



# PANTHER PRESS



*Holy Family, believing that each student is a child of God, challenges each to embrace the Gospel message*

*through the traditions of the Catholic faith, to achieve academic excellence and to grow as saints.*

September 16,  
2022

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Our first full week of school is complete! Unfortunately for me, I have been sick and out since Tuesday so I'll have to earn my "full week stripes" next week! Our teachers and students have done a fantastic job of taking full charge. Have you checked out our Facebook page recently? From electromagnetic waves to "C" cookies to earning a spot on the Multiplication Wall of Fame (Congratulations, Shelby!), our students are working hard at their academics!



On Wednesday, we celebrated the Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross. We remembered how our God turned something terrible into something so beautiful. God can take anything bad and make good out of it if we let God in. As we continue to grow our relationship with God, we

have two important parent meetings for our students preparing for the sacraments of Confirmation, Reconciliation, and First Communion. The first meeting is next Wednesday, September 21 for Confirmation. The following Wednesday, September 28 is the First Reconciliation/First Communion Meeting. You are invited to the 6:00pm Mass and the meeting will follow.

Our extracurricular activities are well underway. This week, Drama Workshops were held for students in Grades 4 - 8. The workshops will continue next week, with auditions the following week. Our fall sports are also underway. Our GCCS football team held their lead in Wednesday's game for the win! Our cheerleaders did a fantastic job supporting our team! The girls basketball teams have been practicing. Games will begin the week of September 26th. Flag Football will begin on Sunday, September 25th. Schedules are attached under the "Sports" section.

Our HFS Cafe Food Tasting Day happened on Wednesday. This month's test: Mangos! The goal of these once a month challenges is to try food items students may not have tried at home and encourage healthy habits. Mangoes are grown in tropical climates of Florida, Asia, Mexico, and California. Did you know that mangoes strengthen our eyes, bones, skin, and our immune system? The result...two thumbs up and a lot of smiling faces! Thank you, Mrs. McAvoy, RN and our cafe staff, Mrs. Opp and Mrs. Farmer!

## **PANTHER DRAW**

A Jotform was sent out yesterday, September 15 regarding your choice of payment options. Please complete this form by Tuesday, September 21.

Any questions can be directed to Mrs. Aimee wolvern at [awolvern@hfsgb.org](mailto:awolvern@hfsgb.org).

Letter: [Panther Draw Letter 2022.pdf](#)

## **IMPORTANT DATE ADDED TO CALENDAR**

October 3 - 7th Grade Parent Meeting regarding Camp Tamarack

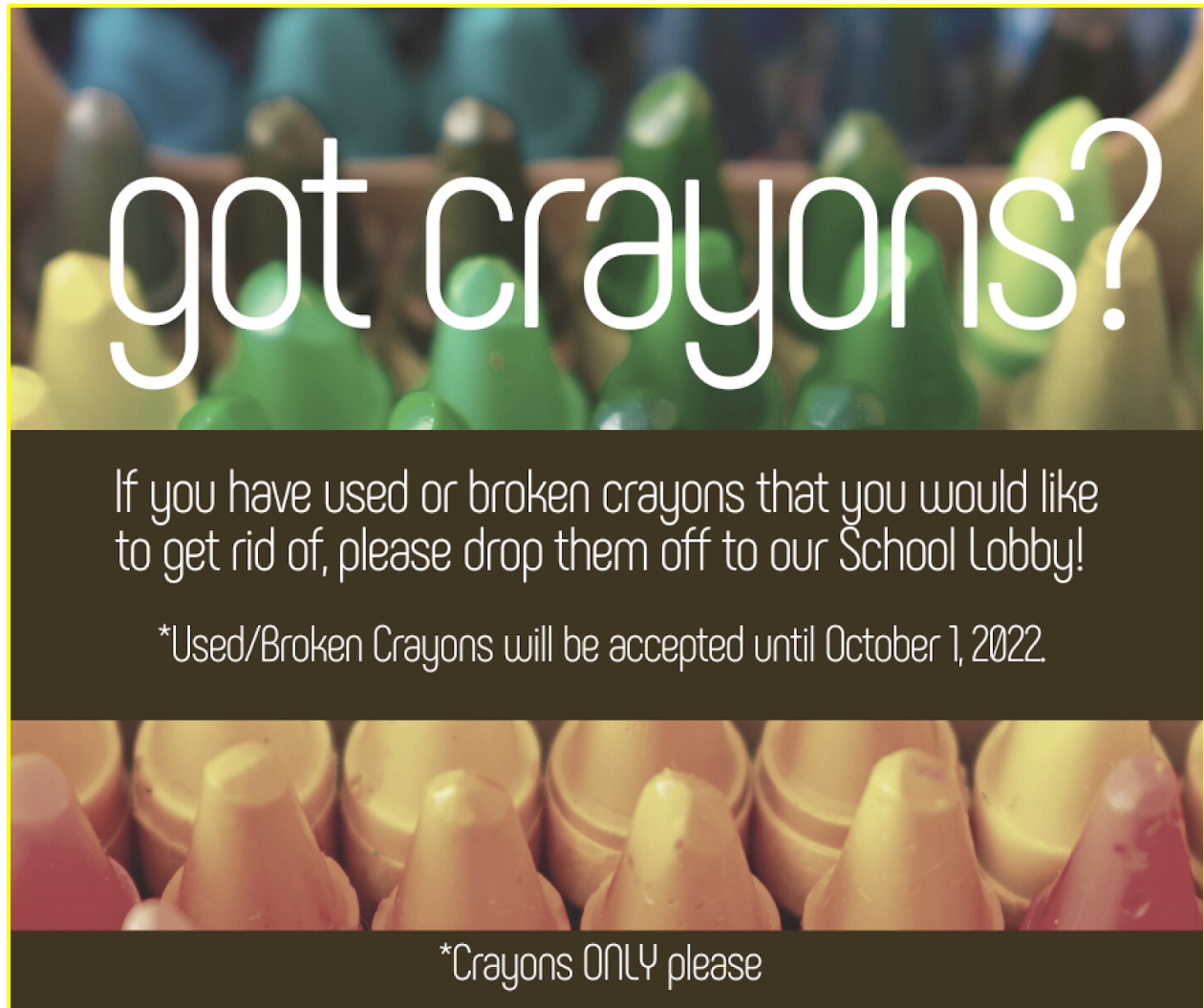
6:30pm - 7:15pm in Mrs. Garland's Classroom

