

The Naz Newsletter



Nazareth Academy High School Parent Update

March 20, 2022

True humility acknowledges one's limitations and weaknesses. At the same time, it recognizes God as the author of all good.

-Blessed Mary of Jesus the Good Shepherd

From the Office of the Principal Mr. Jim Meredith

Thank you to NAPA, Mrs. Grace Pirolli, President, and Mrs. Terri Evans, Moderator, for running a successful Snowball Dance on Friday night. I am also grateful to the many teachers and parents who chaperoned the event. For many of our students, in light of the events of the last two years, it was their first high school dance and the adults helped make it an evening to remember!

On Tuesday night, our honors societies will induct this year's members. We are excited to honor these students in our Chapel at 6:30. After the ceremony concludes, light refreshments will be provided in the Gym.

Congratulations to our swimmers who competed well in the championships this weekend! Also, congratulations to our All-Catholic orchestra students who had their festival this weekend at Lansdale Catholic, culminating with a concert today at 2 PM.



Schedule for the Week

Monday, March 21: Faculty Professional Development, No Classes

Tuesday, March 22: A Schedule; Honors Convocation, 6:30 PM

Wednesday, March 23: A Schedule

Thursday, March 24: A Schedule

Friday, March 25: A Schedule; Class of 2022 Day

Tuesday-Friday March 22-25

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

May this week give you something to smile about...and if you need a smile to lift your spirits, may someone cross your path with a generous smile!



Admissions

Spring Open House signs are now available. Please have your daughter stop by the Admissions Office to put a sign in a local business or your lawn.

Legacy Gala Silent Auction Call for Items

We have almost reached our number of silent auction donations from last year. The auction proceeds benefit students through tuition assistance. We are asking 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.

Items for your consideration:

- Tickets to sporting events (*Phillies, Flyers, Union, etc.*)

- Tickets to concerts, concert venues, etc.
- Travel getaways (*Do you have a mountain or beach house that you would be willing to donate for a week or weekend?*)

NAZ Bingo is back on Friday, March 25th. Doors open at 6:00 PM and the games begin at 7:00 PM. \$30 per person or \$250 for a table of 10. Tickets include 12 rounds of bingo, playing for either a designer bag or a gift card of your choice. We will have 3 50/50 games which will be sold at the door, along with pocketbook raffles and additional cards for the regular bingo rounds. We are excited to see you back in person or if you prefer, you can still play virtually. We cannot wait to see you on the 25th! [Click here](#) to purchase your tickets!

COVID Corner

This week there were no reported 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:

- Following proper use of masks
- Using the hand sanitizing stations and washing your hands often
- Monitoring symptoms

Quick Links and Reference:

[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](#)

[Covid Dashboard](#)

[Health Checklist](#)

Thank you for your ongoing support and patience!

Business Office



Mrs. Jennifer McCloskey '03

Enrollment contracts for the 2022–2023 school year were due on March 1, 2022. If you have not returned your enrollment contract, please do so as soon as possible. Please contact Mrs. Konicki at 215.637.7676 in the main office if you need another copy.



NAPA

Mrs. Grace Pirolli P'23

Easter Flowers

Spring has sprung and Easter Flowers are blooming with NAPA. Purchase your choice of 6" Hyacinths, 6" Tulips or 6" Daffodils via this [link](#).   Easter Flowers will be picked up at Nazareth on Saturday, April 9th

Gertrude Hawk Easter Candy

Let's get a jump on these goodies before they hop away.   Order your sweet treats via this [link](#). All candy will be delivered directly to your home.

NAPA Luck of the Irish 5/50 ❀ ❀

Congratulations to Mary Becker from Alpha House who won \$1,417.50!

NAPA Board Nominations

The ballots for the 2022-2023 NAPA board will be emailed to you this week. We have very energetic candidates running for the open positions this year, so please make sure to place your vote. We will announce the new board at the April General Parent Meeting.

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

"Return to me with your whole heart." -Joel 2:12

Mother Foundress once wrote, "nothing can distance us from God" so let that be our consolation when we are afraid to return to God with our heart, struggles, desires, and healing.

