CFO 2026

November 30th - December 18th

CFO COLLECTIONS

All collections will take place in the Lobby or Classrooms from 11/30 - 12/17

The Mitten Tree- Padua's official Christmas tree, sponsored by the Robotics Club. Place new mittens, hats, or scarves on the tree. Donations will be given to the West Side Catholic Center.

Toy Collection- Sponsored by NHS. *New toys* are requested for this venerable charitable effort. All donations will be given to the Bishop Cosgrove Center.

The St. Francis of Assisi Animal Care Project- Sponsored by the Junior Class and Environmental Club. The donation wish list includes the following items: Toilet Paper, White Copy Paper, HE Laundry Detergent, No Scent Fabric Softener, Gift Cards for Pet Stores, Clay litter (not scoopable), Adult Cat Pate Wet Food – Friskies, Fancy Feast (no shreds), Adult Cat Dry Hill's Science Diet, Cases of canned Pro Plan Kitten, All Sizes DOG Martingale collars, Dry and canned Royal Canin Baby Cat, Hill's Science Diet for dogs, dry and wet, Hill's Science Diet for kittens, dry and wet, Two-Pocket/Clasp Folders – solid colors, 33 and 95 gallon garbage bags, Birdseed for our feeders, Dish Detergent, 6 ft Nylon Dog Leashes. All donations will be given to the Parma Animal Shelter.

Santa's Coat Closet- The Student Leadership Core and Freshman Class will be collecting new and gently used clean coats to help those in Northeast Ohio.

Santa's Sock Collection- MedTrack and Sophomore Class will be collecting **men's socks** - preferably warm socks - for Lutheran Men's Shelter. These donations will be given to residents of the shelter who are unhoused.

Soup for the Soul- Sponsored by the English Department. All English classes will be collecting any kind of canned soup to be donated to Parma, Food Bank and All Faiths Pantry. The goal is for each student to bring in four (4) cans of soup each.

Promise for Haiti Collection- Sponsored by MedTrack. MedTrack students will be collecting toothbrushes, toothpaste, floss, and soap (non-liquid) for all ages. Donations will be given to the Promise for Haiti Dental Clinic.

Babies in Need - Sponsored by the Senior Class. Seniors will be collecting diapers, baby wipes, baby blankets, baby lotion, and formula. Donations will be given to Birthcare of Medina County.

Book Collection- Sponsored by the Environmental Club. The Environmental Club will be collecting new and gently-used books for children and adolescents. They are also in need of books for teens as well. The age range is 0-18. Age appropriate themes, along with the need for books that show diversity, are encouraged.

Donations will be given to the Kid's Book Bank which provides free books to children in the Greater Cleveland area.

The ART of Sharing - Sponsored by: National Art Honor Society & Young Educators Society. Collect new essential school and art supplies (pens, pencils, crayons, glue, scissors, paper, folders, notebooks, etc.) and backpacks. Donations will be given to Beyond Belief Foundation and their Back-to-School Giveaway.

NEW: Wear it Formal - Sponsored by OneHope NEO Community Outreach. Collect new or gently used formal wear, suits, shirts, ties, blazers, dresses, shoes and related accessories. All items will be donated to Shoreway High School.

NEW: Spread Hope, Fight Hunger - Sponsored by Alumni. We will be collecting jars of peanut butter to donate. In addition to a collection bin, peanut butter will be collected at the basketball games on 12/8/26 and 12/12/26. Stop by the Alumni table to make your donation.

SCHOOL WIDE EVENT SCHEDULE

All funds raised during these events will go to Christmas for Others.
Please note individual clubs/groups may have their own club events not on this schedule.

WEEK #1

Hot Cocoa Sales (11/16 - 12/17) - The LSS team will be selling hot chocolate daily in room 226. Students are welcome to come in from 7:30 until 2:30 every day.

