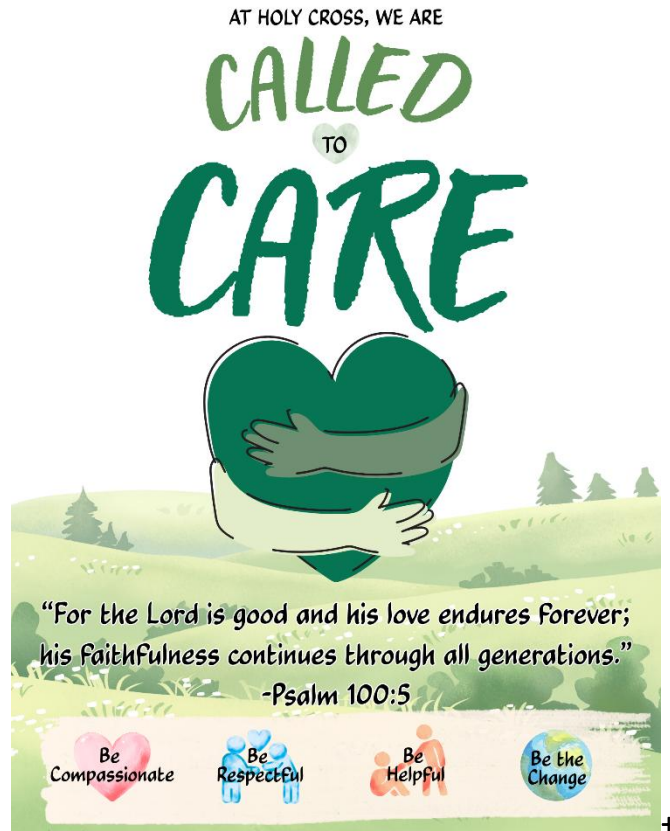


Holy Cross High School - September 2026

We want to welcome everyone back to school! Hope you had a wonderful summer!

Our theme this year at Holy Cross is “called to care”.
More details to come about our initiatives and opportunities to care and serve.



On Friday, September 4, we had Grade level meetings in the theatre for students in Grade 10 – 12. We will meet with Grade 9 students through transition classes in the next few weeks. The purpose of the grade level meeting is to review the school expectations. Please see our school handbook for more information:

[Student Handbook 2026 - 2027](#)

Upcoming Events:

Tuesday, September 15 – Welcome Mass Period 2 & 3 – Gr 10 and 11 classes will be walking to Holy Spirit Parish
6:30pm Grade 9 Parent Night – details shared via Edsby message to Grade 9 parents, 8:00pm – Catholic School Community Council Meeting and AGM in the library

Wednesday, September 16 – Welcome Mass Period 2 & 3 – Grade 9 & 12 classes will be walking to Holy Spirit Parish

Friday, September 18 – SRC Club Fair at noon in the commons

Friday, September 25 – SRC Welcome Back Bash – special schedule with longer lunch

Early Dismissals - Please note that on **Thursday, September 17 and Thursday, October 1** students will be dismissed at 12:30. Staff will be participating in professional learning in the afternoon, so please ensure your child has a way home that afternoon. Students need to be out of the building by 12:45. Thanks for your help and cooperation!

You can visit our school calendar on our website and on Edsby for a schedule of our shortened Thursdays and other school events: <https://www.gscs.ca/hch/page/2080/calendar>

Orange Shirt Day – We encourage staff and students to wear orange on **Friday, September 25** to recognize Truth and Reconciliation. Holy Cross has a Living in Harmony Truth and Reconciliation group and Bannock and Tea club who plan educational events throughout the year. Every last Friday of the month is T&R Friday and orange shirt day.

Grade 12 meetings – Our counsellors will be meeting with all our Grade 12 students regarding Graduation Requirements, Post Secondary planning and applications on September 14 and 15 in Period 4. There will be a session on September 18 at noon in the library for anyone who missed.

Monday, September 28 – Photo Retake Day in the library

Wednesday, September 30 – National Day of Truth and Reconciliation – school closed

Friday, October 2 – Scholarship Meeting for students in Grade 10 – 12 at noon in the library



Hold and Secure Drill (formerly known as perimeter lock down) - Please be advised we will be having a hold and secure drill on Thursday, October 6 at 9:15am for a few minutes. Hold and secure is implemented because of a threat or potential threat outside the school. During this time, no students or other individuals are permitted to

enter or leave the building. School perimeter doors will be locked. No entry or exit is permitted other than at the main entry doors. This drill does not affect class instruction time.

Full School Lockdown Drill – Please be advised we will be having a school lockdown drill on Tuesday, October 13 at 9:15am. Full school lockdown is implemented when a threat is inside, or thought to be inside, the school. We conduct this drill along with Saskatoon Police Services. Students and staff will be aware this is a drill and we will be reviewing the protocols with the students and staff in advance. Please contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

School Attendance and Absences - If your child is missing school, please report their absences in advance in Edsby. If your child is going to miss 4 or more days at a time, they must fill out an extended absence form from the main office to come up with a plan to get caught up on missed school work. Regular attendance is essential for student success.

Student Media Release - Please fill out our GSCS Media Release form. The form must be filled out by a parent/guardian; one per student attending Holy Cross: <https://forms.gle/CSsfXp2uzbNS5FQa7>
It is important for us to know your wishes regarding division and media coverage of student achievements and events during the time your child is a student within our school division. Please note this form also includes permission for your child to be included in the yearbook.

Student Verification Forms – Parents, if there are updates to your contact information, address, phone number, emergency contacts, please fill out this form: <https://forms.gle/rbmPnvdbk5nScyBB9>

Other important resources for parents and guardians:

[working-together-to-resolve-concerns-at-school](#)

[Working Together for Safe Schools](#)

[Fair Notice Safe Positive Schools - Student Violence ARTO](#)

[ARTO - Fair Notice.pdf](#)