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## From The President's Desk

### LOOKING TOWARD SEPTEMBER

I hope the summer has been a relaxing as well as a rewarding one for you. At the ACT Office, it has been basically quiet. The main emphasis has been on trying to get each of the laid-off teachers back to work.

The largest number of laid off teachers is in Social Studies (9). There are still teachers without permanent positions in Science (5), Theology (5), Business (6), Math (4), English (4) and Physical Education (1).

In the last few days, things have begun to open up. Hopefully, this will continue, and there will be many more positions available as we get closer to the beginning of the school year.

With the beginning of the school year, there will be some contract changes in regard to salary and stipends of which you need to be aware.

The salary increase for 2009-2010 is \$1,900. The first pay date is September 18, which is the second Friday after the start of school. Starting salary is \$35,350.

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**FROM THE PRESIDENT. . .**

The stipend for Department Heads is \$2,250; for AV/TV Directors, \$1,400; for Computer Resource Person, \$1,550.

Moderators of Dramatics, Yearbook, Forensics, Newspaper, Student Council, National Honor Society and Community Service Corps will receive stipends based on student enrollment: \$1,700 in schools with less than 900 and \$1,900 in schools of 900 or more. Moderators of uncompensated activities covering 40 hours or more will receive a minimum of \$650.

There will also be changes in the Medical Health Plan, both in premium co-pays and in deductibles for services and prescriptions. These will be printed in the September issue of the ACT Newsletter.

If there are any questions concerning rosters or other school-related issues, please give us a call at the ACT Office.

Enjoy the final weeks of the summer break.



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**OPENINGS  
HOLY CROSS HIGH SCHOOL**

Holy Cross High School in Delran, NJ is seeking qualified applicants for the following positions:

**Spanish Teacher**

(Please send application to Ms. Marie Reen, Associate Principal for Curriculum and Instructional Development via e-mail [marie.reen@hclance.org](mailto:marie.reen@hclance.org) or fax letter and resume to 856-461-0323.)

**Campus Minister**

(Please send application to Mr. Dennis Guida, Principal, via e-mail [Dennis.Guida@hclance.org](mailto:Dennis.Guida@hclance.org) or fax letter and resume to 856-461-0323.)

For more information, please contact Holy Cross High School (856-461-5100) or call the ACT Office.



## DEPARTMENT HEAD OPENINGS

The following openings are to be posted on  
Friday, August 14, 2009 to Friday, August 28, 2009.

**English - Father Judge**  
**Fine Arts - Roman Catholic**  
**Business & Technology - Archbishop Wood**

All interested and qualified teachers may apply.

1. The teacher must have at least five (5) years teaching; three (3) years must be on the secondary level in the subject area.
2. The teacher must have a Master's Degree in the subject area or a Master's Degree in Education with a major concentration in the subject area or the teacher must be enrolled in one of the foregoing Master's Programs with at least six (6) graduate credits at the time of application with the requirement that at least six (6) additional graduate credits toward the Master's Degree will be obtained each year.

All applications must be received on or before Friday, August 28, 2009.

Applicants should write to the Director of Secondary Personnel, Office of Catholic Education, 222 North 17th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103 giving a brief resume of their educational background. The department head shall be selected within twenty (20) days after the closing date of the submission of applications.

\*\*\*DEPARTMENT HEAD GUIDELINES ARTICLE VI, SECTION b --  
any teacher interested in the position of "Acting Department Head", even though he or she is not qualified under the above-mentioned qualifications and requirements for Department Heads, should indicate his or her interest in the position at the time of the original posting of the opening.

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## COACHING OPENINGS

The following openings are to be posted on  
Friday, August 14, 2009 to Wednesday, September 2, 2009.

### CARDINAL DOUGHERTY HIGH SCHOOL: Boys' Cross Country

All interested teachers and other persons may apply. All applications must be received on or before Wednesday, September 2, 2009. Applicants should contact Dr. Thomas Rooney, Principal, Cardinal Dougherty High School, 6301 N. Second Street, Philadelphia, PA 19120.

### FATHER JUDGE HIGH SCHOOL: Track - Indoor/Outdoor Head Coach

All interested teachers and other persons may apply. All applications must be received on or before Wednesday, September 2, 2009. Applicants should contact Dr. Kathleen Herpich, Principal, Father Judge High School, 3301 Solly Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19136.

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**CHORAL DIRECTOR  
Saint Pius X High School**

**The following opening is to be posted on  
Friday, August 14, 2009 to Friday, August 28, 2009.**

All interested teachers and other persons may apply. All applications must be received on or before August 28, 2009. Applicants should contact Mrs. Judith Owens, Principal, Saint Pius X High School, 844 North Keim Street, Pottstown, PA 19464.

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**NOTICE**

In accordance with Article XII, Section 6 of the contract,

*"salaries will be paid every other Friday  
starting the second Friday after the start of school."*

Teachers will receive their first pay check for the 2009-2010 school year on Friday, September 18, 2009. For those on twelve month distribution, the last pay date for the 2008-2009 school year will be Friday, August 28, 2009.

That means there will be three (3) weeks between the last pay of this school year and the first pay of the new school year. Please plan accordingly!

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**Little Flower's 70 Anniversary**

On Sunday, October 4, 2009, Little Flower Catholic High School for Girls is holding the 70th Anniversary Open House from 1 P. M. - 4:30 P. M. Any teachers who served on Little Flower's faculty are warmly invited back.

Please contact [fopenhouse@littleflowerhighschool.org](mailto:fopenhouse@littleflowerhighschool.org) or call Diane at 215-659-5496.

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**PLEASE NOTE:** As of August 1, 2009, the price of **United Artist/Regal Movie Tickets** has increased to \$6.50 per ticket.