

THE KNIGHT TIMES

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Lourdes Lambert

A Season of Gratitude and Light

Dear Alter Families,

As we enter the Christmas season, our hearts naturally turn toward gratitude. Advent invites us to pause, reflect, and recognize the many blessings that surround us—often in ways both big and small. At Archbishop Alter High School, this time of year is a powerful reminder of how deeply blessed we are as a community.

This first semester of the school year has been filled with moments that reflect God's faithfulness and the strength of the Alter family. Our students continue to grow in faith, pride, and spirit; our faculty and staff pour their hearts into their work each day; and our families, alumni, and friends consistently show up with generosity, encouragement, and prayer. These blessings are not accidental—they are the result of a community rooted in shared values and a commitment to caring for one another.

One particularly meaningful blessing I am excited to share is the recent awarding of an Ohio Security Grant to our school, which will allow us to make important upgrades to our campus access control and camera systems. The safety and well-being of our students, faculty, and visitors remain among our highest priorities. This grant will help us strengthen our campus security infrastructure and continue to provide a learning environment where students can feel safe, supported, and focused on becoming the people God created them to be. We are deeply thankful for this opportunity and for the partnerships that make such investments possible. At Christmas, we celebrate the greatest gift of all—Christ's love made present among us. That same spirit of love is evident throughout our school community. Whether through prayers offered, time volunteered, gifts given, or words of encouragement shared, your support sustains every aspect of life at Alter. You believe in our mission, and your faith in our school allows us to continue growing, improving, and serving our students with excellence. As we prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ, please know how grateful we are for each of you. Thank you for the many ways you support Archbishop Alter High School and for walking alongside us in all that we do.

May this Christmas season bring peace, joy, and hope to you and your loved ones. From our Alter family to yours, we wish you a blessed and joyful Christmas.

With hope and gratitude,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lourdes Lambert".

Lourdes Lambert
President



Barbara Groene

Christmas Blessings to All

Dear Families,

As we celebrate the joyous season of Christmas, we give thanks for the gift of our school community, and the many blessings God has bestowed upon us. This season invites us to slow down and remember the humble birth of Jesus, God's greatest sign of love, hope, and peace for the entire world.

Amid holiday activities and celebrations, may we keep Christ at the center of our hearts and homes. Let us take time to pray together as families, attend Mass, and share acts of kindness with those in need. These simple yet profound gestures reflect the true spirit of Christmas.

On behalf of our faculty and staff, we wish you and your loved ones a blessed Christmas filled with joy and peace, and a New Year overflowing with grace. We are thankful for the hard work, growth, and faith our students have shown this semester. Thank you for your continued partnership in nurturing faith and excellence in our students. May this break be a time of rest, renewal, and meaningful moments with loved ones.

As we celebrate Christmas, may the light of Christ fill your homes with peace, joy, and renewed strength for the year ahead. We look forward to welcoming everyone back refreshed and ready to continue our journey together. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

In Christ,
Barbara Groene
Interim Principal/ Dean of Students

ADMISSIONS



Jessica Pettit

A FEW OF MY FAVORITE THINGS

It absolutely flew past us, but we have completed another fall admissions season, and December seems the perfect time to reflect on the events and the experiences of the past few months.

•Shadow Days

This year, we held seven Shadow Days and increased the capacity for each day from 25 students to 35 students in response to last year's interest and participant numbers. In total, 206 students visited this fall and were hosted by our incredible Student Ambassadors, who are always willing to share their Alter story and answer questions about what it means to be a Knight. Shadow Days are one of the biggest undertakings of the admissions season and are often the most important contributor to a student's decision to apply to, and ultimately attend, Alter High School.

•Admissions Events

In addition to Shadow Days, the Admissions office hosted two evening events.

The first, held in October, highlighted our exemplary arts and athletics programs. Attendees were treated to performances by our band and Castle Players and were able to hear remarks from Mr. Todd Tucker and Ms. Christina Hart before walking around the Arts Wing and main gym to meet teachers, directors, and coaching staff.