Bread Basketball is our 4-week donation drive, in the spirit of Lenten Almsgiving, to help the needs of the community. Each week is a different collection where homerooms will keep track of points, and the highest scoring homeroom gets to play in the faculty/student basketball game. **This week we are collecting for the Ronald McDonald House. They are asking for "Fun Kits" for the kids they work with. Donations include: puzzles, riddle books, card games (Uno, Crazy 8's, Old Maid), Jenga, magic tricks, stress balls, fidget spinners, and fidget pop-it's. We are putting "fun kits" together in Large Zip Lock Bags - so we are also asking that those be donated.**

- **After school on March 24th, at 2:15, there will be a service project to help package the feminine hygiene products we collected last week! All are welcome.**
- This Wednesday, the 23rd, we are going to offer a Divine Mercy Chaplet during Activity Period for Peace in Ukraine.
- On March 24th we will have a Lenten Day of Adoration with a small Activity Period prayer service
- On March 30th we will be doing a service project with Holy Ghost Prep to package our fun kits from this week's donation drive.

From the Office of Student Life

Mrs. Theresa Hartey, Assistant Principal

Class of 2022 Day

This Friday, March 25th we will celebrate our seniors with the Class of 2022 Day!

Seniors should report to the Chapel in full winter uniform including blazers by 8:45.

All seniors should pack a change of clothes for the day's festivities.

Lunch will be provided and dismissal for seniors will be at 1:00.

[Here is a link to the purchase](#) the class picture, which can be ordered through March 30th.

Upcoming Important Dates

March 21st Faculty Professional Development Day, No Classes

March 25th Class of 2022 Day (no class for seniors)

April 1st Naz-a-thon

April 2nd Spring Drama performance: *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*

April 7th Bread Basketball Game 1:00

April 8th Junior Dinner Dance; President's Holiday, No Classes

April 9th Meal Prep: Face to Face in Germantown

April 29th Senior Prom

From the Office of College Counseling

Ms. Alyssa Mikulski, Director of College Counseling

Class of 2022

Students should continue to send their acceptances, scholarships, and grants to me via email or in person for use in the Graduation Program and future Instagram shout-outs!

Students should decline their other offers of admission if they have committed to a college. This can be done either through the student portal or by emailing college admission offices. If your student needs assistance, they can speak with me or Ms. Kaloudis.

Students and their parents will receive individualized Graduation Booklets from me by March 18th via email. They are due back to me via email by April 12, 2022, at 11:59 PM. These booklets are used by the College Counseling Department to finalize students' college choices, scholarships, majors, etc. We understand students have until May 1, 2022, to make their college decisions, so Ms. Kaloudis and I will work with students individually on this survey if they are unable to make a college decision before April 12, 2022.

Class of 2023

Every student who signed up for the April 13th SAT School Day received an email on March 7th with a payment form. Please submit payment by April 1st.

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 were given an electronic copy of the questionnaire. 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.

The next optional seminar is Thursday March 24th during Activity Period in Room 324. We will be discussing application platforms and the application process along with helping students create a Common Application account if they wish to do so. Please have your student complete this [RSVP FORM](#) if they would like to attend the session.

Students were emailed college essay brainstorm worksheets that were given to us by Brad Simon, our admissions representative from Saint Joseph's University.

Lunch Visits

A representative from The University of Tampa is scheduled to visit Nazareth on Thursday March 24th during lunch blocks. We will create a story on Instagram if something changes with this visit.

Representatives from Widener University, Alvernia University, Suffolk University, and The Catholic University of America will be conducting lunch visits the week of March 27th.

From the Office of the Athletic Department

Mr. Dan Bradley, Athletic Director

Nazareth Academy Spring sports are hosting **online shops until March 27th!** All orders are expected to be delivered the week of April 18th.

- [Track Shop](#)
- [Lacrosse Shop](#)
- [Softball Shop](#)

Prayer Intentions

Please remember the following in your prayers:

- The people of Ukraine, including the Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth who minister there and those in our community who may have loved ones living in or near this part of the world
- 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

