



ST. ANNE'S CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL



Mon, Sept. 21, 2026

Dear St. Anne's C.S.S. Families,

This past week, Grade 9 students participated in our Grade 9 orientation and retreat. Nearly 200 Grade 9s gathered together to learn more about the school, what it means to be an Eagle, and to meet new friends. It was a wonderful week as students began settling into the semester, and many school teams, activities, clubs, and bands started up.

This Tuesday, we will host our Academic Awards assembly to recognize students who demonstrated outstanding academic achievement last school year. We will also hold our annual ST. ANNE'S STRIDES kick-off assembly! St. Anne's Strides is our school's largest fundraiser and will take place this year on Friday, October 16th. Students will kick off the day with a game-themed pep rally, walk the Clinton Raceway, enjoy a free pizza lunch, and participate in afternoon activities. Attendance is mandatory. Please help us reach our \$18,000 goal by donating via cash, cheque, or School Cash Online—students who raise at least \$40 receive a free T-shirt! Stay tuned for more information!

Medical Forms

If your child has a health or medical condition, please contact Ms. Vanderloop (ext. 3049) or Ms. Bechard (ext. 3022) to set up a Student Plan of Care.

Attendance Reminder for Parent(s)/Guardian(s)

Please ensure you report student absences through SchoolMessenger or by calling the school directly. Unexcused absences are linked directly to class marks. If your student will be away from school for any reason (illness, appointment, driver's education, vacation, etc.), please notify the school before or the morning of the absence.

Late Bus Information

St. Anne's provides a late bus that departs the school at 5:00 p.m. from Monday to Thursday to allow students to participate in after-school co-curricular clubs and athletic activities. There are four buses in total: two travelling Highway 8 (to Goderich or Seaforth) and two travelling Highway 4 (to Exeter or Wingham), with designated stops along each route. Full details are available in the Main Office. **Students requiring the late bus must sign up in the Main Office by noon on the day of travel.**



St. Anne's Strides

St. Anne's Strides is our school's major fundraiser and will take place on Friday, Oct. 16th. We will share further details about this school-wide event in the coming weeks.

Guidance Update

Our Guidance team has been busy processing course changes with students over the first two weeks. We will now shift our focus to Grade 12 students who are graduating and planning their post-secondary pathways, including apprenticeships, college, workplace transitions, university, and community living! Over the next few weeks, we will meet individually with each Grade 12 student to review graduation requirements, discuss post-secondary plans, and provide details about applications, scholarships, and more. An invitation for this meeting will be sent to the student's school email account.

This Wednesday, September 23rd, we are taking a group of students to the Ontario Universities' Regional Fair in Stratford. This is an excellent opportunity for students considering university to learn more about programs, residences, campus life, and admissions directly from representatives of 21 Ontario universities. Permission forms are available in Student Services, and the \$10 fee can be paid via School Cash Online.

CSAC (Catholic School Advisory Council) / Parent Council

TOPIC: Student Attendance / CSAC Elections

Save the Date: Thurs. Oct. 1, 2026

Parents and guardians interested in joining CSAC are invited to attend an **in-person meeting on Oct. 1 at 6:30 p.m. at St. Anne's**. A virtual link will also be provided for those unable to attend in person. In addition to electing our CSAC Chair and Secretary and hearing from Quinn Palen, our Student Trustee, we will have HPCDSB Attendance Counsellor, Lindsay Durst present on the topic of Student Attendance. Please email vcantelon@huronperthcatholic.ca to register your interest.

Student Cabinet Update

We held our Grade 9 orientation on Friday afternoon. Grade 9 election forms were due, and elections will be held on Monday, September 18. The senior parking spot date is still to be determined as we are waiting for the construction of the courtyard to be completed. If you have a senior, tell them to watch for the form on the 2027 Google Classroom to get their designs approved. If you haven't yet please follow our Instagram page @sacsstudentcab to stay up to date with events running in the school!

Online Payments (i.e. Student Fee, Phys. Ed. Uniforms, Field Trips etc.)

School Cash Online is our board's preferred method of payment. Please join other families who have already registered and are enjoying the convenience of paying ONLINE by going to <http://huronperthcdsb.schoolcashonline.com/>.

