

The Naz Newsletter



Nazareth Academy High School Parent Update

January 30, 2022

Exert every effort to promote the life of love in your midst.

-Blessed Mary of Jesus the Good Shepherd



Catholic Schools Week 2022
January 30-February 5

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From the Office of the Principal

Mr. Jim Meredith

Happy Catholic Schools Week! We are grateful for the gift of our students and for our families and their support of a Catholic, Nazareth education. Our students, teachers, staff, and families remind us daily of the extraordinary value of a Catholic education at Nazareth Academy High School. Thank you!

Catholic Schools Week 2022

Monday, January 31st – Celebrating Our Community: Liturgy 9 AM to open Catholic Schools Week

Quizzo in the gym during Activity Period: Freshmen

Tuesday, February 1st – Celebrating Our Students: Dress Down Day, Candy papers for prizes; ice cream courtesy of NAPA for all students during lunches

Quizzo in the gym during Activity Period: Sophomores

White Out Basketball Game 5:30 JV, 7:00 V

Wednesday, February 2nd – Celebrating Our Nation: Special morning prayer for our Nation;

Quizzo in the gym during Activity Period: Juniors

Thursday, February 3rd – Celebrating Vocations: Adoration; Wear a Catholic Parish or NAHS shirt/sweatshirt in place of top half of uniform.

Quizzo in the gym during Activity Period: Seniors

Friday, February 4th – Celebrating Our Teachers and Staff; Dress Down Day cost is a needed item for Face to Face in Germantown (*list of items needed shared in Mrs. Hartey's section of the update*).

Quizzo in the gym during Activity Period: Student winners vs Faculty/Staff

Schedule for the Week

Monday, January 31: C Schedule, Mass for Catholic Schools Week

Tuesday, February 1: A Schedule

Wednesday, February 2: A Schedule; Academic Council

Thursday, February 3: A Schedule

Friday, February 4: A Schedule

Monday, January 31

C Schedule

Warning Bell	7:40 AM
Homeroom	7:45 AM-7:57 AM
BLOCK 1	8:00 AM-9:01 AM
Block 1A	8:00 AM-8:29 AM
Block 1B	8:32 AM-9:01 AM
Mass	9:04 AM-10:24 AM
BLOCK 2	10:27 AM-11:28 AM
Block 2A	10:27 AM-10:56 AM
Block 2B	10:59 AM-11:28 AM
Activity Period	11:31 AM-12:02 PM
BLOCK 3	12:05 PM-1:06 PM
Block 3A	12:05 PM-12:34 PM
Block 3B	12:37 PM-1:06 PM
BLOCK 4	1:09 PM-2:10 PM
Block 4A	1:09 PM-1:38 PM
Block 4B	1:41 PM-2:10 PM

Tue-Fri February 1-4

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

From the Office of the President

Mrs. Denise LePera

As we begin Catholic Schools Week, it is an honor to be serving here at a sponsored ministry of Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth. Helping students shine brighter is a huge responsibility. At Nazareth, we recognize that it is also a great gift. Our mission combined with the core values of the Sisters ensures our students experience God's grace in their relationships with family, friends and teachers. These relationships are a reflection of love and ensure that we challenge each other every day to reflect God's love and be the best version of ourselves.



Thank you for entrusting your daughters to us as we strive to send them forth to be virtuous leaders, living a life of service to God and others, and making a difference to those they meet along their journey.

Advancement Office

Mrs. Terri Evans

Legacy Gala Silent Auction Call for Items It's that time of year again! As part of our Legacy Gala on April 22, 2022, our Online Auction will take place this year from April 3-22. The auction proceeds benefit students through tuition assistance.

We are asking now for donations that can be included in the auction. [Please check our Amazon wish list for possible items.](#) We are also looking for experiences that will be of interest to the Nazareth community.

Some examples:

- Restaurant gift cards (*Do you have a favorite? Ask them to consider supporting Nazareth with a gift card*)
- Gift cards for spa services, hair salons, etc.
- Tickets to sporting events (*Phillies, Flyers, Union, etc.*)
- Zoo and museum passes
- Tickets to concerts, concert venues, etc.
- Golf foursomes (*Are you a member at a club? Perhaps you could sponsor a foursome?*)
- Travel getaways (*Do you have a mountain or beach house that you would be willing to donate for a week or weekend?*)
- Special collectibles (*sports, art, etc.*)
- Wine and spirits
- Other items the Nazareth community would enjoy

Last year our Virtual Legacy Gala raised more than \$70,000 in part because of the very generous donations to our silent auction. Let's make this year's auction even better! Parents, faculty, staff and alumnae donated more than \$8,000 in auction items.

