

# The Naz Newsletter



*Nazareth Academy High School Parent Update*

**September 10, 2023**

*Your heart must be a Nazareth for the perfection of ordinary things.*

*-Blessed Mary of Jesus the Good Shepherd*

*"Then I will make of you a great nation." – Exodus 32:10*



## **THIS WEEK: FRESHMAN WEEK**

**Sunday, September 10:** Grandparents' Day Mass and Breakfast, 10 AM

**Monday, September 11:** A Schedule

**Tuesday, September 12:** A Schedule; Meet with Sophomores at Activity Period-PSAT

**Wednesday, September 13:** A Schedule; Meet with Juniors at Activity Period-PSAT

**Thursday, September 14:** A Schedule; Back to School Night

**Friday, September 15:** Freshman Liturgy, Little Miss Freshman Pageant

**Special Schedule**  
**Friday, September 15, 2023**

<b>Warning Bell</b>	<b>7:40 AM</b>
<b>Homeroom</b>	<b>7:45 AM-7:55 AM</b>
<b>BLOCK 1</b>	<b>7:58 AM-8:45 AM</b>
<b>Block 1A</b>	<b>7:58 AM-8:20 AM</b>
<b>Block 1B</b>	<b>8:23 AM-8:45 AM</b>
<b>Mass</b>	<b>8:45 AM-10:05 AM</b>
<b>BLOCK 2</b>	<b>10:08 AM-10:55 AM</b>
<b>Block 2A</b>	<b>10:08 AM-10:30 AM</b>
<b>Block 2B</b>	<b>10:33 AM -10:55 AM</b>
<b>Activity Period</b>	<b>10:58 AM-11:20 AM</b>
<b>BLOCK 3</b>	<b>11:23 AM-12:10 PM</b>
<b>Block 3A</b>	<b>11:24 AM-11:45 PM</b>
<b>Block 3B</b>	<b>11:48 PM - 12:10 PM</b>
<b>BLOCK 4</b>	<b>12:13 PM-12:35 PM</b>
<b>Block 4A</b>	<b>12:13 PM-12:35 PM</b>
<b>Block 4B</b>	<b>12:38 PM -1:00 PM</b>
<b>Homeroom</b>	<b>1:00 PM</b>
<b>Little Miss Freshman Pageant</b>	<b>1:00 PM-2:10 PM</b>
<b>Return to Homeroom for Dismissal</b>	<b>2:00 PM</b>

**LOOKING AHEAD**

**Tuesday, October 3:** NAPA General Meeting, 6:30 PM  
**Wednesday, October 4:** PSAT Pre-Administration, Special C Schedule  
**Thursday, October 5:** Adoration  
**Friday, October 6:** Close of Mid-Fall Grades  
**Monday, October 9:** Mid-Fall Grades due by 8 AM  
**Wednesday, October 11:** PSAT Testing for Grades 10-11, No School for Grade 12; Freshman Retreat

## From the Office of the Principal

### *Mrs. Patricia Quinn*

On Tuesday and Wednesday, I will be briefly meeting with sophomores and juniors, respectively in the Chapel, to briefly speak about PSAT testing.

On Tuesday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, Mid-Fall Deficiency Reports will be mailed to the homes of students earning less than 75 in any subject. They are to be signed and returned to the issuing teacher by Tuesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>. If a student receives more than one deficiency report, her counselor will arrange a meeting to include her counselor, parent(s), teachers issuing the reports, and me.

We were honored to have Archbishop Nelson Perez celebrate Mass on September 6<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to Mrs. Theresa Stanton for planning the Mass and to Ms. Kate Chmelko, Mr. David Zagorski, vocalists, altar servers and readers for assisting in this beautiful ceremony.

On Thursday, we will be hosting Back to School Night. The schedules are listed below. Homeroom moderators will receive copies of the rosters, including a room key. NAPA will be sending parents to their specific homerooms.



### **BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT SCHEDULES Thursday, September 14, 2023**

#### **Schedule for Senior and Junior Parents Only**

##### **5:30 PM to 6:55 PM**

5:30 PM - 5:35 PM HOMEROOM

5:40 PM - 5:45 PM BLOCK 1A

5:50 PM - 5:55 PM BLOCK 1B

6:00 PM - 6:05 PM BLOCK 2A

6:10 PM - 6:15 PM BLOCK 2B

6:20 PM - 6:25 PM BLOCK 3A

6:30 PM - 6:35 PM BLOCK 3B

6:40 PM - 6:45 PM BLOCK 4A

6:50 PM - 6:55 PM BLOCK 4B

## Schedule for Sophomore and Freshman Parents Only

7:30 PM to 8:55 PM

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7:40 PM - 7:45 PM BLOCK 1A

7:50 PM - 7:55 PM BLOCK 1B

8:00 PM - 8:05 PM BLOCK 2A

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8:40 PM - 8:45 PM BLOCK 4A

8:50 PM - 8:55 PM BLOCK 4B

## From the Office of the President

### *Mrs. Denise LePera*

It was great to see so many of our parents at the first NAPA meeting of the year. I always enjoy the opportunity to talk to parents and share some of the exciting things happening at Nazareth.