## **PTO NEWS**

- **First Meeting:** Wednesday, September 21 @ 6:30pm in the ARC (school library).  
**Agenda:** [HFS PTO Agenda September.pdf](#)
- **Dine2Donate:** September 30 @ Panera Bread - THREE locations: Grand Blanc, Fenton, and Flint! **Flyer:** [September 30 D2D\\_fentonpanera.pdf](#) , [September 30 D2D\\_grandblancpanera.pdf](#) , [September 30 D2D\\_millerrdpanera.pdf](#)
- **PTO/ATHLETIC BOOSTERS SCAVENGER HUNT - Saturday, Sept. 24th** **Flyer:** [Navy Yellow Podcast Scavenger Hunt Worksheet .pdf](#)

Link: <https://form.jotform.com/222574844882164>

## ITEM REQUEST



## THE POSITIVITY PROJECT

Parent Connection Link: <https://posproject.org/p2-for-families/>

This week's virtue/characteristic: Open-Mindedness

Role Models (Saints known for this virtue.): St. Isidore

Challenge: Open-minded people do not jump to conclusions. Instead, they look at all of the available facts before forming an opinion. Pay close attention to your own thinking. When you feel yourself jumping to conclusions, pause and ask yourself, what evidence leads me to think

this way? Look for opportunities where you can demonstrate this character strength. Open-mindedness doesn't have to mean changing what you believe; it means considering the reasoning of others and all available facts before forming your own opinions.

Next week's virtue/characteristic: Patience/Being present and giving others my attention

Role Models (Saints known for this virtue.): St. Monica, St. Isaac Jogues, St. Rita of Cascia

Challenge: When you are with friends or family today, work extra hard to focus on being present and giving others your attention. Some ways to do this are by looking at people when they speak to you, resisting the temptation to look at your phone or another device, and remaining actively engaged in conversations.

## **BACK TO SCHOOL FORMS**

Please visit our website, [www.hfsgb.org](http://www.hfsgb.org), and complete all the required "Back to School" forms.

## **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

If you would like to volunteer to help in our cafeteria, or Technology classes or Art classes, please go to our website, click on the "Parent Involvement" tab, and then VIRTUS tab. All volunteers must take the VIRTUS online training, and sign a Code of Conduct Form and a Background Release Form. Please email Mrs. Cindy Jones at [cjones@hfsgb.org](mailto:cjones@hfsgb.org) and let her know where you can help. With our volunteers we are able to offer and do so much more!

## **GRANDPARENTS DAY, SEPT. 26th**

All grades, 4 Yr. PS through Grade 8 will have a presentation in the church that begins at 9am. Following the program, grandparents are invited into the school to have a snack and visit the classrooms from 10am - 11am. PS, Kindergarten and First Grade visits will need to end by 10:30am in order to get to lunch. We look forward to having these special people spend some time with us at school. A Jotform will be sent out on Monday, September 19th, to get an idea of how many grandparents we will have in attendance and help us better plan on where each will meet.

## **AFTER SCHOOL CHILDREN'S CHOIR (Grades 3 - 8)**

Choir practices will be on Mondays after school until 4pm in the Music Room beginning.

Please park in the Father Bush Parish Lot. Students will exit by the Music Room door.