NEW: Teacher Trading Card - Christmas Edition (11/30 - 12/17) - Students in SLC and Team Bruno will be designing, creating, packaging, and selling new Christmas-edition trading card packs and singletons during lunch periods all through CFO. Every day a new card will be released. Single cards will be sold for $1. Packs will be sold for $5. We're hoping to use this as incentives for later in the year and maybe even Coin Wars. Cards will vary in terms of availability and rarity, and students who collect the MOST unique cards by the end of the school year will win a prize at BEARs.

Candy Cane Cafe (11/30 - 12/17): For Faculty and Staff only located in the Faculty Lounge A festive location for teachers to go make coffee, hot chocolate, hear holiday music, etc.

Christmas Gift Shop (11/30 - 12/4): Shop for Christmas gifts! Brand new Christmas merchandise, decor, ornaments, etc. are available for purchase in the Library for $1-$5 each (donated by Petitti Garden Centers). Cash or Venmo accepted.

Candy Grams (11/30 - 12/4): Hosted by the Sophomore Class. Throughout the first week of CFO, sophomores will be selling candy grams during lunches to be delivered the week of St. Nicholas Day (Wednesday the 9th) during the delayed start homeroom. Students can buy a candy cane gram for $2.

Build a Bear Workshop (12/1): Team Bruno is hosting a Build a Bear event at Southpark Mall on December 1st from 5-7pm. Bruins are being asked to invite their little siblings, cousins, nephews and nieces to come "help Bruno and Bella build a bear for a child in need." One $35 ticket covers the cost of the bear you'll make for a

child in need, a gift from Bella and Bruno, and holiday treats. If you would like to build a bear to take home you may do so for an extra cost.

NEW: D&D Movie Night (12/3) - The Dungeons and Dragons club welcomes ALL to come to a movie night in Padua's Library to watch *Dungeons and Dragons: Honor Among Thieves*. Time and price to be determined.

Little Debbie Dessert Sale (12/1, 12/8 & 12/15): The RACE group is selling Little Debbie Christmas Tree Cakes and Brownies ($2 each) during all lunch blocks on Tuesdays during CFO.

CFO VIP Pass (12/2, 12/10, 12/16): Sponsored by Key Club. For the flat rate of $15. The CFO VIP Pass will be available for purchase during lunch periods from 11/9-11/20 . No Pass = No dress down!! Passes will be personalized and signed by an administrator, and you will need to be prepared to have it on hand during the school day. All proceeds will go directly to CFO. This is your chance to donate AND dress down, so be sure to purchase a pass! Prefer to get both the V.I.P. pass and the t-shirt? No problem! We can bundle both CFO items for a flat fee of $20. (a savings of $10!)

CFO Shirt Days (11/30, 12/7, 12/14): Sponsored by Key Club, featuring brand new black long sleeved CFO shirts! If you purchase one of Padua's signature CFO shirts (or already have one of the CFO shirts from previous years), you can wear it during the CFO season. Shirts can be purchased 11/9-11/20 during lunch periods. The cost is $15. All other regular bottom dress code rules apply. Prefer to get the V.I.P. pass (see above) AND the t-shirt? No problem! We can bundle both CFO items for a flat fee of $20.

Advent Reconciliation (12/3 & 12/4): All students will have the opportunity for reconciliation during Theology Classes. Sophomores and Seniors: Thursday, 12/3 and Freshmen and Juniors: Friday, 12/4. This will allow us to prepare our hearts for Christmas just as we prepare our lives for the Lord. #WePray, Prepare Your Hearts, Prepare the Way of the Lord. Use Scriptural quotes to that effect from the readings for Advent.

Red Cross Blood Drive/Bake Sale (12/3): Hosted by the Blood Drive Committee. Check your email for more information on how you can give the gift of life this holiday season by donating blood. Bake Sale after school after Blood Drive.

Blanket for Hope (12/4, 12/11): Blankets for Hope (Begins 12/4 & 12/11): Sponsored by Women of Faith. We will be creating tie blankets to be then donated to Laura's Home Women's Crisis Center. All female Padua students are welcome. We will begin on 12/4 at 7:15AM - 7:45AM in Rm 231 and add any additional days as needed. Register by bringing in a minimum donation of $5 (for materials) to Ms. Schuerger by Friday, November 20.

