

The Naz Newsletter



Nazareth Academy High School Parent Update

October 24, 2021

“Love, based upon faith and lived, must have its expression in every deed and in all situations.”

-Blessed Mary of Jesus the Good Shepherd

From the Office of the Principal

Mr. Jim Meredith

I was blessed to join over thirty seniors this weekend on their Kairos retreat. What a grace-filled experience! Thank you to our Campus Minister Ms. Shannon Donnelly, our adult leaders, and our student leaders for a spectacular Kairos weekend. Our students truly grew closer to God, themselves, and their classmates.

Freshmen, sophomores, and juniors will have their yearbook pictures taken on Thursday, October 28th. A flyer was distributed in homeroom to all students this week with information on how to order pictures.

We are excited for this week for the traditional Clash Day on Friday and the day will conclude with our Fall Festival, with dismissal at 2:10. Looking ahead, there will be no class on Monday, November 1st for faculty professional development.



Junior Ring Mass

With great joy, we will celebrate the Class of 2023 in our beloved Nazareth Chapel on Thursday, November 11, 2021 at 6:30 PM for our Junior Ring Mass, a special milestone in the lives of Nazareth students. The following day, November 12th, we will celebrate Junior Day for the Class of 2023. A reminder that all ring balances must be settled with Jostens to ensure on time delivery of school rings.

Remembering Our Beloved Dead

During the month of November, Nazareth Academy High School will remember in a prayer our beloved deceased. [Please click here](#) to list the names of your deceased family and friends so the entire Nazareth Academy family can carry them in prayer through the month of November.

Schedule for the Week

Monday, October 25: A Schedule

Tuesday, October 26: A Schedule

Wednesday, October 27: B Schedule, Department Meetings

Thursday, October 28: A Schedule

Friday, October 29: Special Schedule, dismissal 2:10, Clash Day/Fall Festival

Mon-Tues Oct. 25-26 and Thurs. Oct. 28

A Schedule

Warning Bell	7:40 AM
Homeroom	7:45 AM -7:57 AM
BLOCK 1	8:00 AM- 9:21 AM
Block 1A	8:00 AM - 8:39 AM
Block 1B	8:42 AM- 9:21 AM
BLOCK 2	9:24 AM-10:45 AM
Block 2A	9:24 AM-10:03 AM
Block 2B	10:06 AM-10:45 AM
Activity Period	10:48 AM-11:23 AM
BLOCK 3	11:26 AM-12:47 PM
Block 3A	11:26 AM-12:05 PM
Block 3B	12:08 PM-12:47 PM
BLOCK 4	12:50 PM- 2:10 PM
Block 4A	12:50 PM- 1:29 PM
Block 4B	1:32 PM-2:10 PM

Wednesday, Oct. 27

B Schedule

Warning Bell	7:40 AM
Homeroom	7:45 AM-7:57 AM
BLOCK 1	8:00 AM-9:05 AM
Block 1A	8:00 AM- 8:31 AM
Block 1B	8:34 AM-9:05 AM
BLOCK 2	9:08 AM-10:13 AM
Block 2A	9:08 AM- 9:39 AM
Block 2B	9:42 AM-10:13 AM
Activity Period	10:16 AM-10:44 AM
BLOCK 3	10:47 AM-11:52 AM
Block 3A	10:47 AM-11:18 AM
Block 3B	11:21 AM-11:52 AM
BLOCK 4	11:55 AM- 1:00 PM
Block 4A	11:55 AM-12:26 PM
Block 4B	12:29 PM- 1:00 PM



