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From Lourdes Lambert PRINCIPAL/CEO

60th Anniversary Diamond Jubilee Celebration
OPENING REMARKS

We are here to look back and celebrate the great legacy that is Archbishop Alter High School – a school rooted in traditions, and endless opportunities. We have accomplished so much over the last 60 years. Since the first graduating class in 1966, we are proud of over 10,000 alumni who have gone on to do and be many things, but remain Knights forever. We continue to be rooted in our Catholic faith, but have changed to meet our students' academic needs by adding courses with a STEM focus or a business focus while helping them be well rounded individuals with the area's only Conservatory of the Arts program. We have renovated our Chapel, our Science labs, and changed the footprint of the campus with the addition of the arts wings to house that fabulous Conservatory program. We went from playing football and soccer in the dirt bowl to adding turf fields and Lacrosse programs. We even learned that the building could be air conditioned – who knew? Most recently, we have added a mental health focus to keep our students safe and healthy in this ever changing world. We have accomplished a lot, and have experienced much success on and off the athletic fields.

Tonight is also a time to look forward enthusiastically to the next 60 years, and to what may be next for our school. Tonight, you will get a sneak peek at what I hope to be the future of our campus. After preliminary conversations with the City of Kettering and the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, I wanted to share the overall vision with all of you. Thanks to Jason Sheets at Moda 4 – we have renderings of the project here we hope to kickstart tonight. What you will see is a project in two phases with Phase 1 being illustrated in gold, and Phase 2 being illustrated in brown. Phase 1 of this campus facilities improvement plan includes:

- Improved security with a new entry including a vestibule and reception area for visitors, and moving the main office down to the new entry.
- New boys and girls court locker rooms.
- New bleachers where the current stage is for additional seating in the gym.
- New fieldhouse to provide 2 more full size basketball courts and a dedicated volleyball court for practices and a new, relocated weight room.
- In addition to these improvements, we plan to have additional parking in the front of the school, new coaches offices, team rooms, and storage areas.

Phase II of the project encompasses additions and improvements to the stadium, including:

- New grandstands, concessions, restrooms and boys and girls field locker rooms.
- New sports medicine facility.
- New football locker room in addition to additional classroom space and an area dedicated to mental and physical wellness and programs.

This vision was born out of our strategic plan, and was developed with the help of our Board of Trustees. Our Board has worked tirelessly to bring the strategic plan to life, and to allow it to guide every decision we make at our school. John Bradley, our Board chair, and many Board members are here tonight in support of this vision. Please don't hesitate to speak to a Board member tonight about our plans and hopes for Alter's future.

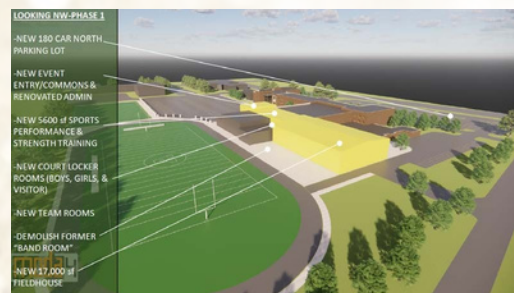
These renovations are a lofty goal, but one I know can be achieved because the Knights are unstoppable once we set our mind to something.

This redesigned campus plan is what our

students deserve, and it truly matches their talents and abilities. So, as we celebrate this new vision for our campus tonight know that your contributions will go directly to a specific improvement in phase one – security and locker rooms being those priority needs in the first phase.

Thank you for allowing me to share this vision with you, and, more importantly, for your love and devotion to Alter. I would like also like to give special thanks to Chris Sapita and Kim Schimpf for their generous yes in hosting this event, and chairing the gala committee. Without their incredible work ethic and vision, we would not be here tonight. Chris, Kim and the Gala Committee please stand so we can all thank you for bringing us together! A special thank you also goes to my dear friend, Lona Houpt. Lona is a very talented photographer who you will see capturing our moments together tonight – thank you Lona for all you do for Alter High School!

Your connection to Alter and your support of our school means the world to our students and to me. You are truly inspiring! Thank you for your love, your prayers, your encouragement and your belief in our school. Thank you for helping to ensure that Archbishop Alter High School is a viable option for students for many years to come, and thank you for reminding us again and again that faith, pride and spirit never go out of style. Please join me in raising a glass to Alter High School and all of our Knights Forever. Cheers to 60 years, and, as always, GO KNIGHTS!



Please enjoy the video above that was shown at the 60th Jubilee!

Thank you to Allen Farst for his extensive time and dedication in the production of this video!

REMINDERS

School Office Hours:

7:30 a.m.- 3:45 p.m.

Spirit Shop Hours

Wednesdays:

10:45 a.m.- 12:30 p.m.

3:05 p.m.-3:30 p.m.

Easter Break

Please be reminded there is no school **April 7-14** due to Easter Break. The next Alter Update will go out **Friday, April 21**.
Happy Easter and enjoy the break!

