



HOLY CROSS FOOTBALL

2018 VISITING TEAM GUIDE

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LETTER FROM DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS NATHAN PINE

August 31st, 2018

The College of the Holy Cross is looking forward to hosting your football team to our campus. This guide will provide you with all pertinent information regarding your football contest. The College of the Holy Cross's Athletic Department is committed to ensuring a high standard of athletic excellence for all home events, so we hope you find this guide both useful and informative.

In this packet, you will find contact information, locker room information, travel information (including maps and directions) and facility information. In preparation for your visit to the College of the Holy Cross, please take a few moments to review these documents and share with appropriate personnel.

If you have specific questions, please contact:

Steve Pizzi – 508-736-6001 – spizzi@holycross.edu

Associate Director of Athletics for Facilities, Operations and Events

Please feel free to contact me with any questions prior to your visit to the College of the Holy Cross on game day. We look forward to your visit in 2018.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Nathan Pine', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Nathan Pine
Director of Athletics



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General Information

Airport Information

Boston Logan International Airport

1 Harborside Dr., Boston, MA 02128

1-800-235-6426

Approximate Distance: 53 Miles

Bradley International Airport

Schoephoester Rd., Windsor Locks, CT
06096

1-860-292-2000

Approximate Distance: 71 Miles

T. F. Green Airport

2000 Post Rd., Warwick, RI 02886

1-401-737-8222

Approximate Distance: 50 Miles

Manchester Boston Regional Airport

1 Airport Rd., Manchester, NH 03103

1-603-624-1614

Approximate Distance: 70 Miles

Bus Information

Peter Pan

1-800-243-9560

Constitution Coach

1-800-447-3287

Dattco

1-800-229-4879

Fox Bus Lines

1-508-865-6000

Lizak Coaches

1-800-357-7788

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Logan: 888-826-6893

617-561-4488

617-568-6602

Bradley: 888-826-6893

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860-627-3700

T.F. Green: 401-737-4800

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401-739-8986

Manchester: 888-826-6893

603-606-5114

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Hotel Accommodations

Name	Address	Phone Number	Distance From Campus
Hilton Garden Inn	35 Major Taylor Blvd. Worcester, MA 01610	508-753-5700	3 Miles
Courtyard Marriott Worcester	72 Grove Street Worcester, MA 01605	508-363-3000	4.2 Miles
Holiday Inn Express Auburn	10 Johnson St. Auburn, MA 01501	508-832-2500	4.5 Miles
Beechwood Hotel	363 Plantation Street Worcester, MA 01605	508-754-5789	5.3 Miles
Residence Inn by Marriott	503 Plantation Street Worcester, MA 01605	508-753-6300	7.5 Miles
Doubletree Westborough	5400 Computer Drive Westborough, MA 01581	508-366-5511	16 Miles
Courtyard Marriott Westborough	3 Technology Dr. Westborough, MA 01581	508-836-4800	16 Miles

Meals/Restaurants

Name	Address	Phone	Attention
Tee's Deli	939 Southbridge Street Worcester, MA 01610	508-860-6000	Tom Erickson tom.erickson@nationalgrid.com
Boston Market	14 Park Ave. Worcester, MA 01605	303-273-8021	Jeff Bailly jbailly@bost.com
Papa Gino's	545 SW Cutoff Worcester, MA 01607	339-236-2452	Deb Courier dcourier@papaginos.com
Chuck's Steakhouse	10 Prospect Street Auburn, MA 01501	508-832-2553	Steve Londregan chucksmanager@gmail.com
Buffalo Wild Wings	476 Boston Turnpike Shrewsbury, MA 01545	508-845-2999	Mike Gardener bwwshrewsbury@jktwings.com
Compass Tavern	90 Harding Street Worcester, MA 01604	508-304-6044	Dave Domenick Compasstavern@gmail.com
Creedon & Co.	39 Jolma Road Worcester, MA 01604	508-792-3100	John Creedon Jr. creedonjr@creedonandco.com
Wings Over Worcester	1 Kelley Square Worcester, MA 01604	508-421-9464	Matthew Kamins wowmatthew@gmail.com
Mezcal	30 Major Taylor Blvd. Worcester, MA 01608	508-713-1890	Samantha Manzello smanzello@nichehospitality.com
The Fix	166 Shrewsbury Street Worcester, MA 01604	508-713-1890	Samantha Manzello smanzello@nichehospitality.com
The Citizen/The People's Kitchen	1 Exchange Place Worcester, MA 01608	508-713-1890	Samantha Manzello smanzello@nichehospitality.com
Bocado	82 Winter Street Worcester, MA 01604	508-713-1890	Samantha Manzello smanzello@nichehospitality.com

Media Information

All media needs, to include requesting media credentials, should be coordinated by contacting Charles Bare at cbare@holycross.edu or **508-793-2583**.