The second, held in November, focused on faith formation at Alter, on our rigorous academic offerings, and on the admissions process itself. Families who attended were able to gain insight into each of these areas (with presentations from Mr. John Ruff, Mrs. Jennifer Schlangen, and myself) and were able to discuss course offerings with our teaching staff.

•HSPT Prep Classes

Another change that was implemented this year was to our High School Placement Test prep course. Instead of only offering the one-hour preparation session, we offered a practice test the Monday before the HSPT. This practice test allowed students to review the strategies they had been taught in a "real-world" scenario, helped them to get a better idea of test timing, and gave them the opportunity to check their knowledge and skill with additional example problems. Our practice test session was very well attended, and feedback indicated that many students and families found it beneficial.

•Newsletters and Communication

As in previous years, an Admissions newsletter was sent monthly to all eighth-grade parents at our partner schools, and information regarding events and registrations was sent to these schools for inclusion in their weekly publications. As well, our Alter "Learn A Latte" series allowed me to invite prospective families to learn more detailed information about our admissions process and the steps involved. I continue to be proud of Alter's expanded reach in the Dayton area and of the relationships that we have cultivated with faculty, staff, and families at our local Catholic schools.

Overall, we are concluding a successful and fruitful fall admissions season and are looking forward with great anticipation to sending admissions decisions to our newest Knights on January 16, 2026. In the meantime, I wish you all a blessed and restful holiday season- the merriest Christmas and a happy New Year!

Warmly,
Jessica Pettit
Director of Admissions



Jennifer Schlangen

Reflecting on the End of the First Semester: Academic Lessons and Growth

As we come to the close of our first semester, I want to take a moment to reflect on the academic journey our students have undertaken over the past several months. The end of a semester is always a meaningful milestone. It is where students begin shaping not only their academic pathways but also their habits, goals, and sense of responsibility. From my perspective, this semester has been a time of noticeable growth, adjustment, and achievement.

One of the most encouraging aspects of this first semester has been seeing how students responded to academic challenges. Our teachers have emphasized critical thinking, deeper analysis, and problem-solving skills across all subject areas. As students prepared for end-of-semester projects and exams, many demonstrated a growing ability to apply concepts rather than simply memorize them, showing real academic maturity. This change is vital, as it lays the foundation for success not only in future courses but also in college and beyond.

In observing classrooms and meeting with teachers, I have seen firsthand the strengths our students are developing. Many have become more engaged in class discussions, more willing to ask questions, and more proactive about seeking feedback. These behaviors indicate a developing sense of academic responsibility. At the same time, the end of the semester provides an opportunity for honest reflection. Some students recognized challenges such as procrastination or inconsistent study habits, areas we will continue to support them in improving as we move into the second semester.

As we wrap up this term, I am incredibly proud of the growth shown across our student body. The first semester is often one of the most challenging, but it is also one of the most transformative. The progress made, both academically and personally, sets a strong foundation for the months ahead. I encourage students to use this moment not only to celebrate their accomplishments but also to reflect on what worked well and what strategies they can strengthen moving forward.

Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas,
Jennifer Schlangen
Assistant Principal of Academics

GUIDANCE



Lauren McAbee



Shannon Brown

Interested in participating in College Credit Plus (CCP) for the 2025-2026 school year?

Our CCP coordinator from Sinclair Community College, along with both Alter counselors, will be offering a required informational session for parents AND students in February. One parent and the student should be in attendance. If you have any questions about CCP and would like to know if this may be an option for your family, this is the ideal time to learn more about it from the experts. Communication on the date and time will be forthcoming.

Seniors:

Christmas break is a great time to do some scholarship searching. It may seem time consuming and tedious, but the best money is free money! As we head into the second semester, more and more scholarships will become available on your Naviance account under Scholarships & Money in the Colleges tab. An email will be coming from our office when school resumes with some further information on local scholarships, so be looking for that!

Juniors:

Junior year is when we really begin to ask students to focus on what life will look like after high school. Parents are invited to come join Alter's Guidance Department and Class 101 for a very informational meeting to help their student(s) through this process. The meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 13th at 6:30 p.m. in Alter's Theatre.

All Students:

As always, if a student is experiencing academic challenges in the classroom, contacting the teacher directly to find help is the best way to find resolution. Parents and students are always welcome to talk with the counselors about any concerns here at Alter by calling or emailing the Guidance office.

