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Dear Parents/Guardians,

It is hard to believe how quickly summer passes, but I pray your family is finding quality time to make lasting memories together. Before we know it, the start of another school year will again be upon us! I look forward to working with faculty, staff, students, and families for continued excellence in Catholic education at Assumption this fall. We've been working hard this summer in preparation for another large incoming 9th grade class (150+). We are confident in the leadership of our returning students and staff as we continue this exciting time of growth in our school community. Our chapel expansion project is currently underway, and we are looking forward to utilizing that new space with students by second semester. There is much to be excited about this school year!

As we prepare for the start of classes, I want to provide you with information pertinent to school registration. This letter (and included links) are also accessible on our school website blog posting "Back to School Information 2026." All families are strongly encouraged to spend some time looking over this information prior to attending one of our registration dates.

Registration options for all Assumption students are Monday, July 27th, and Monday, August 3rd, between 10AM and 1PM. The Registration process will offer a number of "stops" throughout the school building. Due to the chapel construction this year, we ask all attendees to park in the back student parking lot, and enter the building via the student entrance (between the auditorium and gym lobby). All students are required to drop in (parents are welcome also) on one of these two dates to take care of several things detailed throughout the remainder of this letter. At a minimum, all students will need to take their student ID/Yearbook photo, purchase school uniform wear, and pick up their school laptop. If required forms are completed ahead of time, the process should be relatively short, and staff will be available to answer any questions.

Photos: Student photos for the school yearbook and student ID cards are taken during summer registration. All students entering grades 9-11 should attend registration dressed in a school uniform approved red, white, or black shirt. **Senior yearbook photos will also be taken at school registration.** Senior boys should wear a shirt and tie (suit coat preferred) and senior girls will be provided the standard black top to change into for their photo at registration. Picture order forms will be available at registration, and payment can be submitted with orders at the time photos are taken. Pictures can also be purchased online at hrimaging.com. If a student is interested in having his/her photo retaken on picture retake day, this will be done during lunch periods on Thursday, September 24th. While hopefully rare, this retake date will also be utilized for students who have to miss both registration dates.

Student PowerSchool Access: Students will need to access their course schedules at <https://davenportdiocese.powerschool.com/> or via the Assumption website PowerSchool link in the portal login located in the upper right-hand corner of the www.assumptionhigh.org website. There is also a PowerSchool app available through both Google and the App Store for mobile devices. (The diocese district code for the app is LNBM.) Families were sent PowerSchool login information via email upon application to AHS. Course schedules will open for student viewing the morning of July 27th.

Health Forms: Required health forms should be printed (links below) and turned in at registration. Please make sure to submit updated doctor's paperwork to the AHS Front Office for any prescription medications listed for your student in the student information update (including EpiPens and inhalers).

General Required health forms include the following:

[Dental Screening](#) (required for all 9th graders only)

[Athletic Physical](#) and [Concussion Awareness Forms](#) (annually for all student athletes)

Updated immunization record (or religious or medical exemption form) for the meningitis (MenACWY) vaccine (all 12th graders)

Student Information System (PowerSchool): It is extremely important that all Assumption students and parents/guardians are comfortable accessing and using our school student information system to monitor course progress. Students and parents/guardians will receive regular grade progress report cards via the email address(es) provided in PowerSchool. Please make the effort to assure that parent/guardian contact information (email, address, and phone) is always current in PowerSchool, as this will be an important tool that Assumption will use to communicate with families.

Learning Management System (Canvas): Parents wishing to monitor class assignments and course syllabi and timelines can access this information throughout the school year via their student's Canvas access. PowerSchool and Canvas access links can be found in the student/parent portal in the upper right-hand corner of the school website.

