

The Naz Newsletter



Nazareth Academy High School Parent Update

April 24, 2022

You have nothing to fear. Jesus is your strength, your light, and your refuse.

-Blessed Mary of Jesus the Good Shepherd

From the Office of the Principal

Mr. Jim Meredith

Safe Environment Lessons

In the *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*, Article 12 calls for all dioceses to establish "safe environment" programs at all grade levels. This ongoing education is presented to the students in each grade. At Nazareth Academy these lessons will be presented to all students during the weeks of April 18th and April 25th during Activity Period in the Gym.

Freshmen received their Safe Environment Lesson, focused on *Bullying*, on Thursday, April 21st. Here is the schedule and topics for this week:

- Grade 10, *Cyber Predators*; Monday, April 25th
- Grade 11, *Healthy Relationships*; Tuesday, April 26th
- Grade 12, *Sexual Harassment and Teens*; Wednesday, April 27th

Juniors and seniors who have Activity Period lunch need to pack their lunch and bring it to the Gym for the presentation.

Article 12 of the Charter also gives parents and guardians the opportunity to optout of the lesson for their daughter. If parents or guardians wish for their daughter to not sit for this lesson, please complete the [Safe Environment Optout Form](#) by homeroom on the day of the scheduled lesson.

Spring Concert

We are excited that our Performing Arts Department will be conducting Spring Concerts this week. On Wednesday, all performers should report to the PAC immediately at the end of 1st block. Students will be called down to the PAC to attend the Spring Concert: Juniors and Seniors from 9:10-9:40 AM and Freshmen and Sophomores from 9:50-10:20 AM

The in-school concert is abbreviation of the full Spring Concert which all are welcome to attend on April 26th at 7 PM in the PAC. Admission is free.

Advanced Placement Testing

Advanced Placement testing begins on May 2, 2022. AP students, who can choose to dress down, must report to school thirty minutes before the testing time begins and are dismissed for the day after the testing concludes. Testing will be administered at Holy Family University, unless noted otherwise. Students will meet in the Nazareth Gym lobby and then the group will travel to HFU together with the proctor. The only school work that AP students are responsible for on the day of their test is taking the AP test. On the day of the test, students are not required to be present in school either before or after the test. Good luck to our students during AP testing!

Monday, May 2nd

US Government and Politics
Chemistry

Tuesday, May 3rd

Psychology

Wednesday, May 4th

English Literature and Composition

Thursday, May 5th

Statistics, PM

Friday, May 6th

US History

Monday, May 9th

Calculus AB/BC
Italian

Tuesday, May 10th

English Language and Composition

Wednesday, May 11th

Spanish Language
Biology

Thursday, May 12th

French
Physics

Friday, May 13th

Music Theory
Latin



Schedule for the Week

Monday, April 25: A Schedule

Tuesday, April 26: A Schedule; Spring Concert, 7 PM

Wednesday, April 27: C Schedule, In School Spring Concert; Open House, 6 PM

Thursday, April 28: C Schedule, Student Council Speeches

Friday, April 29: A Schedule; Senior Prom (no classes for Seniors)

Mon-Tues and Fri, April 25-26 and 29

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

Wed-Thurs, April 27-28

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
Assembly	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

From the Office of the President

Mrs. Denise LePera

Thank you to those who have completed our Stakeholder Survey. We have made tremendous strides in the last five years. There has been more than \$4 million investment in our infrastructure. Leadership positions have been created to enhance our academics and counseling to benefit our students. We want to capitalize on our successes and identify key risks and opportunities to formulate the many possible goals into a strategic few to ensure Nazareth's sustainability for the future. The Strategic Plan will outline the long-term direction of the school in a clear and compelling way.



We value your opinions. If you have not completed, please [click here](#).