Laptop Stylus and Chargers

If you are in need of a stylus or charger for your computer use the links below:

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Freshman Orientation Registration

Click the link below to register for April 20:

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Lourdes Lambert

Dear Families:

Welcome to fourth quarter and to Easter break! It is hard to believe that we are already here – I guess time really does fly when you are having fun! I wish you all a restful and re-energizing break as I know we are all ready for a bit of well-deserved relaxation.

Upon our return from Easter break, as we enter this final phase of the 2023-24 school year, I ask that you help encourage your child to finish strong with regular attendance, arriving on time every day, turning in all assignments in a timely fashion, and being prepared. These final weeks of the school year come with a flurry of activities that demand our attention, but it is important that we remain focused and stay the course so we may achieve the goals we set for ourselves in August.

One of my favorite quotes from C.S. Lewis reminds us,
"Don't shine so that others can see you.
Shine, so that through you,
Others can see HIM."

As we prepare to celebrate the resurrection of our Savior, let us remember that we are His light in the world. We have a responsibility to share that light with others through our words, and our actions. Kindness, compassion, understanding and a little patience are of the utmost importance as the school year winds down. Let's help remind one another that we are all essential and important in our community, and that we need each other to be successful.

May God continue to bless the entire Alter community and all of our many gifts.

Much love and many prayers,

Lourdes Lambert
Lourdes Lambert
Principal

Opportunity for Senior Parents and Students

Dear Senior Families:

Archbishop Alter High School is proud to host a presentation by Dr. Louis Profeta on Thursday, April 27 at 6:30 p.m. in the Conservatory for the Arts Theater. Dr. Profeta's biography is below:

Dr. Louis M. Profeta

Dr. Louis M. Profeta is a nationally recognized, award-winning writer, TED Talk speaker, and Emergency Physician at St. Vincent Hospital of Indianapolis, a level 1 trauma center. He has cared for more than 100,000 patients. He also serves on the Board of Directors of Forensics Services for the City of Indianapolis. He is the best-selling author of the critically acclaimed book *The Patient in Room Nine Says He's God*. He is a dynamic and sought-after public speaker and frequent guest on TV and radio. He has gained critical acclaim for his poignant essays and writings for *LinkedIn Pulse Magazine* on topics such as our national heroin crisis in *When the Lion Kills Your Child*, end-of-life care in *I Know You Love Me Now Let Me Die*, and dozens of similar essays. In 2015, 2016, and 2017 he was named *LinkedIn Top Voice* for readership in health care. His scathingly sarcastic but passionate essay *Your Kid and My Kid Aren't Playing in the Pros* was honored as one of the best articles on sports by the Society of Professional Journalism. In 2018, he was honored by the National Society of Newspaper Columnists for outstanding contribution to online media. His essays entitled *A Sunday Talk on Sex, Drugs, Drinking and Dying* and *A Very Dangerous Place for a Child is College may be the most read and shared essays in history on the topic of drugs, sexual assault, and alcohol abuse on college campuses*, having been read by millions. His 2018 essay *I'll Look at Your Facebook Profile Before I Tell Your Mother You're Dead* has become one of the most read articles in the world on social media.

Following the success of *A Sunday Talk on Sex, Drugs, Drinking and Dying*, Dr. Profeta has been invited to speak all over the country on this topic. Dr. Profeta has told hundreds of parents their children have been killed over his career and he brings this reality to high schools and college campuses across America. Some have described this as the most brutal, realistic, and impactful presentation ever given on the topic. He is rapidly becoming recognized as one of the most widely read opinion essayists in America today, including *LinkedIn Top Voice in Covid Related Health Care* in 2020. Dr. Profeta is a proud member of *Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity*.

A Sampling of Where He Has Spoken:

Miami of Ohio
Indiana University
University of Missouri
Missouri State University
University of Texas
University of Tennessee
University of Oregon
Purdue University
University of Miami
Arkansas State University
West Virginia University
Rose-Hulman University
Indiana State University
Randolph Macon College
Wabash University
Sigma Alpha Mu National Convention
Theta Chi National Convention
Lambda Chi Alpha National Convention
Phi Gamma Delta National Convention
Pace Academy Atlanta Georgia
University of Arizona
Park Tudor High School
Theta Chi National Convention
Risk Management on the Road Conference
Culver Military Academy

Dr. Profeta has spoken at numerous high schools, parents' organizations, fraternities and sororities, and college athletic teams, and major medical conferences on the issues of drugs, alcohol, and sexual assaults on college campuses.

Following the presentations for students, Dr. Profeta stays for question-and-answer sessions, usually with administrators out of the room, in order to give the students an open opportunity to ask questions in a safe environment. The inquiries are chilling and cast a light on where the disconnect is for these students.