### **Mass with Archbishop Perez**

Last week, Archbishop Perez celebrated mass in our chapel. It was a glorious day.! It was such an honor to have Archbishop Perez join us. He began mass by telling the students how blessed they were to have this most beautiful chapel - the most beautiful high school chapel he had ever been in.. We were told he typically does not hang around but he stayed and met with our student leadership team, Mrs. Quinn and I for an hour. Our students - as always - did us proud. In case you didn't see the photos on our social media accounts, [click here](#). He was such a joy, and I am sure he left this beautiful campus wishing Nazareth was one of his high schools.

And as thrilled as I was to have the Archbishop among us, I may have more thrilled that we once again sang the Our Father in joined hands!

### **Patriot Day ~ September 11th**

Remembering those who lost their lives on that dreadful day and praying always for their families. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



### **Grandparent Mass**

It was so wonderful to see so many of our Nazareth students at mass earlier today to celebrate Grandparents. Blessings to all of our grandparents bestow their strength and wisdom to our Nazareth students!

***Grandparents bestow upon their grandchildren the strength and wisdom that time and experience have given them.***

***Grandchildren bless their grandparents with a youthful vitality and innocence that help them stay young at heart forever.***

*Together they create a chain of love linking the past with the future.*

*The chain may lengthen, but it will never part.*

*- Author unknown.*

## **Admissions Office**

***Ms. Ali Derassouyan '09***

### **Open House Signs**

Our lawn signs for our Fall Open House are now available for pick up. Please have your daughter stop by the Main Office to pick up an Open House lawn sign for your lawn or for a place of business.

### **Bring Your Sister to School Day ~ Tuesday, September 26<sup>th</sup>**

Sisters of our current Nazareth students in 5th through 8th grade are invited to spend the day at Nazareth! Please register your future Panda by [clicking here](#).

## **Advancement Office**

***Mrs. Terri Evans***

**Taste of the Town ~ October 28<sup>th</sup>**

### **Raffle Baskets**

We are looking for parents who would like to assist with soliciting and preparing the raffle baskets for this year's Taste of the Town event on Saturday October 28, 2023. We are looking for donations to help with making a basket or if you have a basket you would like to make and drop off we would be most grateful. If you need ideas or suggestions we would be happy to provide you with these as well. If you are interested in assisting in this area please email [TEvans@NazarethAcademyHS.org](mailto:TEvans@NazarethAcademyHS.org).

## **NAPA**

***Mrs. Ellen Lawall P '24***

### **Mum Sale**

Get ready for fall and order your mums through NAPA's Mum Sale. We will be offering several color choices, red, yellow, orange, white, and purple. Cost \$10 for 1 or \$25 for 3. [Click here](#) to make your purchase today.

### **Welcome Back Paint Night ~ September 13th at 6:30 PM**

We are excited for our paint night! This is a great way to meet fellow Pandas and their families in a fun, relaxing setting. There are two ticket options: you can work as a mother-daughter duo or make your own. Tickets are \$65 a board and include a 3-foot wooden board, wooden "HOME" letters, a Panda head, and your choice of two interchangeable pieces or a round welcome sign. Register here for a night of fun.

### **Father Daughter Mini Golf Tournament ~ September 16<sup>th</sup>**

On September 16th at 10:30 AM NAPA will be holding their 2nd Annual Mini Golf Tournament for our dads (uncles, grandpops) and their Nazareth student. Come enjoy a friendly game of mini golf, refreshments and hopefully be one of our lucky winners of a prize for the best personal score, best team score and best foursome. This will take place at Burholme Golf and Family Fun Center 401 Cottman Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19111. The cost for a dad and daughter is \$40 and \$15 for each additional daughter. Click here to purchase your tickets.

### **NAPA Fashion Show~ Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup>**

The Nazareth Academy gym will be turned into a Parisian cityscape as NAPA presents the 2023 Fashion Show with fashions by Dress Up Time. The day will begin with Mass at 10:00 AM in the Chapel, a sit-down lunch will be served immediately followed by a fashion show featuring our Nazareth girls and Holy Ghost Prep boys. Early bird tickets are \$60 per person until September 1<sup>st</sup> and will be \$75 per person after September 1<sup>st</sup>. There are opportunities for sponsorships and there will be a program book which will feature ads. If you would like to purchase tickets or become a sponsor for the event, please [click here](#).

