



York Catholic High School

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Dear Senior High Students,

This year, York Catholic is once again joining in the efforts of over 280 high schools, middle schools, and elementary schools to have fun and work to conquer childhood cancer. On March 9, York Catholic will be hosting its seventh annual Mini-THON[®] for senior high students. The high school's Mini-THON is based on the Penn State Dance Marathon – the largest student-run philanthropy in the nation, where dancers spend 46 hours awake and on their feet to raise money for pediatric cancer patients.

This year's Mini-THON will be a six-hour event held on Saturday, March 9, from 4:30-10:30 PM at York Catholic High School. Activities such as dodgeball, speedball, four square, and Zumba will be featured during Mini-THON to keep the participants awake and motivated to endure an evening without sitting. Food and drinks will be available and all participants will receive a Mini-THON t-shirt before the start of the event. All interested participants can register for Mini-THON by submitting the attached Permission Slip and a \$20 registration fee during the week of February 4. Once registered, participants will have until February 22 to raise \$30 in donations. There are several ways to raise donations. All participants will have the opportunity to sign up for The Four Diamond's Online Social Fundraising Website, DonorDrive at <https://fourdiamonds.donordrive.com/event/yorkcatholicminithon>. Students who wish to use DonorDrive can request online credit card donations from family and friends in addition to the traditional cash and check donations. Students who choose not to use DonorDrive might instead be interested in using the attached snail mail letter to collect cash and check donations. Students who submit donations via cash or check must also submit a Donation form with each individual donation. All checks should be made out to York Catholic Mini-THON. Write "registration" or "donation" on the memo line along with the student's name. Students are to be reminded of York Catholic's Academic Eligibility policy and know that all money submitted for Mini-THON is non-refundable. A Student Council table will be set up in the lobby before school and in the cafeteria during lunches during registration and donation week to make the submission of forms and money as easy as possible.

All proceeds accumulated through the efforts of Mini-THON are donated directly to The Four Diamonds at Penn State Children's Hospital, Hershey, PA. The mission of The Four Diamonds is to conquer childhood cancer by assisting children treated at Penn State Children's Hospital and their families, through superior care and comprehensive support. In our six years of hosting a Mini-THON, York Catholic has raised over \$98,000 to help conquer pediatric cancer. This year we are setting a goal of \$20,000.

We look forward to seeing you at our Mini-THON event and we thank you in advance for your commitment in helping conquer childhood cancer. Please see one of the members of the student council executive board or me with questions.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Megan Wertz
Student Council Moderator