

The Naz Newsletter



A Weekly Update for Parents, Students, Faculty and Staff

February 25, 2024

...we ought to plead with our Lord to make this period of Lent the beginning of new life in us, a spiritual renewal,...

-Blessed Mary of Jesus the Good Shepherd

THIS WEEK

Monday, February 26: A Schedule

Tuesday, February 27: A Schedule | Mid-Spring Deficiency Reports will be mailed to parents

Wednesday, February 28: A Schedule

Thursday, February 29: A Schedule

Friday, March 1: A Schedule | 5th & 6th Grade Paint Night, 6:30-8:30 PM, Student Dining Room (SDR)

LOOKING AHEAD

Monday, March 4: Varsity Mathlete Competition | Dress Down Day for Pandas Stand Up

Tuesday, March 5: Mid-Spring Deficiency Reports due back to issuing teachers

Thursday, March 7: NAPA Panda Perks

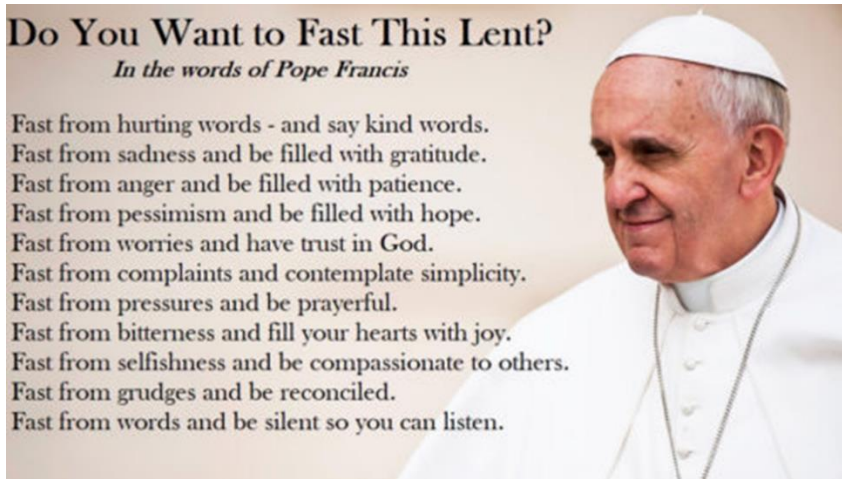
Friday, March 8: End of Mid-Spring Marking Period

Saturday, March 9: NAPA Craft Fair

From the Office of the President

Mrs. Denise LePera

Last Wednesday began our Lenten season. Fasting is a part of our Lenten sacrifice but Pope Francis has insight into what we really need to be fasting from:



Lenten Journey Reflection from Sr. Barbara Jean, Director of Mission

Our reflection for the second Sunday of Lent will lead us to consider:

- ❖ What does it mean for you that you are invited to work together with God in your ministry to extend the Kingdom of Love?
- ❖ Are there changes you can make in your daily life that might benefit all those to whom you minister?

Finance Office ~ Mrs. Jennifer McCloskey '03

Registration for the 2024 – 2025 Academic Year

Reminder that Enrollment Contracts for the 2024 – 2025 Academic Year were due on February 15th. Please contact Mrs. Jennifer McCloskey '03, Director of Finance, with any questions or concerns at 215.268.1069 or via email at jmccloskey@NazarethAcademyHS.org.

From the Office of the Principal

Mrs. Patricia Quinn P'04

It is my hope that you and your families had a restful Spring Break.

Parents should be so very proud. Our music students (All Catholic Band) gave an outstanding performance at Archbishop Wood on Saturday, February 17th.

Our Athletics (Cheer, Swimming and Diving, Track, and Basketball teams) exemplify dedication and high achievement in the Philadelphia Catholic League. Details can be found in the Athletic Update.

Thank you for entrusting your daughters to us. They demonstrate leadership, talent, and limitless potential.

From the Office of Student Life

Mrs. Theresa Hartey, Assistant Principal

Junior Dinner Dance

The **Junior Dinner Dance** is quickly approaching! This year's event is scheduled for **Friday, March 22nd from 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM** at **The Buck Hotel**. Additional information to follow!

NAPA ~ Mrs. Ellen Lawall P'24

Craft Fair and Food Truck Festival

Bring your friends and family and join us for a day of fabulous crafts and food! Shop with over 50 crafters, buy from our bake sale, take a chance on some great raffles and enjoy lunch or sweets from our food trucks! Limited spaces are still available for crafters.