Advancement Office

Legacy Gala

Thank you to everyone who supported our Legacy Gala. It was a wonderful night. When our first Principal, Sister M. Neomisia, welcomed ten students in the fall of 1928, she had no idea of the impact this school would have on more than 7,000 young women and counting. After more than 93 years, I can say with complete conviction that Nazareth Academy remains worthy of your investment and your trust. This event supports our Fund a Dream program - a campaign that allocates gifts and donations for tuition assistance, allowing all current and future students the opportunity to experience the four best

years of their life at Nazareth. It's not too late to support this event. [Click here](#) to help make a young girl's dream come true.

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COVID Corner

This week there were 0 reported positive cases. Here is the most recent [Covid Dashboard](#) that includes daily updates of positive cases for the current and previous weeks.

Updates

According to the City of Philadelphia Health Department Commissioner, masks are now recommended not mandated.

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

- Using the hand sanitizing stations and washing your hands often
- Monitoring symptoms

5-Day Quarantine and Isolation Protocols

The City of Philadelphia has updated their mitigation protocols which allows schools to move the CDC recommended 5-day quarantine. However, there are guidelines that must be strictly adhered to.

Following the guidelines below, individuals required to quarantine or isolate can now return on Day 6 (after onset of symptoms or positive test for asymptomatic or date of exposure for close contacts).

- Must be fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication
- Must have a negative rapid antigen test **from a pharmacy or test center**
 - A positive test on Day 5 means that isolation and quarantine would continue through Day 10.
 - Negative test results from the pharmacy or test center must be emailed to COVID@NazarethAcademyHS.org
- Must wear a well-fitted mask for at least 10 days from the start of symptoms (when in school and around others)
- Must eat lunch away from other individuals in a designated area until Day 10

Please note: If new symptoms such as fever, cough, shortness of breath, new loss of taste or smell develop, the isolation period starts again at Day 0.

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

Lunch Accounts

Please log into MyKidsSpending.com to view your daughter's account. If it is in need of funds, click on "Fund Accounts" and follow the prompts to load funds and bring her account up to date. All available funds remaining at the end of this school year will carry over to the next school year. Please contact Mrs. Teresa Miller with any questions or concerns at tmiller@NazarethAcademyHS.org.

NAPA

Mrs. Grace Pirolli P '22

Mother's Day Raffle

Only the best for our moms. Take a chance on winning a beautiful Gucci large tote bag ~ 1 chance for \$25.00 or 3 chances for \$50.00. 🎟️ Purchase tickets via this [link](#). Drawing will be held on Friday, May 13th.

Hershey Park Tickets

Purchase tickets for Hersheypark at a discounted rate of \$60 per ticket to be used up until January 1, 2023. Hersheypark Day for Nazareth is May 31st, so get your tickets and get Hersheypark happy with your friends. Purchase tickets via this [link](#).

NAPA's 50/50

NAPA's 50/50 is back. Purchase your spot to win \$500. Cost is \$5 per spot. The drawing will be held on Wednesday, April 27th. Prize will be awarded based on the spots sold. If maximum spots are not sold, it will be a 50/50 based on money raised. Winner will be contacted via email. Purchase your spots 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

Mission Moment

There are many accounts of our Foundress practicing hospitality of the heart with open hands, open heart and open doors throughout her life. Hospitality of the heart: the ability to accept others as they are and to see the good, the potential in them. It is expressing in some way lovingkindness and genuine concern of the heart to another.

Some illustrations are: taking food and medicine to the sick who could not leave their homes, opening her heart to the Sisters and the many visitors who sought her spiritual insights. Mother Foundress's contemporaries note: "As soon as Mother heard of someone's need, she hastened to alleviate it." May our hearts do the same! The latest [mission video is here!](#)

Shout out to all the sophomores for an amazing retreat day this past Friday! Special thank you to our student leaders: Tessa Olbrish, Madison Swan, Lucy Bautz, Eva Donnelly, Kayla Kinniry, Kait James, Lizzie Unger, Eva Borkowski, Molly Gretzula, and Gabby Tobler! Also, shout out to our speakers Mrs. Natalie Graveley and Mr. John Turner.