Post-Game Press Conference Location: The post-game press conference will take place underneath Section #14 of Fitton Field.

Media Will Call: Media Will Call is located at the ticket office side window at the baseball field ticket booths adjacent to Fitton Field.

Practice Times

Practice requests should be directed to spizzi@holycross.edu.

Ticket Information

Gates Open: 1.5 hours prior to game start

Team Will Call: Team Will Call is located at Gate E. Player Will Call opens 1.5 hours prior to game time, when gates open to the stadium. A picture ID is required to pick up tickets.

General Will Call: General Will Call is located outside of the southwest entrance to the stadium, at the baseball field ticket booths. General Will Call opens 3 hours prior to kickoff. A picture ID is required to pick up tickets. For more ticket information, please visit GoHolyCross.com/Tickets or contact the Holy Cross Ticket Office at 1-844-GOCROSS.

Visiting Team Sections: 28—29

Athletic Director's Tickets: Four (4) tickets are provided in the Press Box behind Section 6.

Athletic Director's Parking: Two (2) Parking Garage passes are provided.

Game Day Information

Band/Cheerleaders

Band—The Holy Cross band point of contact is Dan Mercurio, who can be contacted at dmercuri@holycross.edu. Visiting teams are asked to indicate if the schools' bands will be attending on the Visiting Team Informational Questionnaire provided to the Director of Operations by the visiting football team point of contact (Steve Pizzi), as well as provide the school band point of contact.

Cheer—Specific areas will be designated for visiting team cheerleaders and mascot near Section 18 in the stadium. Visiting teams will also be asked to provide the point of contact information for their schools' cheerleaders and mascot on the Visiting Team Informational Questionnaire.

Concessions

Concessions are located under sections 2, 4, and 26, as well as in the corners of the west end zone.

Credentials

Visiting team credentials will be mailed to each institution's Director of Athletics in August in accordance with Patriot League policy.

Facility Information



Fitton Football Field

Although the first football game at Holy Cross was held in 1903, the field was not established as Fitton Field until 1905. In 1908, the field was moved from what is now the baseball field to its current location. Seating consisted solely of wooden stands, supplemented not long after by a concrete structure, which remained until 1924 when the steel structuring that comprises the current stadium was emplaced. Aluminum stands were installed in 1986, replacing the wooden stands and rounding out the stadium capacity at 23,500. The field derives its name from Father Fitton, who purchased and deeded the land upon which the college was founded to Bishop Fenwick in 1843. In summer 2016, Fitton Field was updated and replaced with a bluegrass blend turf.

Filming Information

Teams will have a designated filming position. Additional filming questions may be directed to Chris Boscherini, Director of Video & Network Production, at cboscher@holycross.edu or **508-793-3854**.

Locker Rooms

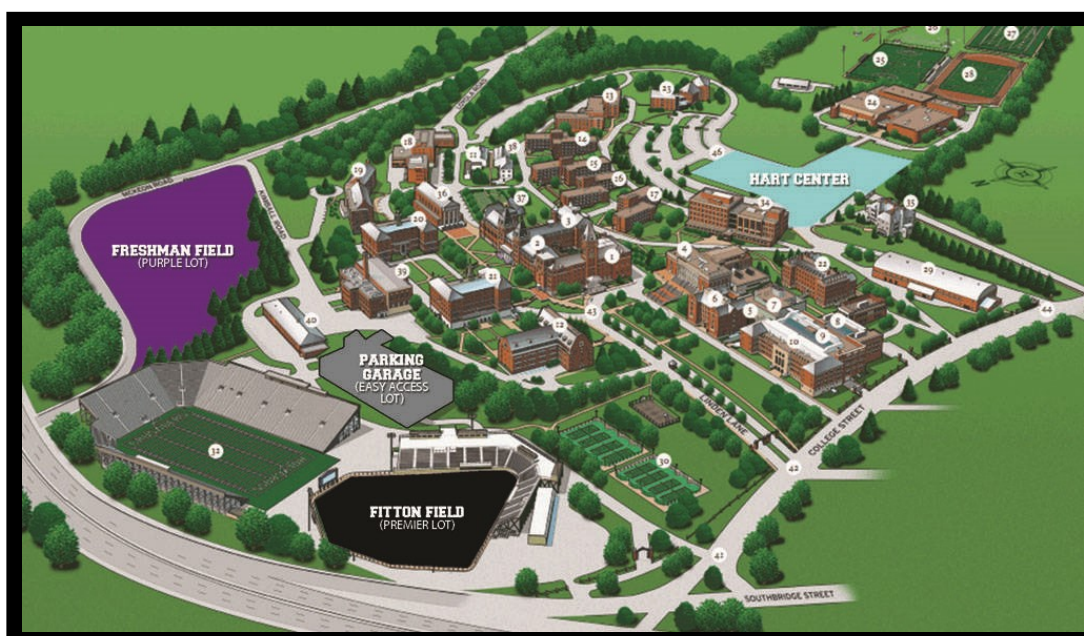
The visiting team locker room is located adjacent to Gate A of the stadium. Teams will be provided with towels inside the locker room. Visiting team equipment managers should contact Robbie Wagner at rwagner@holycross.edu regarding any equipment related items.