Most importantly, we would like to wish all our wonderful students and families much joy this Christmas season and peace in the coming New Year. Thank you for the special gifts you are to all of us. Blessings!



Save the Date!

It's Back!

After a few years away, our iconic Alter Fish Fry known as the "Knight Out" returns on February 27, 2026, at Alter High School.

Expect gambling, online auction items, a 50/50 drawing and great entertainment from the featured band, Piper Down. Get your 50/50 tickets now at <https://winhalf.com/alter>

Save the date and get ready for the big comeback!

Welcome Officer Eric Rustad to the Alter Family

We are pleased to officially welcome **Officer Eric Rustad** as our dedicated School Resource Officer at Archbishop Alter High School. While Officer Rustad is already a familiar face on campus, we are excited to share that beginning **January 1, 2026**, he will be assigned **exclusively to Archbishop Alter High School and St. Charles Borromeo School**, strengthening our ongoing commitment to safety, presence, and relationship-building within our school community.

Officer Rustad brings a wealth of experience to this role. He has served as a School Resource Officer for the past **five academic years**, supporting **nine different schools** prior to this new assignment. Throughout that time, he has built meaningful relationships with students, faculty, and administrators, and has been a consistent and reassuring presence whenever he has been on our campus.

Before serving as an SRO, Officer Rustad spent **10 years assigned to the Kettering Police Department Motor Unit**. His career also includes advanced tactical training, having attended **L.A.P.D. S.W.A.T. School** and serving **10 years on the Kettering Regional S.W.A.T. Team**. In addition, he has contributed to the department as a **firearms and defensive tactics instructor, evidence technician, and field training officer**, helping train and mentor fellow officers.

Officer Rustad has shared how grateful he is for the collaboration and effort that made this dedicated assignment possible, and how excited he is to serve our students and families in a more focused way. We are equally grateful for his willingness to invest fully in our community—and yes, he is especially excited about navigating campus in a golf cart!

We look forward to the positive impact Officer Rustad will continue to have on campus and are thankful for the partnership we share with the Kettering Police Department. Please join us in welcoming Officer Rustad as an even more integral part of the Alter family.





Did you know?

You can make a \$1,500 gift to Alter without an out-of-pocket expense.

If you are an Ohio resident with an Ohio income tax liability, you can earn a **DOLLAR-FOR-DOLLAR INCOME TAX CREDIT** for gifts made to a Scholarship Granting Organization (SGO).

How does it work?

1. Determine your Ohio tax liability from last year by checking your Ohio 1040 IT, line 8c to estimate this year's liability.
2. Make a gift online or via check to the Catholic Education Foundation (CEF), a Scholarship Granting Organization (SGO) and **designate Alter** to receive your gift. Make a gift up to \$750 per individual/ \$1,500 married filing jointly. **Married couples are required to make separate gifts.** Only make a gift up to your tax liability or the \$750 individual / \$1,500 married, maximum.
3. Claim the **CEF-SGO tax credit** on your Ohio tax income return. You will receive a receipt for your gift to the CEF-SGO that can be sent with your tax return.

The result of your gift to the CEF-SGO and dollar-for-dollar tax credit is **NET ZERO** to you, but a huge gain for Alter! Gifts to the CEF-SGO are awarded as financial aid to Alter families and free up operational funds to be used on other priority needs.

Learn more or make a gift: [OHIO TAX CREDIT](#)

To speak with someone directly, contact Alter Advancement, 937-434-2059



**Department of
Taxation**

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

Libby Jones '98 Stars as Contestant on Jeopardy!

We would like to congratulate Elizabeth “Libby” Jones on her impressive run on the show Jeopardy! Libby applied for the show by taking several tests and finally got the invitation to come to California to be on the show. While getting an invitation to be on the show is impressive in itself, Libby was able to compete and win two of the games on December 1st and December 2nd. Way to show off those trivia skills Libby! The Alter Community was proud to have one of their own in the spotlight.