Volunteers are needed to make this event a huge success. Please check out the Sign-up Geniuses to volunteer. We are also looking for donations of baked goods for our Bake Sale table which was a huge success last year! We appreciate all of your support!!

To volunteer at the Craft Fair, click [here](#).

To donate baked goods, click [here](#).



NAPA Executive Board Nominations

We all know it takes a village to raise our Pandas, so if you're interested in donating your time, ideas, and energy to help NAPA to help our girls, then we want to hear from you!!! Consider volunteering yourself or talking to a friend who you think would be a good fit to join us on the Parent Association. It is not nearly as intimidating or time consuming as it looks, and we are all a team. It's about our girls and everyone brings something valuable to the table. It's a perfect mix of talent, treasure and fulfilling fun! The [nomination form](#) is available now. If you are interested in running, you can send a short bio to NAPA@NazarethAcademyHS.org.

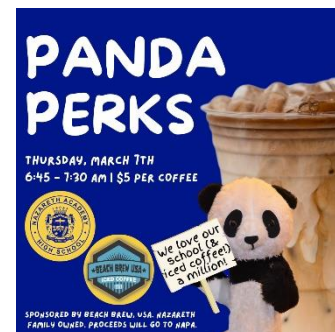
Parent Volunteers Needed

The remainder of this year's events have been added to our calendar! Please visit the PARENTS page under the FAMILY tab to view the upcoming event dates and times. You will also find the [Parent Volunteer requirements and sign-up forms](#) on this tab. 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.

Panda Perks

The next Panda Perk will be on 3/7. Parents are welcome to stop in for their morning pick me up at drop off!! Our March feature flavor is Irish Potato! We are lucky to have the Beach Brew Crew in our Nazareth Family.

It's always a brew-tiful day for a Panda Perk!



General Parent Meeting

Our next General Parent Meeting will be on March 5th at 6:30 pm. We will have a speaker from St. Joseph's University to talk about writing the college essay. This is a very informative session for all of our students. All grades can benefit from what Mr. Brad Simon has to say. In addition, NAPA board nominees will have the opportunity to introduce themselves before elections. Please click [here](#) to RSVP.

Easter Flower Sale

Our beautiful blooms are back this year!! Save the trip to the nursery or grocery store! Place your order [here](#) and pick up these gorgeous locally grown Easter favorites at Nazareth on 3/23! Last day to purchase is March 16th. Our bulbs make beautiful gifts or plants for your spring garden!



Cornhole Pandamonium

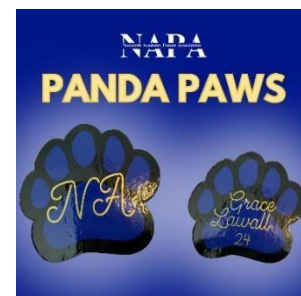
Nazareth Cornhole Tournament ~ Save the Date!! We will hold our inaugural corn hole tournament on Saturday, April 6th at 11:00 AM. Grab your favorite Naz alum, Panda or incoming Panda and sign up for a day of fun and prizes!! More details to come!!



Panda Paw Sale

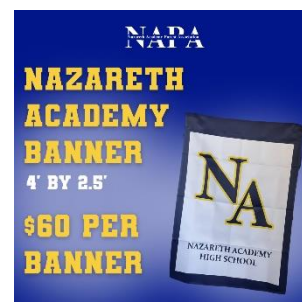
NAPA is selling Panda Paws that will be displayed on the Student Dining Room wall for the duration of your daughter's time at Nazareth Academy. These will be attached to the wall with a velcro adhesive allowing your daughter to take the Panda Paw with her upon graduation.

Join us in this special fundraiser to decorate the Student Dining Room with Panda Pride!



Nazareth Banners

Show your Nazareth pride by repping one of our new Nazareth Academy High School banners! Whether you use it at home, down the shore, or in any fun location... you will be representing the Nazareth community in style! Banners are \$60 each. [Click here to purchase a banner.](#)



Tumblers

Get 'em while their hot! Our custom NAPA tumblers pair perfectly with a Panda Perk Iced Coffee! Great gifts for anyone. There are two sizes available, a 20 oz for \$22.50 and a 30 oz for \$25. Click [here](#) to purchase a tumbler.



