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From the President

Leo Hyland

Faith, Courage and Vision

In December of 1968, at a time when our nation and our city were roiling with many forms of social upheaval and transition, the Diocese of Cleveland made a bold and surprising announcement. Four parish high schools would join together, beginning in September of 1969, to form a new school – and Cleveland Central Catholic High School was launched!

The architect of this idea was Father John Fiala, who believed that the federation of these four smaller schools would benefit the students and strengthen the ministry of urban Catholic education in the city of Cleveland. All those who advocated for this plan must have had great faith in the power of Catholic education, for this was an unprecedented proposal. Imagine the thought of intentionally bringing young people from “both sides of the river” together – and doing so on four separate campuses. The logistics alone must have given them great pause.

As we reflect on all that has transpired over the past 50 years since that announcement, it has been a remarkable – if unpredictable – journey for our resilient school. CCC opened in 1969 with an enrollment of over 1,600 students. Yet the new school faced strong headwinds from the start. Over the next decade alone, vast numbers of Catholics (and others) fled the city and enrollment in Catholic high schools throughout the diocese dropped precipitously. Central Catholic’s enrollment also slid and the campus at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish closed its doors in 1976.

The next 25 years were filled with challenges, successes, and disappointments as Central Catholic struggled mightily to face a new era in Catholic education. Proportionately fewer religious faculty and staff members meant higher operating costs – and tuition for families. Many of those who could afford tuition were moving to the suburbs. Federally ordered busing was a mixed bag, motivating some families to choose Catholic schools for reasons that were socially troubling to others. CCC’s campus at St. John Cantius was closed in 1988. By the turn of the century, CCC was at an existential crisis.

Thanks in large part to the courage and will of former Bishop Anthony M. Pilla, the Diocese of Cleveland made the ministry of urban Catholic education a priority. One focal point of this emphasis was to reposition CCC to continue to – and better – serve our young people. Co-Chaired by George Wasmer and Carol Ann Rini, the Diocese of Cleveland successfully conducted the Vibrant in the City Campaign, which raised over \$12 Million dollars to revitalize and stabilize Cleveland Central Catholic. With the closing of the St. Michael Campus in 2003, the campaign upgraded its remaining campus in Slavic Village (St. Stanislaus). Shortly afterward, enrollment climbed and is presently at a solid 545.

This past June, CCC completed another fundraising campaign called A Beacon of Hope. This campaign raised over \$5.7 Million to address long-standing facilities challenges, increase the school’s endowment, bolster our special needs program, grow the Central Catholic Fund, and complete the facilities at Stefanski Stadium. Last year, CCC’s Advisory Board launched a new strategic plan, proposed a visionary campus master plan, and approved a comprehensive marketing plan. We are grateful to them for their leadership, and to all who have done their part to make CCC an important ministry of our diocese.

Faith. Courage. Vision. These terms evoke the Gospel verse from Matthew 19:26, “With God, all things are possible.” Come join us, as together we begin writing the next 50 years in the amazing story that is Cleveland Central Catholic!

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From the Principal

Sister Allison Marie, SND

“Truly, we want our students to face the future with confidence and hope and to deepen their faith. Each time students experience success in a classroom, positive social relationships, or spiritual growth opportunities, they are one step closer to achieving this goal.”

Recently, as a school community, we celebrated All Saints Day. As I reflected on the call to holiness, the Saint that came to mind was Maximilian Kolbe, a Franciscan friar and prisoner in Auschwitz Concentration Camp, who gave his own life in place of a man who had a family. We are reminded in Scripture, “Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends.” (Jn. 15:13) Clearly, this act of selflessness was a sign of true holiness.

As I reflected on Maximilian’s courage, it made me realize that it is unlikely that we will be asked to give up our lives for another. However, we are called to be unselfish, like Jesus and like Maximilian Kolbe.

Immediately, I thought of several examples of unselfishness that have been witnessed in our school community this year. In one class there was a student who did not make friends easily. When it was time to work with a partner, another student stepped forward to work with her and, since then, has consistently volunteered to be her partner. Not only was this a selfless act, but it also gave the two students an opportunity to discover each others’ strengths and talents.

In another situation, a group of students invited a student who was sitting alone to join them at their lunch table. The desire to reach out to others is one way that we respond to God’s call to holiness.

Another example came when a new teacher began at the beginning of the second quarter. I observed a young lady carefully going through the pages of the play the class was studying to explain to him what they had discussed so far. She also shared some of the class routines to assist the teacher in getting up to speed with the class.

Finally, we recently received a gift of \$1,000,000 from a member of the class of 1971. When I spoke to the donor, he said, “My teachers always tried to help me when I was in high school.” It struck me that it wasn’t about what grades he earned or what subjects he studied; it was about the fact that his teachers demonstrated care and concern for him by trying to help him learn and achieve. He indicated that this is a matching gift because he is confident that others will come forward and support Cleveland Central Catholic and its mission.

These examples seem so simple and, yet, they speak to the call to act unselfishly and to be sensitive to the needs of others. A motto that is posted in our atrium reads, “Learning to Lead, Preparing to Serve.” I believe that these responses from our students and benefactors speak to the mission of Cleveland Central Catholic. Truly, we want our students to face the future with confidence and hope and to deepen their faith. Each time students experience success in a classroom, positive social relationships, or spiritual growth opportunities, they are one step closer to achieving this goal.

It is my hope and my prayer that each day we will continue to focus on why we do what we do here at Cleveland Central Catholic. Thank you for your ongoing support of our school and its mission. May our good God bless you today and each day for your collaboration with us as we strive for holiness and live out the mission of Cleveland Central Catholic High School.

One with you in the Peace of Christ,

Sister Allison Marie, SND



A "CCC" Love Story

This is a story about two CCC alumni who met their freshman year of high school and eventually married. This is also a story about the love these two young people received from their teachers and coaches at CCC that made all the difference in their success, and the couple's desire to give back to the school they love so much.

Jessica '05 and Andre Nash '05 met during freshman orientation in August of 2001 at Cleveland Central Catholic High School. "Jessica and I became best friends throughout high school," describes Andre with a shy smile. "We did not date until our senior year, and our first date was to go to church together. At CCC, we were voted homecoming King and Queen and eventually went to prom together."

Today, the couple is so appreciative of the education, support and love they received during those four years at CCC that they have decided to return to their alma mater to give back for all the love, support and encouragement they received while students there.

"I love Cleveland Central Catholic," exclaims Jessica. "I learned a lot at this school and had wonderful mentors in Dr. Hynes, Miss Sinclair and Miss Bednarchik. They taught me, guided me, challenged me and loved me throughout my high school years and beyond."

