

# The Naz Newsletter



*Nazareth Academy High School Parent Update*

**September 24, 2023**

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

*-Blessed Mary of Jesus the Good Shepherd*

*Then Abraham said, 'If they will not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone should rise from the dead.'"*

*-Luke 16:31*



## THIS WEEK

**Monday, September 25:** A Schedule

**Tuesday, September 26:** A Schedule/Bring Your Sister to School Day

**Wednesday, September 27:** C Schedule/Club Fair

**Thursday, September 28:** A Schedule/Adoration

**Friday, September 29:** A Schedule/ Tag Day for Fall Fest

## LOOKING AHEAD

**Tuesday, October 3:** NAPA General Meeting, 6:30 PM

**Wednesday, October 4:** PSAT Pre-Administration/ Extended Homeroom

**Thursday, October 5:** Prayer Service, Holy Rosary, Respect Life Month Chapel/Adoration/Special C

**Friday, October 6:** Close of Mid-Fall Grades

**Monday, October 9:** Mid-Fall Grades due by 8:00 AM

**Wednesday, October 11:** PSAT Testing for Grades 10-11, no school for Grade 12; Freshman Retreat/ Dismissal 12:15 PM

**Thursday, October 12:** Mid-Fall grades available online

**Friday, October 13:** No Classes

**Saturday, October 14:** Fall Open House

## From the Office of the Principal

*Mrs. Patricia Quinn*



The slight chill in the air serves as a reminder that as September draws to a close and October begins on Saturday, the PSAT on October 11th is fast approaching. In the run up to the PSAT, while with your daughters, please reinforce the importance of this test, especially for the juniors who can qualify for national recognition for their performance, from the College Board and/or the National Merit Scholarship Corporation. Students in the current junior class are now eligible for these opportunities and our sophomores will have an opportunity to experience what is ahead for them. For practice and preparation for the PSAT, students can use their College Board accounts or use Khan Academy, in addition to their classroom work and skill development.

Please celebrate Emma Crumbock'24 who received the recognition of Commended National Merit Scholar. To prepare for smooth administration of the test, a Pre-Administration will be conducted on October 4th during an extended homeroom period to complete the gridding in advance.

Thank you to Mrs. Theresa Stanton for her extensive communication and encouragement regarding the opportunity to attend Adoration. Adoration is held every Thursday.

Thank you to Mrs. Theresa Hartey for organizing the Glow Mixer. Thank you to all faculty who assisted in this event.

### Academics

- Deficiency Reports will be mailed from the Main Office on September 26. They are to be signed and due back to the issuing teacher by October 3.
- Reports are sent for students who have earned a grade of 75 or less. It does not indicate failure, but it informs parents/guardians that there needs to be some sort of remediation.
- Any student who receives more than one deficiency report will have her counselor arrange a meeting with the parent(s), issuing teachers, counselor, and me. The counselor will notify all involved and arrange a mutually
- Mid-Fall grades close October 6.
- Mid-Fall grades due on October 9 by 8 a.m.
- Mid-Fall reports available online on October 12.

### Tuesday, October 4

#### Extended Homeroom

**Homeroom:** 7:40-8:27; PSAT Pre-Administration After Prayers and Announcements

**Block 1:** 8:30-9:45

**1A:** 8:30-9:06

**1B:** 9:09-9:45

**Block 2:** 9:48-11:03

**2A:** 9:48-10:24

**2B:** 10:27-11:03

**Activity Period:** 11:06-11:35

**Block 3:** 11:38-12:53

**3A:** 11:38-12:14

**3B:** 12:17-12:53

**Block 4:** 12:56-2:10

**4A:** 12:56-1:32

**4B:** 1:35-2:10

## Wednesday, October 5

### Prayer Service, Holy Rosary Respect Life Month / Special C

**Homeroom:** 7:40-7:57

**Block 1:** 8:00 -9:11

**1A:** 8:00-8:34

**1B:** 8:37-9:11

**Special Event:** 9:14-9:54

**Block 2:** 9:57-11:08

**2A:** 9:57-10:31

**2B:** 10:34-11:08

**Activity Period:** 11:11-11:42

**Block 3:** 11:45-12:56

**3A:** 11:45-12:19

**3B:** 12:22-12:56

**Block 4:** 12:59-2:10

**4A:** 12:59-1:33

**4B:** 1:36-2:10

## From the Office of the President

### *Mrs. Denise LePera*

May your week be filled with prayer, love and service to God and others!