- He routinely exposes the gaps in their education in regards to drugs and alcohol.
- Educates them in the actual biology and physiology of these agents.
- Exposes the pitfalls of sharing, mixing, or abusing prescription and over-the-counter medications.
- Educates them to the dangers of edible marijuana compounds.
- Exposes them to the innate risk of just “watching” a friend who is under the influence.
- Uncovers the urban myths and legends surrounding these compounds.
- Offers them suggestions in responsible drinking, both for the individual and in a social setting.
- Focuses on the responsibility to each other in ensuring the safety of the group.
- Educates the students in regards to the emergence of complex mental health issues in the college and high school setting.
- Discusses hazing and behaviors meant to humiliate or belittle an individual.
- Discusses behaviors that put students at risk of being sexually assaulted or at risk of being a victimizer in their own right.
- Discusses the devastation they will leave in their wake should they be killed or should they have a part in the death of another student.

Obviously, his own career path and experiences, and his ability to connect on their level is a reason this talk works. In addition, with every presentation he exposes the fluid nature and ever-changing risks as new designer drugs hit the streets, or novel delivery methods of alcohol and drug abuse are discovered.

This is a brutal and honest discussion. It is meant for mature students only.

Due to limited seating in the theater, please reserve your space for this event by using the sign up genius below:

Click Here

I look forward to experiencing this open and honest conversation with you!

With hope and gratitude,

Lourdes Lambert

Lourdes Lambert
Principal



Dr. Louis M. Profeta

ADMISSIONS



Please Welcome Our New Director of Admissions!

Jessica Pettit

Hello, Alter Knights! My name is Jessica Pettit, and I am so proud to be the new Director of Admissions. I grew up in the Dayton area, and am a 1995 graduate of West Carrollton High School. I attended Miami University in Oxford, Ohio, and graduated in 1999 with a B.S. in Education, and in 2000 with an M.S. in Speech-Language Pathology. During my career as a speech therapist, I worked in home health care, in outpatient clinics, in local Head Start programs, and in public elementary schools. I left my position at Miamisburg City Schools in 2016 to be home with my boys as they entered high school.

I have been married to my husband, Chad, for almost 24 years, and have two sons: Jack, 20, who is a sophomore Business major at Miami University; and Eric, 18, who is graduating from Alter this May as part of the class of 2023, and is headed to Elon University in August to pursue a BFA in Musical Theatre. Over the past four years, I have been an active volunteer at Alter, serving as the Castle Players Theatre Booster President, as a booth co-chair for AlterFest and as a parent liaison to the Admissions Team during the 2022-23 school year.

I come to Alter's staff as a parent, as an educator, and as a champion for the difference that Catholic education and, specifically, Archbishop Alter High School can make in the lives of students. I love being a part of this community, and look forward with great hope to sharing our faith, pride and spirit with prospective families.

Please reach out to me if there is ever anything I can help you with, or any question that I can answer. Go Knights!



Heather Dunn

“We Are an Easter People and Alleluia is our Song”

Back in 1986, Pope John Paul II (now SAINT Pope John Paul II), gave a beautiful homily about joy. Just saying the word “joy” probably evokes a lot of thoughts for you. Perhaps when you think of a joy-filled person, you see a person with a permanent smile. However, I think we often confuse joy and happiness. We think that if we are happy, we are filled with joy and vice versa. However, to understand the difference between happiness and joy we must realize that happiness is a feeling and joy is a virtue. What does that mean?

In his homily, Saint John Paul II teases out the difference between these two and recognizes that we are called to a life not of eternal happiness, but that of JOY. We may not always have joy-filled, sunshiney, rainbow days, but we are encouraged to keep joy at the center of our lives. He summarizes this in a famous quote which fits perfectly with our Easter season when he says, “We are an Easter People and Alleluia is our song!” I don’t know about you, but after a seemingly long Lenten season, I welcome the singing of the Alleluia on Easter morning! There is so much beauty in joining a full Church in singing those beautiful words on Easter morning!

And yet, sometimes as we celebrate the Easter Season (which is a full 50 days and not just one Sunday), we find our happiness dwindling. A lot of life will continue to happen in the next 50 days; we will experience many joyful moments, but I know many of us will experience some tough moments as well. While we sing Alleluia on Easter morning, we sing it not just in celebration of that day or the happiness we feel in that particular moment, but we sing Alleluia because we know it means “Praise the Lord” and that Jesus has conquered death!

As we enter the days leading up to Easter, also known as the Triduum, we are reminded to enter the journey with Jesus to our eventual Easter joy. Saint Pope John Paul II encourages us not to just live a life of happiness, but a life of joy knowing that suffering leads to the Resurrection. We need only to look to Good Friday and then Easter Sunday to know that a life with Jesus doesn’t promise all moments of happiness, but true moments of Joy. While Jesus endured great sorrow and pain, he remained steadfast in the joy that was to come in the Resurrection.

I pray that wherever this Easter season takes you, that you will be reminded of the joy in knowing Jesus conquered death. While we may not always feel happiness, we are reminded deep within our faith lives that Jesus walks with us during our highs and lows, offering us joy in the Resurrection. We proclaim ourselves as “Easter people” and “Alleluia is our song” because Easter joy is the assurance that our loving God has not abandoned us. Rather, God is with us in every moment and has made a way for us to share in the hope of the Resurrection.