After graduating from CCC, Jessica went on to earn a B.S. in Chemistry from Ohio University, M.S. in Interdisciplinary Health Science from Drexel University, Philadelphia, PA., and is currently a student at Indiana University School of Medicine. She plans to specialize in pediatric medicine and will be applying for residency upon receiving her Doctorate of Medicine this spring.

At CCC, Jessica recalls, "I served as president of Student Senate, was a Student Ambassador, and competed on the CCC volleyball and basketball teams." Jessica was also the valedictorian of the CCC Class of 2005.

Her husband was also very involved at CCC. "I was a Student Ambassador, treasurer of Student Senate my junior year, vice-president of Student Senate my senior year, and captain of the football and basketball teams my senior year. I also ran track senior year and was a member of the chess club," Andre says.

Andre went on to earn a B.A. in Physical Education and Health, and a M.S. in Education from Muskingum University, New Concord, Ohio. During college,

Andre also played football and played quarterback for three years; however, due to an injury, the impressive athlete served as a student football coach his senior year. During graduate school, he also worked as a graduate assistant.

"After graduate school, I worked as a quarterbacks' coach at Hanover College, Hanover, Indiana. I eventually served as offensive coordinator for their football team. I was also hired as the assistant director of Residence Life, and later, became the director of Multi-Cultural Affairs.

He insists, "CCC prepared me academically, socially, and psychologically for college. In fact, everything I learned in freshmen English my first year at college I had already learned in Miss Sinclair's English class at CCC.

Andre reflects on his time at CCC, "When Jessica and I attended CCC, there was the Scranton and Forman campuses which exposed us to diversity and how important it is to respect others differences," Andre says. "The teachers taught me how to learn and what type of learner I was. At that time in my life, I did not have a lot of people living around me who planned to attend college.

'We all we got. We all we need.' At CCC, it is football at its purist. Thanks to Coach Lundy, I understand what 'service' means. He makes sandwiches for those kids to make sure they have had something to eat that day. I see his love for them every day.

"I am a man of strong faith and our Christian values are at the core of our family. Jessica and I try to serve and give back to others. My mother played a big part in my understanding that true leadership is pushing people up, not down. To have this opportunity to come back to CCC and give back to a place that gave us so much is exciting."

"In the future, it is our hope to establish a scholarship for students who attend CCC," Jessica states. "I believe we should use our talents to help others. Andre and I are passionate about helping the next generation. Some of these young people are very lost and just need someone who can help push them along the way. We want to serve as mentors. I struggled to get into and through medical school, and perhaps, I can help make a CCC student's journey through the same dream of becoming a medical doctor a little easier."

Jessica continues "We love everything about Cleveland Central



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Andre Nash '05



"Cleveland Central Catholic was a small school back when we attended, but the strong family atmosphere is what made our experience amazing."

Jessica Nash '05

Thanks to Coach John Lundy (CCC Varsity Football Coach), who remains a big figure in my life, and the teachers and staff at CCC, I was given opportunities I didn't know existed. They encouraged me to reach higher."

"Andre and I did everything together and supported each other throughout high school," Jessica adds with a grin. "We even wore the same numbers on our basketball jerseys. We were really just friends at first, but our relationship eventually blossomed into something magical. Then, our colleges were only an hour and a half apart so we were able to continue to support each other throughout college. Those years were tough, but love conquers all. We became engaged in 2012, married in 2014, and today have a three-year-old son Andre Nash III."

Jessica continues, "Cleveland Central Catholic was a small school back when we attended, but the strong family atmosphere is what made our experience amazing. The CCC spirit has been engrained in me since those days. My two older siblings also graduated from CCC, Ericka '93 and Angelique '00. Although I felt well prepared leaving CCC, I am jealous of the CCC students today. They are offered more advanced classes and various new opportunities and partnerships. We are glad to say we were among the students who worked hard and contributed to get today's students what they have today – like this amazing athletic field."

Andre has returned to campus this fall and is currently serving as assistant football coach under his former coach and mentor Coach Lundy. "Coach Lundy has always been a person committed to enriching the whole man – what they may lack at home to be successful in life. He teaches his players to compete beyond the field in life, at home, in their family. The CCC Ironmen Football Team is a family. We begin practices and games declaring aloud:

Catholic. Yes, Andre and I met each other here, but we found ourselves here, too. CCC instilled in us a tradition and pride in being Ironmen. It provided us with a foundation – academically, in our faith, and realizing who we are. It taught us to have a more in-depth relationship with God. The teachers at CCC actually loved us; they even came to my graduation party and our wedding. The love of God shines through these people. Faith is at the top of our priority list, particularly as we start our family."

Andre offers this advice to current students: "Get out of your own way. Seek resources. People are here at CCC to help you, not hurt you. Take advantage of opportunities here because the knowledge you gain and relationships you form at CCC will be a key to your success. Set your goals high and go get them. I came here with the low goal of only finishing high school, but I left CCC with much higher goals. And have fun. The people I met at CCC I would not change for anything in this world."

Jessica encourages, "Work hard. Expect to struggle, but if you have a solid foundation, strong faith and core values, you will be able to learn and grow from it. I never imagined being the class valedictorian, but I did it. Know that you can always do more. Get involved. There are people here at Cleveland Central Catholic who can also use your help. Start thinking about what you want to do in life earlier rather than later. Set goals and do whatever it takes to reach them. Use CCC as an outlet if your home life is not great. Cleveland Central Catholic is a safe place. Enjoy every minute of being an Ironman. Finally, when you have an opportunity later in life, give back to CCC. In eight months, I will be a medical doctor. It is my time to give to my family and back to these kids.

"To our CCC family – past, present and future – we love you all! GO IRONMEN!" ■



CCC Strategic Plan serves as roadmap to exciting future

Last summer, a group of dedicated volunteers began working on a Strategic Plan that would guide the CCC Advisory Board, administrative team and faculty of Cleveland Central Catholic High School through the next five years. Surprising in its simplicity, the completed Strategic Plan will certainly prove to be a valuable tool and roadmap as the school moves forward to achieve its mission within Cleveland’s inner city.

John Cvetic, CCC Advisory Board President and Strategic Planning Committee Chair, echoes Hagerty, “The process was fantastic. Teams were assembled, and team leaders were the ‘best in the class.’ Their input is invaluable to the school. The Strategic Plan gives Cleveland Central Catholic a roadmap of our priorities for the next five years and sets the objectives and goals to achieve them in that time period.”

