



*Faith. Values. Excellence. Success.*

Class of 2023  
Parent Information Meeting  
March 5, 2019



# Mission Statement

## Sister Percylee Hart, RSM Principal

Union Catholic Regional High School prepares a diverse student body to fulfill their college and career goals by cultivating the students' achievement of academic standards of excellence within a value-centered environment, strong in its commitment to our core values (respect, responsibility, honesty, compassion, and community), and to the establishment of a community of faith and love in the Catholic tradition.

Within a cutting-edge, innovative, and technologically infused educational environment, Union Catholic develops and celebrates the unique gifts and talents of each student. Its strong programs in academics, athletics, activities, and service prepare students for life in the real, spiritual, and virtual worlds.

Central to its mission is a commitment to **Teach As Jesus Did** and to educate and inspire students to live the gospel message.

# Our Core Values

COMPASSION

HONESTY

RESPONSIBILITY

RESPECT

COMMUNITY

# Profile of a Graduate

**Mrs. Noreen Andrews, Assistant Principal**

## **Profile of a Union Catholic Graduate**

Graduates of Union Catholic, as a result of a quality education in a faith-based environment, will thrive in the real, spiritual, and virtual worlds.

**Mrs. Barbara Dellanno, Dean of Academics and Faith Formation**

## Lenten Challenge...

During Lent, our goal is to become even more like Jesus through prayer and service.



**Mrs. Barbara Dellanno, Dean of Academics and Faith Formation**

**Weekly Lenten Challenge:  
Whatever we do for the  
least of our brothers and  
sisters, we do for Him.**

# Admissions

**Mrs. Betsy Thornton, Director of Admissions**

- Health Forms
- Funfest/Dance – March 14<sup>th</sup>
- Uniform Measurements – May 1<sup>st</sup>
- Meet the Coaches – May 1<sup>st</sup>
- You're Invited! Spring Musical  
    *“Spamalot”*  
    April 12<sup>th</sup> – Red Carpet Event
- Parent Survey
- “Stay in the Loop”
- Get Involved

# Parent Relations



Mrs. Allison Lestarchick, Director of Parent Relations

## Get Involved!

- Parent activities: Pub Night, Tree of Lights, Fish Fry...
- Tricky Tray, March 22<sup>nd</sup>
- Attend “Stay Connected” Meetings
- Check the PARENTS tab on the UC website



# Uniforms

**Dr. Jim Reagan Jr., Assistant Principal**

**Flynn O'Hara**



**Dr. Karen Piasecki, Associate Principal**

- Tuition/Fundraising Fee Fact Sheet
- Annual Family Fundraising Fee
- FACTS payments
- Tuition Reductions
- Timely payments
- Communication is key!

**Mr. Bob Wischusen, Tuition Accountant**

# Tablet and Summer Offerings

**Dr. Karen Piasecki, Associate Principal**

- **Fujitsu Tablet Computer**  
\$1750
- **Tablet Insurance**  
\$150
- **Summer Offerings**





# Graduation Requirements and Course Placement...

# Course Placement

**Ms. Meg Nuwer, Student Support Services Director**

- Placement based on standardized test scores and grades from middle school
- Course selection sheet indicates placement recommendation:
  - Freshman Foundations
  - Regular Level with Adapted Math
  - Regular Level
  - Honors
  - Accelerated

# Freshman Foundations

- Course recommendations are designed for group placement and support
- Choose elective: Phys. Ed., Art, Music

## Regular Level with Adapted Math

- Students take a full Algebra 1 curriculum over the course of two years.
  - Freshman year math = Algebra 1 Part 1
- Choose core subjects
  - Can defer Biology, World Studies or World Language until sophomore year
- Choose elective: Phys. Ed., Art, Music

# Regular Level

- Choose Math: Algebra or Geometry
- Choose core subjects
  - Can defer Biology, World Studies or World Language until sophomore year
- Choose elective: Phys. Ed., Art, Music, Technology



# Honors Program

- Choose World Language = Spanish or French Honors, Italian Regular or Mandarin Chinese Regular
- Math = Algebra Honors or Geometry Honors
- Recommend take ALL core subjects – do not defer any until sophomore year
- Choose elective: Phys. Ed., Art, Music, Technology

# Distinguished Scholars Program

- Choose World Language = Spanish or French Honors, Italian Regular, or Mandarin Chinese Regular
- Math = Algebra Honors  
or Geometry Accelerated
- Recommend take ALL core subjects – do not defer any until sophomore year
- Choose elective: Phys. Ed., Art, Music, Technology

# Testing for World Language

- All freshmen are placed in the FIRST level of the World Languages they select.
- Students who want to enter a higher level of any World Language MUST take the UC Language Placement Test on May 18<sup>th</sup> or 21<sup>st</sup>.