GUIDANCE



Nicole Sutter



Kristen Hammaker



Shannon Brown

Juniors:

Once again, Alter will be hosting the highly informative Junior Parent College Night for all juniors and their parents. Mr. Donnell Wiggins (Associate Vice President for Strategic Enrollment Management and Dean of Admission for the University of Dayton) and Alter's guidance counselors will present vital information regarding the college application process from both the high school perspective, as well as a university's. This has always been a very valuable and informative night for our soon-to-be seniors and their parents. A date has yet to be finalized, but more communication will be coming soon.

Seniors:

Seniors received an email recently about completing the Alter Graduation Survey in Naviance. This online survey details their final college choice and/or post-secondary plans, as well as all scholarships offered and accepted. The survey can be accessed now and will remain open until Friday, May 5. Students can save answers and return to make modifications to the survey. However, any changes made after final submission need to be done by emailing Ms. Sutter (nicole.sutter@alterhs.org).

Why is the survey so important? Primarily it is a requirement for graduation. Additionally, this survey provides us with a wealth of information, not limited to the following: schools to which the class of 2023 applied and were accepted; scholarships offered; certain honors they may have received; and/or the plans each senior has after graduation from high school. We use this data in a variety of ways that contribute to the success of our school. Most importantly, this is the OFFICIAL RECORD that Alter uses to notify us where you will be attending school in the fall. Your final high school transcript MUST be received by your school prior to starting classes. Please never hesitate to email any of us with questions.

For those students taking AP Exams, please refer to the chart below for the testing schedule:

2023 AP Exam Schedule

Week 1	Monday 5/1	Tuesday 5/2	Wednesday 5/3	Thursday 5/4	Friday 5/5
Morning 8:00-12:00	AP Government		AP English Literature		AP U. S. History
Afternoon 12:00-4:00	AP Chemistry	AP Psychology			
Week 2	Monday 5/8	Tuesday 5/9	Wednesday 5/10	Thursday 5/11	Friday 5/12
Morning 8:00-12:00	AP Calculus	AP English Language			
Afternoon 12:00-4:00			AP Biology	AP Physics	

TAYLOR RESOURCE CENTER

The ACT

The ACT was a success at Alter High School. Thank you to the students and teachers for such a smooth testing day! If students would like to take the ACT on a national test day, please visit act.org for dates and registration details.



Kati Balent

Advanced Placement

AP testing is coming soon! Students and AP teachers are working hard to prepare for this year's round of testing. Below is a list of the testing dates for our Alter students:

Date	8am	Noon
Monday, May 1	AP Government	AP Chemistry
Tuesday, May 2	None	AP Psychology
Wednesday, May 3	AP English Literature	None
Thursday, May 4	None	None
Friday, May 5	AP US History	None
Monday, May 8	AP Calculus AB and BC	None
Tuesday, May 9	AP English Language	None
Wednesday, May 10	None	AP Biology
Thursday, May 11	None	Advanced Honors Physics
Friday, May 12	None	None

Taylor College Resource Center

Mrs. Kati Balent has taken over as Director of the Taylor College Resource Center. With eleven years of school counseling experience, she is ready to help students and parents tackle the question of what to do after high school.

Seniors: Make sure to stop by and see Mrs. Balent for any college application questions or concerns! We can research schools, application requirements, common application questions, and more! The Taylor Center is open every Tuesday and Thursday.

My Family's First: If you would like to receive our "My Family's First" emails, please contact Kati at katharine.balent@alterhs.org.

This program provides information for parents helping their kids through the college application process, especially if this is their student to apply.

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

The Class of 1975

The class of 1975 is less than 3 years away from their 50th reunion and they are embracing it! Classmates from the class of '75 are planning to give back to Alter during the 50th reunion. The class 1975 is also working to raise \$75,000 for the Class of 1975 Legacy Scholarship. Over their zoom discussion some of the quotes that came out of the meeting were:

1. "Alter helps build your faith-based community of friends that help you get through life!"
2. "Alter is a family of Christian- based loving and compassionate siblings."
3. "Alter teaches values that are Christian-based. What could be better than that?"

We love to see our alumni discussing what they feel makes Alter great! The care and devotion our alumni show our school means so much to us! Go Knights!



Abbi Brabender '15 Senior Picture

Why Do You Love Alter? Video

We have received our first Alumni video from 2015 Alumnus Abbi Brabender! We would love to receive more videos from Alter Alumni. You can submit your videos by using this link: [Click Here](#). Once you are on the page scroll down to submit your video.

[Click Here for the Video](#)

Alter's Hall of Fame Induction Events

Alter has graduated nearly 10,000 students and each of them are piece of the tapestry that comprises our school today. The Hall of Fame recognizes the "best of the best" and enhances Alter's rich tradition of our history, spirit, and culture. The Hall of Fame recognizes those graduates who distinguished themselves during their time at Alter and in the ensuing years post-graduation.

2022 Inductees

Athletic: Joseph Thuney '11, Nina DiGuardi '00 Vasiliu, Melissa Tytko '95 Andretta, Bill Siewe '77, 2008 & 2009 Football State Champions. Distinguished: Dr. Timothy Maloney '67, Dr. Deborah Nightingale '67, and Dr. Raymond Madachy '77. Students will get to hear inspiring stories from our Knights Forever inductees at an all-school assembly April 21.