Sports Medicine will provide water, ice, and hydroculators in the locker room. For further questions, please contact Anthony Cerundolo at acerundo@holycross.edu or **508-793-2644**.

Parking

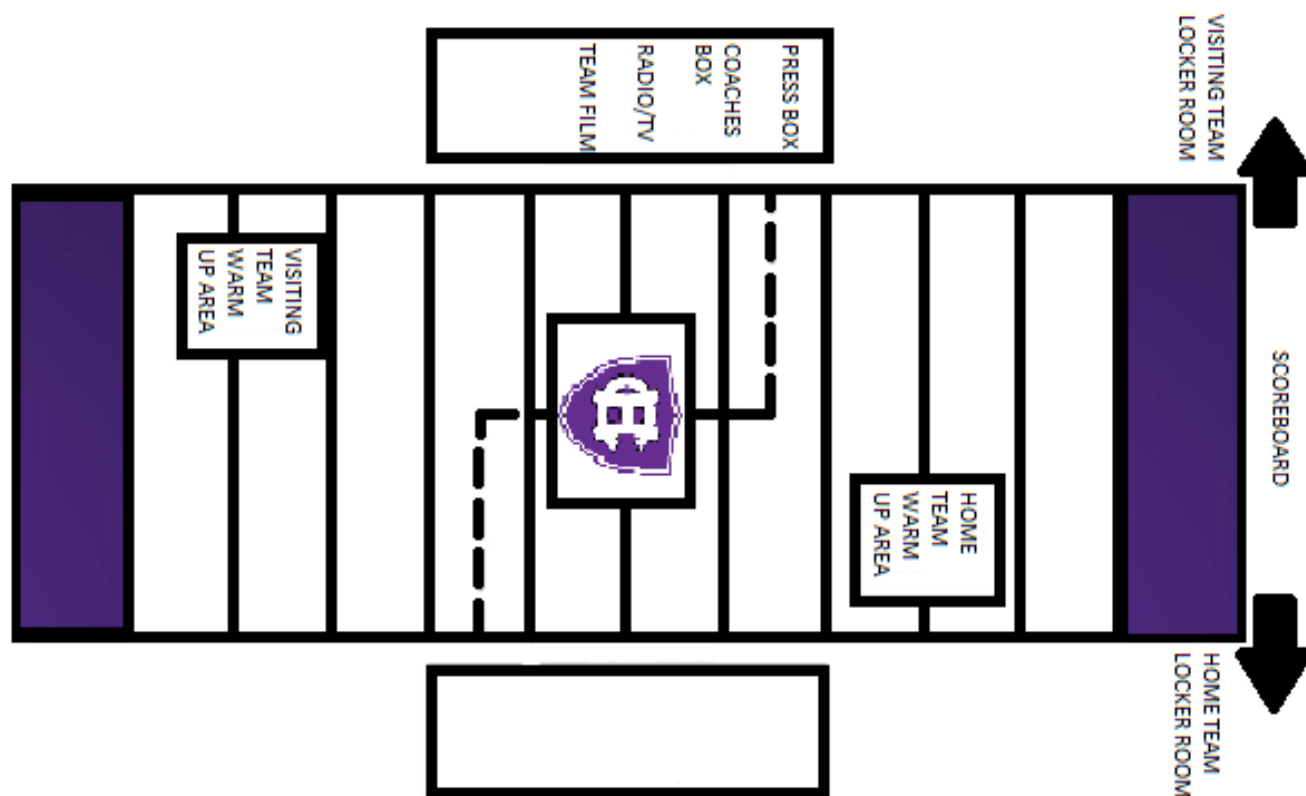
Visiting Teams will drop off in front of the stadium near Gate A, where a Holy Cross Athletics staff member will be waiting to greet the buses. The staff member will direct the buses to their parking location just past the stadium. Please refer to **Appendix B** for a map of the team drop off and bus parking locations.