If you have an item or items that you would like to donate to the Nazareth Legacy Gala Online Auction, please contact Mrs. Terri Evans at TEvans@NazarethAcademyHS.org or 215.268.1047.

COVID Corner

This week there were two positive cases. Here is the most recent [Covid Dashboard](#) that includes daily updates of positive cases for the current and previous weeks.

Updates

We are grateful for your attention to the guidance of the City of Philadelphia and the CDC, especially:

- Completing the daily health questionnaire
- Following proper use of masks
- Using the hand sanitizing stations and washing your hands often

Quick Links and Reference:

[Daily Health Screening Questionnaire](#)

[Current Guidance for Schools from the City of Philadelphia Department of Health](#)

[Visual Aid for Calculating Isolation, Quarantine and Testing](#)

[PA Department of Health Dashboard](#)

Thank you for your ongoing support and patience!

Business Office

Mrs. Jennifer McCloskey '03

Registration for the 2022–2023 Academic Year

Enrollment contracts for the 2022–2023 academic year will be sent electronically on Tuesday, February 1st. Please return no later than Tuesday, March 1st. Please contact Mrs. Jennifer McCloskey '03, Director of Finance, with any questions or concerns at 215.268.1069 or via email at jmccloskey@NazarethAcademyHS.org.

NAPA

Mrs. Grace Pirolli P '22

Mark your calendars ~ NAPA General Parent Meeting Tuesday, February 1st at 6:30 PM in the PAC [To register please click here](#). We will be discussing the NAPA Board elections at the meeting. Light refreshments will be served. If anyone is interested in running for the board for next year, please email Grace Pirolli at NAPA@NazarethAcademyHS.org.

Do all things with great L♥ve . Take a chance on NAPA's Valentine's Day Raffle ~ \$200.00 gift card to the Oldestone in New Hope and a dozen roses. \$10.00 a ticket 3 for \$25.00. Sale begins Tuesday, February 1st. Winner will be announced on Friday, February 11th. [Purchase your raffles here](#).

"Friends bring happiness into your life. Best Friends bring Iced Coffee." ☺ Grab your-bestie and grab a Panda Bean from Beach Brew in the Gym lobby on Thursday, February 3rd from 6:45AM- 7:30AM in the Gym lobby. \$5.00 per iced coffee.

"Champions Shine Here" NAPA's 2022 Super Bowl LVI Pool 🏈🏈

The first Super Bowl Pool has sold out. Due to the popularity of this pool, we have opened up a second Super Bowl Pool! You can purchase your block(s) [here](#).

Wawa Gift Certificates ~ Everyone ♥'s WAWA.

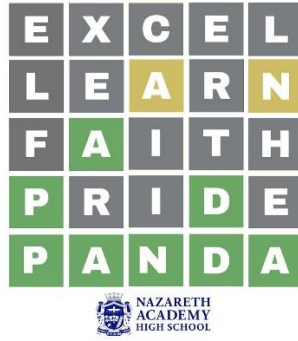
Let's spread some ♥ with WAWA gift certificates for that special someone ~ \$5.00 each. [Order here](#)

Save the date for NAPA'S Craft Fair & Food Truck Festival ~ 📺📺🧠🔧🔪

Saturday, March 12th 9:00AM – 5:00PM

Get crafty with us. [Craft show signup](#) for anyone interested in being a vendor at the fair. Volunteers can sign up [via this link](#).

Don't forget to check the [school calendar](#) for important information regarding different meetings that are happening during the week.



From the Office of Campus Ministry

Ms. Shannon Donnelly, Campus Minister

"I desire to express my warmest gratitude of my heart for your goodness to me." -Mother Foundress

Happy Catholic Schools Week! We are so grateful to share Catholic values with you and your loved ones!

"Thank you." They may be just two words in the English language, but these words mean so much- in a family and in our Mission. There is power in appreciation!

We all want to know that we make a difference in a person's life; to feel like we matter to someone. This is what makes appreciation so powerful.

If a person takes the time to express their appreciation, it boosts our spirits! It creates positive feelings in the person saying thanks and in the one receiving it. Words of encouragement or a warm smile makes our surroundings a better place and enhances the relationship building process in our ministries.

And this Catholic Schools Week, we are so grateful for your role in our mission! You and your family add value to our family, here at Nazareth.