Alter is pleased to invite the community to attend the Hall of Fame Induction Dinner on April 21, 2023. The dinner will be held at the Presidential Banquet Center beginning with a 6:00 p.m. cocktail hour continuing with the program and dinner beginning at 6:45 p.m. Tickets are \$60 per person. **The deadline to purchase tickets is April 13.** To purchase tickets: [Click Here](#)



DID YOU KNOW?

Ohio Catholic Educator of The Year

Ms. Linda Dintaman received her award at the University of Dayton as she was the first recipient of the Ohio Catholic School Teacher of the Year Award called Lumen Fidei- which means “light of faith”. She gave a wonderful short speech on how teachers “plant seeds”. Her share of love and joy is such a light in our school and community. We are very proud of her!



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Female Aspiring Business Scholars

Are you a junior or senior female interested in studying business in college? Registration is now open for Female Aspiring Business Scholars (FABS) overnight summer camp at the University of Dayton of Business Administration, running June 25-30! Learn more: [Click Here](#)

Parent Ambassador Program

Why do you love Alter? What were the factors that led you and your child to choose Archbishop Alter High School? What do you wish you would have known when you were making a decision about your child's high school education? What stories, tips or advice can you share with the parents of prospective or new students?

Parent Ambassador programs organize parents of current students and recent alumni to recruit and welcome new families through natural invitation, connection and relationship building. Parent Ambassadors at Alter may be asked to reach out to local parishes and churches; participate in admissions events (such as open houses or summer socials); provide personal contact or mentoring to new families; help with social media and digital marketing; or canvas the community to deliver materials about school events to local businesses.

If you are interested in learning more about the Parent Ambassador Program, you are invited to attend a kick-off and question/answer session on Wednesday, April 26 at 7:00 p.m. This meeting will be held on Zoom, and the link will be available after Easter break. If you are not able to attend the meeting, but would like to be involved, please contact Jessica Pettit, Director of Admissions at jessica.pettit@alterhs.org or by phone at (937) 428-5394.



STEM Talks

On March 27, Officer Byron Branch allowed students to know his story. While on duty, an accident occurred during a snow storm that caused Officer Branch to lose his leg above the knee. After some waiting, a bioengineered prosthetic leg was given to him to allow him to continue being an officer. Our students saw his leg and also a prototype fitting that he had been testing. Officer Branch will soon be testing another prototype in order to advance the comfort of prosthetic legs. Besides being an officer, Byron was on his way to representing the US Olympics in fencing. His path has taken a detour to the ParaOlympics, where he will represent the U.S. He described his strict training schedule to the students...wow! Such determination and ability!

Environmental Science Easter Eggs

As we approach Easter Sunday this weekend, check out these awesome Easter Eggs our Environmental Science class dyed! Purple cabbage makes blue, red onion skins make lavender/red, yellow onion skins make orange, beets make pink, turmeric makes yellow and red zinger tea makes lavender. Happy Easter!



Mayors Award

Congratulations to senior Annabelle Hacker on receiving the Mayor's Award for Volunteer Service! The Mayors award recognizes volunteers who do service in a wide variety of categories in the Kettering Community. Annabelle has done a great job volunteering throughout her years of High School and we are so proud that she is being recognized for it. Congratulations Annabelle!

THE ARTS

Castle Players Update

The spring production of SINGIN' IN THE RAIN was a HUGE success. We performed for several sold out crowds and enjoyed bringing joy and laughter to the audience. Check out our promos-

Promo 1

Promo 2

Coming up--- It has been a season of firsts for The Alter Castle Players - FIRST Original Musical in development, FIRST Golden Age show in 10 years, FIRST on stage rainstorm. SO... we may as well end with another first. Alter Castle Players inspired it and were the first to hear it - and NOW will be the first people in the world to perform it! Our 2023 music video is an original song-- Indestructible (Music by Rachel Dean; Lyrics by David Brush). The video will be released in May-- stay tuned!

ONLINE PRESENCE

Facebook- Alter High School's Castle Players

Instagram- altercastleplayers

For up-to-date information about the Castle Players - please visit www.alterhs.org/theatre

YouTube- [Click Here](#)



Band and Guard

Congratulations to our winter guard on an outstanding season! Special thanks to seniors Eva Elliott, Emma Walker and Taylor-Rae Watson. The Marching Knights have announced their theme for next year "Scenes from and Italian Restaurant: The Music of Billy Joel." We are looking forward to a great year!



SCENES

FROM AN

Italian
RESTAURANT

THE MUSIC OF BILLY JOEL

The Archbishop Alter Marching Knights

ATHLETICS

Girls' Lacrosse

The Varsity team faced four tough opponents in their first weeks of play. Under the leadership of a record 9 seniors returning this year, they've scored a total of 16 goals. Senior Maria Purcell leads the team in scoring 9 goals with junior Abby Harold scoring 3 followed by freshman Jill Smith, senior Lauren Grisoni, freshman Sarah Metzger and senior Marissa Rasey each scoring 1 goal.

