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Editorial policy of The Visor, Akron Hoban High School

The Visor is published about twice a month during the school year as a forum for the expression of student news and opinion.

Unsigned opinion, labeled “staff editorial,” represents the consensus of the Visor editorial staff and may be construed as the position of the paper. Signed opinion, in regular columns or appropriately labeled commentaries, represents only the opinion of the writer and not necessarily the views of the Visor. Opinions expressed in the Visor are not necessarily the opinions of Archbishop Hoban High School, its board of trustees, administration, faculty, staff or student body.

The Visor does not submit to prior review by any member of the administration or board of trustees. The editor-in-chief makes decisions on the content of the paper, but may be overruled by a majority vote of the editorial staff. The adviser reviews copy and advises editors and staff members but does not determine the content of the paper or act as a censor on behalf of the administration.

The Visor chooses not to take a position which is inconsistent with the teaching of the Catholic church on clear matters of faith or morals, but may take a position contrary to current church discipline or practice. For example the Visor will not take a position that Jesus did not rise from the dead (contrary to defined faith) or advocate premarital sex (contrary to Catholic moral teaching), but may advocate that priests be allowed to marry (contrary to church discipline and practice).

The Visor welcomes letters, either in response to its editorials and news stories or raising issues of concern to its readers. Letters must be signed, but a name may be withheld on request of the writer for sufficient reason. Letters are subject to editing as to length, language and libel. The Visor mailbox is in the central office.

It is the policy of the Visor not to print material which is obscene, slanderous or libelous. The Visor strives for accuracy and balance in its coverage. The Visor consults with school attorneys on matters of potential liability.



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