Shine for Others Performance (12/4): Join us for a night under the theater lights and watch these Christmas monologues shine! While our talented actors--both faculty and students--take to the stage, enjoy some cookies and hot cocoa. The performance will be held on Friday, December 4th at 7:30pm in Padua's Cafeteria.

WEEK #2

St. Peter Chanel Christmas Party (12/6): St. Peter Chanel Foundation Christmas Party is a wonderful opportunity for children with cerebral palsy and their families to enjoy food, music, crafts, model train exhibits, cookie decorating, face painting, balloon art and gifts from Santa! Padua Franciscan High School hosts this event each year in the ZAC on 12/6 from 11AM - 3PM. Padua students are needed to volunteer in multiple capacities throughout the event.

Christmas Trivia Contest (12/7 and 12/11): Hosted by Key Club. Think you know your Christmas trivia? Test it out by participating in the Kahoot trivia contest held during lunch periods. Winners will receive an extra 12 Days of Christmas Raffle ticket and a $5 gift card.

NEW: Operation: Holiday Cheer (12/8) - Students are welcome to come and write holiday cards for veterans at the Cleveland VA Hospital. In the Library after school at 2:45 on Monday 12/7 and on Tuesday 12/8.

CFO Thrift: (12/7 - 12/11): Held before and after school in the lobby/gym entrance, students will be invited to purchase or TRADE gently used Padua gear like polo shirts, t-shirts, and sweatshirts for a small nominal fee.

NEW: Crochet Ornaments & Keychains (12/7 & 12/11) - Padua's Crochet Club will be creating Christmas Ornaments to be sold during the lunch blocks.

Feast of the Immaculate Conception & Junior Ring (12/8): Today we will celebrate the Immaculate Conception with an all school Mass. Take a moment today to give thanks to our Blessed Virgin Mother for the ultimate sacrifice she so willingly made by answering God's call. In conjunction with this event, we will celebrate our Junior Class as they receive their rings.

NEW: Cookie Tin Sale (12/8 - 12/10) - Padua's MyTrack Studio Artists will be hosting lunch sales of creatively designed Cookie Tins filled with a variety of beautiful and tasty homemade cookies. These flavor filled artisan tins are perfect for gifting.

Christmas Accessory Giveaway: (12/1 - 12/9): Hosted by Seniors Class and SLC. Located in the Lobby before school. If you bring in any coins or cash to go towards Coin Wars, you will be rewarded with a Christmas Accessory that can then be worn on 12/9.

Advent Lessons & Carols (12/9): 7:00 pm @ St. Anthony Church - An evening of prayer, song, reflection, ending with a hot chocolate and cookies reception.

Christmas Accessory Day (12/9): Hosted by Key Club. Get into the Christmas spirit by wearing a few Christmas accessories to help spread some holiday cheer. In addition to your dress code, you may wear festive accessories (think headbands, santa hats, socks, etc). All other regular dress code rules apply. Remember, this day is for accessories only.

Ugly CHRISTMAS Sweater Day (12/9): Hunt high and low for the ugliest CHRISTMAS sweater you can find and then wear it instead of your Padua polo. All regular bottom dress code rules apply. Winners of the fancam challenge will receive an extra 12 Days of Christmas raffle ticket.

Coin Wars (12/9): Hosted by the Senior Class. Each class and the faculty/staff have their own jar in the G.O. The class jar with the most net change wins – paper money/checks deduct from the value of the coin total in the jar. The final day of Coin Wars will be celebrated with a morning assembly on 12/9. You'll want to bring loose change to this assembly! If the entire school collects more than $6,000 total, then everyone will be awarded another dress-down day.

1st period Collection (12/10, 12/11, 12/14, 12/15, 12/16, 12/17): Managed by the SLC. Money will be collected during 1st period class each day. The top class with the most money raised per person as well as the top class with the most money overall (if different) will win (STILL TBD). Winners will be announced on 12/20 during the CFO presentation.

Nachos for Niños (12/10) – Spanish Club invites you to enjoy nachos and cheese for the low price of $2, available during all lunch periods! Feliz Navidad!

