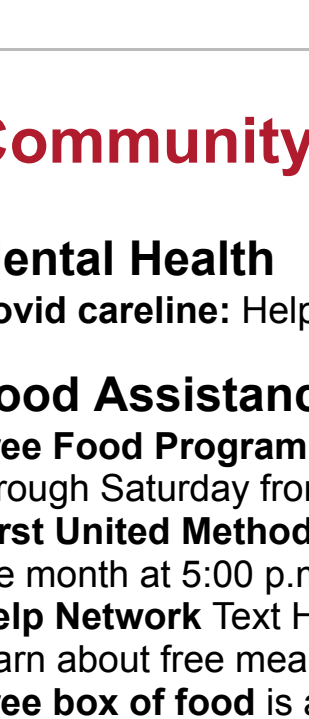
Notes from our guidance counselors



2021 Important dates

DATE	EVENT	NOTES
STATE TESTING FOR GRADUATION		
These tests are a state graduation requirement for all students. Because these tests were not administered last year due to the lock down, all sophomores must take these this year for the first time. Juniors will be notified if they need to report for testing. All other juniors and all seniors will have an independent study day.		
March 29	Stations of the Cross for all students during the school day.	Regular schedule
April 1 – 11	Easter Break	No classes
April 12	Classes resume	Regular times
MARCH MENTORING SCHEDULE		
March 31	Seniors: Trivia competition Juniors: CSM lesson Sophomores: Self-care (SELF-CARE (Ruth Mastriana and Holly Marshall)) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> It will be held in the cafeteria. Link Crew Members will assist freshmen on their Self-Care. Freshmen: Mass <ul style="list-style-type: none"> It will be held in the auditorium. Please accompany and stay with your class. 	
SENIOR ACTIVITIES		
Seniors have more detailed information in the handbook they received at the senior meeting. At this time, there are still health protocols related to COVID that are in place for these events that we will be following, including masks and social distancing. We will continue to monitor if there are any changes in protocols between now and the scheduled date, and will keep you updated. We will also continue to work with the sites for events outside of our building to determine the number of attendees allowed by protocols, and will let you know as soon as we can.		
April 12 6-7 p.m.	Senior parent meeting	
April 22	Senior retreat	At Cardinal Mooney High School
April 30 7:30-9:30	Prom for Mooney juniors and seniors.	Maronite Center
May 25/26	May 25: Exams for periods 3 and 4 May 26: Exams for periods 1 and 2.	More info to come
May 27: Senior events Awards Day, Caps and gowns. Details to follow about attendance by parents. Baccalaureate Mass at 6:30 pm St. Columba Cathedral, 159 Rayen Avenue, Youngstown. Details to follow about attendance by parents. Caps and gowns. Senior Appreciation Dinner and Dance: Immediately following the end of the Baccalaureate Mass until 10 pm at Mr. Anthony's Banquet Center, 7440 South Avenue, Youngstown Friday, May 28: Graduation practice at 1 pm at Stambaugh Auditorium, 1000 5th Avenue, Youngstown Sunday, May 30: Stambaugh Auditorium, 1 pm. Caps and gowns. Details to follow about attendance by parents/family.		





CADDY'S CORNER

A MESSAGE FROM OUR DEAN OF STUDENTS, MRS. JANET CADMAN

I hope everyone has a wonderful and blessed Easter. If you are traveling this Easter break, please be very careful and safe. I hope everyone has a restful break and comes back ready to finish out the school year.