Friday, Oct 29: Fall Festival

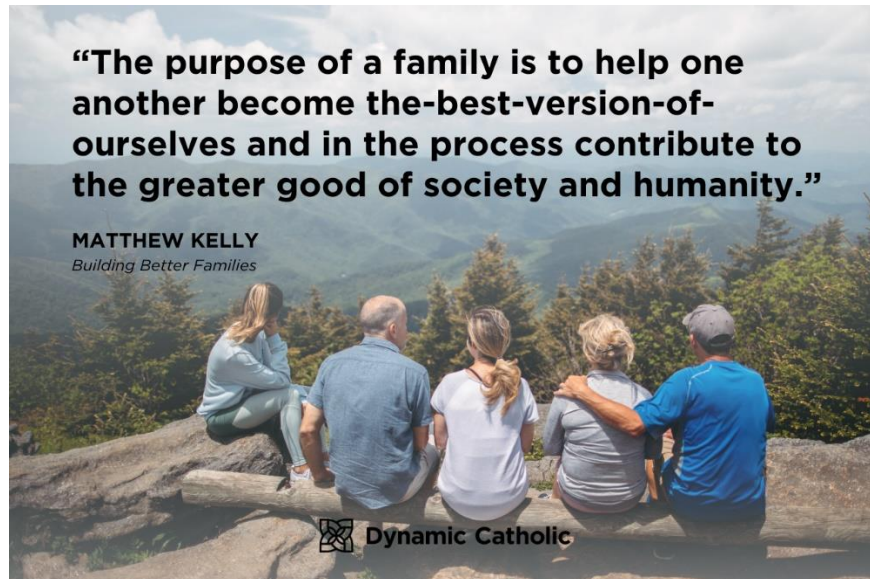
Special Schedule

Warning Bell	7:40 AM
Homeroom	7:45 AM- 7:57 AM
BLOCK 1	8:00 AM-8:59 AM
Block 1A	8:00 AM-8:28 AM
Block 1B	8:31 AM-8:59 AM
BLOCK 2	9:02 AM-10:01 AM
Block 2A	9:02 AM-9:30 AM
Block 2B	9:33 AM-10:01 AM
Activity Period	10:04 AM-10:34 AM
BLOCK 3	10:37 AM -11:36 AM
Block 3A	10:37 AM-11:05 AM
Block 3B	11:08 AM-11:36 AM
BLOCK 4	11:39 AM -12:38 PM
Block 4A	11:39 AM-12:07 PM
Block 4B	12:10 PM-12:38 PM
FALL FESTIVAL	12:40 PM-2:10PM

From the Office of the President

Mrs. Denise LePera

Thought for the Day



Advancement Office

Taste of the Town ~ November 13th

The Taste of the Town is back featuring TF Squared with our own Mrs. Teresa Miller and local restaurants sampling their cuisine. We will have raffle baskets, 50/50 and a basket of cheer. [Tickets can be purchased for \\$40](#) in advance or \$50 at the door. We hope that you will join us.

Thank you to our 2021 Taste of the Town Sponsors! As of Friday, October 22nd

Entertainment Sponsors

Eileen Hurley Esq. '89

Jack Duggan's Pub ~

Michael and Erin Hurley '90 Zwiernan P '22

Bar Sponsors

ASK Technologies Inc. ~
Steve & Grace Pirolli P'22

Sprinkler Fitters Local Union 692

T-Shirt Sponsors

B & E Sportswear

District Council 21

P & F Giordano ~

Eugene & Cristie Hutkowski '91 Giordano P'24

Taste of the Town Raffle Tickets

Students received their Taste of the Town Raffle Tickets. The raffle will be held the second week of November to coincide with the Taste of the Town. Each ticket contains two (2) three-digit lottery

numbers. *We are asking each student to sell a minimum of five tickets.* Tickets are \$20.00 and the drawings are based on the Pennsylvania Evening Lottery (straight only). Student incentives for selling their raffles will be announced weekly in school. If needed, more tickets will be available in the Development Office. **All tickets are due in homeroom by the morning of Monday, November 8, 2021.**

Drawing Dates

The drawing dates will be:

- November 9, 2021: Green Tickets
- November 10, 2021: Pink Tickets
- November 11, 2021: Blue Tickets
- November 12, 2021: Yellow Tickets

Winners: \$2,000 value

The winner will receive a \$150.00 gift certificate to **EACH** restaurant listed below along with \$100.00 spending cash for each restaurant making this a \$2,000.00 value per drawing.

