The Buzz

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Mission Statement

Bishop McGuinness Catholic High School develops students in their pursuit of excellence. In partnership with committed families, our dedicated faculty form the faith, character, and intellect of young men and women within an engaged, diverse community grounded in the Catholic tradition.

MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Dear Bishop McGuinness Families,

I wanted to take a moment to reflect on the faculty and staff FIRE groups that have been a meaningful part of our year. Grounded in Formation, Integration, Reflection, and Evangelization, these small groups were designed to create space for learning and dialogue through which we consider more intentionally ways we can incorporate the teachings of the Church and the Catholic faith into our daily work with students. This effort reflects, in a very real way, one of the central themes of our strategic framework: a commitment to excellence in both academics and faith, not as separate pursuits, but as deeply integrated dimensions of our mission.

For me, a significant takeaway has been less about specific strategies or tangible outcomes, and more about a renewed awareness of a way of being. As those entrusted with the profound responsibility of forming our students in faith, intellect, and character, we are called to ongoing formation ourselves. We cannot give what we are not continually

striving to receive. As C. S. Lewis wrote in *Mere Christianity*, “Every Christian is to become a little Christ. The whole purpose of becoming a Christian is simply nothing else.” That call invites us to remain open to growth, to conversion, and to a deeper pursuit of what draws us closer to the Father and more fully receptive of His unchanging love.

As we approach Holy Week, this reflection takes on even greater meaning. The journey to the Cross reminds us that formation is not comfortable or complete. The time we have spent in our FIRE groups this year is an invitation to continue opening ourselves to the Lord’s work within us, just as we ask our students to do the same. In these sacred days ahead, may we each consider how we are being called to grow, to surrender, and to more fully live the Gospel in all that we do.

Under the Mercy,
Dr. Jared Rashford
President

MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Dear Bishop McGuinness Students and Families,

The fourth and final quarter of the academic year has begun, and along with it, the beginnings of “spring fever.” The longer days leave us yearning to be outside, taking advantage of leisure activities and precious time with friends and loved ones. With Easter break approaching next week, a much-anticipated holiday for faith celebrations, rest, and fun, we want to take the opportunity to remind students and families that we are not quite done with the school year yet! To ensure we can finish the year successfully, please return from your Easter break with a renewed commitment to school expectations.

Our Student Handbook outlines several virtues we strive to instill in students through purposeful school policies and procedures.

Responsibility: We take our commitments seriously, showing up on time, being fully present, and actively contributing. Please continue to prioritize regular, punctual attendance at school. Especially during the fourth quarter, every day in class matters! Please refer to the handbook section beginning p.18 for policies related to attendance and tardiness.

Orderliness: We take care in how we present ourselves and our environment. Through attention to detail in our appearance, behavior, and surroundings, we show respect for ourselves, for others, and for the values we uphold as a school.

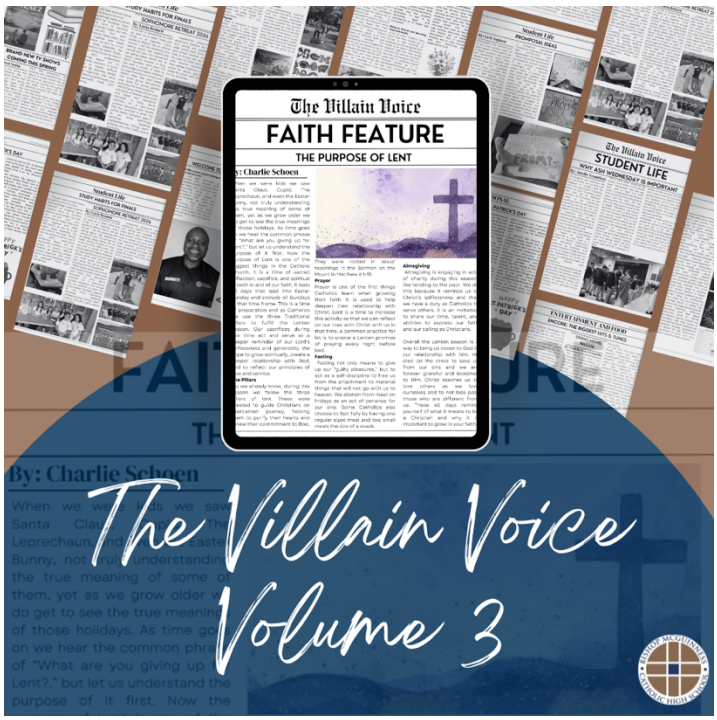
- Dress Standards must be maintained, including wearing proper outerwear and shoes. Please refer to the Student Handbook beginning p.24 for specific dress requirements, especially noting the following:
    - Sweaters should be navy, white, or gray in color, not cropped or worn off the shoulder.
    - Sweatshirts must have the approved school logo, without a hood, in the colors navy or gray.
    - Shoes must not be sandals or slippers.
- Campus Cleanliness: please continue to clean after yourselves in common areas. If you see trash on the ground, pick it up even if it's not yours!
- Behavior: Kindness, compassion, and respect for one another go a long way during the stressful and busy spring season.

