



ST. ANNE'S CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL



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

We are very excited to welcome all our students and staff into the Eagles Nest for the 2026-2027 school year! We hope that you and your families have been enjoying a wonderful summer vacation and found some time to rest, reconnect and recharge. This is the final year of our spiritual theme "On Fire with the Spirit - Rejoice", which will be the focus as we journey together, sharing the Light of Christ throughout this school year.

A reminder that the new **school year begins on Tuesday, September 8**, for all students.

Here is some important information to assist you in back-to-school planning for your student.

Regular School Day Schedule:

Grade 9/10 Schedule	
Warning Bell	8:50am
Homeroom / Announcements	8:55 – 9:00am
Period 1	9:00 - 10:15am
Period 2	10:20 - 11:35am
Break	11: 35 - 11:45am
Period 3A: Gr.9/10 class	11:45 - 12:20pm
Period 3B: Gr. 9 class Grade 10 LUNCH	12:20 - 1:00pm
Period 3C: Gr. 10 class Grade 9 LUNCH	1:00 - 1:40 pm
Period 4	1:45 - 3:00pm

Grade 11/12 Schedule	
Warning Bell	8:50am
Homeroom / Announcements	8:55 – 9:00am
Period 1	9:00 – 10:15am
Period 2	10:20 - 11:35am
Gr. 11 / 12 LUNCH	11: 35 - 12:20pm
Period 3	12:25 - 1:40pm
Period 4	1:45 - 3:00pm

Preparing for the First Day of School

Timetables - Returning and HPCDSB new students are to check the Student Portal on the [HPCDSB](#) website under Programs - eToolkit - St. Anne's Student Connected portal for their

timetable. (Note: Staff/posters will be available in the front foyer to help direct and guide all students to their homeroom location on Day 1 - where timetables will be made available)

Lockers & Locks - Returning students are reminded to bring last year's lock for their new locker (found at the top of their timetable), or bring \$8 to buy a new lock from the Main Office. New students who did not attend the BBQ will receive a school-issued lock from their period 1 teacher.

Chromebooks - Returning students should also bring their charged Chromebooks to school. *New students* must complete the Consent and Acknowledgement form below before September 9 in order to receive their HPCDSB Chromebook during the first week of school.



School Supplies - All students should be prepared daily with a binder, calculator, writing utensils, charged Chromebook, and a reusable water bottle.

Additional Information - Upon arrival Tuesday, Sept.8, students will proceed to their period 1 classroom where they will receive a paper copy of their timetable, lock (if applicable) and locker assignment, plus other important information and paperwork.

Online Consent and Acknowledgement Form (ACTION REQUIRED)

Please complete this form **using the QR code or this [LINK](#)** for each of your children who attend St. Anne's C.S.S. This form is essential for ensuring that we have up-to-date information regarding permissions and consent. Please review the policies and procedures found in the St. Anne's C.S.S. [2026-2027 Student Handbook](#) and complete this form as soon as possible to help us start the year smoothly.



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 canceled. Monitor the [Huron Perth Transportation Services website](#) or download the [Bus Planner Delays App](#) for the latest information on bus delays & cancellations.

Medical Forms

If your child has a health or medical issue, please contact Ms. Vanderloop or Ms. Bechard (x3022) in order to set up a possible School Plan of Care. To assist you, please see the two attachments to this email as these forms need to be completed annually by a parent or guardian.



PICTURE DAY

Picture day will be held on **Tuesday, September 15th**. Students will be photographed at school in their uniform. No photo packages or money is to be brought to school the day of photos. More information to follow.

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

For safety and efficiency reasons, the Huron-Perth Catholic District School Board would like to reduce the amount of cash and cheques coming into our school. 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.schoolcashionline.com/>. See the attachment to this email for more information on how to sign up.

Student Fee for 2026 - 2027

Student fee is \$65.00 if a lock is required (grade 9s or anyone who has lost their lock) or \$57 if using last year's lock.

