



Catholic Schools Office
PRINCIPAL BULLETIN
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Mission of the Catholic Schools Office: The Catholic Schools Office, driven passionately by faith in Christ, provides leadership, service, oversight, and support to the Catholic schools of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati.

Oh, Jesus, you hold the key that will unlock my constricted heart.
It gives me great hope that Mary said yes to you and your plan.
She was filled with the Spirit and put aside her own doubts.

I know you are ready to answer my prayers, ease my doubts and calm my fears.
Sometimes I don't hear your messengers because they aren't what I expect.
They aren't wearing wings or halos but are the people standing in front of me.

How many times have I not listened?
How often have I balked at your messages and your messengers?

Fill me with the light of your Spirit and enter, in all your glory
into my life.

NEW FROM THE CSO OFFICE

The next bulletin will be on January 7, 2021

Government Programs Update (from Chris Shisler)

[CLICK HERE](#) for previous Government Programs updates

GRANTS REMINDER (NEW) – Just a couple of reminders as the grant window for both the CRF and Broadband closes very soon (December 30).

- All PCRs must be submitted by December 30th. Your SAM registration must be 'active' before PCRS can be completed and submitted. You will get an email from SAM when the registration changes to 'Active' status.
- Only the 'Fiscal Representative' or 'Treasurer' assigned in your school's OEDS roles can complete the PCR. Some schools have used their business manager in this role. Please make sure they are available to log in and submit the PCR when you're ready. The deadline is coming quickly.
- You may have recently received an email from Ohio-K12 DoNotReply with the subject Cares Relief Fund (CRF) Reporting Requirement. The email asks you to complete a brief report on the use of your CARES money. This is legitimate and should be completed by the indicated deadline of December 30. The bottom of the email contains a personalized link for your school. The report is simple and asks for basic contact information and how you used your CRF funds. Please take a moment before the deadline to complete this brief report.
- There will be one additional task to complete for the grants, the Final Expenditure Report or FER. This is a very simple process that takes only a couple of minutes. Since the deadline to complete this step is not until January 31, the directions will be shared with you upon return to school in January.

I want to extend the warmest Christmas wishes to the principals of our schools. You have excelled under the most trying of circumstances. You have all worked very hard on behalf of your teachers, your students and your school community. This includes the process of requesting and implementing the CARES funds made available to your school. Thank you to everyone for their patience through a very complex process. Please enjoy your well-deserved break and enjoy your families during this Joyous season. Merry Christmas!

Mental Health Resources for Parents (from Cindy Hardesty)

The holidays can be a difficult time for children and adults, especially during the pandemic. If you or your child needs emotional support, please remember the Ohio CareLine is a toll-free emotional support call service created by the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services and administered in community settings. [Click here more details.](#)

School calendar template for 2021-2022 academic year (from Cindy Hardesty)

Please complete the school calendar template by March 19, 2021 and send it to your regional director for approval. If you have questions please contact your regional director.

[Template School Calendar](#)

[Calendar Guidelines for 2021-2022](#)

NEW FROM THE CSO OFFICE CONTINUED

Curriculum and Assessment *(from Krista Devine)*

[CLICK HERE](#) for ALL communications posted in prior Principal Bulletins. *All resources and live links are found within this document.*

Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Online Solutions Affected by Flash

All schools should have received information directly from HMH in the fall of changes that are effective at the end of 2020 with specific programs/textbooks. However, I wanted to remind our schools that are utilizing the online resources and/or electronic versions of HMH products, some will not be functional after December 31, 2020. All schools should have received a list of resources their school currently has access to with information regarding each program. If any item was labeled “Flash High”, it means that the core resources (online student edition, online teacher edition, etc.) are created in Flash and will not be functional after December 31, 2020. Items that are labeled “Flash Low” means that some ancillary resources may have Flash created content, but the student and teacher editions are functional (html5).

I requested a list from HMH including all our schools and the programs they have access to. If you have any questions as to your school’s programs/resources, please let me know. I am happy to share what I have.

Catholic Schools Week – Virtual Ideas/Activities for 2021

This year’s celebration of CSW will look a bit different. I want to provide ideas and support for our schools in planning for Catholic Schools Week 2021. I am currently compiling ideas/activities/resources for our schools. These will be published the 1st week in January for your reference. Stay tuned!

LAST CALL - Purchasing new Textbooks and/or Resources for 2020-2021

If your school would like to be included in virtual meetings and discussions on ordering new textbooks and resources, please [COMPLETE THIS FORM](#). I have been reaching out to various publishers to learn how their resources and programs can support the needs of our schools. I am compiling the information to share with you or your team. I’m preparing to share a couple of options so schools can decide what program best meets the needs of their community.

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED INFORMATION FROM CSO OFFICE

March For Life Resources *(from Adam Kremer)*

Please visit the updated website for new resources and upcoming opportunities.

<https://resources.catholicaoc.org/offices/respect-life-ministries/media-events/march-for-life-resources>

OCSAA Update: News & Notes *(from Laura Meibers)*

Policies, Forms, Resources..... Updates

Field Trip Policy / Form	Principal Directions	Government Info	Social Media Policy
Vocare	Student Accident Info	CSO Calendar	School Reports Timeline
GCS Compilation Resource Pre K-8	RWB Documents 20-21	Permanent Record Card	Vocare CEU Process
Workshops	Teacher Evaluations	Group CEU Request Form	All School Info
Teacher CEU Request Form Final	Teacher Minister Contract	Responsible Use of Technology	Vocare CEU Form CEU Sample Form
Principal IPDP	Sample IPDP	New IPDP	