

NAZARETH ACADEMY HIGH SCHOOL

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Embracing Faith, Family and Education

The only private, Catholic high school for girls in Philadelphia

Who We Are

Our Mission

Nazareth Academy High School is a Catholic, private, fully-accredited college preparatory school for young women, sponsored by the Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth.



Embracing Faith, Family and Education

We challenge each student to attain her full potential academically, spiritually, and personally. While focusing on service to God and community, Nazareth Academy High School provides a rigorous academic curriculum and varied extracurricular activities that inspire each student to achieve academic excellence and become a life-long learner in a global society.



Located In Beautiful Suburban Northeast Philadelphia

Sharing a campus with Holy Family University, our students hail from Philadelphia and surrounding counties as well as neighboring New Jersey townships. As a sponsored ministry of the Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth, embracing faith, family and education has been the foundation of everything we do. Our girls are challenged each day to be leaders of Catholic teachings and to spread the kingdom of God's love here on earth.



Embracing Faith



Nazareth Academy Inspires The Catholic Faith Of Our Girls

We believe that our Catholic faith is the foundation of and the impetus for all that we do both within and beyond the walls of every classroom. Rooted in the example of the Holy Family, we recognize that while each of us is a unique gift of God, we all share the common task of bringing the love, mercy, and justice of God to our community, our country, and our world.





Chapel – The Heart Of Our School

The Chapel, situated at the top of the school's main staircase, is the centerpiece of Nazareth Academy's campus. Beyond the beauty of its mesmerizing stained glass windows and captivating ceiling imagery, there are many beloved school traditions connected to our Chapel. Here, our students are inducted into the Nazareth sisterhood, they acquire their class rings, they celebrate their Baccalaureate Mass, and they receive the Body of Christ. In Chapel, the Nazareth school community prays and celebrates their faith as a family.



Embracing Family



Nazareth Academy Sisterhood

Through academic rigor and a culture of togetherness, a sisterhood is formed amongst our students that helps create lifelong friendships. Similar to the teachings of the Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth, our girls are committed to creating a community of love and acceptance for all they encounter.







364 friends and sisters

8 to 1 student to teacher ratio



The small class sizes allow our girls the opportunity to know their teachers and classmates.









Embracing Education



Student-Centered Learning

Our educational process is student-centered and not limited by the walls of the classroom. There are many roads to success, and we strive to help our Nazareth students discover their unique talents and ambitions. One of the hallmarks of a Nazareth education is that our students graduate remarkably well-prepared for college.

Average Class Size: 15 Students

Nazareth's small class sizes, faculty involvement, and low student-to-teacher ratio foster an atmosphere of personal attention for every student. The close relationship that develops between students and faculty encourages learning that is meaningful and relevant.







STREAM Initiative

At Nazareth Academy, we take studies in Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Mathematics (STEAM) to a new level with STREAM: STEAM + Religion = STREAM. We have revamped the STEAM initiative to include an emphasis on the religious traditions upon which we were founded in 1928.

Nazareth Academy High School's STREAM program creates awareness, sparks interest, builds confidence, and fosters a culture of innovation in girls while integrating our Catholic identity into every aspect of the curriculum. It is important to note that STREAM Education is not a new curriculum at NAHS, but it is a philosophical framework for delivering excellence in Catholic education for the 21st Century learner.

Academic Highlights

- 100% College Acceptance Rate
- 17 Advanced Placement Courses
- 21 Honors Courses
- Dual Enrollment Partnership with Holy Family University for College Credit
- Diocesan Scholars Program for College Credit
- Online Electives through Arrupe Virtual Learning Institute
- Academic Success Programs
- Rocketry and Robotics Club



Empowering Girls





Inspire Our Girls' Hearts and Minds!

Our faculty and staff understand the importance of creating a culture of learning, while at the same time creating a level of confidence that allows our girls to be motivated to pursue the education necessary to achieve their dreams. The environment at Nazareth Academy High School is rich in Catholic values and our curriculum and school atmosphere empower our students to be creative, think critically, voice their opinions, and develop into the future leaders of society.

Something For Every Student!

