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NEGOTIATIONS UPDATE July 24, 2017

As everyone on both sides of the river is aware, contract negotiations are the major focus for ACT this summer, both in the Philadelphia Archdiocese and at Holy Cross Academy. There is little more than a month remaining to complete negotiations and bring back contracts to our teachers that can be ratified.

Negotiations at Holy Cross Academy did not open until June 15. The first working session is set for July 26 and only two other dates have been agreed upon, August 10 and 17. Because of the late start, the ACT Team and the School mutually agreed to limit the scope of bargaining to Salary, Medical and 5 other issues each. Once we have been through the proposals, ACT will contact our members at Holy Cross Academy to let them know what, if any, progress has been made.

The Philly Team has been meeting with the School System since late March and the sessions have continued throughout the summer. The next session for the Philadelphia contract is July 27, with additional dates scheduled through August 31.

The entire contract is open and, thus far, there has been no agreement reached on any of the proposals on the table. Article I, Section 8 continues to be the main area of concern for the Association.

General Membership Meetings are set for Tuesday, September 5. At that time, ACT Members will be voting on the results of Negotiations. ACT Philadelphia will be meeting at Penns Landing Caterers at 10 A.M. ACT Members at Holy Cross Academy will be meeting at 10 A.M. at the Knights of Columbus Hall.

We continue to ask for your prayers for the ACT Teacher Teams and the System and Holy Cross administrative Teams.