



# SACRED HEART HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Sacred Heart Family,

I know we are all surprised how fast September has flown by!

We have certainly had a fantastic month here...it's been incredibly busy, but the progress the students have made in just a few short weeks has been astounding! By now, everyone is settling into their schedules, their new routines and getting down to the business of learning. Fall is now upon us and so are the many wonderful activities scheduled for the Month of October! A few are highlighted below. Please visit our website for the entire calendar.

**Teacher In- Service:** Friday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, No classes.

**PSAT's:** All 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, and 11<sup>th</sup> Grade Students will take the PSATs on Wednesday, October 10<sup>th</sup>. All students must be in homeroom by 8:00 AM in full uniform. Please bring No. 2 Pencils for the exam. Seniors do not have class this day.

**Walk-a-Thon/ BBQ:** On Friday, October 12, we will hold our annual Walk-a-Thon to raise money for our Thanksgiving Food Drive. We are looking to increase upon last year's incredible response through which we raised money to feed over 300 hungry families in our community.

Each student will be asked to raise at least \$20 in preparation for the Walk-a-Thon. A pledge sheet is attached to this letter. Students are encouraged to find sponsors to assist them in reaching their goal. All money, along with the pledge sheet, must be submitted to homeroom teachers by Wednesday, October 10 (the sooner the better!).

On Friday, October 12, the day of the Walk-a-Thon, students are expected to be in homeroom by 8:30 am. This will be a modified dress down day: students may wear jeans or sweatpants, but they must also wear some sort of Sacred Heart apparel: gym shirt, jersey, sweatshirt, etc. The walk will begin at 9:00 am and we will return to school by 11:00 am for our annual BBQ. Riverdale and Sacred Heart Bus Service will pick up students from school shortly after 12:45pm.

**Chili Hilly:** Many of our students will participate in Saturday's October 13<sup>th</sup> "Chili Hilly 5K Run/Walk" sponsored by our good friends at the North Yonkers Scholarship Foundation. Registration starts at 8:30 AM and the race begins at 10:00 AM. Check out their Facebook Page for more information on how to cheer on our students!

**Winter Uniform:** Winter Uniforms begin on Monday, October 15<sup>th</sup>. All ladies must wear blouses and sweaters, with either regulation pants or skirt. All gentlemen must wear white dress shirts and sweaters with a tie of their choice. Please contact Mrs. Dronzek with any questions.

**College Fair:** Our Annual College Fair will take place from 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm on Tuesday, October 16. All 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> graders will participate.

**Open House:** Our first Open House for prospective students will take place on Saturday, October 20 from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. We will also host another Open House on Thursday, October 25, from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm. Student volunteers are needed. Those interested should speak with Ms. Zarate or Ms. Toro. Please encourage parents and students in the seventh and eighth grade to attend!



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**Sacred Heart High School Scholarship Dinner:** This year's annual Scholarship Dinner will take place on Friday, November 2nd at the Fairways at Dunwoodie in Yonkers. Please join us as we honor several deserving members of the SHHS Community: Joseph Gebbia (Spirit of St. Francis), Bob Skladony and Lynn P. Haley (Commitment to SHHS), Ana Eugenio Fontoura (Distinguished Graduate), and the SHHS Pipe Band (Spirit and History). For more information, or to reserve your tickets, please contact Claire Sullivan at [csullivan@sacredhearths.org](mailto:csullivan@sacredhearths.org). All proceeds will make a tangible difference in the lives of several of our students by supporting the SHHS Scholarship Fund.

**TACHS Exam:** Sacred Heart is a TACHS Exam site. On the day of the exam, Friday, November 2, there will be no classes.

### **Plus Portals:**

The first quarter is now halfway completed, but it is never too early to monitor the progress of your students. Plus Portals, is an online grade management system, we use in our school community. Both parents and students have access to their individual grades as instructors post them. Questions regarding student progress should first be directed to the teachers themselves. All faculty email addresses are easily accessible on our website. Should you have any problems accessing Portals please speak with Ms. Zarate.

Striving to form Servant Leaders,

Ms. Frances Acosta