# Testing for MATH

- Students who want to enter Geometry **MUST** take the UC Algebra Placement Test on May 18 or 21
- Core Algebra skills will be assessed – study guide is available on our website
- All testers receive a skills assessment, with recommendations for placement or additional review
- Can review topics in UC's Summer Algebra Enrichment Program - weeks of July 8-11 and July 15-18
- Re-take Placement Test after Enrichment sessions

# Transportation



**Edward Sagendorf,  
Director of Transportation**

# B6t State Transportation Form

## (Submitted at Signing Day)

NEW JERSEY STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION **(B6T) APPLICATION FOR PRIVATE SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION**  
OFFICE OF STUDENT TRANSPORTATION Please submit a separate application for each child to the private school

SCHOOL YEAR **2019-2020** DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION \_\_\_\_\_

STUDENT'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_  
LAST FIRST MIDDLE MONTH DAY YEAR

PARENT OR GUARDIAN \_\_\_\_\_ DAYTIME PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

HOME ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

NEAREST INTERSECTION TO STUDENT'S RESIDENCE \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

FULL NAME OF SCHOOL ATTENDED **Union International High School** PHONE **908-889-1600**

ADDRESS OF SCHOOL **1600 ... Scotch Plains, NJ 07076**

STUDENT'S GRADE FOR THE CURRENT YEAR \_\_\_\_\_ DISTANCE BETWEEN HOME AND SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_ (MEASURED VIA SHORTEST ROADWAY OR WALKWAY IN MILES)

DATE SCHOOL OPENS **9.2.2016** SCHOOL CLOSURE DATE **5.20.2016** SCHOOL HOURS FROM **8:00** AM TO **2:10** PM  
MILES TENTHS

NAME AND ADDRESS OF LAST SCHOOL OF ATTENDANCE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

**DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE \* FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL USE ONLY**

YOUR APPLICATION HAS BEEN REVIEWED BY THE RESIDENT DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION. THE FOLLOWING DETERMINATION HAS BEEN MADE:  
\_\_\_\_\_ TRANSPORTATION WILL BE PROVIDED \_\_\_\_\_ YOU ARE ELIGIBLE FOR PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TRANSPORTATION

**Must be filled out for every student**

**UNION CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL  
TRANSPORTATION NOTIFICATION FORM  
2019 - 2020**

**PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE:**

Name of Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/Town: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS:**

We **will participate** in Union Catholic's Private Transportation Program for **2019-2020**

Transportation **will be provided** by our local Board of Education.

We **will provide** our own transportation to and from Union Catholic.

We are **undecided** at the present time.

**Option 1:**

**BOE Provides a Bus**

**COST: \$0**

- ✓ Cranford
- ✓ Clark\*
- ✓ Elizabeth
- ✓ Linden
- ✓ Plainfield
- ✓ Rahway
- ✓ Scotch Plains-Fanwood\*
- ✓ Union
- ✓ Woodbridge Township

*\* = over 2.5 miles*

**Option 2:**

**BOE Reimbursement**

**COST: \$490 (Reserve-a-Seat Fee) + \$1000 BOE Reimbursement**

- ✓ Union Catholic provides the transportation.
- ✓ Please refer to transportation sheet for list of towns that currently reimburse.

**Option 3:**

**No reimbursement**

**COST: \$490 (Reserve-a-Seat Fee)**

- ✓ Union Catholic provides the transportation.



**Please complete the following ONLY if you have checked that you will participate in Union Catholic's Private Transportation Program:**

**Bus Stop Information:** Please review the enclosed list of bus routes and bus stops. Choose a stop that best meets your transportation needs and write this information in the spaces provided below.

Bus Route #: \_\_\_\_\_ Time of Stop: \_\_\_\_\_

Location of Stop: \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_

Town in which stop is located: \_\_\_\_\_

***If none of the listed stops service your area, please complete the following:***

Closest main-street to your street address: \_\_\_\_\_

Closest cross-street to the main street: \_\_\_\_\_

# Payment

## PAYMENT

If you choose to participate in Union Catholic's Transportation Program, a non-refundable **\$490.00** bus registration fee per address will be due by **Friday, May 10, 2019** to reserve a seat on the bus.

Please make check payable to: **Union Catholic High School**

Return to: Transportation Department  
Union Catholic High School  
1600 Martine Avenue  
Scotch Plains, NJ 07076

# Transportation Timeline

- \* **May 10, 2019** – Reserve a Seat due
- \* **August 12, 2019** – UC transportation mailing
- \* **August 25, 2019** – Board of Education mailing
- \* Busing will begin on Orientation Day

# Publicity Release and Waiver

**Dr. Karen Piasecki, Associate Principal**

**Sign form each year**

# QUESTIONS??

Contact the Admissions Office  
with ANY questions

908-889-1600 ext. 302

[bthornton@unioncatholic.org](mailto:bthornton@unioncatholic.org)

[www.unioncatholic.org](http://www.unioncatholic.org)

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