Trustworthiness: We aim to be honest and reliable in all that we do. By acting with integrity, even when no one is watching, we build strong relationships and a community rooted in mutual respect.

- Honor and Integrity: Do not use AI tools or the work of another individual to complete your school work, which can become increasingly challenging as the school year progresses. Use appropriate resources, such as your teacher's help during Bishop Time, peer tutors, or study groups, to stay on top of your school assignments in an honest way.

We will have just a few more weeks of school once we return from Easter Break. Let's finish the school year strong, Villains! "*Therefore, my beloved, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain*" (1 Corinthians 15:58).

Blessings,
Mrs. Claire Willis
Principal



The latest edition of The Villain Voice has arrived! Volume 3 of the 2025–2026 school year showcases the creativity, insight, and dedication of our student journalists. From engaging features to timely school news, this issue highlights the voices and talents that make our community so special.

A big thank you to the entire editorial staff for their hard work and commitment, and to Mrs. Katsos for her guidance and leadership in supporting our talented students. Be sure to take a moment to read and celebrate another outstanding publication!

Click Here to read the Villain Voice

Congratulations to the thirty-one Bishop McGuinness seniors who were inducted into our school's chapter of Mu Alpha Theta (the National Mathematics Honor Society) on Tuesday, March 24. These outstanding students have demonstrated consistent excellence in upper-level mathematics classes and exhibited dedication to the pursuit of wisdom in mathematics in their future endeavors. The list of inductees is given below. All the best to this fantastic group!

MU ALPHA THETA

Oliver Arnold, Sophia Christopher, Cole Clothier, Adrian Dancausse, Ella Drab, Anna Essma, Nick Fries, Mary Gaylord, Emery Grunwald, Patrick Guerriero, Beilul Hadgu, Heather Hamilton, Laney Heafner, Hailey Hoffend, Ava Lipscomb, Anderson Lynch, Amelia McCann, Jenna Moore, Caroline Pickle, Karridy Read, Christian Ruiz, Brianna Seivers, Yianni Skoteiniadis, Devon Stalek, Claire Sullivan, Shannon Sullivan, Alison Varner, Vince Warren, Lily Webster, Lily Winters, Amelia Wolff

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The AP Calculus AB classes brought in objects from home to demonstrate how to use Calculus techniques to find the volumes of objects!

The Bishop McGuinness Quiz Bowl team participated in the state competition at Southeast Guilford HS and came away as one of the top schools in the state. The team consisted of Cole Clothier, Anderson Lynch, Devon Stalek, Tyler Tyllis, Alexander Crnjak, and Javier Gonzalez. Here the team is celebrating a big win over lunch!

CHEMISTRY

LAB

Law of Conservation of Mass

The tradition of the silleteros in Medellin, Columbia, is a cultural celebration deeply rooted in the history of the region. It dates to pre-Hispanic times, when "silletas" were used to transport people and goods. Overtime, this practice evolved into the iconic parade we know today, where farmers from Santa Elena display impressive floral arrangements on their backs.

Villains Booster Club Trivia Night on March 21st was a great success! We're grateful to all the teams who came out, competed, and brought such great energy to the event. Your enthusiasm made the night both fun and memorable for everyone involved. We're already looking forward to doing it again next year to support the *Bishop McGuinness Athletic Program*.