Senior goalies Sofia Quiñones and Madeline Maffett return to the field this year to round out the hardworking defense. Both are currently defending the net with save rates of 46.5% for Sofia and 33.3% for Madeline. The team returns to the field after Easter break to take on Tippecanoe on April 18.

Over the last three JV games, the Knights scored a total of 17 goals against Oakwood, CJ, and Bishop Fenwick. Goals were scored by freshman Sarah Metzger (8), sophomore Lake Lutz (5), and sophomore Julia Orlando (4). Freshman goalie, Talia Pasi, made her debut and is off to a great start. The next JV game is at home against CJ on April 24 at 5:30 p.m. Go Knights!



Boys' Lacrosse

The team played 2 road games since the last update. They traveled to Canal Winchester Saturday and came up short 11-3. Goals by Simon Deddens (1), and captains: John Thieman (1) and Carter Sheets (1). Tuesday we faced GCL foe McNicholas in a very competitive game. It was tied up at the half but the Rockets pulled away in the final period. The final was 10-6 McNicholas. Joe Doorley pulled out a hat trick, John Thieman scored 2 goals with Zach Hoey scoring 1 goal. Special shout out to goalie, Alex Allison. Alex had 10 stops vs McNicholas! Great work Alex!

The boys get back at it after Easter break with a home game vs. Grove City at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 20. Please come out to support the boys. Also, here is a fun fact to kick off your break: Native Americans invented lacrosse and the first rules were established in 1794.

Our home games will be live streamed at <https://www.youtube.com/@ahslacrosse>.

P.S. Players – don't forget your sticks over Easter break!



Boys' Basketball

Congratulations to the Alter Boys' Basketball Team for a record-breaking year! The team reached the Regional Finals (Elite 8) after huge back-to-back-to-back tournament wins over Meadowdale, Cincinnati Taft, and Dunbar. The Dunbar win was the 20th for the season and also the 1,000th win all-time for the Alter Boys' Basketball program. This senior class won 3 District Championships, 1 Regional Championship, and 2 GCL titles. That's a lot of nets! Beyond these team achievements - the following senior co-captains also received recognition for their individual efforts including:

Anthony Ruffolo was named to the Division II All-State 1st Team by the Ohio Prep Sportswriters Association, as well as the Prep Hoops All-Ohio 1st Team. Anthony is the first Alter Knight to be named to the All-State 1st Team in over 20 years and only the 6th player in Alter history to receive this award. Anthony also was named to the 1st Teams for the Southwest Region, District, and GCL, as well as the District All Star Team. Anthony ended his career as the #3 all-time scorer in Alter history (1,292 points) and is the new record holder for 3-pointers made in a season (71) and career (185), along with career steals (205).

A.J. Leen capped off his senior season by receiving All-State Special Mention recognition, as well as being named to the 1st Team All-GCL and 2nd Team Southwest Region. A.J. was a 3-year starter for the Knights and finished his career as the #12 all time scorer in Alter history with 898 points!

Gavin Geisel was named to the 2nd Team All-GCL. Gavin was a 3-year Varsity member, scored 665 career points, and was often called upon to guard the opponent's best player. Gavin, A.J., and Anthony all were among the Top 5 in the GCL in steals this year.

Congratulations and "thanks" to these 3 seniors and to the entire Alter Knights Boys' Basketball Team for this historic 1,000th win season and for continuing to build upon Alter's championship legacy!



Knights Athletics Calendar

You can [Click Here](#) to view our calendar for upcoming athletics events.

UPCOMING EVENTS

The GREAT KNIGHT

2023 Junior & Senior PROM

Saturday, May 6 | 7 PM – 11 PM
Presidential Banquet Center

Tickets Sold May 1 – 4 at Lunches
Juniors bill through FACTS. Seniors pay cash or check.

\$50/PERSON

\$100/COUPLE



The Alter Music Association
is proud to support the
Alter Marching Knights

Annual Mulch Sale

Delivery Dates

April 21-23 & April 28-30

All Natural Supreme Dark Hardwood Mulch in
2cu. Foot bags

Prices:

1-39 Bags ---- \$6.00 / Bag

40+ Bags ---- \$5.50 / Bag

Join us in supporting the 2023 Archbishop Alter Marching Knights.

Last year, the Alter Marching Knights earned

**2022 BOA Class A Grand National Champions and
2022 MSBA Class A Grand Champions.**

The Marching Knights are poised to have another amazing year
with your support! Spring is here and you can help this amazing
band's performances and make your yard look incredible too.

Order by April 10th for free delivery within a 15 mile radius of
Alter High School.

Delivery Charge of \$15.00 on all other orders in the 2023 sale.

Order Now, and find details at
www.alterma.org
937-401-0011

MULCH SPREADING SERVICE IS AVAILABLE

by the Alter Boys Lacrosse team:

Requested amount \$2.50 or more per bag.