- ***Please refer to Mrs. Theresa Hartey's portion of the newsletter for the list of items for our service initiative this week. Donations to Face-to-Face in Germantown can be brought in Friday as payment for the Dress Down Day.***

From the Office of Student Life

Mrs. Theresa Hartey, Assistant Principal

This week we will be celebrating Catholic Schools Week!

Thank you, Nazareth families, for your generosity and sacrifice in making Catholic education possible for your daughters! We are thrilled to have them at our school!

Our Catholic Schools Week Collection for Face to Face in Germantown includes the following items. Students may bring in one of these items any day during Catholic Schools Week to earn a Dress Down Day on Friday. Items should be brought to homeroom.

Clothing

sweat pants - medium, large

Toiletry Items

bars of soap (large size bars)
deodorant
toothpaste
toothbrush
shampoo (8 oz. size or larger)
lotion (8 oz. size or larger)

Kitchen Pantry Items

Coffee
Olive Oil
Rice
Dry beans (all kinds)
Bulgar Wheat
Red Wine Vinegar
Apple Cider Vinegar
White Vinegar

Student Pride

We want to hold your daughters to high standards. Please help us here at school by reminding your daughters about: uniform compliance, phone usage only at lunchtime, and properly wearing their masks. We appreciate it! Here is a copy of the uniform code. Please note that the official pants through FlynnO'Hara are also an option, and seniors only are permitted to wear college sweatshirts from the schools to which they have been accepted.

WINTER UNIFORM

- Dirty Buck Shoe is required for all incoming freshmen, sophomores, juniors, new students and current students replacing shoes. Current seniors are permitted to continue wearing their Sperry school shoe. Any student who has orthopedic problems should see the Assistant Principal for Student Life.
- Blue, white and black plaid wrap around kilt
- Navy quarter zip fleece or navy with three white stripes heavyweight v-neck cardigan sweater or navy pullover sweater with school logo
- Navy blazer for Mass and assemblies
- Navy crew socks, without logos
- Navy opaque or navy ribbed tights
- Oxford Blouses are Worn with Winter Kilt
 - Freshmen/sophomores: White short sleeve or long sleeve button-down collar blouse with school logo
 - Juniors/seniors: Blue short sleeve or long sleeve button-down collar blouse with school logo

Upcoming Events:

Tuesday February 1st: We will be hosting a White Out Game with our basketball teams! JV begins at 5:30, and varsity will follow at 7:00. Several alums have registered to attend. Please show your Panda Pride and join us! Shirts are still available.



Sunday, February 6th: We will have **Nazareth Skating Night at Blue Cross RiverRink** from 6:30 to 8:00. Entrance and skate rental are free for the NAHS community. It will be an evening filled with fun, friends, food, and of course, some ice skating! Please show your Nazareth spirit by wearing Nazareth gear! To eat at the indoor section of the facility, proof of vaccination must be shown.



Saturday, February 12th: Face to Face in Germantown Meal Prep 9:30 to 1:00



Thank you to those who volunteered to help with card making for Lisa's Army. You did a beautiful job! Thank you, Dr. Rozanski, for connecting us with this awesome organization!

Happy Catholic Schools Week! Thank you for all that you do! Go Pandas! God bless!

From the Office of College Counseling ***Ms. Alyssa Mikulski, Director of College Counseling***

Class of 2022

Students should send Ms. Mikulski college acceptances, scholarships, and grants through email OR bring papers in to be copied. This information is used for the Graduation Program and for potential social media "shout-outs" later this spring.

Students can still earn scholarships! Please encourage your students to use sites like Going Merry, College Board, Fastweb, and Scholarships.com to search for scholarship opportunities.

Class of 2023

Students should familiarize themselves with the Microsoft Team dedicated to their class and the post-secondary process. This Team is meant to be a resource to students and is regularly updated with information about colleges, summer programs, scholarships, test-optional schools, the college essay, how to apply, etc.

Mr. Brad Simon, our admissions representative from Saint Joseph's University, will be conducting an in-person **college essay seminar** with our junior students on March 15th during activity period. Students should complete this [FORM](#) to RSVP for the seminar. The location of the seminar will be announced closer to March 15th.

The first optional seminar for junior students will take place on February 10th during activity period in Room 324. We will be discussing post-secondary options, the application timeline, and Naviance tools. Students should bring their electronic device to this seminar.