Parking for fans and guests is located in several areas close to Fitton Field. Options include the Easy Access Lot located in the nearby Parking Garage (\$10) and Freshmen Field (\$10). ADA accessible parking is available on the top level of the garage. All fans must ensure that they adhere to the tailgating policies outlined on Page 12.



Pregame Protocols

Pregame warm-ups will begin 60 minutes prior to the start of the game, and will be formatted in the L-shape, with the long side on the side of each team's bench. The home team will determine the end zones. Kickers are permitted to use the other half of the field to warm-up until 60 minutes prior to the start of the game.



Post-Game Protocols

Post-Game Press Conference: The post-game press conference will take place under Section #14 of Fitton Field.

Post-Game Family Meeting Area: Players may meet with their families near the garage door located at Gate A.

Prohibited Items

- Aerosol/Spray Cans
- Animals (Except for Service Animals)
- Artificial noisemakers (Ex: Air Horns, Bells, Thundersticks, Whistles)
- Backpacks & Bags exceeding 12" x 12" x 6"
- Banners/Flags/Signs
- Bicycles/Scooters
- Bottles/Cans
- Boxes/wrapped packages of any size
- Cameras with lens longer than 6"
- Chairbacks with arms
- Containers/Coolers/Plastic Cups
- Flasks
- Laser pointers
- Outside Food & Beverage
- Poles/Sticks
- Projectiles/Objects that could cause injury if thrown
- Recreational Motor Vehicles
- Roller Skates/Skateboards
- Sports balls/equipment (Ex: Baseball Bats, Lacrosse Sticks, Footballs, etc.)
- Thermos Bottles
- Umbrellas
- Unmanned Aerial Devices (Drones)
- Video Equipment/tape recorders
- Weapons/Explosives

Stadium Management reserves the right to ask fans to leave inappropriate or prohibited items in their car or outside of the gates.

Sideline Communications

As per Patriot League policy, "all member institutions are required to provide the visitors with five headsets on the field and four in the coaching box that are of equal quality to those used by the home team. If headphones stop working on one side of the field, the host institution should notify the officials. The officials will require the opposing coaching staff to discontinue use of the same number of headphones until the malfunction is corrected. Once headphones are back in working order, the officials must be notified immediately in order that full use can be resumed by the opposing team."

Sports Medicine

The sideline will be supplied with water, cups, ice, ice bags, and a training table. Water, ice and hydroculators will be located in the locker room. A tent will be set up outside the locker room to serve as a taping area.

A certified athletic trainer and physician will be on site for games. A splint bag will be located with the home athletic trainer.

Sports Medicine Continued

Recommended Hospitals

UMass Memorial Hospital (Main Campus)
Lake Avenue North
Worcester, MA 01655
(Trauma)

Saint Vincent Hospital
123 Summer Street
Worcester, MA 01608
(Less Urgent)

Recommended Pharmacy:

Walmart Pharmacy: 774-314-3162
25 Tobias Boland Way, Worcester, MA 01607

Questions may be directed to Anthony Cerundolo at acerundo@holycross.edu or **508-793-2644**.

Tailgating Policy

- Possession and consumption of alcohol are subject to the laws and regulations of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the City of Worcester.
- Alcohol is prohibited within all athletic venues and must be consumed at your tailgate. Please consume any beverages by using plastic cups.
- Unruly or visibly intoxicated behavior will be grounds for removal from the venue or campus.
- Holy Cross Public Safety may ask for legal proof of identification for anyone appearing to be under 21.
- Holy Cross requires the use of propane gas grills. The maximum allowed propane cylinder size is no greater than 20 pounds. Grills and tailgates should not impede parking spaces, sidewalks, or roadways.
- At game time, the Purple Lot will be cleared by Public Safety and Worcester Police officers, and all individuals will be asked to enter the stadium or required to exit the premises.
- No individual will be permitted to exit the stadium and linger in the Purple Lot during the game (including half-time).

