The NAZ Newsletter

A monthly newsletter for the parents and families of Nazareth Academy High School

July 2019



Summer Happenings

- On the last day of school, the Classes of 2022, 2021, and 2020 came together in Chapel for the installation of the 2019-2020 Student Leadership Team. Congratulations to Katrina Juntereal '20 President, Ciara Dubeck '20 Vice President, Katie McGinn '20 Secretary, Emily Loughery '20 Treasurer, and Cayla Chipperfield '20 Corresponding Secretary who were chosen by their fellow classmates for these prestigious positions.
- A few dozen of our Nazareth students and teachers went on a school sponsored trip to Europe in mid June. They spent a week in Italy traveling to Rome and Sorrento.
- Although it is summer time, NAHS has been a busy place with hundreds of prospective students participating in our summer camps. Thank you to all of our current students, teachers, and coaches who have served as counselors this summer and shared their Naz experience with these future pandas!



Schedule for Opening Week

Monday and Tuesday August 19 and 20:

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Embracing Faith, Family, and Education



Welcome to the newest members of Nazareth Academy High School and welcome back to all of our returning families! It is true what they say, time does fly, especially the days of summer. The 2019–2020 Academic Year will begin before we know it. May the summer bring each of you a time to reflect and rest and be renewed!

Clearances – Important Policy Change for Parents and Students

The Archdiocese of Philadelphia requires that any volunteer who has any possible contact with children must obtain clearances. If you will be volunteering for one of our many Admissions events, field trips or chaperoning/attending a trip, please <u>click here</u> for instructions. You should submit your clearances to Kathy Armstrong at Armstrong@nazarethacademyhs.org

While Pennsylvania mandates that volunteers 18 or older obtain clearances, the Archdiocese requires volunteers 14 or older to have clearances. So if your daughter will be volunteering at one of our Admission events, she will need to obtain clearances as well. Those students who worked summer camps and obtained clearances will NOT need to obtain them again.

Advancement and Alumnae

Thank you to all who supported the Spring Appeal. Having the support of so many parents is critical to the success of the school.

Social Media

Please follow us on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u>, and <u>Instagram</u> to stay up to date on all the exciting happenings at Nazareth.

Reminder Regarding the ID Cards and Lunch Accounts

As a reminder, all students must wear their ID cards on a visible lanyard. Students must swipe into the building every day.

As we mentioned last year, students will need their ID cards to make payment in the Student Dining Room – **the pin pad has been removed**. This will help lines move more quickly and avoid mis-keyed pin entry. If your daughter needs a replacement ID, she should report to the Attendance/Security Office at the beginning of the school year.

You can load your card and check balances through <u>MyKidsSpending</u>. Effective in September, outstanding lunch balances will be billed monthly to FACTS.

School Store

If your daughter is rostered for gym, please note that you will need to purchase the official gym uniform.

Panda Pit Hours

August 13, 14 and 15 ~ 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM August 14 ~ 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM

If these hours are not convenient, please email Michele Konicki at mkonicki@nazarethacademyhs.org to schedule a time to shop.

Thought for the Summer: A Summer Blessing

May you walk with God this summer in whatever you do, wherever you go.

Walking with God means... walking with honesty and with courage.

Walking with love and respect and concern for the feelings of others.

May you talk to God this summer on every day and in every situation.

Talking with God means... praying words of praise for the beauty of creation.

Saying prayers of thanks for friends and good times.

Asking God's help in all your decisions.

Expressing sorrow when you have failed.

May you talk with God every day. Amen.



Greetings from Nazareth Academy High School! We hope you are enjoying your summer with your family and friends. During the summer, we are busy preparing and planning for the upcoming school year. All of our planning and decisions are designed to make sure that the best interests of our students are paramount.

The theme of our 2019-2020 school year is:

"He has made you to participate in His work and His love." -Blessed Mary of Jesus the Good Shepherd

Led by Ms. Shannon Donnelly, our Campus Minister, we will be incorporating this theme with our school family throughout this academic year.

We want to welcome educators here who are new to Nazareth:

Mrs. Jessica MacKay, Director of Counseling

Mrs. Karen Scott, Science

Ms. Moira Whalen, '09, Academic Enrichment

In addition, we have familiar faces serving our students in new roles:

Ms. Katherine Chmelko, '05, Director of Performing Arts

Mrs. Katherine Gallen, Assistant Principal for Student Life

Mrs. Deborah Glasson, Director of College Counseling

Ms. Carolyne Heston, Science

Ms. Alyssa Mikulski, '12, College Counselor

Summer Projects Around Campus

Aside from cleaning and painting, there are various facility and technology projects underway that will be completed for the beginning of the school year, including:

- Refurbishment of the gym floor
- Concrete work and brick pointing
- Replacement of front porch roof
- Doors for the fire towers
- Sound system for the Student Dining Room
- Equipment for Naz News
- Replacement and virtualization of the network server

Welcome Night

Of course, we eagerly await the arrival of our newest students, the Class of 2023 and transfer students, to the Nazareth Family! Save the date for our Welcome Night on August 20th beginning at 6:00 PM. Details of the evening will be shared at the beginning of August.

