



Important Dates

*Tuesday December 19th *

Movie Field Trip

Domino Rally

*Wednesday December 20th *

Early Dismissal

PreK: 2:10 K-5: 2:20pm

Defiance bus will be about an hour earlier than regular time.

Tinora bus will not change.

* December 21st-January 2nd *

No School- Christmas Vacation

*Wednesday January 3rd *

School Resumes- Welcome Back!



Grinch Grams

Grinch Grams will be delivered by a VERY special guest on Wednesday December 20th!! Pre-K will be receiving their Grinch Grams between 10:00am and 10:30am. Pre-K 3 parents are welcome to bring their students at this time! If you would rather not attend, your grams will go home on Tuesday December 19th!

Tie-Dye Party

Thanks to the support of all of our amazing parents and a very generous anonymous donor, we achieved 100% fundraiser participation for every class! All students will get the chance to make a tie-dye t-shirt that can be worn on Mondays! Thank you all so much!



Mass on Wednesday December 20th will be planned by Mrs. Good's 1st grade.

(Mass begins at 9:30am)

Good Deeds Corner

* Reggan Garcia *

CEO Award

(Chief Example for Others)

* Marley Hoellrich *

* Aurelio Ruiz *

Reverse Raffle

Enclosed you will find ticket forms for our Reverse Raffle in February! Please note that if you plan to fill a table of 8, there is a box to check that specifies if you would like to decorate your own table, or if you would like for us to decorate it for you. Once you have paid for your table in full, you will receive a new form to fill in the names of your guests!

If you have any questions please contact the office or email

Katie Ruiz at

kruiz@defianceholycross.org

Every Child Every Family

Please see the enclosed flyer for important information about how you can receive a tax break by helping students in our community!



The teachers and staff of HCCS would like to wish you all a very merry Christmas! We hope that you all have a safe, healthy, and happy holiday break!

Health & Wellness

At HCCS we are committed to the Health & Well Being of our staff, students, and community. Listed below are two strategic goals and questions we found to help aid in this commitment.

* Spur discovery and innovation through foundational research: What do we eat and how does it affect us?

* Investigate the role of dietary patterns and behaviors in optimal health: What and when should we eat?

visit: www.niehs.nih.gov for more information on Health and Wellness!

Act of Kindness Fundraiser

Our Kindness Fundraiser was a great success! We were able to raise a significant amount to help with school and playground improvements and every student got to enjoy the Bounce Party today! Thank you all so much for your kindness and support!

Enclosures:

Reverse Raffle Ticket Form

Spirit Week Flyer, SGO Flyer

January Lunch Menu- **On back**

JANUARY 2024

Holy Cross Catholic School

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>No School 1</p>	<p>No School 2</p>	<p>Chicken Tenders Corn Fruit Milk 3</p>	<p>Ham/Cheeseburger Green Beans Fruit Milk 4</p>	<p>Pizza Mixed Green Salad Fruit Milk 5</p>
<p>French Toast Sticks Potato Triangle Sausage Links Fruit Milk 8</p>	<p>Walking Tacos Refried Beans/Corn Fruit Milk 9</p>	<p>Spaghetti & Meatballs Broccoli Fruit Milk 10</p>	<p>Grilled Cheese Sandwich Chili or Tomato Soup Fruit Milk 11</p>	<p>Pizza Carrot Celery Fruit Milk 12</p>
<p>Egg/Bacon/Cheese Potato Rounds Fruit Milk 15</p>	<p>Chicken Leg Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Fruit Milk 16</p>	<p>Bosco Sticks Corn Fruit Milk 17</p>	<p>Hot Dog Carrots or Baked Beans Fruit Milk 18</p>	<p>Pizza Mixed Green Salad Fruit Milk 19</p>
<p>Pancake Bites Sausage Links Potato Triangle Fruit Milk 22</p>	<p>Cold Cut Sandwiches Corn Fruit Milk 23</p>	<p>Chicken Alfredo Broccoli Fruit Milk 24</p>	<p>Chicken Nuggets Peas Fruit Milk 25</p>	<p>Pizza Carrot Celery Fruit Milk 26</p>
<p>Egg/Cheese/ Sausage Sandwich Potato Triangle Fruit Milk 29</p>	<p>Hamburger Gravy Mashed Potatoes Peas and Carrots Fruit Milk 30</p>	<p>Cheese Quesadilla Corn Fruit Milk 31</p>	<p>Cream Chicken On WG Bun Green Beans Fruit Milk 1</p>	<p>Pizza Mixed Green Salad Fruit Milk 2</p>

Extra Milk and Entrees are available at cost.