For Mulch Spreading questions Contact Ed at spreadmulch@gmail.com
or text or call 937-477-1535.



Summer Days & KNIGHTS

JUNIOR LANCERETTES
Grades 6-8

8:30am-4pm

June 5-8
\$125

ART: CARTOON CREATIONS 12:30-3:30pm
Grades 1-4

JUNE 5-8
\$85

GIRLS BASKETBALL
Grades 2-7
Grades 8-9

8:30am-11:30
12:30pm-3:00

June 12-15
\$140
\$140

BOYS SOCCER
Grades 3-9

4-6pm

June 19-22
\$125

BOYS BASKETBALL
Grades 2-9

9am-3pm

June 19-22
\$130

LAFFALOT
Ages 6-12

9am-2pm

June 26-30
\$145

ART: MINECRAFT MANIA 12:30-3:30pm
Grades 5-8

July 10-13
\$85

TRACK & FIELD #1 9am-3pm
Grades 5-8

July 10-13
\$125

STEM 9am-12pm
Grades 2-5

July 17-20
\$80

TRACK & FIELD #2 9am-3pm
Grades 5-8

July 17-20
\$125

FOOTBALL 9am-3:15pm
Grades 3-12

July 24-28
\$120

GIRLS SOCCER 6pm-8pm
Grades 3-9

July 24-27
\$125



LAFFALOT



REGISTER ONLINE TODAY! ALTERHS.ORG/CAMPS2023

Alter School Calendar

2022-2023

AUGUST

- 11/12: New Teacher Orientation
- 15: Teacher Workday
- 16: Teacher Workday
- 17: Freshman First Day
(½ retreat & ½ school info)
- 18: First Day All Students
- 18: Fairmont Football Game
- 24: Meet the Teacher Night

SEPTEMBER

- 2-4: AlterFest
- 5: Labor Day – No School
- 12: AlterFest – Day Off
- 14: All School Mass
- 16: Homecoming Game
- 17: Homecoming Dance
- 20-23: Kairos
- 24: Open House
- 24: Band BOA Toledo
- 25-26: Junior Retreat
- 28: Underclass Pictures & Senior Panoramc
- 30: 60th Anniversary of Alter's Opening Dedication

OCTOBER

- 1: Turnabout
- 6-9: Fall Play
- 7: End of the First Quarter
- 11: All School Mass
- 12: PSAT/ACRE
- 14-16: Band to Tennessee
- 18: Open House
- 20: No School, Parent Conferences – 11am-7pm
- 21: No School
- 28: Scholarship Breakfast

NOVEMBER

- 1: All School Mass
- 2: Prayer Service
- 3: Open House
- 10: Knights of Gratitude
- 10-12: Band @ BOA Nationals
- 15-18: Kairos
- 19: High School Placement Test
- 22: Grandparents Day / All School Mass
- 23-25: Thanksgiving Break – No School
- 28: Giving Tree Assembly

DECEMBER

- 1: Application, Financial Aid, Scholarship Deadline
- 8: All School Mass
- 8-11: Winter Musical
- 13: Band Concert
- 15: Exams 1 and 2 – Noon Dismissal
- 16: Exams 3 and 4 – Noon Dismissal
- 19: Exams 5 and 6 – Noon Dismissal
- 20: Exams 7 and 8 – Noon Dismissal
- 21: Teacher Work Day / Exam Make-Up Day
- 22– Jan 4: Christmas Break – No School

JANUARY

- 4: Teacher Work Day
- 5: First Day of Second Semester (Thursday)
- 6: All School Mass
- 8-9: Junior Retreat
- 16: Martin Luther King Day – No School
- 24-27: Kairos
- 29-30: Junior Retreat
- Jan 30-Feb 3: Catholic Schools Week

FEBRUARY

- Jan 30-Feb 3: Catholic School Week
- 3: Winter Pep Rally
- 4: Alter's Got Talent
- 7-8: IOWA Testing
- 13-16: Week of Giving
- 17-20: Presidents Day Weekend – No School
- 22: Ash Wednesday Mass
- 25: Mother-Son Shindig
- 28: Sophomore Retreat

MARCH

- 4: Father-Daughter Dance
- 9: End of 3rd Quarter
- 10-13: No School
- 15: All School Mass
- 16-19: Spring Musical
- 21-24: Kairos
- 23-26: Spring Musical
- 28: ACT Juniors Only in Attendance
- 31: 60th Diamond Jubilee

APRIL

- 1-5: Senior Trip
- 6: Holy Thursday – Prayer Service
- 7: Good Friday – No School – Easter Break
- 10-14: Easter Break – No School
- 19: All School Mass
- 21: Hall of Fame Assembly & Induction
- 25: Freshman Retreat
- 26: Band Concert