Fees and Donations Information: Scott County Catholic Schools utilizes Blackbaud for the management of student tuition accounts. Through this system, parents will have the ability to complete any and all registration-related financial transactions. Though we will still accept cash or checks at the SCCS Business Office, those wishing to pay tuition, purchase optional items like yearbook, out-of-uniform passes, and adult activity passes can do so via Blackbaud accounts online. Additionally, the system allows families to make annual donations to the Assumption Annual Appeal, as well as various booster and support organizations within our school. We so appreciate any financial support of our educational mission. To pay via Blackbaud, simply click on the "purchase optional items" tab, and select the specific items and donations you would like to make. Please see the descriptions of optional purchases/donations and the form associated with these items as follows:

[Fees and Donations Information Sheet](#)

[Fees and Donations Form](#) (Please print and submit with any cash or check payments)

Schedules: Student schedules were built based on course requests submitted via PowerSchool last spring. Assumption staff works especially hard during the summer to get students into requested classes. In turn, the school master schedule is built around those requests. If a student changes his/her mind regarding a scheduled course, adding a newly-desired course may not be possible due to class size and balance. If a student would like to request a schedule change, he/she should contact Student Services through Mrs. Lynn Day, Academic Advisor, at lynn.day@assumptionhigh.org or Mrs. Tammy Quested, Registrar, at tammy.quested@assumptionhigh.org or 563-326-5313 ext. 2237. Schedule changes will only be granted under select circumstances. No consideration will be made for preferences regarding order of requested class periods, teacher requests, or lunch periods (these will be posted for student viewing at the student entrance stairwell on Thursday, August 20th).

School Calendar: Access to the school calendar is available via the [Assumption website](#) throughout the school year. (There is a small calendar icon that serves as a shortcut to this in the upper right-hand corner of our website.)

Attendance Policy: Student attendance in school is essential for maximized learning and the highest level of educational experience. We are fortunate at Assumption to have goal-oriented students and families who seek achievement. In an effort to prioritize school attendance and support values that will be appreciated by future employers and educational entities, the Assumption Advisory Board maintains a strict school attendance policy. Please read this [322: Attendance Policy \(Revised 2025\)](#) carefully to best support your student in understanding the specifics. It is important to note that according to policy:

“Students participating in school activities, performances, events, etc. must be in attendance for all periods of the school day in order to practice or perform/compete that day. The only exception to this circumstance is in the case of an **excused absence** due to a school-sponsored activity, medical/dental appointment, college visit, court appearance, or family death/funeral.”

EXCUSED ABSENCES

These include absences due to school-sponsored activities, an extended illness at the request of a physician, a doctor/dentist appointment with an authorized signature from the doctor/dentist, court appearance with an authorized signature from court personnel, or a death in the family. *Juniors and seniors will be allowed two days each year for college visits, which will be considered excused. The student must provide documentation to the Assumption attendance office from the college visited for the absence to be recorded as excused.*

If a student reports late to class without a pass or is 5 or more minutes late, the student will be considered absent for that class period.”

Additionally, beginning with Fall 2025, student transcripts include student attendance information and number of dress code violations.

Receiving Communications from Assumption: We make great effort to respect school access to parent/guardian contact information. All members of the Assumption Family are encouraged to regularly reference our website news blog at assumptionhigh.org for the most current school information. (If you click on the little megaphone icon in the upper right-hand corner of the site, you can see our most recent posts.) On a weekly basis, an email update is sent to all constituents to direct attention to our most recent upcoming events and highlights. Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns as we are happy to assist!

Student Laptops: Student laptops are available in the library for student pick-up. All returning students should have fully-updated devices following the summer technology update process. All new transfer students and incoming freshmen will be able to complete login instructions and access accounts prior to device issue at registration. Please stop in the library to be sure you have all you need for the school year!

Community of Faith Seminar: Assumption High School embraces the development of the total person through faith-based education. The Community of Faith Seminar provides an opportunity for students to participate in and share reflections on faith development and service activities. Course credit and grades rely upon regular participation in a community faith study structured through online discussion. All registered students will receive Fall 2026 Faith Seminar materials detailing course information and expectations via school email accounts prior to the first day of school. Faith Seminar courses are required for all 9th and 10th grade students and are optional but encouraged for 11th and 12th graders.

Busing: The Davenport Community School District will continue to bus eligible Davenport District students to Assumption. Families wishing to utilize this service should contact the Davenport Schools transportation office at 563-306-2040 immediately. Assumption also provides transportation to students living in Bettendorf and Pleasant Valley School Districts, as this is not available otherwise. Payment for this busing is due to SCCS at the beginning of each semester in order for a student to be routed. Families can recoup these costs by completing a Nonpublic Parent Reimbursement Request form (available on their public school district website). Families interested in this transportation option should contact Mrs. Jackie Guldenpfennig in the Assumption Transportation Office at jackie.guldenpfennig@assumptionhigh.org 563-326-5313 ext. 2220 by August 1st.

