



# The Buzz

A Publication of  
Bishop McGuinness Catholic High School

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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.*

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## MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Dear Bishop McGuinness Families,

In this Easter season, we rejoice in the radiant truth at the heart of our faith: *Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!* The Resurrection is not only the pinnacle of salvation history—it is the promise that transforms our daily lives. The Resurrection is not just an event we recall, but a *new reality* in which we now live. The Risen Christ breaks through locked doors, enters our fears, and breathes peace into our anxious hearts.



That Good News is what we strive to proclaim and live out every day at Bishop McGuinness Catholic High School. It is at the core of our mission to form men and women of purpose who are rooted in the teachings of Jesus Christ. In a world that can

often sow doubt, confusion, and fear, we are called to be joyful witnesses to the Resurrection—to be people who live as if the tomb really is empty.

Our students should encounter the risen Christ not only in their theology classes and the sacramental life of the school but also in the classroom discussions that elevate truth, in athletic contests marked by integrity, and in the quiet moments of prayer and reflection.

Let us be mindful, too, that the Resurrection is not a call to comfort, but a call to *mission*. As Jesus tells His disciples, "As the Father has sent Me, so I send you" (John 20:21). That same commission belongs to us. As a school community, we are sent—to proclaim the Good News through our words and actions, to be instruments of healing and hope, and to lead lives that reflect the light of the Risen One.

As we continue to walk in the joy of the Easter season, may our hearts burn within us like the disciples on the road to Emmaus, and may we recognize Him in the breaking of the bread—and in one another.

**Risen Lord Jesus,**

You triumphed over death and gave us life everlasting.

Shine Your Resurrection light upon the students, faculty, staff, alumni, and families of  
Bishop McGuinness Catholic High School.

Fill our hearts with faith, hope, and love, that we may joyfully bear witness to Your  
presence in our lives.

Guide us in our mission to form faithful disciples and compassionate leaders.  
Send Your Spirit to renew and strengthen our community, so that we may always walk as  
Easter people, proclaiming:

*Alleluia! He is risen!*

Under the Mercy,  
Dr. Jared M. Rashford  
President

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## MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAPLAIN

Dear Bishop McGuinness  
Families,

We are greatly saddened to learn of the death of our dear Pope Francis. As we mourn his passing, let us remember to pray for the repose of his soul, for the Church during this time of transition, and for the man who will be appointed as his successor. The day before Pope Francis' passing, the Church joyfully celebrated Easter Sunday;

may Pope Francis be quickly welcomed into the joy of the Lord, and come to share in the promise of the resurrection.



The passing of a pope marks the beginning of an interesting period in the life of the Church, as the Church prepares for someone new to take the office of the papacy. This process takes place within what is known as a "conclave," which is a meeting of the cardinals from around the world. The cardinals will come to Rome and meet privately to discuss who the next pope should be, and when they are ready, they will have a vote. There can be multiple votes during the conclave as the cardinals continue their deliberations. Once the cardinals have agreed, the decision will be announced, and the Church will have her next pope. We should remember to pray for the cardinals as they enter into the conclave, that they would be open to the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, and that God's will would be done in the choosing of the next pope.

Once more, in the days to come, let us remember to keep Pope Francis in our prayers. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him! May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

In Christ,  
Fr. Christopher Brock

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A photograph of three crosses on a hill at sunset. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a warm orange glow. The crosses are silhouetted against the sky. The text "Happy Easter!" is written in a white, cursive font at the top of the image.

*Happy Easter!*

As we celebrate the joy and hope of the Resurrection, we give thanks for the gift of our school community and the love that binds us together in faith. May this Easter season fill your hearts with peace, renew your spirits, and bring blessings to your homes.

He is Risen!

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## Climate and Culture Survey – Share your Experience

Dear School Parents,

As part of our ongoing commitment to provide a nurturing, faith-filled, and academically excellent environment, we invite you to participate in the below Parent Climate and Culture Survey. Your honest and anonymous feedback helps us better understand your family's experiences and perspectives. It is a vital part of our collaboration with your school's leadership to continue improving the quality of education and community life within our schools. Rest assured, your responses will remain completely confidential and will directly inform our mission to grow and strengthen our schools for the sake of all our children.

Please take a few moments to complete the survey in your preferred language by April 28th:

[CSO Parent Climate and Culture Survey](#)

[CSO Encuesta Sobre el Clima y la Cultura](#)

Thank you for your trust, partnership, and commitment to our Catholic schools. We are deeply grateful for your support.