John Peca ‘70, CCC Advisory Board and Strategic Planning Committee member, concurs, “The Strategic Planning Committee worked diligently and with the dedication the CCC Advisory Board always exhibits when dealing with any issue they are considering. I believe the Strategic Plan is exactly the framework needed at this stage of the school and its future. I expect this Strategic Plan, like the prior Strategic Plan, will be an invaluable tool in keeping us focused on agreed to priorities for the school.”

Now completed, the Strategic Plan will act as CCC’s GPS for the next five years. “It is a living, breathing, flexible document that will allow the school to arrive safely at the next level,” Hagerty describes. “Now that the planning process has come to a

Chris Hagerty, of Partners in Mission, describes his role in developing the Strategic Plan as a “conductor conducting a symphony orchestra.” He says, “The ‘orchestra,’ or Strategic Plan volunteers, played harmoniously with each other. We just made sure they were all playing on the same page. I don’t recall working with a group of more committed, intelligent, and passionate volunteers. We began the process last summer, which usually is the worst time to begin a strategic planning process, but CCC was the outlier. Attendance at the committee meetings was outstanding, and everyone worked wonderfully well with each other.”

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conclusion, the implementation process begins – which is just as critical as the planning process itself. The next chapter in the book, known as Cleveland Central Catholic, has now been authored by more than 50 people who deeply care about the mission. These people lent their time, expertise, and talent to insure a bright future for CCC. The only surprise was that it came together so quickly and efficiently.”

“All six goals identified in the Strategic Plan are extremely critical,” Cvetic says. “That being said, I am particularly passionate for integrating the school’s mission statement to prepare our students for graduation and life after CCC – whether that means college or entering a career.” ■



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REFLECTIONS

CCC to celebrate 50-year anniversary

(Part 1 of a 5-part series)

Rev. John L. Fiala was the first to suggest combining the facilities, faculty and traditions of four, local, urban Catholic schools into one dominant force for good. These four schools were Our Lady of Lourdes, St. John Cantius, St. Michael and St. Stanislaus high schools. In the fall of 1969, Cleveland Central Catholic High School first opened its doors. History was made!

REWIND THE CLOCK

St. Michael the Archangel and St. Stanislaus Parishes in Cleveland's Tremont and Slavic Village neighborhoods were founded in 1881. St. Michael's Parish served a growing German immigrant population on Cleveland's west side. The parish church was completed in 1892, and St. Michael's School opened in 1907. For many years, this church was one of the costlier and artistically notable churches in the Cleveland Diocese. St. Michael the Archangel was Cleveland's tallest building until 1922. It is still the city's tallest church.

The church congregation reached its peak size in the 1950s, when only 25 percent of the parishioners were then of German descent. Two decades later, another demographic shift was evident with the first Spanish Mass said in 1971 to accommodate the growing number of Hispanic parishioners.



St. Michael the Archangel

St. Stanislaus Church, a predominantly Polish parish, had a school on the first floor and the church on the second floor. By 1885, there were about 600 families in the parish, and a bigger church was needed. Reverend A. F. Kolaszewski, then pastor of St. Stanislaus, undertook the task to build the current church. The cornerstone was laid in 1886, and the structure was completed in 1891. Diocesan priests cared for the people of St. Stanislaus until 1906, when the Franciscan Order took over this responsibility.

Due to the increasing number of school children, a new school building was erected in 1907, coinciding with the arrival of the Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth, who replaced the Franciscan Sisters. On April 21, 1909, a tornado destroyed the twin spires at the front of the church and also devastated the roof. The parishioners bonded together and rebuilt the



St. Stanislaus

church within the year. The city did not allow the spires to be built to their original height. As Cleveland's population dwindled over time, so did enrollment at St. Michael's and St. Stanislaus Catholic high schools.

Our Lady of Lourdes Elementary School, located on East 53rd Street at Broadway Avenue, was erected in 1906 and served primarily a Czech population. The 16-room school was administered by the Sisters of Notre Dame. Ninth-grade classes were added in 1939, and in the spring of 1948, the parish honored the first graduating class of Our Lady of Lourdes High School. It was a time of growth in the community, with a large number of new immigrants settling in the area. This population boom would last nearly 20 years.

Nearby, in the Tremont area, the cornerstone for St. John Cantius

Catholic Church was laid on a Sunday afternoon on July 6, 1924. Many of Cleveland's steelworkers and other laborers were Polish immigrants who settled on the south side of the city, bringing with them a burning faith and a dedication to support a parish of their own. These poor immigrants also knew the importance of a good education. They wanted Catholic schools for their children and were willing to sacrifice to attain the best. Accordingly, a church and a school were

established. The Sisters of St. Joseph of the Third Order of St. Francis were appointed to teach.

Fast forward through the First World War, Great Depression, and Second World War, St. John Cantius parish was growing as steel mills crept into residential areas, and the influx of workers caused overcrowding in community schools. The “Baby Boom” after WWII promised a long-term need for increased educational facilities. On Sunday, April 16, 1950, Bishop Hoban visited St. John Cantius to dedicate a new school and recreation center. For the next 28 years, St. John Cantius High School would provide an exceptional Catholic education for its neighboring youth.

Cleveland Central Catholic Founded

In 1968, talk of these four Catholic “parish” high schools merging to form Cleveland Central Catholic High School (CCC) became heated. According to Dr. Joann Hynes '69, the students at each school were not looking forward to a merger because these were four rival schools. “Our Lady of Lourdes considered St. Stanislaus High School its greatest rival in football, basketball, and baseball. I don’t feel the students were prepared for the merger. Actually, we were blown away.”

The following school year (1969-70), the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland opened Cleveland Central Catholic



St. John Cantius Catholic High School

“I stayed at Cleveland Central Catholic because it became my mission, my purpose in life, knowing I could get a student to the next level.”

Dr. Joann Hynes '69

High School (CCC) with more than 1,600 students on the campuses of the four founding schools. CCC maintained all four school buildings in a unique four-campus facility that emphasized the relative strengths of each founding school facility. Over time, as enrollment decreased, three of the campuses were closed – Our Lady of Lourdes, 1976, and Saint John Cantius, 1988. Consolidation of the Scranton Campus (St. Michael’s) and Forman Campus (St. Stanislaus) took place in 2003, completing the transition into a one-campus school with all activities on the St. Stanislaus block in Slavic Village.

One inherent benefit of forming one school was the impact of bringing students together from both sides of the Cuyahoga River. Students and faculty rotated from one campus to another with great regularity.