### **Wawa Hoagie Certificates**

Treat yourself and purchase Wawa hoagie certificates good for a Wawa shorti of your choice for \$5 each. Click here to purchase.

### **Parent Volunteers**

There are many ways to help with these events whether it be donating an item, setting up, cleaning up, making calls, chairing events, or working with the chairs on the day of the event and much more. We realize how busy life gets and that schedules are more hectic than ever so we greatly appreciate any amount of time that our volunteers can offer. Every minute counts! You will also find the Parent Volunteer requirements and [sign-up forms](#) on NAPA page of the website. Please contact our Volunteer Coordinator, Holly Breece Kane P '24 at [NAPA@NazarethAcademyHS.org](mailto:NAPA@NazarethAcademyHS.org) for more information or with any questions.

## **From the Office of Campus Ministry**

### ***Mrs. Theresa Stanton, Director***

On Friday Fr. Chris Walsh will celebrate our annual Holy Spirit Liturgy. In addition to an opening Mass celebrated by Archbishop Nelson Perez, we are blessed with this extra spiritual shot in the arm, to set a foundation as a school community, and to make our hearts the very location where Jesus is pleased to dwell! The weather will be more blazer-friendly this week; please remember to bring or have blazers on Friday. Thank you.



### **Date Change for October Kairos**

Please stay tuned for information about a date change for our Fall Kairos trip necessitated by conflicts that Leaders are experiencing due to Cross Country, Soccer, and Golf Final/Championship dates as well as our Fall Musical.





### **Chic-Fil-A Leadership Academy**

This week, we will begin taking applications for a new service endeavor at NAHS, The Chick Fil A Leadership Academy. Any Freshman or Sophomore, with a desire to serve and to lead others to serve others in our local community, is welcome to attend our informational session on Wednesday, September 13, during Activity Period. We will meet in the chapel. Students will be presented with program details and encouraged to apply to become part of a team of NAHS servant leaders.



Thank you to the students who have signed on for our Face-to-Face trip on Sunday, October 29. We have the good problem of having no more spots available. However, if you'd like to serve at Face to Face in Germantown, look for other opportunities throughout the year to go as a NAHS group. You may also always go to the Face-to-Face Website to sign on individually or to serve with a group of friends or family members. [Main - Face to Face Germantown Hospitality, Mutuality, Transformation](#)

### **From the Office of Student Life**

***Mrs. Theresa Hartey, Assistant Principal***

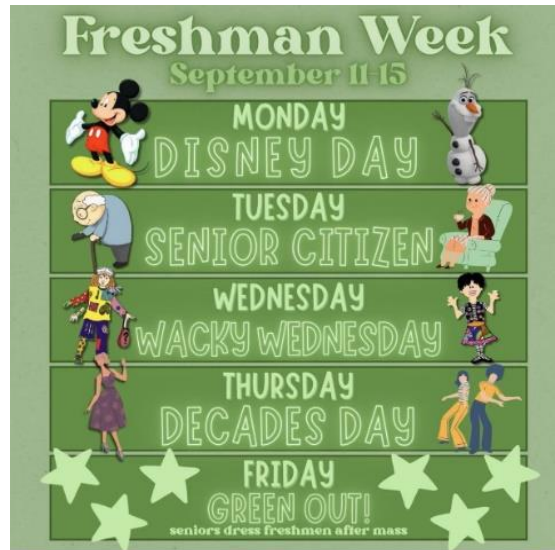


A heartfelt thank you to all who contributed to Pasta Night in any way! It was a heartwarming Nazareth community event!

A special thank you to Mrs. Cheryl Sylvester for coordinating the evening and to all who cooked, baked, or attended the event! We appreciate your support!

## Freshman Week

Freshman Week is here!



### Glow Mixer Friday, September 15<sup>th</sup>

Student Council will sponsor a Glow Mixer for Nazareth students and neighboring boy schools. The Mixer will be held from 8:00 to 10:30. Tickets can be purchased [here](#). We are looking for some additional chaperones for the event!

Have a wonderful week! God bless! Go Pandas! Go Eagles!

## From the Office of the Athletics

### *Mrs. Brigid Kelley '98, Director*

Congratulations to the varsity and junior varsity volleyball teams on their victories against New Foundations Charter High School. The junior varsity team also earned a victory against Academy of the New Church High School. Good luck as they start their journey in the Philadelphia Catholic League against West Catholic on 9/12.

Congratulations to the junior varsity soccer team for their 2-0 win over Marple Newtown High School, while the varsity soccer team battled through double overtime against Marple Newtown and it ended in a 0-0 tie.

The tennis matches were postponed due to heat this past week so they will resume Philadelphia Catholic League play on 9/12 against Archbishop Wood.

Good luck to cross country as they have their first Philadelphia Catholic League meet at Belmont Plateau on 9/13.