Dr. Monroe & The Catholic Schools Office

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# REMINDER



## **2025 Spring Exam Schedules**

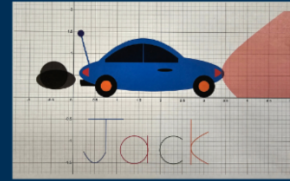
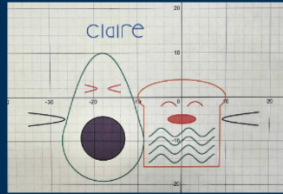
Spring exams are just around the corner! Please be sure to review the schedule and plan accordingly to ensure a smooth and successful exam week.

[Senior & AP Spring Exam Schedule](#)

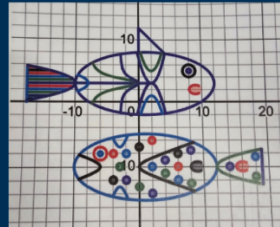
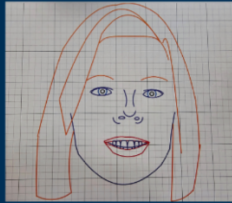
[Underclassman Exam Schedule](#)

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## Conics Project: Mrs. Howard's Honors Pre-Calculus



As part of an exciting project, students were challenged to apply their knowledge of conic sections—parabolas, circles, ellipses, and hyperbolas—along with at least two additional functions we explored throughout the year. Using only Desmos, they created colorful, intricate graphs that showcased their creativity and mathematical understanding. Each project required the use of function variations to deepen their exploration. I'm incredibly proud of their hard work and the impressive final products they produced!



## Student Council Collection Supporting Kernersville Crisis Control Ministry

### FOOD DRIVE

**MONDAY, APRIL 28TH -  
FRIDAY, MAY 9TH**

Canned food will be collected in designated bins in the lobby. All proceeds will go to the **Kernersville Crisis Control Ministry Inc.** The grade that collects the most amount of cans will get **donuts!** If the school collects 1,000 pounds of canned food in total then the entire school will receive donuts!



*Join the  
Bishop team!*

BUS DRIVERS  
NEEDED



PT Morning and Afternoon Hours  
Contact Nichole Wood

✉ [nwood@bmhs.us](mailto:nwood@bmhs.us)

☎ 336.564.1057



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### **SERVICE HOURS FOR STUDENTS!**

Questions? Reach out to [support@mobileserve.com](mailto:support@mobileserve.com).

**Mobile Serve Codes are:**

Class of 2025 - 6653D1

Class of 2026 - 9EBFB9

Class of 2027 - 29A176

Class of 2028 - 12EACF

[MobileServe Guide](#)



SENIORS  
May 1st  
IS CUPCAKE DAY!



COME TO THE COUNSELING CENTER DURING  
YOUR LUNCH TO CELEBRATE DECISION DAY 2025

\*Wear your College t-shirt and jeans\*

Class photo, outside on the football bleachers, during  
Bishop Time!

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# *Celebrating Our Senior Villains!*

**Over \$4,000,000  
in scholarship offers reported!**



**If you've received a scholarship, make sure to  
report it to the Counseling Center, even if you're not  
attending the school.**

**Let's continue celebrating the incredible  
achievements of our seniors!**

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### **MAY 1 CUPCAKE DAY**

Class of 2025! Celebrate your next move with cupcakes in the Counseling Center. Wear your school of choice gear with pride!



### **JUNE 7 SAT**

Registration deadline for this SAT is 5/22/2025



### **JULY 12 ACT**

Registration deadline for this ACT is 6/6/2025



### **MAY 3 SAT**

Registration deadline for this SAT is 4/18/2025



### **JUNE 14 ACT**

Registration deadline for this ACT is 5/8/2025



### **SEPT 6 ACT**

Registration deadline for this ACT is 8/1/2025

\*Please be aware that both SAT and ACT testing are not held on the BMCHS campus. You must register through the respective website, where your designated testing location will be provided upon registration.



[Villain Club  
Membership](#)

[NIL Compliance  
Information](#)

[NCHSAA  
Attendance Policy](#)

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## **Sports Physicals**

Bishop McGuinness will offer \$15 sports physicals here on Thursday, May 8 through Novant Health. Cash or checks made out to BMHS. No credit card or cash apps. Proceeds go to the BMHS Sports Medicine and Student Training Program.

The line will start at the top of the stairs next to the main entrance. Students will begin to go through stations starting at 4:30, and then will start seeing the doctors at 5:15-5:30 range. Please bring a blank NCHSAA Physical Packet with you

Current students can upload the physical to their Finalforms Portal. Incoming students must hang onto the physical and create their Finalforms Portal and upload the physical after June 1. Any questions, please contact AD Jeff Stoller at [jstoller@bmhs.us](mailto:jstoller@bmhs.us).