“Looking back today, having taught at CCC since graduating from college



Our Lady of Lourdes

in 1973, I realize if the merger had not occurred, all four high schools would probably have closed. I have the advantage of looking at it through three different periods of time,” considers “Mamma” Hynes, as her students affectionately called her. “I stayed at Cleveland Central Catholic because it became my mission, my purpose in life, knowing I could get a student to the next level. It became my passion. And I can say through 40 years of teaching at Cleveland Central Catholic, I have always been treated with respect by our students.”

She continues, “The students at CCC can also recognize a phony a mile away. The best example of true, committed mentors to our students are Mr. George Wasmer and his wife Mary Lu. They have been here through the years to help these kids. They are beautiful people. I try to model myself after both of them. Sister Allison Marie is another committed mentor. She understands CCC is a mission.”

“As I reflect on that first decade, I realize there are alumni of all four founding schools that still harbor bad feelings about the merger,” Dr. Hynes says. “An honest attempt was made to combine the schools while being sensitive to their individual histories, but that was asking a lot as they took four, small parish schools and became a large school with more than 1,600 students. The merger was a great idea. They were still able to bring Christian values and morality into the inner city of Cleveland. I see it had to be in the end.”

Be sure to read Part II of this miraculous story that will appear in the Spring 2019 issue of Connection. ■



ASPIRE Program *provides window to nursing career*



The Cleveland Clinic, in collaboration with Cuyahoga Community College, launched the ASPIRE Nurse Scholars

Program for high school juniors interested in pursuing a career in nursing and healthcare. ASPIRE provides students with career information and critical skill sets to support their matriculation through higher education, nursing school and beyond. The program was conceived by Lorie and Nick Howley and is funded by The Howley Foundation.

Launched in February 2017, there were 77 local high school juniors who applied. Students were vetted based on their GPA, a short essay, recommendations and an interview. In the end, 25 students made the cut last year, including several CCC graduates from the class of 2018: Ayanna Lewis, TaNazia Hoover and Jamon Carter. This year, CCC students Edwin Santos, Nyamweru Adronic and Selena Jackson were selected to participate in ASPIRE.

ASPIRE participants attended Saturday sessions for 12-weeks designed to develop their understanding of a nursing career. Information and skills honed included:

- Strength-Based Assessment
- Relationship-Based Care
- Nursing Profession Practice Model
- Career Paths
- Patient Care Nursing Assessment Skills
- Patient Experience
- Simulation Healthcare
- CPR Certification
- Nurse Shadow Experience
- Personal Brand/Professionalism
- Presentation Skills
- Health Literacy
- Cultural Diversity
- Research and Evidenced-Based Practice
- Population Health

In one session, students were set up in an operating room where they practiced scrubbing and dressing for surgery, from head to toe. In another, students practiced taking vital signs on lifelike mannequins that could actually sweat and show other signs of distress. A monetary stipend of \$500 was awarded to each student who successfully completed the program. In addition, 12 participants were invited to return to the program this year, participating as mentors to incoming students. The returning seniors have the opportunity to earn a full scholarship at Cuyahoga

As we begin to celebrate the 50th year of the formation of Cleveland Central Catholic, we will feature different graduates from various eras.

Alumna Donna Marie Przybojewski '70 - after graduating from Cleveland Central Catholic, Donna earned a BA in English from Cleveland State University in 1974 and later attended Marymount Hospital School of Practical Nursing in 1986, earning a nursing license from the state of Ohio. Today, Donna is a junior high language arts teacher at St. Benedict Catholic School, in Garfield Heights. In addition to teaching language arts, she teaches religion to eighth graders and is a moderator of Drama Ministry, Power of the Pen, and Junior Holy Name

Donna is also an author. She has written several books on poet Henry David Thoreau, who she became captivated by as a student at St. Stanislaus High School, which became Cleveland Central Catholic her senior year. "Without even knowing anything about this American author or what he wrote, I was drawn into the eyes of Henry David Thoreau which reflected all shades of emotion. Thoreau once wrote in *Walden*: 'Could a greater miracle take place than for us to look through each other's eyes for an instant?' The miracle he spoke of occurred at that moment, and the transcending journey of my life began because I would be seeing the world through his eyes," the CCC alumna passionately describes.

Donna's books can be purchased online at the Shop at Walden Pond, under the children's corner. They are also available for purchase on Amazon.

Community College to complete their RN degree. Cleveland Central Catholic's Selena Jackson '19 was one of the lucky participants invited back for a second year.

According to an article published by the Cleveland Clinic Online, there is a looming nurse shortage, and young students often do not have the opportunity to check out the nursing profession to decide whether it's the right path for them. That is why the Cleveland Clinic's Stanley Shalom Zielony Institute of Nursing Excellence, in collaboration with the Howley Foundation, founded the ASPIRE Nurse Scholars Program. "It's a win-win pipeline program - through it, high school students who are interested in nursing receive training and education, and then return to the system to complete schooling," says Ebony Drummer, MSN, RN, Associate Dean of Nursing at Tri-C.

Benefits of participating in this program include the potential to become a Cleveland Clinic caregiver as PCNA after high school graduation, an opportunity to complete Tri-C's nursing program on a full scholarship, and subsequent matriculation with ASPIRE scholars throughout Tri-C's nursing program, according to Daria Sheafe, MSN, RN, ASPIRE Program Coordinator.

"All 50 scholars who participated in the ASPIRE program decided to pursue a career in healthcare," Sheafe reports. "We focus on a nursing career. With that being said, 42 of the past 50 scholars are pursuing nursing. The CCC students are very well versed on how to interview, i.e. firm handshake, introducing themselves, eye contact. They represent themselves and the school well."

"Selena Jackson '19 is very outgoing, personable and engaged - as are all of the students from CCC," adds the Cleveland Clinic ASPIRE Coordinator. "Selena makes extra effort to reach out to the introverted scholars and is empathetic, which is a great quality for a nurse."

Congratulations to all the CCC students who successfully participated in this outstanding ASPIRE program last year and to those students selected to participate this year. The Administrative staff and faculty of Cleveland Central Catholic would like to thank the Howley family and the Cleveland Clinic for offering this tremendous opportunity to our students. ■





Students discover one “KEY” to success



Jennifer Vásquez, CCC School Counselor and Key Club Faculty Advisor

Cleveland Central Catholic students are learning how to lead and stand for what’s right through service and volunteerism as Key Club members. And CCC Key Club members are making a positive impact as they serve others at CCC and within the Slavic Village community.

According to Jennifer Vásquez, CCC School Counselor and Key Club Faculty Advisor, “Key Club provides our students with opportunities to serve, build character, and develop leadership skills. It is an international, student-led, service leadership organization that has been in existence for almost a century, Key Club values align well with the CCC mission as we strive to help students learn how to live a life of service.