Wawa Hoagie Certificates

Treat yourself and purchase Wawa hoagie certificates good for a Wawa shorti of your choice for \$6 each. [Click here](#) to purchase.

Official NAPA Swag

Represent our Parents' Association with our new customized merchandise! Sweatshirts and t-shirts in Navy or Heather Gray available now in sizes small through 3XL. Browse around and purchase [here](#).

From the Office of the Registrar/Academic Dean

Ms. Theresa Ennis

I hope everyone enjoyed Mid-Winter Break & used this time to relax, refresh & renew. As we step into the final stretch of the school year, embrace this opportunity to finish strong. Every effort you put in now brings you a step closer to your life beyond high-school. There is no better time to stay focused, stay determined, and don't underestimate the power of your hard work. Approach this last quarter of the 23-24 school year with enthusiasm and dedication. Believe in yourself, let your determination shine through and have a little fun while you're at it. We believe in you!

Course Requests for 2024-2025

Course Verification begins on Monday. Students/Parents should log into their PowerSchool account, click on Course Registration, and review the list of courses. If any changes need to be made, please reach out to the Department Chair for the updated course. If approved, the Department Chair will notify me to make the change.

In mid-March, there will be a final Course Request Check that will require parent/guardian signature.

Deficiency Notices

Deficiency Notices will be mailed out on Tuesday. These should be reviewed, signed by parent/guardian and returned to the issuing teacher on Tuesday March 5th.

From the Office of Campus Ministry

Mrs. Theresa Stanton, Director

High School & Junior High Field Cleanup Day: Sunday, March 10, 2024

Fox Rok Athletic Association is having a cleanup day on **Sunday, March 10, 2024 from 10:00 AM until 3:00 PM** EDT at Fox Chase Recreation Center to prepare the baseball and softball fields for travel tryouts, and clean the playground, basketball courts and surrounding areas outside the recreation center. They are specifically encouraging local high school and junior high school students looking for volunteer hours. Please make every effort to attend and help, even if just an hour or two. You will meet outside the snack stand at 10 am on the 10th.

To sign up and for more information, please email Mrs. Michele McGough at michele.mcgough@gmail.com.

From the Office of College Counseling

Mrs. Alyssa Scheerbaum '12, Director

We hope you had a wonderful Mid-Winter break!

Financial Aid

Please fill out the FAFSA with your student if you have not already done so. You should be able to complete the PA State Grant Program application after completing the FAFSA.

Some colleges have been announcing that they are pushing back their commitment date from May 1st due to the FAFSA delay. Please encourage your student to be mindful of commitment deadlines for her colleges.

Opportunity

Beacon College is hosting a retreat for students and parents in Orlando, FL from May 2-5, 2024.

Learn more information [here](#). Virtual information session on March 4th - register [here](#).

From the Office of the Athletics

Mrs. Brigid Kelley '98, Director

Congratulations to our swim team for winning the PCL Championship and winning the District XII AA Championship. We are so proud of you for these accomplishments. We wish you well in your preparation for States.

Congratulations to Delaney Glynn, Meredith Hawkinson, Tatum McHugh, Sophia Montvydas, Reese Reynolds, Kate Shelinsky, Alyssa Trinh, Emily White, and Anna Wicker for earning PCL First-Team All-Catholic. Congratulations to Olivia Mastil for earning PCL Second-Team All-Catholic.

Congratulations to Tatum McHugh for earning the gold medal for diving in the District XII AA Championship.

Congratulations to our varsity basketball team that advanced to the PCL semifinals where they met up with #1 seed Archbishop Wood and just fell short.

We wish the basketball team good luck in the first round of Districts on Thursday February 29th at 4:30 pm at LaSalle College High School against Audenried. All tickets are digital and are \$10. No cash purchases will be permitted on site as schools and fans can purchase their tickets via HomeTown Ticketing on the District 12 website:

<https://piaad12.hometownticketing.com/embed/all>

If you are planning to try out for a spring sport on March 4th, please be sure you have your PIAA physical complete for this academic year. You can turn it in to our trainer, Morgan Hooven, or to Mrs. Kelley in the athletic department. Please complete the registration and payment on Family ID. You will not be able to try out without all paperwork and payment complete. The links can be found on the athletics portion of the website. If you have any questions, please email or see Mrs. Kelley.

All coaches emails can be found on the athletics portion of the website if you have sport specific questions.