## **DRAMA CLUB**

A Jotform will be sent for all those interested in being in the chorus for our drama production in late October/early November. (K-Grade 3)

## **Drama Workshops:**

- 4th and 5th Graders: Wednesday, September 21, 3:00 - 4:00
- 6th, 7th, 8th Grade: Thursday, September 22, 3:00 - 4:00

## **AUDITIONS**

Auditions for Seussical Jr. will be held at the end of September. Again, please note the date for your child(ren)'s grade. Auditions will take place in the Music Room.

- 4th and 5th Grade Auditions: Wednesday, September 28, 3:00 - 4:30
- 6th, 7th, and 8th Grade Auditions: Thursday, September 29, 3:00 - 4:30
- Callbacks will be held on Friday, September 30 from 3:00 - 4:30 (your student will be notified if they are needed to attend callbacks)

## **SPORTS**

### **Girls Basketball**

HFS 7th/8th Girls Basketball Schedule & 5th/6th Girls Basketball Schedule: [2022 Girls Basketball - 5 thru 8 FINAL - 2022 Girls BASKETBALL \(1\).pdf](#)

\*Practice schedules will be emailed from our AD, Mrs. Tenerelli. Please watch for them.

### **5th-6th Coed Flag Football**

HFS Flag Football Schedule: [5th-6th Coed Flag Football 2022.pdf](#)

### **GCCS Football (7th/8th Grade) Game Schedule**

9/21/22	5:30pm	Montrose Hill-McCloy HS, Field - STADIUM
9/28/22	5:30pm	Powers Catholic HS
10/5/22	5:30pm	New Lothrop HS, Stadium 1
10/12/22	5:30pm	Powers Catholic HS

Practices are every Monday - Thursday from 4:15pm - 6:00pm @ Powers Catholic HS.

### **GCCS Night at Powers Catholic Athletics**

GCCS students wear a school shirt/jersey or Powers Catholic shirt/jersey to get into the events below for free!

9/22/22	Volleyball	6:15pm @ Powers HF
9/28/22	Soccer	6:00pm @ Atwood Stadium

10/7/22    Football    (Homecoming Parade starts at 5:45pm) 7:00pm game @ Atwood Stadium

### **Powers Chargers Cheer Clinic**

PCHS cheer team is going to run a cheer clinic so that K-8th graders can join them on the sidelines for the Homecoming game on 10/7! Below is a link to the sign-up form:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1xeG6EpSZWv709o79FKkhWgXP3Tghi0t9aLvNaXOzSPY/viwwform?edit\\_requested=true](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1xeG6EpSZWv709o79FKkhWgXP3Tghi0t9aLvNaXOzSPY/viwwform?edit_requested=true)

More information: PCHS CHEER FLYER: [Powers Cheer Clinic 2022.pdf](#)

### **Next Week's Hot Lunch Menu (full calendar can be found on our website)**

Monday - Sloppy Joes, Tater Tots & Broccoli, Salad Bar

Tuesday - Bean & Cheese Burrito, Corn Muffin, Salad Bar

Wednesday - French Toast Sticks, Sausage Patty, Salad Bar

Thursday - Sweet & Sour Fried Chicken, Fried Rice, Salad Bar

Friday - Pizza, Green Beans, Salad Bar

Have a blessed weekend!

Mrs. Theresa Purcell, Principal

### **SEPTEMBER**

16, Friday - Constitution Day (actual day is Sept. 17th, Saturday) - wear

red/white/blue tops with uniform bottoms

19, Monday - POSITIVITY SHIRT + uniform bottoms

All Catholic Schools Mass @ St. Mary's Cathedral, Lansing (5th Grade)

21, Wednesday - All School Mass @ 8am

PTO @ 6:30pm

Drama Workshop from 3pm - 4pm (4th/5th Grades only)

Mandatory Confirmation Meeting (for all 8th Grade and their parents). You are invited to celebrate Mass at 6pm. The meeting will follow in the church.

22, Thursday - Drama Workshop from 3pm - 4pm (6th-8th Grades only) SJC

GCCS Night at Powers Catholic Athletics: Volleyball @ 6:15pm @ Powers HS

23, Friday - CASUAL PANTHER

(Courtesy of Auction '22-Mrs. Tenerelli)

NO GB BUSES

24, Saturday - PTO Family Event (partner with Boosters)

Scavenger Hunt around HF grounds

26, Monday - Grandparents Day

27, Tuesday - DC Parent Meeting (8th Grade) 6:00pm - 7:00pm in the FBPC Large Hall

28, Wednesday - All School Mass @ 8am

Mandatory First Communion/Reconciliation Mtg. @ 6:30pm

(2nd Grade) You are invited to celebrate Mass at 6pm. The meeting will follow in the church.

Drama Call Backs from 3pm - 4pm (4th/5th Grades only) SJC

GCCS Night at Powers Catholic Athletics: Soccer @ 6pm @ Atwood Stadium

29, Thursday - Drama Call Backs from 3pm - 4pm (6th-8th Grades only) SJC

## **OCTOBER**

3, Monday - 7th Grade Parent Meeting regarding Camp Tamarack 6:30pm - 7:15pm in Mrs.

Garland's Classroom