Key Club Core Values:

Leadership – grounded in humility and service to others. A true leader listens, recognizes, and empowers.

Character building – Character is built by everyday acts of kindness, integrity, and teamwork to grow stronger relationships and communities

Caring – Compassion for others is a cornerstone of the Key Club experience, inspiring action and service to one’s community

Inclusiveness – We welcome people of all backgrounds and ethnicities to join in serving and making a positive difference in our world.

Vásquez, who is in her third year as Key Club Advisor, adds, “We are sponsored by the Southeast Cleveland Kiwanis, who support us financially and with service leadership opportunities. Membership dues are \$10 annually. Any and all students at Cleveland Central Catholic are welcome to join. Last year, there were 27 Key Club members.” Vásquez’s role is that of facilitator and coordinator of Key Club.

“I love teaching students service leadership skills they need to be successful, compassionate citizens of our world. I work closely with the club and with our Kiwanis Advisor Jerry Seppelt, from the Southeast Cleveland Kiwanis Club,” she describes with a smile.

“Key Club is a student service/leadership program sponsored by the Slavic Village Southeast Kiwanis Club,” concurs Seppelt. “It’s been said, ‘We all can’t be famous, but we can all be great because true greatness is measured by the service we bring to family, school community and church.’ Key Club provides organized opportunities for members to develop service leadership awareness and follow through.”

History Lesson

The first Key Club formed in 1925 in Sacramento, California, with 11 charter members. Key Club was the idea of two Sacramento Kiwanis Club members, Albert C. Olney and Frank C. Vincent, who also were high school administrators. They approached their Kiwanis club with the idea of starting a junior service club in the high school. It would resemble Kiwanis, have its own classifications based on school interests, and hold luncheon meetings.

The club was comprised of the key boys in the school, willing to serve the school in any way possible and to create better school spirit. The idea was that Kiwanis educate youth, thus, the club was dubbed Key Club. Soon, the club that started out as a vocational guidance program expanded to become a complete service organization for the whole school. It also offered a social aspect to balance its service activities. Today, Key Club is the oldest and largest service program for high school students in the world.



Today's CCC Key Club

This year, CCC will implement a grade-minimum requirement to insure extracurriculars do not interfere with academics, according to Vásquez. "These requirements will mirror the athletic eligibility requirements. If a student earns two failing marks, they will be unable to participate in meetings and events until their grades improve," she says. "We are also instituting a minimum participation guideline for the first time this year. Members must participate in at least 60 percent of our meetings and events. All hours of participation in meetings, service projects, and fundraising events (that benefit the local Slavic Village community) are applied as service hours that can help members pay their school tuition."

Key Club meetings are held weekly on Tuesdays at 2:50 p.m. in the Father Fiala Room. "We hope to offer the Key Club College Scholarship again," adds Vásquez enthusiastically. "Last year the inaugural award went to our outstanding CCC Key Club senior Ashley Hopkins who received a \$1,000 scholarship; CCC Key Club senior Eerralie Jones also received an \$800 scholarship from the Psenicka Memorial fund.

Last year, a few CCC Key Club activities included cleaning the athletic field; through fundraising, purchasing clothing for homeless veterans, serving at the VA Hospital Veterans Thanksgiving Dinner, volunteering at the Westside Catholic Center, and distributing Christmas toys to local children in partnership with University Settlement.

CCC Key Club officers diligently met this summer to plan activities for the upcoming school year and complete the Linus Project Blankets Service Project to benefit UH Rainbow Babies and Children's Hospital. This year, Key Club plans to sponsor one fundraiser and one service project each month from September to May. The Club has chosen the Thirst Project as their major campaign for this school year. A portion of all fundraising activities and one full fundraiser will benefit the Project.

Katiana Lyons '19 serves as Key Club treasurer. She says she joined Key Club her junior year because "I wanted to join something meaningful. Over the years, I have watched Key Club members do things to help around the neighborhood. Key Club has taught me to be a better person – not only socially but for the community."

Lyons also participates in Link Crew, Open Doors Academy, Future Leaders of the World, and National Honor Society. "I feel Key Club is expanding my awareness of needs in the community and the importance of serving others," Lyons adds. "As a Key Club member for almost two years, I have watched how the club has grown in the school. A few service projects include CleanUp+Clams, Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast, Christmas Dinner for Veterans, the Fall Rally, UpStage Plays and various service projects in Slavic Village. Key Club has prepared me for college, work, and life." The CCC senior plans to become a pediatric surgeon.



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Fellow Key Club member Andy Strunk '20 holds the position of club vice-president. "I wanted to join Key Club because of their goal to provide service, build character, and develop leadership – three things that I personally wanted to build on in high school," Strunk explains, who joined the Key Club his sophomore year.

He adds, "Each of our service projects and fundraisers help support the local community in some way, that being Slavic Village to the Cleveland area in general. To me, it's vital to support and help people in our community." He encourages other CCC students to join the student-run organization in which the "students make most of the decisions. This school year, we hope to emphasize our objectives through service and provide lessons in our meetings on how to grow in leadership and character."

Key Club President Julia Feliz '20 was a transfer student to Central Catholic and says, "I looked for any communities I could join in an attempt to get the full CCC experience. I joined many clubs and activities, but ultimately, Key Club became my home. In the first few meetings, I found in Key Club a large group of varying grades and learning styles working together to better our community and world."

The proud CCC student describes, "This year I've seen a group of strangers become a team through different opportunities by learning and growing along the way. I've learned how to be a better leader and can't wait to put all the new elements of leadership and team building into action this school year."

Aliyah White '21 serves as the club's secretary. "I decided to join Key Club because I'm the type of person that loves helping people, and I wanted to find a club or something like that where I could help people all the time. What I like most about being a member of this group is how everyone works together when we do a service project. I absolutely think service is something everyone should do, even after high school. I would definitely recommend CCC students join Key Club. We are a family."

Feliz agrees, "Key Club has exposed me to new avenues of social work and innovative charities, networks and communities who benefit greatly from the work of what seems like a simple high school club. It's interesting how your perspective changes after you've joined Key Club. You start to see service opportunities around you, and every day, you feel motivated to do more than the day before. I feel Key Club molds you into an empathetic and creative leader who works constantly to greatly shape our future."