The restaurants featured are as follows:

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| ~ Macaroni's | ~El Vez Restaurant |
| ~ NaBrasa Brazilian Steakhouse | ~Maggiano's Little Italy |
| ~ Morimoto | ~The Capital Grille |
| ~ Buddakan | ~River House at Odette's |

NAPA Updates

NAPA Frightful 50/50 🎃

"Will you be tricked or treated with NAPA's frightful 50/50?" [Take another chance to win](#) with our next Frightful 50/50 on Wednesday, October 27th. Grand Prize is \$500. Tickets are \$5.00 & only 200 spots will be sold! Congratulations to the Fall Harvest 50/50 winner Sanka Coyle!

It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Christmas for NAPA 🍷🎄

28" Mixed Green Wreaths & 10 ft. Cedar Garland from Sherwood Forest Farms go on sale on Monday, October 25th . Orders can be placed via this link NazarethAcademyHS.org/Wreath.

Ornaments, Poinsettias, Christmas wrapping paper, and other gift items go on sale on Monday, November 1st~ be sure to keep an eye out for details!

Panda Perk: Beach Brew is Back November 4th ☕😊

"Coffee with a friend is like capturing happiness in a cup" ~ grab a friend and a Panda Bean coffee on Thursday, November 4th. Beach Brew USA has partnered with NAPA to bring us our very own Panda Bean iced coffee drink; available 6:45AM- 7:30AM in the NAZ parking lot. \$5.00 per iced coffee.

NAPA General Parent Meeting

Pencil us in for our next meeting on Tuesday, November 2nd at 6:30 PM in the PAC. NAPA would love to meet you. Come hear all about our great fundraising events and bring us some of your ideas we would love to hear them. Our guest speaker this month is Ms. Shannon Donnelly, Director of Campus Ministry. [Click here to register for the meeting.](#)

From the Office of Campus Ministry

Ms. Shannon Donnelly, Campus Minister

"The home at Nazareth had no distinctive characteristics. There was no extraordinary activity there, yet God's favor rested on it because the mind and heart, feelings and free will of each inhabitant were centered on God." -Mother Foundress, Blessed Mary of Jesus the Good Shepherd

This quote really sheds light on the beauty of God's love. His love is not dependent on our circumstances or status, but on our identity, His beloved. Nothing can change His mind! Whatever standard you base your worth off - it is nothing compared to the standard of God.

Reminders

- I look forward to spending November 2nd with you at the NAPA meeting! I will be sharing insights with you on how to bring God's kingdom into your relationship with your daughter.
- There will be an email soon about volunteering at Face to Face Soup Kitchen. There are limited spots so please be ready to sign up next week!

From the Office of Student Life

Mrs. Theresa Hartey, Assistant Principal

Thank you for the outpouring of supplies for our Afghan Refugee collection. We really appreciate your support!

Thank you to all the students who tutored at the grade school and assisted Sister Ana at Holy Redeemer Garden. Your beautiful spirit of generosity is so appreciated. We will continue to tutor on Thursday afternoons and next month we will begin volunteering at Face to Face Soup Kitchen in Germantown.

There will be a \$5 dress down day on **Monday, October 25th** to support Student Council and Fall Festival.

On **Friday, October 29th** we will have **Clash Day**, and Student Council will sponsor the **Fall Festival** beginning at 12:40. We are asking each class to help provide us with individually wrapped treats:

- Seniors: Bags of candy
- Juniors: Brownies and cookies
- Sophomores: Chips and pretzels
- Freshmen: Water bottles

Please write your name and grade on all treats and bring them to Room 222 any day through Friday, the day of the Fall Festival.

Taste of the Town Raffle Tickets: Students who sell all five of their raffle tickets will continue to be entered into a Friday drawing for gift card prizes. The class that has the best participation in sales (by percentage) will be awarded a visit from a food truck. Please do your best to sell your raffle tickets!

Important Upcoming Dates

- Thursday, October 28th: Underclassmen and Faculty/Staff Yearbook Pictures
- Friday, October 29th: Clash Day: Student Council will sponsor the Fall Festival

- Monday, November 1st: All Saints Day, no classes, Faculty PD Day
- Thursday, November 4th-Sunday, November 7th: Fall Musical, *Legally Blonde*
- Monday, November 8th: Winter Uniform Begins
- Thursday, November 11th: Junior Ring Mass
- Friday, November 12th: Junior Ring Day
- Saturday, November 13: Taste of the Town
- Sunday, November 14th: Face to Face Soup Kitchen
- Saturday, November 20th: Father-Daughter Dance

Have a great week! Thank you for your wonderful daughters! Go Pandas! God bless!