Class of 2020 Celebrates 5th Year Reunion

On Wednesday, November 26th, the Class of 2020 held their 5th year reunion at Harrigans Tavern in Kettering. A total of 75 members from the Class of 2020 enjoyed reconnecting and reminiscing over their days inside the halls of Alter High School. The reunion served as a great reminder of the strong bonds and shared experiences that continue to unite this special group. Go Knights!



ALTER ALUMNI:

Have you joined our exclusive

Alumni Fire?

WHAT IS IT?

The ultimate platform for fostering connections among our valued alumni community! Here, you can easily reconnect with fellow graduates, explore new career opportunities tailored to your field, and stay informed about the latest news and events at Alter. Whether you're looking to network, seek advice, or simply catch up, Alumni Fire is your go-to resource for maintaining and enriching your professional and personal relationships. Join us today and ignite the potential within our alumni network!



[Click here to join AlumniFire Today!](#)



THE CLASS OF 1966

To the first Alter High School, Class of 1966, graduates:

We had an incredible 50 year reunion,

now it's time to celebrate our 60th!

Save the Dates: June 12, 13 & 14, 2026

Official Invitation to follow in January of 2026



"Let's Party, Let's Dance!"



ARCHBISHOP ALTER
HIGH SCHOOL

Save the Date!

Class of '72 Turns 72

When: Friday, June 19, 2026 at 6:30 p.m.

Where: The courtyard area at The Marriott at the University of Dayton, 1414 S. Patterson Blvd., Dayton, Ohio. 45409

What to Bring: BYOB and snacks

Cost: FREE

* Contact fellow classmates to arrange hikes or golf.

Follow Facebook page Archbishop Alter High School Class 1972

Hear ye! Hear ye! Your Knight appears,
Mark ye—soon comes fifty years!

Save the Date

Class of '76 50th Reunion 2026!!

Friday, June 12th, 6:30-10:30 p.m.
Casual Meet and Greet at Geez Pub and Grill

Saturday, June 13th, 6:00-10:00 p.m.
Dinner and Drinks at Yankee Trace Country Club

Sunday, June 14th, 10 a.m.
Mass in Alter Chapel
Led by classmate, Fr. Mark Soehner
Followed by a Complimentary Brunch and School Tour

Your Reunion Committee Calls Forth Our Class...
to unite in a noble goal of \$76,000
for Alter's *Unite The Knights* building fund—a tribute to our graduating year—
an enduring gift that pays forward the blessings we received and
fortifies our Alma Mater's vitality for generations yet to come.

Join this Noble Quest—visit alterhs.org/class-of-1976
or Scan the QR Code



Follow the planning and share your memories
on our private Facebook page at
Alter Class of '76

Update your contact information at
alterhs.org/update-your-information

~ Invitation to Follow ~

Mark ye - the countdown begins!

DID YOU KNOW?

Thank you for Your Support of the Giving Tree

A big thank you to the Alter family for their overwhelming support of the Giving Tree. Soon after donating thousands of dollars for the turkey drive, the Alter community donated a little over 500 toys and clothing items for the Alter Giving Tree. The items were taken to the Salvation Army KROC Center, Hannah's Treasure Chest and several families in West Dayton. A big thank you to Sister Dennis for organizing the tree ornaments and to Key Club members for packing the gifts into garbage bags for delivery.

The faculty & staff at Alter are continually overwhelmed by the generosity of our families at Alter who truly exemplify the call to help their neighbors in need. Merry Christmas!



Kensie Funk '26 Represents Alter in Varsity Spirit Spectacular Parade

Senior Kensie Funk was selected as an All American for cheer by the Universal Cheerleaders Association's Varsity Program! She proudly represented Alter at Disney World in the Varsity Spirit Spectacular parade—bringing it full circle as our first athlete to attend as a freshman and now closing it out her senior year. Congratulations Kensie! The Alter Community is so proud of your accomplishments!

Guest Speaker Brandon Saho speaks to Alter Students on Mental Health

During this month of December, The Hope Squad helped organize to host guest speaker Brandon Saho to speak to our student body on the importance of mental health. Brendan is a sports reporter who created the podcast called The Mental Game after dealing with his own depression and suicidal thoughts. Brendan has had many compelling interviews with athletes, musicians, and celebrities to help break the stigma around mental health. Some notable guests on Brendan's podcast have been Terry Crews, Office star Kate Flannery, rapper Kevin Gates, and many more. Brendan's mission continues to help save lives by speaking up and having these conversations around depression and anxiety. Our school could not be more thankful for him to take the time to speak to our students.