"A student's future does not happen someday, it happens today," Seppelt insists. "Key club makes service happen now. For high school organizations to be truly successful, it's necessary for staff to step up with interest, generosity of time, excellent relationship skills, and demonstrate what effective leadership looks like. CCC has that person in Jennifer Vásquez. She brings these skills and more and has transformed the CCC Key Club into a recognized, outstanding Key Club, both at the local and state level. At the State Key Club Leadership Conference, Mrs. Vásquez and the CCC Key Club were recognized for their impact in the Slavic Village Community." ■



CCC President Leo Hyland speaks at First Friday Club

There was standing room only at the First Friday Club on September 6 at the Cleveland City Club as the invited speaker Leo Hyland, President of Cleveland Central Catholic, addressed the crowd on “The POWER of Catholic Education.”

Bishop Nelson Perez introduced Hyland amid compliments on the work the CCC President has done since he took the position eight years ago. Hyland began his remarks by congratulating the First Friday Club of Cleveland on its 60th anniversary since its founding.

“I would like to acknowledge the presence and ongoing support of a key supporter who values the power of urban Catholic education. Our school has been blessed to have an exceptional partner in Third Federal Foundation...We are grateful to Marc Stefanski and his family for their generous commitment to and support of Cleveland Central Catholic,” began Hyland. “Through our innovative Third Federal Work Service Scholarship program and a creative initiative called the P-16 program, our students are learning to lead and preparing to serve others. Together, we are working to improve the Slavic Village neighborhood.”

Hyland asked how many of those in attendance this day attended Catholic school, and a wave of more than a

hundred hands appeared. He points out that attendance in Catholic school in the U.S. is down more than 16 percent from the 2007-2008 year.

“We are proud to have four Sisters of Notre Dame, an Ursuline Sister, and two Sisters of the Humility of Mary at CCC this year,” says Hyland. “We are grateful for their selfless dedication.”

“All of our schools are united in the philosophy that Catholic education is a process of holistic development, strengthening each person’s unique gifts and talents to grow spiritually, academically, physically, and personally,” he continues. “Catholic education in a diverse community offers opportunities to inspire social justice, compassion, respect for the dignity of others, and an appreciation for and celebration of differences. These qualities are evident at CCC, and we are in dire need for more of this in today’s society.”

Hyland reports that according to the website Noodle, Catholic schools outperform both private and public schools in terms of graduation rates, college acceptance rates and 4-year college graduation rates. Yet, increasing costs of both Catholic education and college force many families to leave Catholic education. “This is a harsh reality for many families who would prefer their children attend Catholic schools,” Hyland states. “Given this, it is truly ironic that some 80 percent of CCC’s students are non-Catholic.”

In closing, Hyland reminded those in attendance that all Catholic schools need more financial support; all young people need support, guidance and encouragement. “CCC – like all Catholic schools – makes our communities stronger...I ask you to support Catholic education in any way you can: certainly pray, volunteer if you can, and donate generously to our schools, whether that is CCC, your alma mater, or your parish school.” ■

American Cancer Society®



CCC Alumnus Vanessa Moos '04

Serving on the forefront in national battle against cancer

USMC Major Eric Moos is not the only member of his family serving this country. His wife, Vanessa Moos '04, is also engaged in a battle, serving on the front line in the national battle against cancer. She was first introduced to the American Cancer Society her senior year at John Carroll University when she participated as a member of a rowing team in the inaugural Relay For Life on campus. She eventually interviewed with the American Cancer Society and was hired as a Community Representative, responsible for managing fundraising events in Pensacola, Florida and later San Diego, California. Today, she continues working for the American Cancer Society, passionate to help play a role in the fight against cancer.

Vanessa recalls, "When I entered John Carroll for my undergraduate degree, I knew I wanted to work in the events industry, but I didn't know in what capacity. I started exploring this work through internships, including a long-term internship as a marketing assistant with a small Cleveland-based company named Team Promotions. I learned valuable lessons in cold calling, sponsorships, and event planning in the corporate industry. My junior year, I was fortunate to land another internship as Marketing Assistant with the Cleveland National Air Show for the summer. This was my first experience working in a nonprofit, and it was life changing."

The young woman realized volunteers were responsible for the event's successes. "There were a few paid staff, but the primary success of the Cleveland National Air Show was due to volunteers who selflessly took time off from their own jobs to put on this event and it remains a Cleveland classic," she insists. "My eyes were opened."

Then, when she participated in the Relay For Life on her college campus, she learned one of her team members had lost his mom to cancer. She was hooked.

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Vanessa Moos

Vanessa earned a BA degree in Communications from John Carroll University and immediately began working for the American Cancer Society in Pensacola, Florida where she moved with her then fiancé who was serving in the Marine Corps.

“As part of the military aviation world, we moved around a lot in those early years of marriage,” she says. “Three duty stations later, we ended up in San Diego where I was hired again by the American Cancer Society to produce high-end events in the corporate industry. I spent three years growing two events – a gala and a golf tournament – into one of San Diego’s premier event weekends. At its height, this event weekend netted \$500,000 for the American Cancer Society.”

Next, Vanessa decided to utilize her husband’s GI bill and enroll in a master’s program in Public Administration with a focus in nonprofit management at California State University. She continued working for the American Cancer Society and was promoted to Senior Representative of Community Engagement for the San Diego market. In this role, she was the market leader, responsible for team collaboration and a revenue portfolio.

“After two years, I was promoted again into my current role which is the epitome of a dream come true,” Vanessa says. “As Senior Manager of Volunteer Care, I manage a staff team of five in various states, primarily focused on volunteer onboarding for the states west of Texas and Florida.”

The passionate advocate is quick to recognize the role Cleveland Central Catholic played in preparing her for college and her career with the American Cancer Society. “I realize the foundation of education I received from CCC and a Catholic education was the true concrete that stands below my feet today,” Vanessa insists. “I put myself through undergraduate with full student loans. The burden is heavy, but we’re almost done paying those off. I wouldn’t



be where I am today without having managed those successfully and responsibly.”

“My warmest memories of CCC are all the faces in the hallways between classes,” she fondly recalls. “We only had a few minutes to get to our next class, and there was always so much to say – so much checking in with friends, so many paper notes were passed.

“We didn’t have cell phones the way everyone has these days. I actually passed notes with my friends so we had to find each other and hand the notes off between class. Mrs. Siarka would not be pleased if she heard this,” she describes with a giggle.

“My parents made every sacrifice available to put me and my siblings through private schooling throughout our elementary and high school years – my older sister Krystal graduated from CCC in ‘03 and my younger sister Tasha from Trinity in ‘08. We lived in Old Brooklyn, near the zoo. My parents devoted everything they had so we could receive good schooling. I worked at a young age, starting at age 14, so I could buy the things I wanted, but my parents struggled financially; my dad worked two to three jobs at some points.