Family Association
Spiritual • Social • Service • Support
Open Meeting
INVITATION
You are invited to attend our upcoming BMFA Open Meeting, where we will discuss important updates and the nomination and selection of next year's BMFA officers.
Monday
March 30th, 2026
5:30PM
BMCHS Commons

Family Association
Thank you
STAFF
APPRECIATION
Help the BMFA celebrate the amazing teachers and staff at Bishop during Staff Appreciation Week, May 4–8! Each day will include a special way to show our gratitude. We invite families to sign up to volunteer, donate items, or contribute in any way they can to help make the week a success.
CLICK HERE FOR SIGN UP OPTIONS

BISHOP MCGUINNESSS
2026 SUMMER CAMPS
AVAILABLE FOR GRADES 3 - 12

Model United Nations
June 1 - 5
Rising 7th, 8th & 9th graders
8:30 am - 3:30 pm

Craft Camp
June 1 - 5
Rising 3rd - 12th graders
12:30 pm - 3:30 pm

College Essay Seminar
June 3 - 5
Rising 12th graders
12:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Music/Drama Camp
June 8 - 12
Rising 6th - 12th graders
8:30 am - 3:30 pm

Makerspace Art Camp
June 15 - 19
Rising 3rd - 8th graders
8:30 am - 12:00 pm

Pottery Camp
June 15 - 19
*return June 22nd from 5 pm -7 pm to glaze work.
Rising 5th - 12th graders
12:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Camp Fortissimo
(Brass Camp)
June 15 - 19
Rising 6th - 12th graders
10:30 am - 3:30 pm

Villains Football Camp
June 15 - 18
Rising 6th - 12th grade boys
8:30 am - 12:00 pm

SAT Math Camp
June 22 - 25
Rising 9th - 12th graders
8:30 am - 12:00 pm

SAT English Camp
June 22 - 25
Rising 9th - 12th graders
12:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Athletic Performance
June 22 - 26
Rising 6th - 12th graders
8:30 am - 12:00 pm

Chess Camp
June 29 - July 3
Rising 6th - 12th graders
12:30 pm - 4:00 pm

Volleyball "Game & Grit"
July 27 - 30
Rising 6th - 8th grade girls & boys
9:00 am - 3:00 pm

BISHOP MCGUINNESS CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

JOIN NOW!

Please Scan QR Code to Register

For More Information Contact
Ms. Lauren Yoder

lyoder@bmhs.us
336.564.1013
336.564.1060
bmhs.us
1725 NC-66, Kernersville, NC 27284

Campus Ministry

SERVICE HOURS FOR STUDENTS!

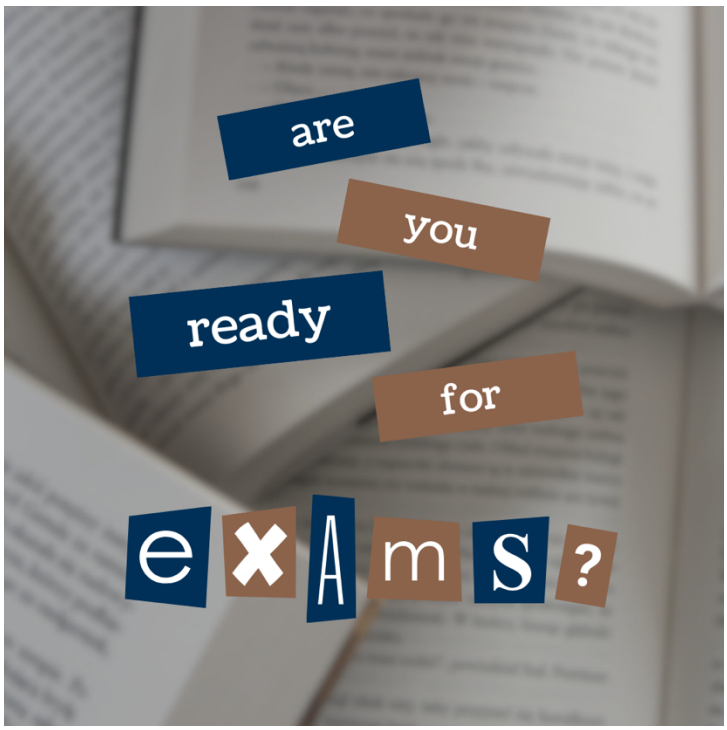
Questions? Reach out to **support@mobileserve.com**.

Mobile Serve Codes are:

Class of 2026 - 9EBFB9
Class of 2027 - 29A176
Class of 2028 - 12EACF
Class of 2029 - BCF964

MobileServe Guide

The Counseling Center



Final exam schedules are here!

Please take a moment to review the schedule carefully and plan ahead to ensure you are prepared and on time for each exam.