[Download the NCHSAA Physical PacketHere](#)

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**Bishop Athletic Events Live Stream NFHS  
Network**

If you are interested in purchasing a subscription to view live stream of all BMHS Home Football, Basketball, Wrestling, Soccer, Lacrosse and Baseball Games, please visit:

**[NFHS Network](#)**





# 2024 - 2025 Performing Arts Season Schedule

Spring **2025** | Additional Performances



Friday | March 14, 2025

**MUSIC HONOR SOCIETY RECITAL**

DEPARTMENT *of* MUSIC

BMCHS Music Room



Wednesday | April 30, 2025

**NIGHT OF PRAISE & WORSHIP**

DEPARTMENT *of* MUSIC

BMCHS Library



Friday | May 2, 2025

**FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS**

DEPARTMENTS *of* MUSIC & ART

BMCHS Courtyard



**BISHOP  
MC GUINNESS**  
CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL  
1725 NC-66 Kernersville, NC 27284





# Advancement

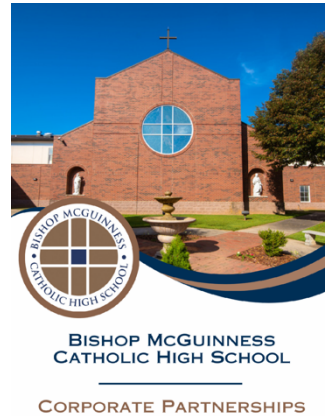
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## 1959 Fund



## Corporate Sponsorship Program



**Tuesday, April 29**



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**BISHOP MCGUINNESS  
CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL**

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*DAY OF GIVING*

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*Join our*  
**FAMILY & ALUMNI  
BUSINESS  
DIRECTORY**

Bishop highlights and promotes family and alumni businesses through our exclusive directory. Whether you're a small business owner or part of a larger enterprise, this is your opportunity to network, collaborate, and support one another. Sign up today to be part of our growing community and expand your business visibility!



[Click Here to Submit Your  
Business Information](#)


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## Join the 2025 Auction Committee

Help organize a successful auction while supporting a great cause.  
Your time and ideas will make a difference!

Email Dan Gravo at  
dgravo@bmhs.us  
For more information

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*Featured Endowment*

### DERHOFFER FAMILY ENDOWMENT FUND

Created by the Gail and George Derhofer Family, this fund provides for annual tuition assistance to benefit Bishop students as determined by the committee. Preferential decisions will be given to students coming from Our Lady of Grace Catholic School.

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[Bishop Spirit Store](#)

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# Admissions



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For Admissions information, please contact Paola Scilinguo-Mendoza,  
Director of Admissions at 336-564-1011 or [psmendoza@bmhs.us](mailto:psmendoza@bmhs.us)

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# Welcome to Bishop!



## Important Dates

*Please note updated dates in August. Refer to the school calendar on our website for other relevant information about the school year.*

### Placement Testing (Freshmen Only)

- Saturday, May 10: 9:00-12:00pm

*Please bring two #2 pencils. No electronics or calculators allowed. Parents may drop off their students at the front doors of the school by 8:40 am. Students, please enter into the front school lobby to check-in.*

### Freshmen New Villain Night - Thursday, May 15 - 6:00 to 7:30 pm

- Freshmen will choose their course elective, language, visit various stations around the school, learn about athletic offerings, and meet coaches.
- Students who are unable to attend will receive an email regarding missed information.

*If you are not able to attend New Villain Night, please contact Paola Scilinguo-Mendoza at [psmendoza@bmhs.us](mailto:psmendoza@bmhs.us)*

### Freshmen First Day - Monday, August 18 - Time TBD

- Freshmen will have orientation, meet their BIGS, and do "Student Walk the Schedule".

### Transfer Orientation - Monday, August 18 - Time TBD

- **ALL** Transfer students (grades 10th-12th) will need to make an individual appointment with their counselor to discuss their course schedule.
- **Students with last names A-K:** Call Mrs. Tiffany Ehmgig at 336-564-1003 or send an email to [tehmig@bmhs.us](mailto:tehmig@bmhs.us).
- **Students with last names L-Z:** Call Mrs. Julie Gehling at 336-564-1245 or send an email to [jgehling@bmhs.us](mailto:jgehling@bmhs.us).

### Parent Event - Monday, August 18 - Time TBD

- Parents will have the opportunity to meet teachers, learn about classes, and walk around campus.

### FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR EVERYONE - TUESDAY, AUGUST 19

- 8:25 to 3:20 pm (Bus service begins)
- **"Car Drop Off"** is a spirited Bishop Tradition! **Parents, please join us for Coffee** in the parking lot after dropping off your students!

*You will be receiving emails in the upcoming weeks and throughout the summer with relevant information to get you ready for the school year! If you have any questions, contact the Admissions Office at 336-564-1011 or via email at [psmendoza@bmhs.us](mailto: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 2025, 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](mailto:mmoon@bmhs.us).  
Thank you!

**Diocese of Charlotte**  
**Immunization Requirements**

**Diocese of Charlotte**  
**Immunization Exemption Form**

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## **Driver Eligibility Information**

When your student is ready to go to the DMV to get his/her permit, a **parent will need to call The School Office to request an official transcript and Driver Eligibility Certificate.**

**Please allow 48 hours notice to process any transcript requests.**

**A parent must bring the student's Driver's Ed Completion Certificate to The School Office and sign the Driver Eligibility Certificate. The Driver Eligibility Form is good for 30 days**once it has been signed. Please keep this in mind when making plans to go to the DMV.

The DMV is now requiring official transcripts as a proof of residency. Please contact the front office at 336-564-1010 to make this request.

Driver's Ed is offered through the NC Driving School. You can visit [www.ncdrivingschool.com](http://www.ncdrivingschool.com) for instructions to sign up. North Carolina requires that Driver's Ed be taken in the county of the high school. (i.e. Bishop McGuinness is in Forsyth county. If you live in Guilford county, you must take Driver's Ed in Forsyth county.) You can sign up on their website at one of the public high schools. You may choose to do private Driver's Ed, which may be completed in any county.

Thank you for your attention to this and congrats to your new driver. Drive safe, Villains.

### **2024-2025NC Driving Permit Information**

**2024-2025 Parking Permit Form  
for ALL Students**

**2024-2025 Parking Passes and  
Regulations**

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## **Bus Application Information**

To reserve a seat, please email the contract to [tjones@bmhs.us](mailto:tjones@bmhs.us) or mail to Tracy Jones, Bishop McGuinness High School 1725 NC Hwy. 66 S, Kernersville, NC 27284. Click the buttons below for information and application.

**2024-2025 Bus Services Contract**

**2024-2025 Bus Schedule  
Information**

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## **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](#)

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## **CAFETERIA INFORMATION:**

[Meal Magic Information](#)

[Lunch Menu](#)

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**2024-2025 Calendar**

**2025-2026 Calendar**

**Website Calendar**

**Event Calendar**

**April 28, Monday**

- School Resumes
- VB Tennis 1st Round Playoffs TBD
- Track NWP Championship @ N Stokes TBD
- VB Golf NWP Championship @ Grandover 2pm
- VG Lacrosse @ N Davidson 5:30pm
- VB Lacrosse @ N Davidson 7/7:15pm

**April 29, Tuesday**

- 9th Grade Mass
- Junior Ring Ceremony 10am - Gym
- VG Soccer @ Piedmont Classical 5pm
- VB Lacrosse @ Greensboro Day 6pm

**April 30, Wednesday**

- Early morning Mass 7:55am
- Final NLI Signing Ceremony 10am - Gym
- Night of Praise & Worship 7pm
- VB Tennis 2nd Round Playoffs TBD
- VB Lacrosse vs E Guilford 6pm

**May 1, Thursday**

- Cupcake Day
- 11th Grade Mass
- VG Soccer vs Wheatmore 6pm

**May 2, Friday**

- 2 Hour Delay for Students
- Festival of the Arts - Courtyard
- VB Tennis Individual Regionals

**May 3, Saturday**

- VB Tennis Individual Regionals

*Looking ahead...*

**May 5 - 16**

- AP Exams

**May 6, Tuesday**

- All School Mass 10am - Assembly Dress Required

**May 8, Thursday**

- BMHS Sports Physicals (for rising 9th-12th grade BMHS students)  
4:30pm

**May 15, Thursday**

- Spring/End of Year Sports Awards Assembly 10am - Gym
- New Villain Night 6-7pm - Lobby

**May 19, Monday**

- Final All School Mass of the School Year 10am - Gym

**May 21 - May 29**

- Underclassmen Exams

**May 21, Wednesday**

- Graduation Rehearsal 2-4pm - Gym

**May 22, Thursday**

- No School for Underclassmen
- Senior Class Day 10am - Gym
- Baccalaureate Mass 6pm - Holy Cross Catholic Church

**May 23, Friday**

- No School for underclassmen
- Commencement Exercises @ Carolina Theatre of Greensboro - 10am

**\*\* 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.**