Student Fee for 2026 - 2027

The student fee is \$65.00 if a lock is required (Grade 9 students or anyone who lost their lock) or \$57.00 if reusing last year's lock.

Please submit the student fee by Wednesday, September 30th. Student fees can be paid using School Cash Online (see above) or by cheque payable to St. Anne's Catholic S.S., submitted to the Period 1/homeroom teacher. Anyone requiring financial assistance is invited to contact our Principal, Ms. Laura Blackmore, at ext. 3010.

Monday, September 21:

- Senior Boys Volleyball Tryouts @ 7:00am
- Varsity Baseball Practice @ 7:00am, Diamond behind St. Joseph's, Clinton
- Field Hockey in St. Mary's; Dismiss: 9:00am, Depart: 9:15am, Return: 3:00pm
- **Grade 9 Student Cabinet Rep elections after Morning Announcements**
- Working at Heights @ St. Anne's 8:00am - 4:00pm in Portable #1
- Ontario Tech University (Oshawa) during Senior Lunch in Front Foyer
- Cross Country Practice 3:15pm - 4:30pm
- Jr Boys Volleyball Practice 3:10pm

Tuesday, September 22:

- **ST, ANNE'S STRIDES KICKOFF/ACADEMIC AWARDS ASSEMBLY (Period 1)**
- Concert Band 7:10am
- Conestoga College Electrical Dual Credit @ St. Michael CSS 8:00am - 4:00pm (September 22 - November 3)
- Tennis 3:10pm
- Jr Girls Basketball Practice 3:15pm - 4:40pm
- Gamers Club 3:00pm - 3:45pm - 4:45pm in the Library
- ARC Club 3:10pm in Room 141

Wednesday, September 23:

- Senior Boys Volleyball Tryouts @ 7:00am
- Girls 7s Rugby 7-8:20am
- Field Hockey Practice @ 7:15am
- Elevated Work Platform @ LiUNA, London 6:30am - 4:00pm
- Varsity Baseball @ Listowel Depart: 8:30am, Return: 2:50pm
- International Plowing Match, Walkerton 9:00am - 2:50pm
- Ontario University Regional Fair @ St. Michael CSS. Dep: 9:15am, Return: 12:15pm
- Georgian College (Barrie) during Senior Lunch in Front Foyer
- Cross Country Practice 3:15pm - 4:30pm
- Jr Boys Volleyball Practice 3:10pm
- Girls 7s Rugby 7-8:20am

Thursday, September 24:

- Concert Band 7:10am
- Lambton College Dual Credit 7:00am - 5:00pm
- Jr Girls Basketball Practice 3:15pm - 4:40pm

Friday, September 25:

- Field Hockey Practice @ 7:15am
- Girls 7s Rugby 7:00am-8:20am
- Conestoga College Heavy Equipment Mechanic Dual Credit @ Reuters, Conestoga 8:00am - 3:00pm

TRANSPORTATION

The Huron Perth Student Transportation Services [Parent Portal](#) is now open. Bus carriers have experienced staffing shortages in the past. It is important for families to have a plan in place in case a bus route is cancelled. Monitor the [Huron Perth Transportation Services website](#) or download the [Bus Planner Delays App](#) for the latest information on bus delays & cancellations.

Student Accident Insurance

Please note that the Huron-Perth Catholic District School Board does not provide accident insurance coverage for student injuries that occur on school premises or during school activities, including extracurricular sports. Accidents can and do happen. If a student is injured, parent(s)/guardian(s) are responsible for any costs not covered by provincial health care or employer group plans.

Under the Education Act, the Board is empowered to make available an Accident and Life Insurance Program for students. Participation in such a program is voluntary, and the costs are to be paid by the parent or guardian. Student Accident Insurance is strongly recommended for all students, especially students participating in extracurricular athletics. Please find more information about Student Accident Insurance and Provider Information [HERE](#).

Stay up to date: You can check out our **Weekly Announcements** [HERE](#). In addition, you can watch our live daily announcements on the **St. Anne's CSS YouTube channel** found [HERE](#). As always, information and events are subject to change.

CONNECTING WITH US

We are all in this together! Our board's spiritual theme is "On Fire with the Spirit, Rejoice!"—a meaningful reflection as we journey together and share the Light of Christ throughout the school year. Please feel free to contact us anytime. Thank you for your continued patience and support.

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