Nazareth Academy Parent Association (NAPA) Meetings

Finally, in our school calendar, you may have noticed that there is a NAPA Parent Meeting on the first Tuesday of every month, beginning on September 3. These meetings are scheduled for the first Tuesday of every month to provide consistency for calendar planning so more parents have an opportunity to attend. The meeting will run for about an hour and will consist of an update from NAPA and then a program for parents. The programs for these meetings are still being planned but are being designed around topics beneficial to parents such as spirituality, academics, and issues that affect teenagers and families.





Loving Relationships

As we finish enjoying the last few weeks of summer, and prep and pray for another successful school year, let me ensure and excite you that God has so many great blessings to bestow on your daughter for another year at Nazareth. In tune with the Mission of the Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth, we will be having a year-long theme on the charism of "Loving Relationships." The sisters devote themselves to this spiritual ideal, and the Office of Campus Ministry is promoting this specifically in the lives of your daughters in the year to come. Lots to look forward to this year.

Know of my love and prayers for you and your families.



Student Rosters

I hope that you are enjoying a restful vacation with your daughters and families. All student rosters will be mailed during the week of July 29th.

Summer Assignments

All summer assignments are posted on the <u>school website</u>. Please be aware that not all classes require a summer assignment to be completed. Please also be aware of specific due dates and/or testing aligned with these assignments.

Summer Remediation

I need to receive documentation on any student who required a summer remediation class prior to the start of the school year in August. This must be submitted to me no later than August 16, 2019. No grade less than a 75 will be accepted for credit. The course will be listed as remediation and the F will be removed. The maximum grade that will be entered for a remediated class will be a C and this grade will not factor into the grade point average.

Please feel free to contact me with any academic questions that may arise over the summer.



2019-2020 School Calendar

The school calendar is now available online at NazarethAcademyHS.org/SchoolCalendar. Please note that you can print the calendar by clicking the print icon. To upload to your phone, click on the RSS feed and follow the instructions. The school planner that will be distributed in August does not have any Nazareth dates as new activities are added throughout the school year.

2019-2020 Student Handbook

Also on our website, the <u>Student Handbook</u> can be found under the Family tab, by selecting Students. It also has its own link on the right side of the homepage or at the top of the homepage, under the Quick Links tab. With the Student Handbook, there is a Student Pledge on the final page that must be printed, signed, and submitted by the first day of school.

School Year Information Form

If you have yet to do so, please <u>click here</u> to complete the School Year Information Form for students and parents. If you are having difficulty with this form, please contact the Main Office. Please submit the completed form by August 20, 2019.

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Athletics Mr. Dan Bradley

Fall Sports Registration

Registration for fall sports is now open on FamilyID. Visit our <u>website to register</u>. The PIAA physical form must be submitted to the Athletic Department by August 9th.

Strength and Conditioning Camp

Strength and Conditioning Camp conducted by Moss Rehab will open on August 5th. Details to follow.

Concussion Test

Concussion Test makeup date is August 6th and will be held in Room 3 from 4:00-6:00 PM. Email Mr. Bradley at dbradley@nazarethacademyhs.org to set up an appointment time.

Fall Tryouts

Fall Tryouts for the following sports begin August 12th: Soccer, Tennis, Golf, Volleyball and Cross Country. Any questions in regards to tryouts, you can email Mr. Bradley at dbradley@nazarethacademyhs.org

Fall Sports Parent Meeting

Fall Sports Parent Meeting is August 12th at 6:00 PM in the Performing Arts Center. Individual coaches' meetings for parents in rooms throughout the school will follow the Parent Meeting for all Fall Sports. Those rooms will be announced at the Parent Meeting.

New Gym Floor

The new gym floor will be completed and ready to go for the upcoming fall season. We can't wait until the Nazareth family sees the amazing work on the new floor.

Student Spotlight:

This summer, Sandra McCouch '22, participated in The Congress of Future Medical Leaders in Boston just after the death of her father. Please <u>click here</u> to read the deeply personal and moving firsthand account shared by Sandra about her journey.

In Loving Remembrance

Please remember in your prayers recently deceased members of the Nazareth Family, especially:

- Mr. Joseph Kehner, father of Danielle Kehner '22
- Mr. Christopher McCouch, father of Sandra McCouch '22
- Sister Therese McFadden, SSJ, Theology teacher and CSC Moderator

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

-Luke 23:42