#### Thought for the Week



#### Student AM Drop Off Beginning Tuesday, September 26<sup>th</sup>

Please follow the direction of the School Safety and Facilities Team. As you enter the circle, if you are dropping off you daughter stay to the far left of the cones and pull up in front of the stairwells. Students should not be dropped off at the lower level.

NOTE: Faculty and students who are parking in the lower lot, will stay to the far right of the cones.

## Admissions Office

### 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.

## Advancement Office

### *Mrs. Terri Evans*

#### Taste of the Town

Saturday, October 28th 6:00 to 10:00 PM the Taste of the Town will be held featuring Tailored Entertainment by DJ Danny Booch. What a great way to get out and mingle with our Nazareth family. There will be lots of

great food and drinks, raffle baskets and of course dancing. If you know anyone who has a restaurant or bar that would like to showcase their food, please email me. We are also looking for donations that will help with making our raffle baskets a huge success. [Here is the link to order your tickets](#) and for family and friends.

## **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. **The pickup time is now Friday, September 29<sup>th</sup> from 5:45 to 6:45 PM at the Nazareth picnic tables.**

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

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. Tickets are \$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**

WE NEED YOUR HELP! 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***



## **Redeemer Valley Farm**

Thank you to this group of students who helped us launch our Caring for Friends after-school service program! The CFF food bank staff heartily welcomed our students on Monday afternoon and immediately put them to work, stocking refrigerators and shelves with donated food items. We will continue to serve at CFF year each Monday afternoon throughout the year. Our work helps CFF in its work of supporting 20 local food banks. Thank you to Junior Laci Gillespie for agreeing to be our Caring for Friends liaison. She will be sending out the Sign-Up Genius' and permission forms each week.



Thank you also to Junior Casey Derouin who will be the point person for our weekly Redeemer Valley Farm trips. If you enjoy the great outdoors, gardening, and working with animals, make sure to look for Casey's emails and sign up for one or more of our Tuesday afternoon trips to the Farm located in Huntingdon Valley and run by the Sisters of the Holy Redeemer. The farm promotes community among individuals and families and provides healthy, locally grown produce to the surrounding community and food cupboard ministries.

### Save The Date

Get ready for Thursday, October 12, 2023...Pandas for Life...more info to follow!



## From the Office of Student Life

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

### Club Fair

The Club Fair will take place on Wednesday. The students will have an opportunity to discover and obtain information about all the awesome clubs we have here at Nazareth.



We will hold an Alex's Lemonade Stand during the Club Fair. Lemonade and pretzels will be available for a free-will donation. Your support is appreciated. All proceeds will benefit Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation. 🍋 Students may wear yellow shirts in place of their uniform shirts on Wednesday to support this important cause!



### **American Red Cross Blood Drive**

The National Honor Society is hosting an in-school blood drive on October 5th! If you are interested in donating, please schedule an appointment using the link below. All students sixteen or older, parents and siblings are invited to donate. If you are unsure of your ability to donate, the health prescreening should answer any questions you may have once you choose an appointment time. [Register here.](#)

### **Uniform Compliance**

There will be an official uniform check on Thursday, September 28<sup>th</sup>. The uniform requirements are listed below:

#### **SPRING/FALL UNIFORM**

- Blue cord summer weight wrap around kilt
- Navy or white 2-button pique fitted shirt with school logo
- White crew socks, no logos

Please help us with uniform code compliance. As stated above, only plain white socks (no emblems) should be worn. Also, as the weather gets cooler, students may wear the official school sweater or quarter zip. No other sweatshirts may be worn. Students should possess their ID badges at all times. These badges will allow them to access the building and purchase lunch. Thank you!

### **SC Dress Down Day**

Student Council will hold a Dress Down Day on Friday, September 27<sup>th</sup> to support this year's Fall Fest!

Thank you, Nazareth families, for all that you do! Have a great week! Go Pandas! God bless!