This institution is an Equal Opportunity Provider.

Adult Lunch \$4.00
Student Lunch \$3.00

Milk \$0.60
Weekly Milk \$3.00

Menu subject to change.

Your Taxes Benefit Their Future

Holy Cross Catholic School Partners with Scholarship Granting Organization

An opportunity to support our students!

If you have a tax liability with the State of Ohio, you can now receive a 100% tax credit of up to \$750 for individuals filing singly, or \$1,500 for married couples filing jointly, by making a donation to a Scholarship Granting Organization (SGO). Holy Cross has partnered with Every Child Every Family to offer a dollar for dollar tax credit to donors, and uses the funds to provide scholarships to cover tuition for HCCS students in need of assistance.

This is a wonderful opportunity to help families who want their children to experience the life-changing education that Holy Cross Catholic School provides.

YOUR GIFT...

- Impacts families who can't afford a Catholic education
- Helps HCCS carry out its mission to prepare students to excel academically, grow spiritually, & mature as leaders
- Gives YOU the ability to designate where your tax dollars go

Every Child Every Family SGO
School Choice Ohio
1335 Dublin Road, Suite 50-A
Columbus, Ohio 43215

<https://everychildeveryfamily.org/>



Our Mission is:

Leading and Learning Through Christ

How to Donate to Every Child Every Family and Support HCCS:

1. Make your check payable to Every Child Every Family and include Holy Cross Catholic School (Defiance) in the memo line. OR donate online at <https://everychildeveryfamily.org/donate/>. Be sure to choose Holy Cross Catholic School (Defiance) as the school to donate to. Please note: If you are married and file jointly, you are eligible to write two separate checks or make two separate online donations up to \$750 each.
2. Mail checks to: Every Child Every Family, School Choice Ohio, 1335 Dublin Road, Suite 50-A, Columbus, Ohio 43215. Donations must be postmarked by April 15, 2024 to be eligible for a credit on your 2023 tax filing. You will receive a receipt for your gift that you will need to keep for your tax records.
3. When you prepare your State of Ohio tax return, you can take a tax credit for the amount of your donation!

Frequently Asked Questions

Who is responsible for recording the taxpayer's contribution?

The SGO (Every Child Every Family) is responsible for acknowledging the taxpayer's contribution. The Scholarship Granting Organization will issue a receipt or other document stating the amount of the contribution, date, and organization's name. The donor must have this document to take the tax credit for the calendar year.

What is the maximum tax credit allowed?

Individual donors to SGOs can take a maximum credit of \$750 per year off their Ohio tax liability. Couples filing jointly can take \$1,500 maximum tax credit as long as their cash donations are in their individual names.

What students are eligible for a scholarship through an SGO?

Schools must give priority to lower income students for scholarships and primarily award academic scholarships for students.

Who handles the scholarship applications and awards through Every Child Every Family?

The application process for Every Child Every Family is managed by the partner schools because they recognize the needs of their students. Holy Cross selects the scholarship winners and determines the amounts of the awards. Once the scholarships are awarded, the school submits the awarded students' applications and proof of income to the SGO.

HCCS does not provide tax advice. For individual tax-related questions, please contact your accountant or tax attorney.

TAX Credit - Frequently Asked Questions

Donations up to \$750 (individual) or \$1500 (married filed jointly) to an Ohio Scholarship Granting Organization may qualify for a TAX CREDIT on the donor's Ohio tax return.

Couples must make donations in separate transactions (one for each donor) in order to claim the full \$1500 tax credit.



Ohio Tax Table

Ohio Taxable Income Tax Calculation	
Adjusted Gross Income	Tax Amount
0 - \$25,000	0.00%
\$25,001 - \$44,250	\$346.16 + 2.765% of excess over \$25,000
\$44,250 - \$88,450	\$878.42 + 3.226% of excess over \$44,250
\$88,450 - \$110,650	\$2,304.31 + 3.688% of excess over \$88,450
more than \$110,650	\$3,123.05 + 3.990% of excess over \$110,650

Where can I find my Ohio tax liability?