Individual sessions with students are well underway. If you would like to speak with your student's College Counselor, here are the counselor assignments:

Ms. Mikulski, amikulski@nazarethacademyhs.org, 215-268-1077

Adamchak – Bonavolento

Burnett – Driscoll

Flannery – Grogan

Heybach – Marzulli
McGovern – Pfeifer
Tedesco

Ms. Kaloudis, mkaloudis@nazarethacademyhs.org, 215-268-1074

Borkowski – Burke
Dydak – Ellis
Haq – Hess
Matos – McCarrick
Ponert - Szumski
Tobler - Woltjen

Students should follow this [LINK](#) to access the **College Brag Survey**. **This form must be submitted by 11:59PM on February 18, 2022.** This form will close at 11:59PM on February 18, 2022. Students should email their college counselor after they have submitted this form that way we can verify that we have it. We recommend writing their answers in a Word doc and pasting them into the survey to avoid any potential technical problems where they might lose the information.

Students should follow this [LINK](#) if they would like to sign up for the SAT School Day being offered on April 13, 2022. **They have until 11:59PM on March 5, 2022 to sign up via the link.** The cost is \$55 or \$8 if you meet income eligibility guidelines (the link for IEG is in the Microsoft Form). You will receive a payment form for the SAT School Day via email closer to April 13, 2022.

Students must ask 2 teachers for letters of recommendation by April 8, 2022. These teachers should be from sophomore or junior year. Students can meet with their college counselor to discuss who they are thinking about asking. Students should complete the Teacher Recommendation Questionnaire for each teacher and have it with them when they ask teachers to write their letters. Students should tell their college counselor who agrees to write letters of recommendation for so that the teacher can be added to their Naviance account.

Class of 2024

Students will be added to a Microsoft Team dedicated to their class and the post-secondary process. This Team is meant to be a resource to students and will be regularly updated with information about summer programs, colleges, scholarships, etc. We started this Team for the sophomore class so that they can ease into the post-secondary process. If you or your student would like to speak with their College Counselor, here are the Counselor assignments:

Ms. Mikulski, amikulski@nazarethacademyhs.org, 215-268-1077

Acevedo - Heletkanycz
Rachuba - Santiago
Zdunkiewicz

Ms. Kaloudis, mkaloudis@nazarethacademyhs.org, 215-268-1074

Hughston - Pizzo
Scancella – Winning

From the Office of the Athletic Department

Mr. Dan Bradley, Athletic Director

Weekly Athletic Schedule 1/31/2022 - 2/6/2022

Monday, January 31, 2022

4:30 – 6:30 – JV/V Basketball Practice – Gym
5:00 – 7:00 – V Swimming Practice – Bensalem HS
6:30 – 9:00 – V Cheer Practice – Gym

Tuesday, February 1, 2022

2:30 – 4:30 – V Cheer Practice – Gym
2:45 – 4:15 – V Track Practice – Rush
5:30 – JV BB vs. MSJ – Home
6:00 – V Swimming vs. MM – Away
7:00 – V BB vs. MSJ – Home

Wednesday, February 2, 2022

2:45 – 4:15 – V Track Practice – Rush
4:30 – 6:30 – JV/V Basketball Practice – Gym
5:00 – 7:00 – V Swimming Practice – Bensalem HS
6:30 – 8:00 – Soccer Workout – Gym

Thursday, February 3, 2022

3:30 – V Swimming vs. Springfield – Away
5:00 – V BB vs. Academy of New Church – Away
6:30 – 9:00 – V Cheer Practice – Gym

Friday, February 4, 2022

4:30 – 6:30 – JV/V Basketball Practice – Gym
5:00 – 7:00 – V Swimming Practice – Bensalem HS
5:15 – Indoor Track-Away – Lehigh U.
6:30 – 9:00 – V Cheer Practice – Gym

Saturday, February 5, 2022

TBD – Wood V Cheer Competition-Away
10:30 – JV BB vs L. Catholic – Away
12:00 – V BB vs L. Catholic – Away

Sunday, February 6, 2022

5:30 – 8:00 – V Cheer Practice – Gym

Prayer Intentions

We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Mrs. Geraldine Sylvester, retired Catholic school educator, and mother-in-law of Mrs. Cheryl Sylvester (*Mathematics*), and for the consolation of those who love her, most especially her family.

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Also, 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
- American men and women serving overseas
- Mr. Jack Barth (*Facilities*)
- Mrs. Jessica MacKay, *former Director of Counseling*
- All intentions of the Nazareth Academy High School Community