

Rose Ceremony Criteria 2026-2027

Purpose Of The Rose Ceremony:

This annual tradition is hosted by the Farrell Family Association (FFA) to honor graduating seniors' mothers for four years of service, dedication, and support. During the event, students present their mothers with a rose, accompanied by heartfelt personal messages from their son. This time honored event occurs in June of Senior Year in order to:

- honor senior mothers for their commitment, hard work, and service to the Farrell Family Association over their sons' four years at Msgr. Farrell
- celebrate the close partnership between families and the school
- serve as an emotional rite of passage as their son graduates

Requirements & Pathways to the Rose Ceremony

Freshman, Sophomore, & Junior Parents

HOW TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ROSE CEREMONY IN 4 STEPS

Step #1 - General FFA Meeting Attendance Requirements	• Attend 4 Farrell Family Meetings per academic year for all 4 years: ◦ 2 meetings in fall/winter ◦ 2 meetings in spring/summer ◦ Meeting dates for this year are: ■ Monday, September 14, 2026 - 7:00 p.m. Gym • <i>Welcome Back Information Night</i> ■ Monday, October 5, 2026 - 7:00 p.m. Lobby ■ Monday, November 2, 2026 - 7:00 p.m. Lobby ■ Monday, January 11, 2027 - 7:00 p.m. Lobby ■ Monday, February 1, 2027 - 7:00 p.m. Lobby ■ Monday, March 1, 2027 - 7:00 p.m. Lobby ■ Monday April 5, 2027 - 7:00 p.m. Lobby
Step #2 - Annual Donations	• \$50 cash/check at first meeting (to be used for prizes during year) AND • \$20 in Lottery Tickets OR Gift Cards (businesses suggested on donation form)
Step #3 - Committee Lead on one Committee or Event	• Committee Lead on a committee or event ONE TIME IN 4 YEARS (per son). • If you have sons graduating in different years you must serve as a Committee Lead for each son. • The event you are the Committee Lead of also satisfies one event from above (i.e. if you are the Committee Lead for the Communion Breakfast you get credit for the Communion Breakfast as an event).

Step #4 - Complete one of 3 'Pathways to the Rose' each year

You must choose ONE path for this school year prior to the October 2026 meeting

Path #1 Active Event Path	Path #2 Solicitation Path	Path #3 Bookstore Path
• 1A - ACTIVE EVENT VOLUNTEER PATH: ○ Volunteer for at least 3 regular events per year ○ AND work 1 Mandatory event per year (2026-2027 options: Radio Bingo, Senior Cocktail Party, Senior Mass & Breakfast or Rose Ceremony). OR • 1B - EVENT VOLUNTEER + AD SALES PATH: ○ Volunteer at 2 regular events per year ○ AND sell (or buy) 2 sponsorships (business or personal) worth \$200+ each/per year	Work with the Solicitation Team to sell \$700 worth of business/personal ad sponsorships or table sponsorships throughout the year: • \$200 = 1 event • \$400 = 2 events • \$550 = 3 events • \$700 = 4 events completes pathway for the year	Volunteer for shifts at the Maroon & Gold Bookstore throughout the school year. Bookstore volunteers will schedule their shifts through bookstore Signup Genius • complete a total of 10 shifts (2-3 hours) to complete your service for the school year.

**Note: Once A Pathway Is Chosen You Must Complete The Year's Commitment.
Pathways Cannot Be Switched During Academic Year**

Senior Year Class of 2027 Specifics & Requirements

All prior years meeting attendance, volunteering & event chairing requirements should have been met. The following are the **final steps for all senior parents who are up to date with their past year requirements.**

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Step #2 - Annual Donations	\$50 cash/check at first meeting (to be used for prizes during year) AND \$20 in Lottery Tickets OR Gift Cards (businesses suggested on donation form)
Step #3 - Committee Lead	This should be complete or scheduled to be complete by December 2026.

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Path #1 Active Event Path	Path #2 Solicitation Path	Path #3 Bookstore Path
Volunteer for at least 3 regular events by March 1, 2027	Work with the Solicitation Team to sell \$550 worth of business/personal ad sponsorships or table sponsorships	Volunteer for 5 shifts at the Maroon & Gold Bookstore before March 2027 (hours need to be completed by March).

Step #5	Submit a journal ad for the Rose Ceremony
Step #6	Pay the Rose Ceremony fee
Step #7	Complete all commitments by March 1st of Senior Year

Review Process:

The Executive Board reviews all senior mothers' resumes to determine final eligibility to walk in the Rose Ceremony. Accountability log to maintain your yearly records can be found under the FFA table on the website.