Please submit the Student Fee by Wednesday, September 30th. Student fees can be paid by using SchoolCashOnline (see above) or by cheque, made out to St. Anne's Catholic S.S. and submitted to their homeroom/ period 1 teacher. Anyone in financial need is invited to please contact our Principal, Ms. Laura Blackmore at Ext. 3010.

The breakdown of costs is as follows:

- **\$37 – Yearbook**

The price for the yearbook is contingent upon ordering yearbooks for all students – ordering fewer yearbooks substantially increases the cost per unit. We have always included a yearbook for each student in our student fee – it is a valuable archive of the events and people of our school.

- **\$20 – Campus Ministry Activities & Retreats (Includes transportation and lunch)**

This portion of the fee supports student retreats and campus ministry activities (guest speakers and liturgical events). When students enroll in our Catholic Secondary School, they do so understanding, in advance, that these activities nurture our faith and support a strong sense of community and school spirit.

- **\$8 – Lock**

Each student will require a lock from the school - it is an \$8 purchase that is NON-refundable. All students are issued a lock from our stock - this is done for security reasons. If a lock is broken, stolen or cut off, students must then buy another lock from the main office. Lockers must be in the locked position when not in use. Students will keep this lock and re-use it on their locker each year.

Physical Education Class Uniforms

Physical Education class uniforms are mandatory for each student taking a gym class. The uniform fee now has the following options: grey cotton t-shirt (\$20), navy dry fit shirt (\$25), unisex shorts (long) (\$25), or Women's cut shorts (short) (\$35). Any student requiring financial assistance is asked to notify their teacher or administration. Semester 1 PE students will be sent a cash online email regarding payment for the gym uniform.

Co-Curricular (Athletics & Clubs) Participation

At St. Anne's we are proud of our diverse co-curricular program offerings and excited to provide our Eagles with a comprehensive, competitive & inclusive co-curricular program. Participation in co-curriculars allows students to develop a sense of belonging, provides them with opportunities to build new friendships and sparks new interests among new & returning students. It is our hope that every student tries at least one co-curricular opportunity throughout the school year.

Please find a comprehensive list of athletics and club offerings [HERE](#). Should there be an interest in an activity that is not listed, please speak with Administration to see about the possibility of starting it up.

- **Clubs:** May require the payment of fees for participation. These will be set by club teachers and event planners. There are occasions where activities necessitate the need for a base fee for participation.
- **Athletics:** Each student who participates in varsity athletics at St. Anne's will be required to pay an athletic fee that covers the cost of league fees, fees for officials, transportation, tournaments and most costs associated with playoffs and championships. The athletic fee is owed for each sport – coaches will review anticipated costs and equipment with athletes before the final selections for teams are made.



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St. Anne's Strides

St. Anne's Strides is our school's major fundraiser and is held in the fall. We will share details of this school-wide event as soon as we are able.

Cafeteria Service (Nutritional Management Services)

The cafeteria, which is run by Nutritional Management, will be open for business beginning Tues. September 8 from 8am until 1:45pm.

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](#).

Parent's Guide to Education in Ontario

The Government of Ontario has published a website: Your child's education: a parent guide to our school system to assist parents in navigating the Education system. Find information to help you support your child's success and make informed decisions about their education by clicking the link found below:



<https://www.ontario.ca/page/your-childs-education-parent-guide-our-school-system>

CONNECTING WITH US

We are all in this together! Our board's spiritual theme is On Fire with the Spirit, Rejoice and this is so poignant as we journey together, sharing the Light of Christ throughout this school year.

Please contact us at any time, and we thank you for your patience and support.

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KEEP IN TOUCH

HPCDSB Social Media	
Website	https://www.huronperthcatholic.ca/
Facebook	https://www.facebook.com/hpcdsb

ST. ANNE'S CSS Social Media	
Website	http://stannes.huronperthcatholic.ca/
Facebook	https://www.facebook.com/StAnnesCSS

***Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength.
They will soar on the wings of Eagles."
ISAIAH 40:31***