The following are **prohibited** in the tailgate area:

- Large source containers of alcohol (i.e. Kegs, Beer Funnels, etc.), Drinking Games (Beer Pong, Flip Cup, Beer Ball, etc.), Glass Containers/Bottles
- Open flames, charcoal grills, wood burning, smokers, deep fryers, or fuel powered generators

Appendices

Appendix A—Driving Directions

Appendix B—Parking Map

Appendix C—Facility Map

Appendix D—2018 Schedule

Appendix E—Opponent Inf Sheet

Appendix A

Driving Directions

From Boston— Take I-90W to Exit 10. Merge onto I-290 E and take exit 11 toward College Square/Federal Square. Merge onto Southbridge St. and take slight right onto College Street. Turn left onto Fitton Ave. The stadium will be on the left after the Baseball Field. (Travel Time: @ 1 hour; Route has tolls)

From Hartford— Take I-84 E for 44 miles than take exit onto I-90 E toward Boston/N.H.-Maine. Use the right two lanes to take exit 10 toward Worcester/Auburn. Merge onto I-290 E and take exit 11 toward College Square/Federal Square. Merge onto Southbridge St. and take slight right onto College Street. The stadium will be on the left after the Baseball Field. (Travel Time: @ 1 hour; Route has tolls)

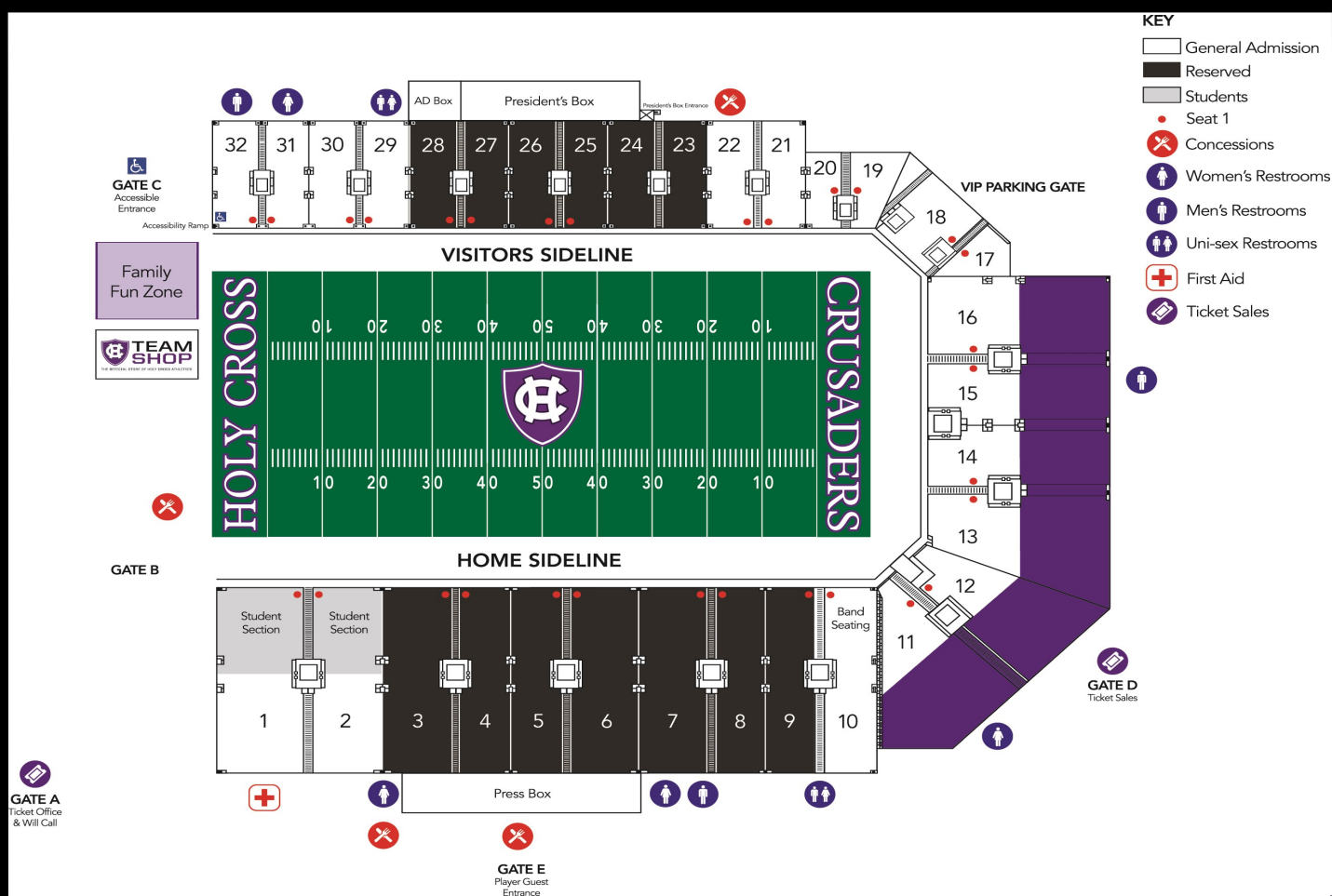
From New York—Take NY-9A N/12th Ave and continue to Henry Hudson Parkway, then Saw Mill River Pkwy N. Take exit 4 toward Hutchinson Pkwy. Continue onto Cross County Pkwy/NY State Reference Rte 907K and merge onto Hutchinson River Pkwy N. Stay right at fork and continue onto CT-15 N for 27 miles. Take exit 68 N-E and merge onto I-91 N (17.3 miles). Take exit 29 and continue on CT-15 N. Merge onto I-84 E toward Boston for 41 miles. Take exit onto I-90 E toward Boston/N.H.-Maine. Use the right two lanes to take exit 10 toward Worcester/Auburn. Merge onto I-290 E and take exit 11 toward College Square/Federal Square. Merge onto Southbridge St. and take slight right onto College Street. The stadium will be on the left after the Baseball Field. (Travel Time: @ 3.25 hours; Route has tolls)

