

The Naz Newsletter



A Weekly Update for Parents, Students, Faculty and Staff

March 10, 2024

May Jesus grant us the grace that all our thoughts,...deeds be in complete accord with Him, who is our Savior.

-Blessed Mary of Jesus the Good Shepherd

THIS WEEK

Monday, March 11: No Classes, PD | Mid-Spring grades are due by 8:00 AM

Tuesday, March 12: A Schedule | Junior Class Meeting at AP in Chapel

Wednesday, March 13: A Schedule | Sophomore Class Meeting at AP in Chapel |

Alternate 6th and 7th Grade Practice Test, 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM, Conference Room

Thursday, March 14: A Schedule | Freshman Class Meeting at AP in Chapel | Mid-Spring grades available online

Friday, March 15: A Schedule | P.I.P. Tag Day

Saturday, March 16: 6th & 7th Grade Practice Test, 7:30 AM - 12:00 PM | All Catholic Orchestra Concert, 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Sunday, March 17th: **HAPPY SAINT PATRICK'S DAY**

LOOKING AHEAD

Monday, March 18: Senior Class Meeting at AP in Chapel

Tuesday, March 19: C Schedule | Lenten Liturgy | Honor Societies Induction 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Friday, March 22: Class of 2024 Day | Junior Dinner Dance 6:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Saturday, March 23: Spring Drama Production, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

From the Office of the President

Mrs. Denise LePera

Thought for the Week

May each of us create confidence, profoundness and love...every day!



Lenten Journey for the Fourth Sunday of Lent

from Sr. Barbara Jean

Read and ponder these words in your heart during this week.



“But whoever lives in the truth comes to the light so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God.” (John 3:21)

“May the holy love and the humility of Our Lord shine within you, may Christ live and reign within us in the fullness of His glory.” (Conference, March 29, 1902)



Ask yourself:

- ❖ How is God calling you to be a light through your ministry?
- ❖ How might you work to reflect God’s light with those who serve alongside you?

Let us pray...

God of compassion, Love incarnate:

As we walk with You in this Lenten season, train our eyes and hands for humble service so we may see others as You do.

Weave within us a faithfulness to Your Love that draws us ever deeper into Your light.

Even in darkness, even in brokenness, may we be channels of Your compassion and healing.

Amen

From the Office of the Principal

Mrs. Patricia Quinn P'04

Kairos

We pray for all students and faculty attending Kairos this weekend.

Class Meetings

Class meetings are scheduled to reinforce school policy and give a refresh for the remainder of the school year so that we may end strong. They also list upcoming events for each class to include student life and academic events.

Monday, March 25: Nazareth Academy High School Class Trip for the Entire Student Body and Faculty

Through the generosity of the Connelly Foundation and the Ambassador's Fund for Catholic Education in conjunction with Holy Week, we will be going to the 10:00 AM presentation of the movie *Cabrini* at the Neshaminy Mall movie theater. Buses will be provided, and all are required to attend. There will be no classes that day.

From the Office of Student Life

Mrs. Theresa Hartey, Assistant Principal

Junior Dinner Dance (JDD)

On Friday, March 22nd, the Junior Dinner Dance will take place at the Buck Hotel from 6:00 to 10:00 PM. Please click [here](#) to purchase tickets and fill out all required forms. Please have all materials submitted by March 15th. We are looking forward to a great night for the class of 2025!

PIP Dress Down Day

Panda Irish Pride (PIP) will have a Dress Down Day on Friday March 15th. Celebrate St. Patrick's Day early!

Class of 2024 Day

On Friday, March 22nd we will honor the Class of 2024 with a host of fun activities. Seniors will be dismissed at 12:00 PM that day.

Naz-A-Thon

Naz-A-Thon is less than a month away! We have some exciting things happening.

Pie Face and Lip Sync Battle are back! There will also be a raffle for two tickets to the Zach Bryan Concert on August 6th at Lincoln Financial Field.

Change Wars week two starts Monday! The homeroom who brings in the most change will get to go to the Dunkin Cruiser first on the day of Naz-A-Thon.

All dancer registration must be in by March 26th. Homeroom reps will be around to collect your registration, if not please come to room 213.

We will start assembling raffle baskets next week. If anyone has any items they would like to donate, please feel free to bring them to room 213!

There is a Chickie's and Pete's dine out on March 13th from 5:00 – 7:00 PM located at the Roosevelt Blvd. location.

Thank you for all that you do! God bless! Go Pandas!