Grandparents Day Pictures

All photos taken at Grandparents' Day will be available to view and download on **Thursday, January 8th** at <https://alterhs.org/GRANDPARENTS/>



THE ARTS

Christmas Concert and Holiday Spirit!

On Wednesday, December 10th our band finished their performances this semester by bringing the holiday spirit to Alter. The tradition of celebrating donating our ugly Christmas sweaters and Christmas PJ's was a hit. Thank you to all of those who participated.



Community and Relationships

Earlier this semester a number of our band students and families, led by sophomore James Smith, embarked on a community outreach program with the artisans at Gerstner & Sons here in Dayton. Our students learned to cut, form and sew leather inserts for Gerstner's custom attache cases. Learning new artisan skills and helping an incredible company in our community. We were also surprised at our Christmas concert with a donation to our program from Gerstner & Sons. We are beyond thankful!



Congratulations to the 2026 Alter Winterguard Members!

Alter High School Winterguard 2026

Captain: Norah W.

***Sophia K.
Haleigh S.
Tara F.
Lily G.
Matilda G.
Kate O.
Ella V.
Ava E-L.
Destiny Z.
Danna S.
Katelyn K.
Bella B.
Brain P.
Shea S.***

Competition dates:

January 31 - Fairfield HS

February 15 - Trent Arena

March 1 - Springboro HS

March 8 - Centerville HS

March 28 - Mid East Performance Assoc.

Championships - Nutter Center



BAND & GUARD

INFORMATION MEETING

DATES

01.26.2026
02.23.2026
03.23.2026
04.20.2026



TIME

6:00PM



todd.tucker@alterhs.org



940 E. David Road Kettering
Christine Connor & Fred J. Miller
Conservatory of the Arts
Band Hall

Q&A

SCHEDULING / TIME COMMITMENT
PHYSICAL DEMANDS / SKILL REQUIREMENTS
ATTENDANCE & ACADEMIC EXPECTATIONS
SOCIAL & COMMUNITY BENEFITS
COST/FEEES & TRAVEL

We'd love to have you come and listen. It's simply an opportunity to learn more - no commitment expected.

Scholastic Art Award Winners

We would like to congratulate several of our students that have been recognized as winners in the Miami Valley Regional Scholastic Art Awards earning Gold, Silver, and Honorable Mention distinctions.

The Scholastic Art & Writing Awards are the nation's longest running and most prestigious recognition program for creative students, and many past recipients have gone on to become influential artists and creatives, including Andy Warhol, Stephen King, and Tracy Chapman. Being recognized at the regional level places our students on a journey to be recognized on the national level. Congratulations to:

