APRIL 2023

T-BIRD FLYER



Principal Newsletter

Dear Parents and Guardians,

For the second year in a row, Catholic school enrollment across the nation has grown. The trend began post pandemic, which shows that parents are actively choosing Catholic schools for their children amidst a variety of educational opportunities. Catholic schools provide approximately \$23 billion a year in savings to taxpayers (National Center for Education Statistics, U.S. Department of Education.)

The merits of Catholic schools are evident in national test scores from the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), a high school graduation rate of 98.9% and a four-year college attendance rate of 85.2%.

Catholic schools are increasingly educating a diverse population. Some statistics from Catholic News Agency includes: 23.1% of students are racial minorities, 22% hispanic/Latino, 22% are of other faiths and 7% have special needs. Catholic schools have expanded offerings to meet more family needs, including the opening of a half dozen on-line schools and enrolling over 5,000 International students, something we pride ourselves in here at LCC.

When I see some of the social issues that our local public schools are having to combat, almost three years post pandemic, Catholic schools have continued the legacy that characterized Catholic education: academic excellence, a sense of community, and a faith filled education for students. In the final weeks of the school year, I am thankful for the opportunity to work alongside you as partners in helping to educate and "form Disciples of Christ who respond to God's call" which in and of itself is truly what sets Catholic schools apart.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Ms. Williams

SAVE THE DATE:

April 22

Prom/Postprom - 8pm-2am

April 24

Red Cross Blood Drive - 8:30-1:30, New Gym

April 24 & 25

Senior Cap & Gown Pickup

May 1

May Crowning

May 5

Positive Addiction Race

May 6

Hall of Fame Induction - 1:00, New Gym Lobby

FOLLOW US:





For High School Students

LEARN THE BASICS OF CPR AND UTILIZING AN AED INCLUDING A HANDS ON STOP THE BLEED TRAINING!

Wednesday, May 31st
8:30a - 11:30a
GME Building
Across from St. Rita's Medical
Center - parking in lot
surrounding GME

THERE IS NO FEE ASSOCIATED WITH THIS EVENT REGISTER @ ESMITHI@MERCY.COM

Sideline Store

This April, we're *showering* you with 15% OFF sitewide when you spend \$100+. Remember to use code EXTRA15 at checkout—now thru 4/30. CLICK HERE to shop!









HOPE begins with you.

Blood Drive Lima Central Catholic High School

New Gym 720 South Cable Street Lima

Monday, April 24, 2023 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Courageous Parenting Series:

Navigating the Teenage Years

5 Week Group for Parents & Youth (ages 11-17)

It takes GREAT COURAGE to parent adolescents in ways they <u>need</u> not how they want or how society influences you to parent!!!

Courageous Parenting Groups will be offered: Tuesdays, May 9th-June 6th | 4:30pm-6pm Tuesdays, August 15th- Sept. 12th | 4:30pm-6pm Location: A.C.C.E.S.S. Center 528 W. Market St. Lima | Suite 200 Cost: FREE



Parenting adolescents is not for the faint of heart! Parenting well and raising young people requires amazing courage! Cornerstone is honored to equip both parents and middle/high school youth with practical tools and techniques to better navigate these often rocky years of change and growth.

Topics covered:

- Developmental Norms and Brain Changes during Adolescence
- De-Escalation Training
- "Emotional Wincing" as a Means of Hearing and Connecting
- Identifying Core Needs/Build Healthy Identity (strengths, passions, interests, values, etc)
- Steps to Develop Positive Character
- Healthy Boundaries
- Resilience and Growth Mindset
- Utilizing Courage-Doing what they NEED

The format for this 5-week program will run as follows:

- Week 1 and 2: Parents only
- o Week 3 and 4: Youth only
- o Week 5: Parents & Youth attend together

Registration

Go to cornerstoneofhopelima.org/Courageous Parenting Series Or call 419-581-9138 | Cornerstone of Hope 419-998-5249 | A.C.C.E.S.S. Center

Please sign up in the high school office, call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: Icchs to schedule an appointment. A PLACE OF HOPE FOR CHILDREN, TEENS AND ADULTS.