## **From the Office of College Counseling**

***Mrs. Alyssa Scheerbaum, Director***

### **NACAC College Fair**

Open to students in grades 9-12!

**When:** October 14<sup>th</sup> from 11:00am-3:00pm

**Where:** Pennsylvania Convention Center Hall B

Registration [link](#); View participating colleges [here](#).

### **Fee Waivers**

Please view this [form](#) to see if your family meets income eligibility requirements to qualify for fee waivers for SAT testing, ACT testing, college applications, and NCAA fees. If so, please complete the form.

### **"Navigating the Future of College Admission Testing" Webinar**

Register [here](#)! Topics include the new digital PSAT and SAT, navigating standardized testing in the context of college admissions, ACT v SAT, etc.

**When:** September 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM

### **SoFi: Making the Most of College Tours Webinar**

Register [here](#)!

**When:** September 26<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 PM

## **Class of 2024**

### **Holy Family University Instant Decision Day**

**When:** October 17th

**Register through Scoir by:** October 9th

**Apply to HFU by:** October 11th

**Details:** Students will interview with our admissions representative and receive an admission decision on this day.

### **La Salle University Instant Decision Day**

**When:** October 16th

**Register through Scoir by:** October 6th

**Apply to La Salle by:** October 9th

**Details:** Students will interview with our admissions representative and receive an admission decision on this day for most majors.

### **Saint Joseph's University Interview Day**

**When:** October 18th

**Register through Scoir by:** October 10th

**Details:** If students wish to apply to SJU, then they should apply by October 13th. They will not receive an admission decision on this day, but they will have the chance to talk about their application and ask questions. This is a great opportunity for any student, regardless of their interest in SJU, to practice interviewing.

### **PHEAA Night with Holy Ghost Prep**

We have partnered with the college counselors at Holy Ghost Prep to offer a financial aid night on September 26th. Please [RSVP here](#) so we know that you are attending. The event will be held in the Frederico Theater at Holy Ghost Prep in Bensalem, PA at 6:30PM.

- We recommend filling out the FAFSA sooner rather than later once it opens in December. You'll have to fill out this application every year your student is in college in order to qualify/see if you are eligible for aid. We do strongly recommend that you fill out this application even if you think you are not eligible because there are institutions who look at the FAFSA to see if they can give you institutional aid, even if you do not qualify for aid under the FAFSA.
  - The application is being reduced from 130 questions to 30 questions.
  - The IRS Data Retrieval tool will be required.
  - The # of students in college question will be removed from the calculation of aid.

### **Scholarships**

- [QuestBridge | National College Match](#) Due September 26th
- [Programs - Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation](#) Due October 2nd
- [Heisman High School Scholarship \(heismanscholarship.com\)](#) Due October 17th

## **From the Office of the Athletics**

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

Congratulations to the varsity and junior varsity soccer teams for their victories over Lansdale Catholic. The varsity soccer team also beat St. Hubert on our home field 1-0.

Congratulations to the junior varsity volleyball team for their victories over Cardinal O'Hara and Little Flower. Congratulations to our tennis team for their nail-biting win over Archbishop Ryan 3-2.

The golf team had some great individual highlights from their tri-match with Archbishop Carroll, Monsignor Bonner, and Archbishop Prendergast. Adrianna Seravalli finished first for the female golfers and third overall for male and female golfers. Ava Pizzo had a ten-stroke improvement and Anna Woltjen continued her consistent play for the team. The golf team will have their last regular season home match against Roman Catholic on 9/25/23.

The cross country team had another great showing at their second Philadelphia Catholic League meet. We are very proud of our fall athletes.

### **Early Dismissals**

- Monday 9/25/23 - Soccer will have an early dismissal for their away game against Little Flower.
- Monday 9/25/23 - Volleyball will have an early dismissal for their away game against Cheltenham.
- Monday 9/25/23 - Tennis will have an early dismissal for their away match against Lansdale Catholic.
- Thursday 9/28/23 - Soccer will have an early dismissal for their away game against Monsignor Bonner & Archbishop Prendergast.
- Thursday 9/28/23 - Tennis will have an early dismissal for their match against Little Flower