Your tax liability can be found on line 13 (page 2) of the Ohio IT 1040

2022 Ohio IT 1040
Individual Income Tax Return

SSN: _____

7a Amount from line 7 on page 1 7a

8a Nonbusiness income tax liability on line 7a (see instructions for tax tables) 8a

8b Business income tax liability - Ohio Schedule IT BUS, line 14 (include schedule) 8b

8c Income tax liability before credits (line 8a plus line 8b) 8c

9 Ohio nonrefundable credits - Ohio Schedule of Credits, line 35 (include schedule) 9

10 Tax liability after nonrefundable credits (line 8c minus line 9; if negative, enter zero) 10

11 Interest penalty on underpayment of estimated tax (include Ohio IT 620 2210) 11

12 Unpaid use tax (see instructions) 12

13 Total Ohio tax liability before withholding or estimated payments (add lines 10, 11 and 12) 13

14 Ohio income tax withheld - Schedule of Ohio Withholding, part A, line 1 (include schedule and income statements) 14

15 Estimated and extension payments (from Ohio IT 1040ES and IT 40P); and credit carryforward from last year's return 15

Ohio Tax Liability

Can I claim my donation on both state and federal tax returns?

No. If you are claiming the maximum individual donation (\$750) you may claim your full credit on your Ohio tax return. However, any donation above your Ohio tax liability may be taken as a deduction on your federal tax return.

For example:

If you make the maximum individual donation of \$750 but your Ohio tax liability (before applying the credit) is \$400, your credit would be \$400 and the remaining \$350 may be taken as a charitable donation on your Federal Income Tax Return.

What if I don't have any Ohio tax liability?

Your donation to an Ohio Scholarship Granting Organization would not be eligible as an Ohio credit. The full donation may be eligible to take as a deduction on your federal tax return.

Check with your accountant or tax professional to determine how donations may impact your specific tax situation.

HCCS CHRISTMAS SPIRIT WEEK

DECEMBER 18-19-20

*sponsored by HCCS Student Council



MONDAY DECEMBER 18 – Christmas Character Day (non-uniform day)

- students may wear Christmas clothes with characters about Christmas
- examples – Grinch – Santa – Rudolph – Nativity – Charlie Brown – Frosty



TUESDAY DECEMBER 19 – Fa-la-la-la Flannel Day (non-uniform day)

- students may wear flannel things (most pajamas count!)
- students may bring slippers or crocs to wear while in the building

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 20 – Christmas Colors Day

- students wear regular uniforms to school because we have Mass
- students may change into Christmas colors (traditionally red and green) or other Christmas outfits/shirts/clothes– after Mass



HOLY CROSS
CATHOLIC SCHOOL'S

VEGAS NIGHT

February 10, 2024

K of C Hall located at 111 Elliott Rd Defiance, Ohio

Join us for an evening of gaming, delicious food, drinks, and great company. Try your luck at the poker table, try to beat the dealer at the blackjack table, roll the dice at the craps table, spin the wheel at the roulette table, try to hit it big on the slots or hope your number gets called with the reverse raffle!

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

5PM - 10PM

DINNER SERVED: 5 - 6PM

ART AUCTION: 6PM

GAMBLING STARTS: 6:30PM

REVERSE RAFFLE NUMBERS CALLED EVERY 15 MINUTES

GAMBLING ENDS: 9PM

PRIZE BASKETS DRAWN: 9:30

HCCS Parents: \$40pp Regular Tickets: \$50pp VIP Tickets: \$60pp

Tickets include: Reverse Raffle number, Dinner, free beer, and \$50 of gambling money

VIP Ticket include: Reverse Raffle number, Dinner, free beer, and \$100 of gambling money

Name: _____

Phone number: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Name you would like on the Ticket _____

If possible please seat us with: _____

of VIP tickets : _____ # of Regular tickets: _____ # of HCCS Parent Tickets _____

I would like a table for 8 guests
Please decorate the table for me

I would like to decorate a table
I will also fill that table with 8 guests.

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Please enclose a check or cash. Checks payable to Holy Cross Catholic School