Addie Clough – The Strike – Drawing – Honorable Mention
Alora Strauser – Light Against the Dark – Ceramics & Glass – Silver
Alora Strauser – Tasty Vase – Ceramics & Glass – Silver
CJ Dolphin – Self Portrait – Drawing – Honorable Mention
Corinne Simpson – Scopophobia – Painting – Honorable Mention
Corinne Simpson – Cibophobia – Illustration – Honorable Mention
Corinne Simpson – Aquaphobia – Painting – Silver
Corinne Simpson – Gerascophobia – Painting – Honorable Mention
Corinne Simpson – Anatidaephobia – Illustration – Honorable Mention
Corinne Simpson – Entomophobia – Illustration – Honorable Mention
Corinne Simpson – Haemophobia – Illustration – Honorable Mention
Corinne Simpson – Aphenphosmophobia – Illustration – Honorable Mention
Corinne Simpson – Chronomentrophobia – Illustration – Honorable Mention
Corinne Simpson – Ataxophobia – Illustration – Honorable Mention
Elyse Stachler – Wilderness Jar – Ceramics & Glass – Silver
Elyse Stachler – Homebound Harmony – Ceramics & Glass – Honorable Mention
Jack Lampman – Oil Spill – Photography – Honorable Mention
Jack Lampman – Bag of Apples – Drawing – Silver
Jack Lampman – Doodle Cup – Ceramics & Glass – Honorable Mention
Jack Lampman – Mandala – Photography – Honorable Mention
Jack Lampman – Self-Portrait – Photography – Honorable Mention
Jack Lampman – Aura Reading – Photography – Honorable Mention
Jack Lampman – Lauren's Portrait – Drawing – Honorable Mention
Jack Lampman – In a Dark Room – Photography – Honorable Mention
Juliana Montoya – Freckled Autumn Leaf Tea Pot Set – Ceramics & Glass – Honorable Mention
Juliana Montoya – Olive Gray Teapot Set – Ceramics & Glass – Silver
Juliana Montoya – Amber Brown Teapot Set – Ceramics & Glass – Gold
Lauren Miller – Romantic Village – Painting – Silver
Lauren Miller – Bright Nightmare – Painting – Honorable Mention
Makensie Funk – Lace and Pearl Suit – Fashion – Silver
Megan Barker – Nathan's Portrait – Drawing – Gold
Megan Barker – Statue – Drawing – Silver
Riley Rubertus – Heart On Your Sleeve – Ceramics & Glass – Honorable Mention
Scarlett Hilgeford – Diamonds Are a Girl's Best Friend – Drawing – Silver
Sebastian Kamil – Michelle Still Life – Photography – Honorable Mention
Sophia Cason-Noland – Cory – Drawing – Gold
Sophia Cason-Noland – Prince – Drawing – Honorable Mention
Sophia Cason-Noland – Closing the Chapter of Childhood (Me and Tucker) – Drawing – Silver
Tab Irwin – An Artificial Sun – Photography – Honorable Mention
Tab Irwin – Oranges in Portofino – Painting – Honorable Mention
Tab Irwin – Charcoal of Ziggy – Drawing – Honorable Mention
Teagan Powell – Zendeya – Drawing – Honorable Mention
Veronica Johnston – Vase – Ceramics & Glass – Gold



Go Knights!

SPORTS REPORTS

Wrestling

We had a great weekend of wrestling for the Alter Knights!

Varsity boys competed at the Edgewood Invitational and put on a show! We had 11 placers with 5 Champions, and the Knights are the 2025 Edgewood Invitational Champions. They took 1st place out of 23 teams, earning their second consecutive team title at this tournament. Our boys out scored the 2nd place team by 160 points!

Blake Foucht, Freshman, 106lbs - Champion 🏆
Henry Craiglow, Sophomore, 113lbs - Champion 🏆
Luke Snyder, Senior, 165lbs - Champion 🏆
Hunter Roesser, Sophomore, 175lbs - Champion 🏆
Rod Owens, Senior, 190lbs - Champion 🏆
Kason Dill, Junior, 144lbs - Runner-Up 🥈
Hayden Weiss, Junior, 120lbs - 3rd Place 🥉
RJ Morgan, Sophomore, 138lbs - 3rd Place 🥉
Logan Irvin, Sophomore, 157lbs - 3rd Place 🥉
Dash Koelker, Sophomore, 215lbs - 3rd Place 🥉
Keith Butler, Senior, 285lbs - 3rd Place 🥉

Also, a special congratulations to senior, Luke Snyder, on his 100th Varsity win. A feat that not all wrestlers achieve in their high school career. We're proud of you Luke!

Now for our amazing lady Knight, Alora Strauser! Alora traveled to Cuyahoga Falls, OH to compete at the prestigious Ironman tournament, Women's Division. After a very close 10-8 loss in the quarterfinals to the Florida State Champ, Alora battled back to a 4th place finish. Congratulations, Alora! Keep doing you...we love to see you shine!

We have a special group of athletes and we are making noise in the wrestling community. Stay tuned...this is only the beginning!



Swim Team

The Knights competed against 8 area schools in their first swim meet of the season at the Fairmont Invite last Friday.

Senior Nathan Kyre led the boys to finish in 5th place overall with two first places finishes in the 200 IM and 100 Breast Stroke. Hank McCall was close behind placing 1st in the 500 Freestyle and 2nd in the 100 Back Stroke.