Senior Exam Schedule

Underclassmen Exam Schedule

Junior Family Night brought together an enthusiastic crowd of over 180 parents and students for an evening of insight and connection. Families of current juniors had the opportunity to participate in a mock admissions case study, offering a firsthand look into the college decision-making process. We were proud to host representatives from 18 different colleges, giving attendees valuable access to a wide range of perspectives and expertise. Thank you to all who joined us for this informative and impactful event. We look forward to continuing to support our students and families on their college journey!

Villain Club Membership

NIL Compliance Information

NCHSAA Attendance Policy

Bishop McGuinness Athletics Open Positions

Bishop McGuinness is currently seeking the following coaches (all paid stipend positions)
-Asst. Cross Country Coach

Interested candidates should contact Jeff Stoller at jstoller@bmhs.us.

Bishop Athletic Events Live Stream NFHS Network

See Bishop Home Football, Soccer, Volleyball, Wrestling, Basketball, Baseball and Lacrosse live streamed on the NFHS Network.

Subscriptions available at **NFHS Network**

Villains Visual Arts

Interested in joining BMAP (Bishop McGuinness Arts Partners)?
Sign up today!

Performing Arts Calendar

Due to winter storms and adjustments to the spring calendar, our spring performance schedule has been updated. Please review the revised dates below. We look forward to seeing you at our Spring 2026 events!

Advancement

1959 Fund

Corporate Sponsorship Program

Family & Alumni Business Directory

1st Annual
Bishop McGuinness High School
Villains Golf Classic

Thursday, June 11, 2026
Oak Hollow Golf Course

Multiple Sponsorship Opportunities Available!

For more details, please visit:
https://secure.qgiv.com/for/allgiving/event/villainsclassic/

or contact

Dan Gravo
336.564.1009
dgravo@bmhs.us

Click Here for Villains Classic Details

Make A Gift

Admissions

Click Here to Apply

For Admissions information, please contact Paola Scilinguo-Mendoza, Director of Admissions at 336-564-1011 or psmendoza@bmhs.us

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Immunization Records

Each student must have a current, COMPLETE Immunization Record on file. (PLEASE INCLUDE ALL PAGES OF THE RECORD)

Rising Seniors, Class of 2027, are required to have two (2) doses of the Meningococcal conjugate.

All new students (rising Freshmen and Transfer Students) must also have an Immunization Record on file.

Please *DO NOT* upload the immunization records to FinalForms.

Please send a paper copy of the Immunization Records to Mrs. Mary Moon, either by mail or email at mmoon@bmhs.us.
Thank you!

Diocese of Charlotte Immunization Requirements	Diocese of Charlotte Immunization Exemption Form

Before going to the DMV, a parent must:

- Call and request an official transcript and eligibility certificate
- Bring the Driver's Ed Completion Certificate to the school office
- Sign the Driver Eligibility Certificate at the office (valid for 30 days after signing and good for 30 days)

Driver's Ed options:

- Offered through NC Driving School
  - Must be taken in the same county as your high school
  - Example: Bishop McGuinness → requires Forsyth County Driver's Ed
  - Sign up on their website at a public high school location in the required county
- Private Driver's Ed may be completed in any county

2025-2026 NC Driving Permit Information

2025 - 2026 Student Parking Information

2025-2026 Parking Permit Application Link

2025-2026 Parking Permit Regulations

To reserve a seat, please email the contract to nwood@bmhs.us or mail to

Nichole Wood
Bishop McGuinness High School
1725 NC Hwy. 66 S,
Kernersville, NC 27284.

Click the buttons below for information and application.

2025-2026 Bus Services Contract

2025-2026 Bus Pick Up/Drop Off Times

Attention All Volunteers:

The Diocese of Charlotte Diocese has changed to **CATHOLIC MUTUAL GROUP (CMG)** for certifying volunteers and employees. All who volunteer at Bishop McGuinness must complete the CMG certification.

Please click on the buttons below for directions and the CMG website.
If you have questions, please contact Randy Quarles, rquarles@bmhs.us.