From Providence— From I-95 N take exit 23 for RI-146 toward US-44/Woonsocket. Continue onto MA-146 N and take exit 12 for Massachusetts 122A N toward McKeon Rd./Vernon Hill. Use left lane to merge onto Millbury St., then take a left onto McKeon Road after 0.8 miles. Turn left onto Kimball road after 0.3 miles. At the top of the hill, turn right onto Fitton Ave and continue to the football stadium. (Travel Time: @ 45 minutes)

Appendix B - Parking Map



Appendix C - Facility Map



Appendix D

2018 Holy Cross Football Schedule

Date	Opponent	Location	Time
9/1/18	Colgate	Hamilton, NY	1:00 PM
9/8/18	Boston College	Chestnut Hill, MA	1:00 PM
9/15/18	Yale	Worcester, MA	1:05 PM
9/22/18	Dartmouth	Worcester, MA	1:05 PM
9/29/18	Bucknell	Worcester, MA	1:05 PM
10/6/18	New Hampshire	Durham, NH	12:00 PM
10/12/18	Harvard	Cambridge, MA	7:00 PM
10/27/18	Lehigh	Worcester, MA	1:05 PM
11/3/18	Lafayette	Easton, PA	12:30 PM
11/10/18	Fordham	Worcester, MA	12:05 PM
11/17/18	Georgetown	Bethlehem, PA	12:30 PM



Appendix E

Opponent Information Sheet

Please return to Steve Pizzi at spizzi@holycross.edu

GAME DATE: _____ TEAM: _____

TRANSPORTATION:

Carrier & Flight #: _____

Worcester Arrival Date: _____

Local Transportation (Bus Company; Maximum of 3 travel party buses): _____

TEAM LODGING HEADQUARTERS:

Hotel Name, Phone Number & Team Contact Name: _____

WALK THROUGH:

Desired walk through time: _____

Please call or e-mail Steve Pizzi to arrange a team walk through.

Footwear for practice is restricted to gym shoes only.

GAMEDAY ARRANGEMENTS:

Departure time from the hotel to the stadium: _____

Arrival time at the stadium: _____

Equipment Truck (Only 1 Truck Allowed) Arrival Date & Time: _____

Total Truck Length: _____ Left Overnight: _____

Post-Game Meal Provider and Arrival Time: _____

Contact Name & Phone # of Post-Game Meal Provider: _____

Credentials: (Bench Pass) The visiting team will be given (60) sideline passes; (4) tickets to the press box for the Visiting Team Athletic Director. Passes must be worn by all personnel with the exception of varsity players in uniform. Parking is limited and should be requested for those only in the official travel party.

Cheer Squad Size: _____ Pep Band Size: _____

Will you be bringing your own ball persons? _____ If so, how many? _____

Per conference rules, all ball persons must be at least 18 years of age.

Advance Personnel: Name	Title:	Phone (Cell)

PREGAME TAILGATING: