



NOVEMBER SPECIAL SCHEDULES:

Monday, November 7: Faculty and Staff Retreat. No school for students.

Thursday, November 10: Open House. Special schedule with 8th period dismissal at 12:39 p.m. to allow time to prepare our campus for Open House. Students are encouraged to stay and help with set-up.

Friday, November 11: Freshman Retreat. No school for 8th, 10th, 11th, and 12th grades.

Wednesday, November 16: Student Mentoring Schedule. Dismissal at 2:47 p.m.

Monday, November 21 – Friday November 25: Thanksgiving Holidays.

Wednesday, November 30: Faculty Meeting Schedule. Dismissal at 1:27 p.m.

To view the full calendar, please click here:

CHS Calendar

ADMISSIONS EVENTS AND OPEN HOUSE:

On October 3, we conducted CHS Information Afternoon to discuss Catholic High with prospective students and their parents. We had a great crowd present to hear more about the mission of Catholic High and to have the opportunity to ask questions.

The most important part of our student recruitment process is Open House on Thursday, November 10, from 3:45 – 6:00 p.m. Please encourage families with sons in 6th, 7th, or 8th grades to attend this event. Open House allows prospective students and their parents to see our facilities, meet our faculty and staff members, learn more about our academic development and faith formation

programs, and meet our current students. If you have any questions about our admissions process, please contact Sherie LeBlanc, admissions director at sleblanc@catholichigh.org.

Admissions

PARENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR OPEN HOUSE:

We would love to have parents of current CHS students help us tell our story at our 36th annual Open House on November 10th! We welcome you for any time you can spend helping us gather supplies, set up, and/or greet guests during our event.

Please see the attached flier if you need more information or want to sign-up to volunteer.

FRESHMAN RETREAT: All of our freshmen will participate in their retreat on Friday, November 11, the day after Open House. There is no school for students in grades 8, 10, 11, and 12. Details about the retreat, including times, dress for the day, and lunch, will be distributed through students' religion classes. Please pray for our freshmen as they experience this important aspect of their spiritual formation.

THANKSGIVING HOLIDAYS: No classes from Monday, November 21, through Friday, November 25. Please do not request holiday time before the end of school on Friday, November 18, or beyond Sunday, November 27.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY FUND RAISER: The Catholic High School Habitat build will take place early next semester as we join together as one school community to build a home for someone in need in our local community.

Because the price of building materials has skyrocketed, the amount needed for CHS to fund our

own build has also increased. Therefore, we are moving our yearly fundraiser from the week after Easter to the week after Thanksgiving. From November 28 – December 2, students can contribute \$25 and participate in relaxed dress for the entire week, along with no restrictions on haircuts or shaving. The guidelines for the week are as follows:

Students can wear:

- Jeans, sweatpants, or dress shorts (including cargo). Shorts cannot be shorter than mid-thigh. No P.E. or gym shorts allowed.
- Catholic High t-shirt or regular school dress shirt (t-shirts do not have to be tucked in). No tank tops. Hawaiian shirts are acceptable. Appropriate Christmas sweaters and t-shirts are also allowed.
- Tennis shoes.
- Boots.
- Ankle socks.
- Non - CHS outerwear

Students cannot wear:

- Cut-off shorts, jean shorts, or jorts.

Procedure

- Students can bring their \$25 donation to their first period teacher on Monday, November 28th to get the bracelet indicating participation.
- Wear the bracelet on their lanyard throughout the week.
- If students forget on Monday, they can still participate later in the week, but no discounts.
- If a student forgets his lanyard, he will have to purchase another lanyard but can receive another bracelet without further payment.

I will communicate the dates of the build as soon as they are finalized. Please encourage, and remind, your son about the fundraiser after Thanksgiving.

GRADUATION MATERIALS: Seniors have received information packets about optional graduation supplies from Jostens. Representatives from Jostens will be in the main lobby on Wednesday, November 2, from 4 to 6 p.m. to answer questions and take orders for 2023 graduation supplies. Orders can also be placed online. If you have any questions, please refer to the email from Ms. Tracy Ducote, Events Coordinator.

SEMESTER EXAMS: The weekend before exams begin is the opportunity for students to study for their exams. Consequently, Monday, December 12 is considered a “dead day” prior to exams. Nothing can be due after class on Friday, December 9. This means that students will not have homework or assignments given on Friday, December 9 that is

due over the weekend or on Monday, December 12. It also means that students will not have any tests or quizzes on the 12th.

Our first semester exam schedule is as follows:

Tuesday, December 13	2nd and 8th periods
Wednesday, December 14	1st and 6th periods
Thursday, December 15	3rd and 5th periods
Friday, December 16	7th and 4th periods

Your son is not required to be on campus if he is not scheduled to take an exam during a particular period (ex: he has lunch during 5th period). The daily time schedule for exams is as follows:

7:55 & 7:58	Warning tones
8:00	First exam begins
9:35	First exam ends
10:00 & 10:03	Warning tones for second exam
10:05	Second exam begins
11:35	Second exam ends

Please check the exam schedule carefully so that you can assist your son in preparing for the proper exam on the correct day. Breakfast will be available in the Union before school. Snack items will be available between exams.

Semester exams are important for your son because they can significantly affect his first-semester grades. Please review with your son the grading policy as stated beginning on Page 43 of the [2022-2023 Student Handbook](#). It is important for students to begin preparing now for exams by developing a schedule for study and time management. Please consult with individual teachers if you have specific questions about exam preparation.

ASBESTOS UPDATE: CHS has an updated management plan for removal, repair, or encapsulation of asbestos material found in any area of our facility. Our plan will be completed in a timely manner and will be evaluated and kept current with ongoing operations, maintenance programs, response actions, periodic surveillance, re-inspections, and training. A copy of our plan is available for reading in our Main Office during office hours.

CHS Mothers' Club News [from Lisa Prater Bailey, President]: Support the CHS Mothers' Club with the annual car raffle. The winner of the raffle will receive \$25,000 toward the vehicle of their choice at any one of the Price LeBlanc locations. We are asking each student to sell 10 tickets for \$10 each. The drawing will take place at the CHS Mothers' Club Mother-Son Breakfast on February 12. Be on the lookout for an announcement with details of fun

rewards for the CHS class that sells the most raffle tickets! Purchase tickets at the link below.

[Raffle Tickets](#)

Catholic High School's Open House is November 10, 2022. The Mothers' Club is looking for volunteers to assist in making this event a great success as we welcome potential Bears to CHS!

Mark your calendars for January 15, 2023, to join us on the Highway to the Danger Zone for CHS's annual Taste Fair and Auction hosted by the CHS Alumni Association and CHS Mothers' Club!

Save the date for the annual CHS Mother-Son Breakfast on February 12, 2023. Last year's event sold out! Mothers' Club members receive priority in purchasing tickets. If you are not already a member, please consider joining. You may join at the following link. [Mothers' Club Membership](#).

PARTNERSHIP WITH PARENTS – ASSISTING YOUR SONS WITH DECISION MAKING:

As football season continues, with the holidays approaching, and Mardi Gras just around the corner, I am taking this opportunity to ask parents to help their sons make good decisions when they attend non-CHS events, especially where chaperones may not have the same expectations as CHS. Please allow your son to attend only those events where you are reasonably sure they are properly chaperoned and where alcohol and other substances will not be present.

If you are not comfortable with an event, or have any doubt, do not let your son attend. If he does attend, please counsel your son about making good decisions at any social event, including private parties in the homes of CHS students. Together, we can help your sons, our students, make good decisions that allow them to have a great time and keep them safe.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING: On behalf of the entire CHS faculty and staff, we wish all our families in the CHS community a happy and blessed Thanksgiving. May we all take time this Thanksgiving to praise God for all of the good things in our lives and for all of the ways that our lives are blessed. Please know of our gratitude for sharing the gift of your sons with all of us at Catholic High. We ask for your prayers as we continue to form our students within the mission and tradition of the Brothers of the Sacred Heart.



Please invite any 6th through 8th grade students and their parents to join us for our 36th annual Open House. Information and registration is available on our website: [ADMISSIONS - Catholic High School](https://www.catholichigh.org/ADMISSIONS-Catholic-High-School).

We would love to have parents of current CHS students help us on **November 10th!** We welcome you for any time can spend helping us tell the Catholic High story.

CHS MOTHERS' CLUB

There are opportunities to assist throughout the day, starting with balloons and then luminaries, and later greeting guests and offering snacks. If you can't attend or will be serving in another spot that night, you can also send treats. This is a very important event for CHS, and we would greatly appreciate your help. There are lots of ways Mothers' Club helps to prepare our school for Open House and we need you!

[Mother's Club Sign up](#)

PARENT REPRESENTATIVES

As a parent representative, you will greet and guide guests along the route and share your and your son's experience. The link below includes a list of the displays in each area along with designated times; feel free to sign up according to the activities in which your son is or about which he is passionate, or the activities related to your personal interests or professional expertise.

[CHS Open House Parent Representative Sign-up](#)

Thank you for supporting CHS in this way! If you need additional information, please contact me.



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