CMG Connect Website

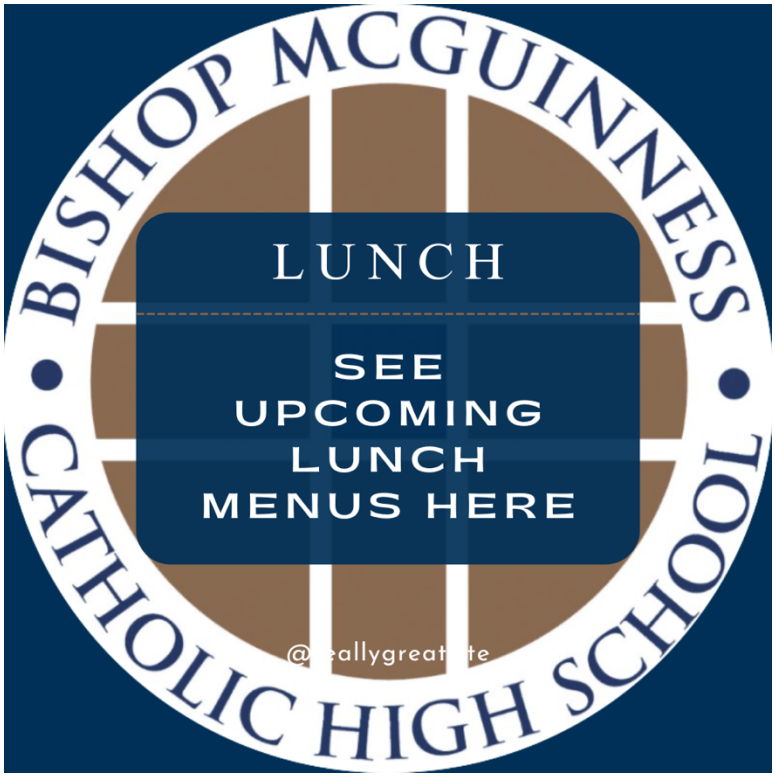
Catholic Mutual Group VOLUNTEERS Directions

If your student plans to purchase lunch at school, please be sure to sign up and add funds to their lunch account in advance.

Click the link below for additional information and steps on accessing the Meal Magic System.

Lunch Menu

Meal Magic Information



Catholic News Herald
Serving Christ and Connecting Catholics in Western North Carolina

Serving Christ and connecting Catholics across Western North Carolina, the Catholic News Herald keeps you informed and inspired with the latest news, events, and stories from parishes, schools, and ministries throughout our region. Stay up to date on what's happening in our local Catholic community.

March 30, Monday

- All School Mass 10am - Assembly Dress Required
- Confessions 11:50am - 1:50pm
- VB Tennis @ RJ Reynolds 4:30pm
- JVG Soccer vs W Forsyth 4:30pm
- VG Soccer vs RJ Reynolds 6pm
- VG/VB Lacrosse @ W Forsyth 5:30/7:15pm
- JV/V Baseball vs S Stokes 4:30/7pm

March 31, Tuesday

- VB Tennis vs S Stokes 4:30pm
- VG Soccer @ N Stokes 6pm
- VG Lacrosse vs Glenn 6pm

April 1, Wednesday

- Early Dismissal - Buses Leave @ 12:15pm
- JV/V Baseball @ S Stokes 4:30/7pm

April 2 - April 12

- No School - Easter Break

Looking ahead...

April 13, Monday

- Students Return to School

April 14, Tuesday

- 9th Grade Mass - 10am

April 15, Wednesday

- White Wednesday - 1hr Delay for Students (Buses run on regular schedule)

April 16, Thursday

- 11th Grade Mass - 10am
- 9 to 5 the Musical - 7pm Gym

April 17, Friday

- Progress Reports
- Career Day - Early Dismissal
- Freshmen Day of Service - Early Dismissal
- No School for Seniors
- Practice AP Testing 12-4pm
- 9 to 5 the Musical - 7pm Gym

April 18, Saturday

- 9 to 5 the Musical - 2pm & 7pm Gym

April 21, Tuesday

- All School Mass 10am - Assembly Dress Required

April 23, Thursday

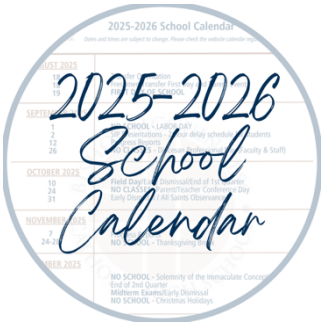
- Senior Retreat - Overnight

April 24, Friday

- Senior Retreat - Overnight

April 25, Saturday

- Prom 8-11pm



**** Please note that the calendar is subject to change.**
***** Athletic Events are only put on the calendar for the following week due to scheduling changes. Athletic events may be cancelled/postponed due to weather.**
****** For all school events, please check the full calendar on our website.**