The girls finished 6th overall and were led by sophomore Emerson Cason with a 1st place finish in the 100 Breast Stroke and a 2nd place finish in the 200 IM. Other top 5 finishers were Clara Schwierking placing 4th in the 100 Breast Stroke, and Genevieve Popp placing 5th in the 100 Breast Stroke.

The AquaKnights will be back in action after the new year, swimming in a dual meet against Oakwood and Fairmont at 3:00 p.m. on January 4th at the Wright State University Natatorium in Fairborn. Mark your calendars now and come out to cheer on your AquaKnights!



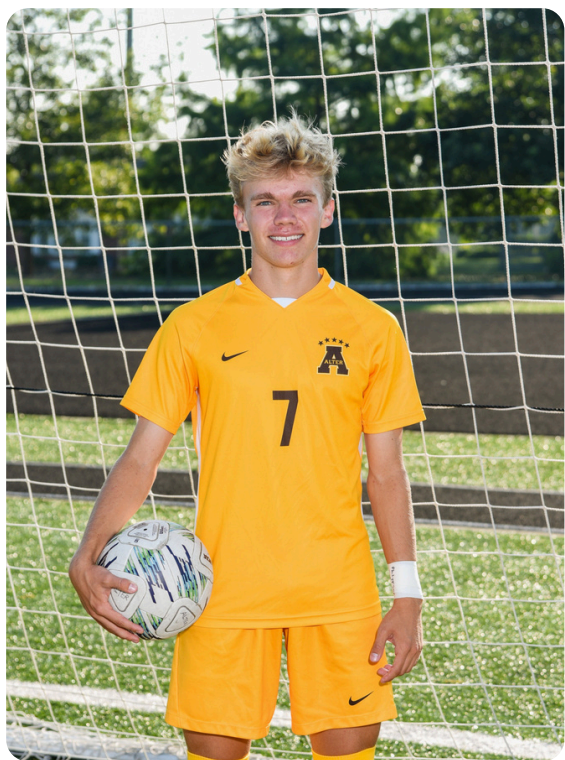
Boys' Basketball

The boys' basketball team is currently coming off of two straight GCL wins against Carroll (78-48) and a close win against the Badin Rams in overtime where the Knights ultimately came out on top with a 3 point lead and final score of 61-58. The Knights will be traveling to Kentucky this weekend to take part in the Louisville Tournament. We know they will compete at a high level and represent our school with pride. Go Knights!



Mason Miller '26 Named All-American for Soccer

We would like to congratulate senior soccer player Mason Miller for being named to the Fall 2025 United Soccer Coaches All-American Team. To be eligible for recognition, players must be selected by the state they live in through a coaches' selection program. Each state is awarded a specific number of allocations on the All-American and All-Region teams based on how many coaches the state has that are current United Soccer Coaches members. This is a huge accomplishment for Mason that recognizes the work he puts in on the soccer field. Congratulations Mason! You have made the Alter Community very proud!



ALTER ATHLETICS
WEEK OF DEC 22ND - 28TH

MON 22	TUE 23	WED 24	THU 25	FRI 26	SAT 27	SUN 28
Boys Basketball @ TBD Louisville, KY	Boys Basketball v. Carroll 7:30 PM				Girls Basketball @ Newark Tourney 2:30 PM	Girls Basketball @ Newark Tourney TBA

Merry Christmas

ALTER ATHLETICS
WEEK OF DEC 29TH - JAN 4TH

MON 29	TUE 30	WED 31	THU 1	FRI 2	SAT 3	SUN 4
Wrestling @GMVWA Holiday Tournament 10 AM Butler HS	Wrestling @GMVWA Holiday Tournament 10 AM Butler HS			Boys Basketball @ Trotwood 7:30 PM	Girls Basketball @ CJ 1:30 PM	
					Hockey @ Lexington Thoroughbreds 5:15 PM Lexington Ice Center	
					Wrestling @Coach Bulugaris Classic 10 AM Beaver Creek HS	

Happy New Year

FLYERS

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1st Annual Father & Son **BOWLING**

Hosted by Alter Men's Soccer

SATURDAY
31 JAN
06:00 PM

POELKING
WOODMAN LANES

TEAM ENTRY
\$60

INCLUDES
PIZZA & DRINKS

VENMO



@Alterhs

Venmo: Please put 2026FSBowl & names in memo

Or register with credit card:

<https://alterhs.org/father-son-bowling-fundraiser/>

SAVE THE DATE!