“I didn’t realize until later in my adult life the type of financial sacrifices they needed to make in order to provide such a quality education. To me, all I saw was that I had to wear uniforms in grade school and high school. Later in life, I realized the excellent foundation Catholic education afforded me.”

Vanessa and Eric, who married in 2009, have two boys, 2 ½ and 6 months. “Life balance is extremely hard,” the young wife and mother admits. “I have absolutely loved my career. In years past, part of my success has been working 80 hour-weeks in the events industry. Coincidentally, during this time, we did not have children, and my

husband was deployed multiple times – allowing me time and space to really invest in my own career. Now that we have children and Eric is home, my priority is my family, which has taught me how delegate and reprioritize on a daily basis. By the end of the day, I’m exhausted, but I’m so fortunate to have a job I really look forward to every day.”

The former Ironman says, “CCC did a great job at instilling two things into my foundation: empathy and service. Color and background dissolved amongst my peers at CCC. I didn’t look like many of my classmates, but it only really sunk in when I left that environment and went into one where everyone looked like me. Having empathy for the people around you was instinctual at CCC. The service mindset was one founded in the Catholic roots at CCC. All discussions in our religious classes were about how we could serve others and God. This translated into my work in the nonprofit arena by default. My explorations in the corporate sector left me unfulfilled; in the nonprofit arena, I noticed the same sense of service in volunteers – which is what I learned at CCC.”

“My faith is very personal to me. I went through a strong phase of questioning it while in college,” Vanessa admits. “This led to very healthy discussions with faith advisors in my undergraduate work. I find that my current views are based in the service-minded and faith-based education I received in my youth.”

She concludes, “Every adult around me at Cleveland Central Catholic encouraged my growth and discipline, which prepared me for my future life. To current students, I encourage you to be kind. Don’t get too big for your own self. Remember what is important. Remember to look around you and stay true to yourself. Those cell phones aren’t your friends. The faces around you are.” ■

A Fond Farewell to CCC Associate Principal Dr. Lanny Hollis

Cleveland Central Catholic bids a fond farewell to Lanny Hollis, Ph.D., former associate principal of CCC, who recently accepted the position of headmaster for St. John Paul II High School in Huntsville, Alabama. St. John Paul II serves 432 students in grades 9 - 12.

A long-time high school and university educator in multiple disciplines, Dr. Hollis earned a Ph.D. in Learning and Development from Cleveland State University, an M.A. in Applied Linguistics (Spanish Language Instruction and TESOL) from the University of Southern Mississippi, an M.A. in Educational Administration from Ursuline College, an M.A. in Religious Studies from Indiana University, a Master of Theological Studies from St. Meinrad School of Theology, and a B.A. in Psychology from St. Meinrad College, along with Certification in Fund Raising Management from Indiana University's Lilly School of Philanthropy.

Dr. Hollis holds state licensures/certifications in school administration, Spanish, and comprehensive social

studies. He has served on numerous statewide and local educational boards, including technology, special education, dyslexia, and autism. Other professional activities include conference presentations on second language methodology, special education instruction for language learners, and research in learning and learning differences. He has also worked extensively in school accreditation and improvement through AdvancEd/North Central Accreditation Association, recently chairing professional teams at the Ohio State Schools for the Blind and Deaf.

"Cleveland Central Catholic will always be grateful for Lanny's commitment to our ministry of urban Catholic education," Leo Hyland, President of CCC, says. "The depth and scope of the work he has performed is impressive. He will always be gratefully remembered by his peers, his students, and our families. We wish him all the best in his new role."

Dr. Hollis offers the CCC community these final thoughts: "After 35 years living in Cleveland, 32 years

of work in diocesan high schools, and 24 years ministry at Cleveland Central Catholic, there is no place I can consider more to be home. As I return to the land of my birth to lead the premier Catholic high school in the State, I am grounded and fortified by the learning, experiences, relationships, and ministry during my time in Cleveland. Despite my location, Cleveland Central Catholic will always be home with my basement classroom across from the old pool, experience of commuting between the campuses, my many classrooms and offices at Scranton and Forman, the sound of the students stomping the snow off their feet early on winter mornings, and the multiple generations of students who were my spiritual children. CCC will always be with me. I will always be an Ironman at heart." ■





Angel Flight

Approximately 85% of Cleveland Central Catholic students live near or below the federal poverty level. While they are resilient, they still need some help from angels to help them succeed. On average, our families can afford about \$1,500 per child – yet CCC’s cost to educate is almost \$10,000 per child.

The funding provided by CCC’s Angel Flight Society members helps our students and their families meet their financial obligations, so they can afford to attend Cleveland Central Catholic. These annual scholarships are renewable at the donor’s discretion.

With a commitment of \$2,500, members are paired with a grateful student and can follow that child’s progress right through graduation. Angel Flight members will also be invited to meet their sponsored student and learn about his or her Central Catholic experience.

By becoming an “Angel investor” in our students, you will be investing in a bright future for our inspired and motivated young people. Will you put your faith into action by joining the CCC Angel Flight Society?

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For more information, contact Director of Advancement, Tip Hosack at 216-441-4700 ext. 224 ■



CleanUp+Clams Saturday, September 29, 2018



It was another successful year for CleanUp+Clams. More than \$49,000 was raised for tuition assistance. The event once again drew several hundred volunteers. Thanks to all of our generous supporters and sponsors: Third Federal Foundation, Ancora, Aon Foundation, Boys and Girls Club of Cleveland, Benesch, Friedlander, Coplan, Aronoff LLP, Chromascape, Industrial



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Cleveland Central Catholic Launches New Planned Giving Society

Cleveland Central Catholic is pleased to announce a new planned giving society, named in honor of Bishop Emeritus Anthony M. Pilla. Bishop Pilla served as the Bishop of the Diocese of Cleveland from 1980 until 2006. He was chosen by Pope John Paul II to serve as Auxiliary Bishop of Cleveland on June 30, 1980, and was installed as the Ninth Bishop of Cleveland on January 6, 1981.

Planned gifts – sometimes called “deferred” gifts – can be made in many forms. Often, they are part of one’s estate planning. Most frequently, they are simple will commitments. That is, a distribution is designated from a donor’s will as a distribution to the beneficiary. There are other, less common, effective ways to make a planned gift. One is to gift the value of a life insurance policy (some have matured policies that may be given with favorable tax advantages).

CCC invites you to consider becoming a Founding Member of the Bishop Pilla Society, by making your commitment by June 30, 2019. Founding members will be specially recognized as part of Central Catholic’s 50th Anniversary celebration in September of 2019.