At Nazareth, girls engage in hands-on, interactive experiences that enhance our academic program. We offer a variety of clubs and activities that keep our students wellrounded and involved. With more than 40 clubs and activities to choose from, Nazareth offers countless opportunities for students to explore extracurricular activities and to develop leadership skills.



The Arts at Nazareth

Whether it's learning a musical instrument, playing in ensembles, singing in the choir, performing in plays, or discovering beauty in fine art, there are plenty of opportunities for creative expression at Nazareth Academy.



Visual Arts

By studying the Visual Arts at Nazareth Academy High School, students gain an understanding of and appreciation for the various aesthetic and disciplinary elements involved in the production of art. Our goal is to provide a basis from which the student will maintain a life-long appreciation of the visual arts. The Visual Arts at Nazareth - photography, ceramics, painting, design, and mosaics - let students explore their creative processes and develop new perspectives of the world.

Music

Music at Nazareth is an integral part of the school's life. All genres of music are celebrated from symphonic works for our orchestra and chamber music for a whole host of ensembles, to the worlds of pop and jazz. At Nazareth Academy, every student's individual musical interest is an option, and she will be challenged to reach her full potential in that field.

Our music students have traveled all over the world, including Germany and Austria. Our girls performed at prestigious venues including the Vatican for the Beatification of the martyred Sisters of the Holy Family, the North American Music Festival, Carnegie Hall in New York, and various musical events both internationally and in the United States.





Theater Arts

Nazareth has a long-established and vibrant theatrical tradition, nurturing the talents of our creative and passionate students. Girls involved in Theater at Nazareth emerge as young women with emotional intelligence who can possess, articulate, and implement a creative vision. The Theater Program at Nazareth offers students diverse opportunities to develop skills in all aspects of performance and production. As a member of Theater, our girls learn creative skills that will enhance their life here at Nazareth and beyond.

Empowering Girls

Athletics at Nazareth

The Athletics program at Nazareth Academy High School is a vital part of the school community and offers our student body a balanced curriculum. We believe that athletics are an extension of the classroom. Our student athletes learn about commitment, dedication, hard work, discipline, and teamwork through participation in sports; they represent the Nazareth community with great pride.

Nazareth Academy High School strives to utilize the teacher-coach-counselor model. Along with the Athletic Director, all head varsity coaches at Nazareth oversee the development of their program from the Junior Varsity team to the Varsity level. Our coaches are men and women of compassion who inspire our student athletes to be confident young women.

Fall Sports

Cheerleading Cross Country Golf Soccer Tennis Volleyball Winter Sports Basketball Indoor Track Swimming **Spring Sports** Lacrosse Softball Track and Field







Preparing for College



College Prep Scheduling

A modified block scheduling model, called College Prep Scheduling, is employed at Nazareth Academy. Most courses are held for 80 minutes (full block), but a few courses are 40 minutes (half block) in length. The longer class period allows for more laboratory work in Science classes, more creative production in Art classes, more debate in Social Studies classes, and more writing and discussion in English.

Because of the College Prep Scheduling, the school year at Nazareth mirrors to a great extent the academic year at a college with classes running by semester rather than for the whole year. This has proven to prepare our students well for college study.

College Counseling

Our College Counseling program supports our girls as they develop the knowledge and awareness to determine the educational path that is best for their future. College counselors work closely together regarding each student's course selection and activities, with an eye towards the college process.



Schools Attending

Arcadia University **Baylor** University **Bloomsburg University** Bryn Athyn University Bucks County School of Beauty Cabrini University Catholic University of America College of Mount Saint Vincent **DeSales** University Drexel University Duquesne University Fairfield University George Mason University Gettysburg College Holy Family University Jean Madeline Aveda Institute Kean University La Salle University Marymount University Marywood University **Ohio** University Parson's School of Design Pennsylvania State University Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute **Rider University** Rowan University Saint Leo University Saint Mary's College (Notre Dame, IN) Savannah College of Art and Design School of the Art Institute of Chicago Seton Hall University Susquehanna University Syracuse University Temple University Thomas Jefferson University University of Delaware University of Maryland University of Pennsylvania University of Pittsburgh University of Scranton University of Tampa University of Utah West Chester University Widener University



NAZARETH ACADEMY HIGH SCHOOL

Our Graduates

Earned more than **\$30 million** in college scholarships















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