From the Office of College Counseling

Ms. Alyssa Mikulski, Director of College Counseling

Upcoming Nazareth College Visits

All in-person visits are located outside the Panda Pit! Virtual visits will be cancelled if students do not sign up for these sessions.

October 25th: Chestnut Hill College

October 26th: Potential virtual visit with The University of Tampa if students sign up. Here is the [FORM LINK](#) to sign up for the event. Please complete this form by Monday morning at 8am. Here is the [LINK](#) for the Zoom session.

October 28th: Marywood University

October 29th: Army Representative

Potential virtual visit with Temple University if students sign up. Here is the [FORM LINK](#) to sign up for the event. Please complete this form by Monday morning at 8am. Here is the [LINK](#) for the Zoom session.

Resources

- The College Counseling Department has launched an Official Instagram account. We'll be posting upcoming events, deadlines, and resources for you and your students. Please encourage your students to follow us and feel free to follow us yourselves. Our handle is: [nahscollegecounseling](#)
- The FAFSA application opened October 1st. Seniors and their families should complete this federal student aid [application](#) sooner rather than later for college purposes. Students should check with their colleges to see if there are priority deadlines for FAFSA submission.
- Going Merry offers financial aid [resources](#) and a way to [complete the FAFSA](#) application through their site. Many of your students may have accounts with Going Merry already for scholarship searches. They should be able to use this account to complete the FAFSA if they would rather use Going Merry instead of the FAFSA site.
- The Pennsylvania Association for College Admission Counseling is hosting virtual college fairs. Follow this [LINK](#) to register. Events are taking place on October 25th and 27th.

Transcript Request Form Class of 2022

When your student applies to a college or university, they need to request that their transcript be sent to that particular school. This should be done through the [Transcript Request Form](#). There is a \$3 fee per transcript that is sent. (Example: If your student applies to 5 colleges, then the fee is \$15.)

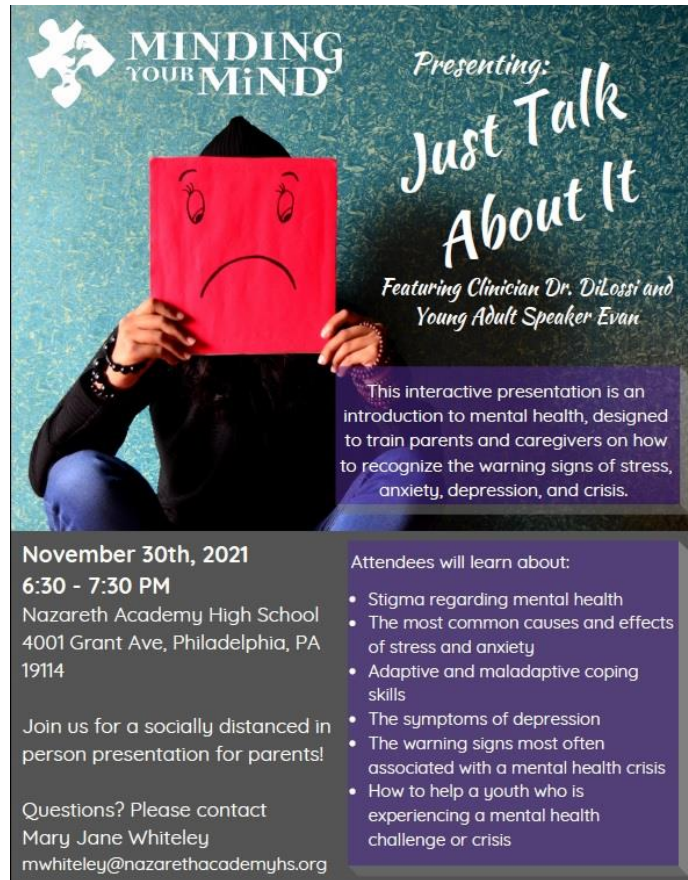
Instant Decision Day Class of 2022

Nazareth will be hosting an Instant Decision Day with **Thomas Jefferson University** on November 10th. Students who participate will be given an admission decision this day. Students should register for this event and complete an application to Jefferson by November 1st. To register, please complete this [FORM](#).