All-Star Volleyball Game (12/11): Hosted by the Junior Class. Sign up to represent your class in our annual CFO volleyball tournament (held at the end of the school day). Each class will play with the hopes of advancing to the final game...against the FACULTY! Be on the lookout for more information from your class moderators on how to sign up to play. $1 admission will be collected from all who enter the gym to watch or play in the games. Those who do not wish to watch the volleyball games will be required to attend a quiet study hall in the Cafeteria.

WEEK #3

Italian Club CFO Dinner (Sunday 12/13): Hosted by the Italian Club. This event is open to the Padua community and their families. Join us for an Italian-style Sunday dinner on December 13, 2026 at 2:00pm in the Padua Cafeteria. All guests must purchase their tickets through Hometownticketing.com. around Thanksgiving. Adults tickets are $20 per person. Kids under 6 eat free. There will be raffle baskets as well. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Capuano in room 126.

NEW: The Bruin Bazaar (12/13) - Students and adults will be able to purchase retail space and sell anything from cookies, to crafts, to used clothing. The sale will be located in the basement outside of the cafeteria.

Friendship Bracelet Sale (12/14 - 12/17): The Padua Alliance will make and sell friendship bracelets during lunch periods the first week of December.

NEW: Model UN-O Tournament (12/14) - A giant UNO tournament, like a Poker tournament. Buy-in, winner gets some, and CFO gets some. Tournament will begin at 2:40PM (latest buy-in will be 2:45PM).

NEW: Silent Night Boys Basketball Game (12/15): Come cheer on the Padua Bruins Boys Basketball team during our Silent Night game vs. CVCA! Fans are challenged to remain silent until the Bruins score a designated number of points. Stick around for a fun halftime competition and check out the items available for purchase, with all proceeds benefiting CFO!

Rootbeer Floats (12/15 - 12/16): German Club will be selling rootbeer floats $2 each during lunch blocks.

Mario Kart Tournament (12/16): Hosted by MyTrack Computer Science. Come have food, fun, and competition in the library after school on Tuesday, 12/16! There will be a $5 entrance fee to enter and the winner will receive a $50 gift certificate. Even if you're not competing, come watch the excitement and enjoy snacks and drinks for sale.

Christmas Concert (12/17): Hosted by the Performing Arts Department. The Padua community is invited to enjoy holiday music performed by our vocal and instrumental musicians. The concert will begin at 7:00 p.m. in the ZAC. All are invited, there is no cost to attend.

Christmas Themed Shirt/Sweatshirt Day (12/17): Feel free to wear an appropriate Christmas themed T-shirt or sweatshirt in lieu of your Padua polo shirt today. Don’t have a Christmas themed shirt, you may wear a solid red or green shirt instead. All other dress code rules apply.

12 Days of Christmas Tickets and Raffle (12/18): Our big CFO celebration ends with our CFO Finale Raffle. Students get multiple opportunities for raffle tickets throughout the CFO season. EVERY student in attendance at the CFO Mass on December 19th will get one raffle ticket automatically, but raffle tickets can be earned in a variety of different ways throughout the season. Attendance at select CFO events like the drama club's "Shine for Others" performance or the Advent Lessons & Carols gets you extra chances in the raffle. Submissions to

the BBN's "Jingle Bell Parody" contest or participation in the Christmas-Cam Bingo Challenge, along with certain service opportunities or donations to various drives will provide you with the opportunity to earn extra raffle tickets as well. The more you participate, the more chances you get in our raffle. So SHOW UP Padua and we'll see you at the finale!

Christmas for Others Celebration (12/18): Hosted by Campus Ministry and Fine Arts. Students will celebrate the conclusion of the CFO season with a beautiful liturgy featuring music by our Fine Arts Department. Donuts and drinks will be provided for all between liturgy and our special closing celebration. This is considered a full day of school. At the conclusion of the program the SLC and Mr. DiRocco will spread some last minute Christmas cheer with the 12 Days of Christmas Raffle. Much more information about this will come throughout the CFO season. Students will be released by noon. There will be no afternoon school bus transportation available.