From the Office of Student Life

Mrs. Theresa Hartey, Assistant Principal

Senior Prom will take place Friday night from 7 to 11 at Citizens Bank Park. We are super excited for this very special event.

White Out Games!

On Monday, May 2nd we will have our second White Out event to honor our softball and lacrosse teams. The softball game will begin at 4:00.

At 5:00 we will travel together back to campus for the lacrosse game. Please join us! Wear your white out shirt or another white shirt and be sure to bring your best school spirit!

If the weather is inclement, we will reschedule this event.

Uniforms

All students must be compliant with the uniform policy.

I am asking for your assistance in reminding your students that no pajama pants, sweatshirts, or sweatpants should be worn for any reason. Failure to comply will result in demerits and possibly detentions.

Senior Uniform Donations

We are inviting senior students to donate their uniforms to future Pandas. Feel free to drop any unneeded uniform items to my office. Thank you for your continued generosity.

Thank you! God bless! Go Pandas!

From the Office of College Counseling

Ms. Alyssa Mikulski, Director of College Counseling

We are hosting a College Panel on April 28th from 6:30 PM-8:00 PM in the Performing Arts Center at Nazareth! Representatives from Villanova University, Saint Joseph's University, Holy Family University, Immaculata University, La Salle University, DeSales University, and Pennsylvania State University have confirmed their attendance. The reps will talk about their institutions and about admissions in general. Bring any questions you may have! This event is open to parents/guardians and students. Please complete this [RSVP FORM](#) to sign up for the event!

Class of 2022

May 1st is approaching quickly! Please encourage your students to speak with their college counselor if they want to discuss pros/cons or any other question(s) about their college decision-making process.

Students should continue to send their acceptances, scholarships, and grants to me via email or in person for potential 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.

Class of 2023

Students should have asked for letters of recommendation by April 8th. Please check in with your student and have them reach out to their college counselor if they have not asked for recommendation letters yet.

Lunch Visits

April 25th: California University of PA

April 28th: Binghamton University

From the Office of the Athletic Department

Dan Bradley, Athletic Director

Weekly Athletic Schedule 4/25/2022 - 5/1/2022

Monday, April 25

2:30 – 4:00 – JV SB Practice – Eden Hall

3:30 – 5:30 – V SB Practice – Eden Hall

3:30 – 4:45 – Track Practice – Nazareth

4:00 – V Lax vs. Jenkintown – Away –***1:55 Dismissal***

5:30 – JV Lax vs. Jenkintown – Away –***1:55 Dismissal***

All day – No Gym-NAGS Play

Tuesday, April 26

3:30 – 4:45 Track Practice – Nazareth
4:00 – 6:00 V & JV Lax Practice – Nazareth
4:00 – JV SB vs. Ryan – Away
6:30 – V SB vs. Ryan – Away
All day – No Gym-NAGS Play

Wednesday, April 27

2:30 – 4:00 – JV SB Practice – Eden Hall
3:30 – 5:30 – V SB Practice – Eden Hall
3:30 – Track Practice – Nazareth
4:00 – V Lax vs. Ryan – Home
5:30 – JV Lax vs. Ryan – Home
All day – No Gym – NAGS Play

Thursday, April 28

4:00 – V Lax vs. VJM – Home
4:00 – V SB vs. MM – Home
5:30 – JV Lax vs. VJM – Home
All day – V Track @ Penn Relays – U of P
All day – No Gym – NAGS Play

Friday, April 29

All day – Senior Prom
All day – No Gym – NAGS Play

Saturday, April 30

All day – No Gym – NAGS Play

Sunday, May 1

All day – No Gym – NAGS Play

Prayer Intentions

We pray for the happy repose of the soul of the mother of Sister Magdalena Tkaczyk (*Theology*), Irena Maria Tkaczyk, and for the consolation of those who love her, most especially her family.

Also, 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