Freshmen and New Students: Orientation for new students will be held Tuesday, August 18th, and all incoming freshmen and new/transfer students are present from 2-5 p.m. Students are asked to be in dress code for orientation. The student-only portion of the day will be devoted to meeting teachers, learning student schedules, accessing lockers, and familiarizing students with lunch procedures. Parents/Guardians are encouraged to arrive at 5:00 p.m. for an opportunity to get more parent-directed orientation information in the Assumption auditorium. This evening portion is intended for students and their parents to have the opportunity to not only feel comfortable with a variety of school personnel but to also connect with future classmates and their families. Highlights of the Assumption experience will be profiled, and a variety of AHS personnel resources will be on hand to get acquainted and answer questions. Families will learn ways to get involved at AHS during their student's high school career, we will come together to share in the blessing of our new students, and a picnic dinner will be provided by AHS in our cafeteria. We sincerely hope that our new students and parents/guardians find this busy day to be a great way to connect and feel at ease during this time of transition. Contact Mrs. Donica Mokosak, AHS Front Office Manager, at donica.mokosak@assumptionhigh.org if you have any questions.

Blessing of the Senior Class and Senior Potluck: In an effort to celebrate our incoming senior class and pray for their leadership in the coming school year, all seniors and their parents/guardians will join for a potluck in the school cafeteria on Sunday, August 16th, from 5:00-6:30 p.m. Families with last names beginning with A-M are asked to bring a side dish to share and N-Z a dessert. Deli sandwiches will be provided by AHS. Dress is casual. We invite seniors and their parents to please join this gathering as we kick-off the year with a blessing of the Class of 2027!

School Uniform and Spirit Wear: Assumption clothing will be available at Registration. School-approved PE shorts are \$10 per pair, and students are expected to wear these with any appropriate Assumption t-shirt for all PE sessions. Opportunities to wear PE shorts with homeroom t-shirts will also happen a few times on special days during the school year.

Support our Booster Club while getting in Assumption style! Additionally, AHS Student Council will have gently used uniform clothing and spirit wear available at greatly reduced prices.

In anticipation of the coming school year, I want to be sure that parents are actively supporting their students' need to comply with the school uniform policy. Now is the time to be sure that all school uniform attire meets the specified requirements as clearly spelled out in the [AHS Dress Code Policy](#). We have so many important items to attend to throughout the year in the education of our students, and meeting uniform requirements should be among the simplest. Please support your student in securing the proper uniform items and confirming that those items fit according to the stated standards (i.e. length of skirts and uniform shorts).

In an effort to make administration of the uniform policy as straightforward as possible, school cameras are sometimes utilized to cite uniform violations. I greatly appreciate the support of students and families in keeping respect for our school dress code.

Streamlining the Registration Process: Save time on registration day by filling out necessary paperwork early! The following forms are available on our website news posting "Back-to-School Registration Information 2026" at assumptionhigh.org:

- [Common Questions](#) (informational)
- [AHS Dress Code Policy](#) (informational)
- [Bell Schedule](#) (informational)
- [Assumption High School Technology Initiative Agreement](#) (informational)
- [Fees and Donations Information Sheet](#) (informational)
- [Fees and Donations Form](#) (required for any payments made via cash or check)
- [Certificate of Dental Screening](#) (required for all 9th graders)
- [Athletic Physical](#) (required annually for all student athletes)
- [Concussion Awareness Form](#) (required annually for all student athletes)

Following new-student orientation on August 18th, the year begins for all students and staff on August 20th with the first all-student orientation day (**beginning at 7:45 a.m. and ending at 2:50 p.m.**). Students should be in dress code at this time. (Please review the dress code policy on our website.)

Students and families should also note that teachers will continue to have posted office hours on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays that fall either before school, from 7:10-7:40, or after school, from 2:55-3:25, as indicated on each teacher's syllabus. This regular opportunity to seek consistent additional help from instructors promotes the highest levels of academic success. In an effort to protect student academic time, mandatory rehearsals and athletic practices will not begin before 3:30 each day.

We are looking forward to another wonderful year of fulfilling the ministry of Catholic education at Assumption High School. Please feel free to contact the school at 563-326-5313 if you have any further questions or if we can assist you in any way.

One in the Spirit,

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