MAY

- 3: Band Concert
- 4: Pep Rally / Student Council Elections
- 5: Sophomore Surprise
- 6: Prom / Freshman Formal
- 9: All School Mass
- 11-12: 2-Hour Delay / Academic Awards
- 19: Senior Awards Assembly – Gym
- 19: Baccalaureate Mass and Dinner
- 20: Graduation, Trent Arena – 9:30am
- 22: Exams 8 and 7 – Noon Dismissal
- 23: Exams 6 and 5 – Noon Dismissal
- 24: Exams 4 and 3 – Noon Dismissal
- 25: Exams 2 and 1 – Noon Dismissal
- 25: End of Semester
- 26: Teacher Work Day



SCHOOL YEAR

FRESHMEN 1ST DAY

AUG
16

ALL 1ST DAY

AUG
17

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

MAY
23

SCHOOL BREAKS

OCT
19

PARENT CONFERENCES
NO SCHOOL

OCT
20

DEC
21

WINTER BREAK
BACK TO SCHOOL JAN 9

JAN
8

JAN
15

MLK DAY
NO SCHOOL

FEB
16

PRESIDENT'S WEEKEND
NO SCHOOL

FEB
19

MAR
8

NO SCHOOL

APR
26

MAR 29 APR 1 APR 2 APR 3 APR 4 APR 5

GOOD FRIDAY & EASTER BREAK - NO SCHOOL

IMPORTANT DATES

OCT 6 DEC 20 MAR 7 MAY 23

END OF EACH QUARTER

MAY
17

SENIOR AWARDS
BACCALAUREATE

MAY
18

GRADUATION

EXAM SCHEDULES

1ST SEMESTER
2ND SEMESTER

DEC 15, 18, 19, 20
MAY 20, 21, 22, 23

ARCHBISHOP ALTER HIGH SCHOOL 2023-2024 CALENDAR

AUGUST

10/11: New Teacher Orientation
14: Teacher Workday
15: Teacher Workday
16: Freshman First Day (½ retreat & ½ school info)
17: First Day All students
17: Fairmont Game
23: Meet the Teacher Night 6:30-8:30pm

SEPTEMBER

1-3: AlterFest
4: Labor Day – No School
14: Homecoming Game
15: Homecoming Dance
19-22: Kairos #1
24-25: Junior Retreat
29: Scholarship Breakfast
29: Senior Night

OCTOBER

4-8: Fall Play (Arts Wing)
6: End of the First Quarter
11: Possible PSAT? (No School Freshmen & Seniors)
14: Turnabout
18: Possible PSAT? (No School Freshmen & Seniors)
18: Knight of Gratitude
19: No School, Parent Conferences (11-7)
20: No School

NOVEMBER

1: All School Mass
2: All Souls Prayer Service
4: Band State Competition
10/11: Band Grand Nationals – Indianapolis
12/13: Junior Retreat
14-17: Kairos - #2
18: High School Placement Test
21: Grandparents Day and All School Mass
22-24: Thanksgiving Break – No School
27: Giving Tree Assembly

DECEMBER

1: Deadline for Class of 2028
Application, Financial Aid, Scholarships
6: Advent Reconciliation
6-10: Winter Musical (Arts Wing)
8: All School Mass
13: Band Christmas Concert
15: Exams 1 and 2 – noon dismissal
18: Exams 3 and 4 – noon dismissal
19: Exams 5 and 6 – noon dismissal
20: Exams 7 and 8 – noon dismissal
21: Possible Exam Make Up Day, teacher work day
21– Jan 8: Christmas Break – No School

JANUARY

8: Teacher Work Day
9: First Day for Students (Tuesday)
15: Martin Luther King Day – No School
23-26: Kairos #3
27: Lip Sync Battle
28-29: Junior Retreat
29: Catholic Schools Week begins
30: All School Mass
31: Area Catholic Schools Week Mass

FEBRUARY

1-2: Catholic Schools Week continues
6/7: IOWA - Freshmen
9: Winter Pep Rally
12-15: Alter Week of Giving
13: Alter Love Telethon
14: Ash Wednesday Mass
16-19: Presidents Day Weekend – No School
22: Knight of Celebration - Class of 2028
23: Knight Out Event

MARCH

6: Class of 2028 Scheduling 4-7pm
7: End of 3rd Quarter
8: No School
7-10: Spring Musical – Arts Wing
14-17: Spring Musical – Arts Wing
19-22: Kairos #4
23-27: Senior Trip
29: Good Friday - No School

APRIL

1-5: Easter Break
24: Band Jazz Concert
25: Freshman Retreat
26: No School

MAY

3: Sophomore Surprise
4: Prom & Freshmen Formal
6/7: Award Assemblies
6-10: AP Testing
10: Tentative PM Assembly Pep Rally
13-17: AP Testing
16: Graduation Practice for Seniors after exam
17: Senior Awards Assembly – 8:30am Gym
17: Baccalaureate Mass and Dinner 6:00pm
18: Graduation – Trent Arena – 9:30am
20: Exams 8 and 7 – Noon Dismissal
21: Exams 6 and 5 – Noon Dismissal
22: Exams 4 and 3 – Noon Dismissal
23: Exams 2 and 1 – Noon Dismissal
End of Semester

**ALL DATES ARE SUBJECT
TO CHANGE
PENDING ARCHDIOCESE
APPROVAL**