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SPRING HALL OF FAME INDUCTION CEREMONY

The CCC Hall of Fame Induction ceremony was held on April 29th. More than 130 individuals were on hand to celebrate with the following inductees:

Jerry Petkoff '72

Ed Kall '79

Shawn Michael Bodnar '93

Eugene White '96

Michael Duncan '02

Otimbum Wilson '08

John D. Lundy III '09

Chall Montgomery '10







SPRING SPORTS



FALL SPORTS





Alumni News

Deysha Tolliver '18 is the recipient of a \$500 scholarship awarded by the distinguished gentlemen of the Zeta Kappa Kappa chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. Deysha will use this well-deserved scholarship to further her education at The Ohio State University this fall. Deysha was her scholarship check is Dean of Student Life and Omega brother, John Crawford '84. Congratulations Deysha and thank you Zeta Kappa Kappa!

Danny Pham '16 has been named to the Spring 2018 Dean's List at John Carroll University.

Truc Tran '16 has been named to the Spring 2018 Dean's List at John Carroll University.

Desire Peters '17 has been appointed a student ambassador at Baldwin-Wallace University.

Stephen Nypaver '66 and his sister Barbara Ann Sperk '69 just finished a Rhines River and Mosel River cruise in Germany to celebrate Barbara Ann's upcoming retirement.

Lindsey Tehorils '05 reports that she lives at Cogswill Hall. She has performed in a show called Tetelestai, which is a musical portrayal of the trial, execution and resurrection of Jesus the Messiah. ■

Alumni Golf

The CCC Alumni Golf Outing was held on June 9th at Valleaire Golf Course. A record 139 golfers participated this year. This is the alumni association's only fundraiser and this year \$5,000 was raised for the school.

Nick Russo's '71 foursome won the outing and had a record score of 15 under par

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Dan, Al, Ron and Joe Hodakievic

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2018 - 2019 Calendar of Events

Advancement & School Schedule

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Lunch & Learn

Wednesday, December 5, 2018

Wednesday, January 9, 2019

Wednesday, February 13, 2019

Wednesday, April 3, 2019

Wednesday, May 8, 2019

Christmas Concert

Friday, December 14, 2018
St. Stanislaus Social Center

Baccalaureate Mass

Friday, May 31, 2019
Shrine of St. Stanislaus Church

Commencement

Sunday, June 2, 2019
Stefanski Stadium

Alumni Golf Outing

Saturday, June 8, 2019
Valleaire Golf Club



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Girls Varsity Basketball Schedule 2018 *Subject to Change*

Day	Date	Opponent	Place	Time
Sat.	Nov. 24	Cardinal Mooney High School	Home	12:00 p.m.
Wed.	Nov. 28	Holy Name High School	Away	5:30 p.m.
Thurs.	Nov. 29	Melanie Williams Tourney	Andrews School	3:30 p.m.
Sun.	Dec. 2	Melanie Williams Tourney	Andrews School	12:00 p.m.
Wed.	Dec. 5	Warren JFK High School	Home	5:30 p.m.
Wed.	Dec. 12	Beaumont School	Home	5:30 p.m.
Sat.	Dec. 15	Trinity High School	Home	12:00 p.m.
Sat.	Dec. 22	St. Thomas Aquinas High School	Away	12:00 p.m.
Fri.	Dec. 28	Farrell-Dresch Holiday Tourney	Away	10:00 a.m.
Sat.	Dec. 29	Farrell-Dresch Holiday Tourney	Away	10:00 a.m.
Sat.	Jan. 5	Warren JFK High School	Away	12:00 p.m.
Mon.	Jan. 7	Elyria Catholic High School	Home	5:30 p.m.
Wed.	Jan. 9	Lake Ridge Academy	Home	5:30 p.m.
Sat.	Jan. 12	Villa Angela-St. Joseph HS	Away	12:00 p.m.
Tues.	Jan. 15	Cornerstone Christian Academy	Away	5:30 p.m.
Sat.	Jan. 19	St. Thomas Aquinas HS	Home	12:00 p.m.
Wed.	Jan. 23	Laurel School	Home	5:30 p.m.
Wed.	Jan. 30	Trinity High School	Home	5:30 p.m.
Sat.	Feb. 2	Notre Dame Cathedral Latin	Away	12:00 p.m.
Wed.	Feb. 6	Bedford High School	Away	5:30 p.m.
Sat.	Feb. 9	Lake Catholic High School	Home	12:00 p.m.
Mon.	Feb. 11	Our Lady of Elms High School	Home	6:00 p.m.

Boys Varsity Basketball Schedule 2018 *Subject to Change*

Day	Date	Opponent	Place	Time
Fri.	Nov. 30	Douglas County High School	Home	6:00 p.m.
Sat.	Dec. 1	Great Lakes Classic	Away	7:45 p.m.
Fri.	Dec. 14	Benedictine	Away	5:30 p.m.
Tues.	Dec. 18	Warrensville Heights HS	Away	6:00 p.m.
Fri.	Dec. 21	Villa Angela-St. Joseph	Home	5:30 p.m.
Fri.	Dec. 28	NEO Christmas Classic	Away	4:15 p.m.
Fri.	Jan. 4	Notre Dame Cathedral Latin	Away	5:30 p.m.
Fri.	Jan. 11	Archbishop Hoban High School	Away	5:30 p.m.
Sat.	Jan. 12	Cornerstone Christian Academy	Home	6:00 p.m.
Fri.	Jan. 18	Warren JFK High School	Home	5:30 p.m.
Sat.	Jan. 19	St. Ignatius HS	Home	6:00 p.m.
Tues.	Jan. 22	Elyria Catholic High School	Home	6:00 p.m.
Thur.	Jan. 24	Benedictine High School	Home	5:30 p.m.
Sat.	Jan. 26	St. John's Jesuit HS	Away	6:00 p.m.
Sun.	Jan. 27	Lutheran East High School	Away	4:30 p.m.
Tues.	Jan. 29	St. Vincent-St. Mary HS	Home	5:30 p.m.
Fri.	Feb. 1	Villa Angela-St. Joseph HS	Away	5:30 p.m.
Sat.	Feb. 2	St. Edward High School	Home	6:00 p.m.
Fri.	Feb. 8	Lake Catholic High School	Home	5:30 p.m.
Wed.	Feb. 13	Garfield Heights High School	Away	6:00 p.m.
Fri.	Feb. 15	Archbishop Hoban High School	Home	5:30 p.m.
Fri.	Feb. 22	Trinity High School	Away	5:30 p.m.