From the Office of Counseling

Ms. Mary Jane Whiteley, Director of Counseling

Please join us for an interactive presentation on the evening of November 30th by Minding Your Mind presenters, Dr. DiLossi and young adult speaker Evan. Minding Your Mind will again be sharing valuable information around the topic of mental health. Please see the flyer for more details on the Parent Program!



MINDING YOUR MiND Presenting: *Just Talk About It*
Featuring Clinician Dr. DiLossi and Young Adult Speaker Evan

This interactive presentation is an introduction to mental health, designed to train parents and caregivers on how to recognize the warning signs of stress, anxiety, depression, and crisis.

November 30th, 2021
6:30 - 7:30 PM
Nazareth Academy High School
4001 Grant Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19114

Join us for a socially distanced in person presentation for parents!

Questions? Please contact
Mary Jane Whiteley
mwhiteley@nazarethacademyhs.org

Attendees will learn about:

- Stigma regarding mental health
- The most common causes and effects of stress and anxiety
- Adaptive and maladaptive coping skills
- The symptoms of depression
- The warning signs most often associated with a mental health crisis
- How to help a youth who is experiencing a mental health challenge or crisis

From the Office of the Athletic Department

Mr. Dan Bradley, Athletic Director

Fall sports seasons are wrapping up. Thank you to all our student athletes who participated in a fall sport. We look forward to seeing you play a winter sport. Below you will find important dates and information regarding winter sports.

Information

Remember that in order to try out for a winter sport, athletes must register on Family ID, turn in a PIAA physical to the Athletic Department, and have Impact Concussion Testing completed for freshman and juniors. If you are a freshman or junior and participated in a fall sport you do not need to take the impact test again nor hand in the PIAA physical form. Not having these can affect one's participation on

the team. This must be completed by November 19th. Registration on [FamilyID](#) will open on Sunday, October 24th.

Winter Sports

Indoor Track
Basketball
Swimming
Cheerleading

Important Dates:

November 8th – November 12th

ImpACT Concussion Testing will be done online. You will receive an email the week of November 8th with directives to complete the impact testing. ImpACT concussion testing is mandatory for all freshman and junior athletes. Again, if you are a freshman or junior and participated in a fall sport you do not need to take the impact test again.

November 19th

First official day for winter sports tryouts to begin for indoor track, basketball, and swimming. Specific information regarding each sport's tryout schedule will be forthcoming.

If you have any questions regarding ImpACT concussion testing, tryouts, or FamilyID, please contact our Athletic Director, Mr. Bradley at dbradley@nazarethacademyhs.org

Please click here for the [PIAA Physical Form](#) (*must be dated after June 30, 2021*).

Weekly Athletic Schedule 10/25/21-10/31/21

Monday, October 25

3:30 – 5:30 – V Soccer Practice – Nazareth

Tuesday, October 26

3:30 – 5:30 – V Soccer Practice – Nazareth
6:30 – 9:00 – V Cheer Practice – Gym

Wednesday, October 27

Soccer D1 Playoffs – 1st Round – TBD

Thursday, October 28

3:30 – 5:30 – V Soccer Practice – TBD
6:00 – 7:30 – Basketball PIAA Rules Meeting – PAC
6:30 – 9:00 – V Cheer Practice – Gym

Friday, October 29

Soccer D1 Playoffs – 2nd Round – TBD

Saturday, October 30

Open

Sunday, October 31

Play Practice

Prayer Intentions

During this month of the Most Holy Rosary, please remember the following in your prayers:

- Those impacted by the coronavirus, the victims and the first responders on the front lines fighting this virus
- Adult leaders, student leaders and retreatants who attended Kairos this week
- American men and women serving overseas
- Mr. Jack Barth (*Facilities*)
- Mrs. Jessica MacKay, *former Director of Counseling*
- Sister Maryellen Whitaker (*Library*)
- Zdunkiewicz Family
- All intentions of the Nazareth Academy High School Community