FATHER DAUGHTER DANCE

FEBRUARY 7TH, 2026

6:30-9:30 PM

NCR COUNTRY CLUB

MORE DETAILS TO COME!



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REMINDERS

School Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday:
7:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Please direct all
questions to the Main
Office at 937-434-4434

Spirit Shop Hours

The Spirit Shop will be
open Wednesday's from
10:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Thank you!

Next Publication Date

Please know that due to the Holiday
Break, our next publication date will
be an Alter Update going out on
Friday, January 9th. Have a Merry
Christmas and a Happy New Year!

ARCHBISHOP ALTER HIGH SCHOOL

2025-2026 CALENDAR

AUGUST

7-8: New Teacher Orientation
11-12: Teacher Work Day
13: Freshman First Day
14: First Day- All Students
15: All School Mass
16: Freshman Social- Backyard Party
19: Meet the Teacher Night
20: Picture Day (9th, 10th & 11th)
21: Pep Rally
21: Fairmont Football Game
29-31 Alter Fest

SEPTEMBER

1: Labor Day- No School
8: Alter Fest Day Off- No School
10: All School Mass
14-15: Junior Retreat
16-19: Kairos
19: Scholarship Breakfast
20: Turnabout and Bowling with Friends
25-28: Fall Production

OCTOBER

2: Hall of Fame Banquet
3: End of First Quarter
3: Homecoming Game
4: Homecoming Dance
6: First Day of 2nd Quarter
7: Admissions Event- Arts/Athletics
8: PSAT- No School for 9th/10th/12th
15: PSAT- No School for 9th/11th/12th
16: Parent Conferences
17: No School
22: All School Mass

NOVEMBER

2-3: Junior Retreat
3-7: Week of Giving
6: Admissions Event- Academics
11-14: Kairos
14: Application Deadline- C/O 2030
15: Band Grand Nationals
24: Giving Tree Ceremony
25: Grandparents Day Mass
26-28: Thanksgiving- No School

DECEMBER

4-7: Winter Production
8: All School Mass
11: Exams 1 and 2- Noon Dismissal
12: Exams 3 and 4- Noon Dismissal
15: Exams 5 and 6- Noon Dismissal
16: Exams 7 and 8- Noon Dismissal
17: Exam Makeup Day- Teacher Work Day
18-Jan.5: Christmas Break- No School

JANUARY

5: Teacher Work Day
6: First Day of 2nd Semester
11-12: Junior Retreat
19: MLK Day- No School
20-23: Kairos
24: Freshman Social- Dodgeball
25-26: Junior Retreat
25-30: Catholic Schools Week
27: All School Mass
30: Pep Rally
31: Father Son Bowling Event

FEBRUARY

3-4: IOWA Testing
7: Father Daughter Dance
10: Sophomore Retreat
13: No School
16: Presidents Day- No School
18: Ash Wednesday- All School Mass
19: Knight of Celebration- Class of 2030
24: ACT- No School for 9th/10th/12th Grades
27: Alter Fish Fry
28: Mother Son Shindig

MARCH

5: End of 3rd Quarter
6: No School
6-8: Spring Production
9: No School
10: First Day of 4th Quarter
12-15: Spring Production
17-20: Kairos
25: All School Mass
28-31: Senior Trip

APRIL

3-12: Easter Break- No School
15: All School Mass
23: Freshman Retreat Day
29: Band Concert
30: Pep Rally

MAY

1: Sophomore Surprise
2: Prom
2: Freshman Semi-Formal
7: All School Mass
18: Exams 8 and 7- Noon Dismissal
19: Exams 6 and 5- Noon Dismissal
20: Exams 4 and 3- Noon Dismissal
21: Exams 2 and 1- Noon Dismissal
21: End of Semester
22: Senior Awards
22: Baccalaureate
23: Graduation- Class of 2026

ALL DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