- Just a reminder as the weather gets warmer, the only option for short sleeve are the Mooney polos. Students please plan accordingly when you get dressed.
- Beginning April 1, shorts will be permitted. Please follow the guidelines in the handbook. If you have any questions please contact Mrs. Cadman
- Wednesday will be a mentoring day.
- A few dresscode reminders for students and parents: The only crew neck and hooded sweatshirts are permitted are Cardinal Mooney ones. During school, all hoods from sweatshirts are required to be down. 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 there are any dress code concerns, please contact Mrs. Cadman.
- Reminder for the boys: you must be clean shaven (even though you are wearing a mask, you still need to shave) and your hair can not be longer than the length of the collar. Please make sure that you are following the guidelines that are in the student handbook.
- Guess what's back!!! Mooney Chocolate Chip Cookies are back! Listen to the announcements to find out the day they will be available. Remember, they are only 25 cents each! That is right ... the Mooney Chocolate Chip Cookies are only a quarter! Don't miss out!
- 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 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 leaving. If a student would need to leave, please email the dismissal to jcadman@cardinalmooney.com.
- 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. After 8:20 AM any student arriving will be considered a ¼ absent. Please call the office if your student will be late.
- 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 backpack and it is charged for the day.
- If you or your student is having any trouble logging into Powerschool, please send an email to jcadman@cardinalmooney.com.

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

School notes

Please submit EdChoice forms to Patty Kalasky at the front office. She can be reached via email [here](#).

Senior ad forms due by April 13: The senior ad cost and requirements will be as follows:

- 1/4 page with 50 words and 2 pictures \$50.00
- 1/2 page with 200 words and 5 pictures \$80.00
- 1 full page with 500 words and 10 pictures \$130.00

As the number of words increase, the size of the pictures decreases. The Yearbook Staff has the right to edit, and is not responsible for incorrect spelling and grammar. Please write neatly or type out your ad. Also, please turn in pictures (copies on photo paper are recommended) and we will send them into Jostens for them to scan on their high quality scanners. We cannot accept emailed ads or ads done at home because of incompatible software that we do not use for yearbook layouts and we lose picture resolution quality when we print and re-scan photos. Senior ads are due on April 13, 2021 at 3 p.m. Turn ads into main office or to Jennifer Policy room 208 or Maureen Kandray room 133. No late ads will be accepted because we have deadlines to meet. Make checks payable to Cardinal Mooney High School. Please email questions to jpolicy@youngstowndiocese.org.

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 [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.

You shop. Amazon gives.

- 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

Mental Health
Covid careline: Help is available 24 hrs a day, 7 days a week. 1-800-720-9616

Food Assistance
Free Food Program for children at Newport Library and Michael Kuselaba Libraries Monday through Saturday from 2-6 p.m
First United Methodist Church Offers a Drive-Thru dinner the first and third Thursday of the month at 5:00 p.m. on 6749 Mahoning Ave. Austintown 44515.
Help Network Text Help Network to 898211. At the prompt, enter 1 for food pantries or 2 to learn about free meals near you.
Free box of food is available on Monday and Thursday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Lighthouse Covenant Ministries, 1755 Shely Street, Youngstown, 330-550-5028

Home Assistance
YNDC Winter reconnection order is in effect until April15, 2021. Dominion Energy.com
MYCAP: Help with rent, security deposits and mortgage payments, and utility bills. Call 330-747-7921 ext.1177
HEAP Home Energy Assistance Program- Help with your heating bill.800-282-0888 or energyhelp.ohio.gov
YNDC: Youngstown Neighborhood Development Corporation-Accepting applications for emergency home repair. Call 330-480-0423 for more information.
Covid Renter Protection: Visit this [site](#) for more information.

Ohio Legal Help
The stimulus package that was signed into law on March 11 includes:
-Extended PUA and PEUC unemployment benefits through September 6, 2021;
-Third round of Stimulus checks arriving soon;
-Increased SNAP benefits by 15% from January 2021 until September 2021.

Miscellaneous
WRTA: Free busing through June 2021
LaFrance: If you are unemployed and need an outfit cleaned for an interview, they will clean it for free.
Community Legal Aid Services offers free legal help with unemployment claims. Call 1-800-998-9454 for more information.
Buster's Brigade offers low cost vaccines for your pet on April 24 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. at YSU Lot M32. No appointment is necessary.
Upper Room Clothing Pantry is offering help on the second Tuesday and fourth Thursday of every month. It's located on 7 South Garland, Youngstown, from 4 until 6 p.m.