From the Office of Advancement

Mrs. Terri Evans, Director

Legacy Gala

Our annual Legacy Gala will be held on April 19, 2024 at the Union League Golf Club at Torressdale. Please join us as we celebrate our wonderful school and all those who have contributed to the growth of the school. You can support the Legacy Gala in several ways: by [purchasing a ticket](#), by donating an item off of our [Amazon Wishlist](#) or our [donation ideas](#), or [become a sponsor/submit an advertisement in the program book](#).

Thank you and we are most grateful for your support!

NAPA ~ Mrs. Ellen Lawall P'24

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!



March Madness Block Pool

[Take a chance](#) with a block or two on our March Madness Pool. There are 63 chances to win!! Blocks will be sold until March 18th. Games begin during the second round on March 23rd. Let the madness begin!



Luck of the Irish 50/50

Wherever you go and whatever you do, may the [Luck of the Irish](#) be with you!! Our popular 50/50 is back! Win up to \$500 while supporting NAPA!



Cornhole Pandamonium!!! Nazareth Corn Hole Tournament

We will hold our inaugural corn hole tournament on Saturday, April 6th at 11:00 AM. Cost is \$60 per team. Grab your favorite Naz alum, Panda or incoming Panda and [sign up](#) for a day of fun and prizes!!

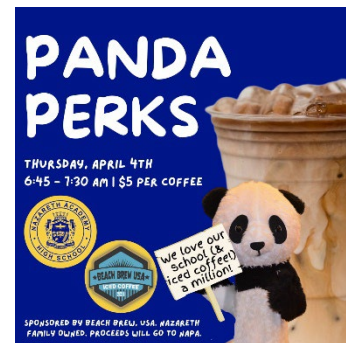


General Parent Meeting

Join us on Tuesday, April 2nd and meet our newly elected NAPA board!

Panda Perks – April 4th

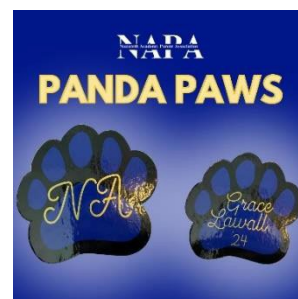
Parents are welcome to stop in for their morning pick me up at drop off!! Our April feature flavor is Almond Joy! Start your day with a delicious Beach Brew served up by your favorite Panda baristas!!



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](#).

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.

From the Office of Academics

Ms. Theresa Ennis, Assistant Principal

Mid-Spring Report cards will be e-mailed to you on Thursday, March 14th.

The Honor Society Induction Ceremony will be held on Tuesday, March 19th from 6:30 - 8:00 PM.

Practice for the Honor Society Induction Ceremony will be Monday, March 18th at 7:15 AM for **Readers only**.

Practice for the Honor Society Induction Ceremony will be Tuesday, March 19th at Activity Period for **all** students being inducted and or reading.

From the Office of College Counseling

Mrs. Alyssa Scheerbaum '12, Director

Career March Madness

Career March Madness is well underway! Please [follow us](#) on Instagram (@nahscollegecounseling) to see which careers are still in the running. Students and faculty have until March 12th at 10:00 AM to vote!

Class of 2024

Please encourage your students to keep sending their college counselor their acceptance and scholarship information.

Graduation Surveys, which will be emailed to you and your student, will be due on April 26th. We understand that it is possible that students may not make a college decision by then, especially because of the FAFSA delay. We will work with students on an individual basis on the Graduation Surveys and what will be reported in the Graduation Program.

If your student does not wish to be featured on Nazareth's Instagram with their college decision, please notify or have them notify their college counselor and our Director of Marketing & Communications, Mrs. Casey Mangano (cmangano@nazarethacademyhs.org).

The National Association for College Admission Counseling has released a directory of colleges and their commitment dates for this spring. The directory can be viewed [here](#).

Scholarship opportunity for Bensalem residents: [mayors-scholarship-application-2024.pdf \(bensalempa.gov\)](#)

Class of 2025

SAT School Day, March 11th

All Juniors taking the SAT have been notified about where and when to report on Monday. They need to report to their assigned classroom by 7:55 AM. They are permitted to dress down. If they aren't using a school computer (students using a computer know who they are), they must bring their fully charged laptop and laptop charger. Students should bring a water bottle, snack, calculator, and pencil. If they forget their calculator, there is a calculator built into the bluebook application which they can use.

College Essay & Activities Resume Seminar

A huge thank you to Taylor Stokes, our representative from Saint Joseph's University, for presenting to our Juniors and at the March NAPA meeting about the college essay and activities resume. If you are interested in viewing her presentation, you can access it by clicking the image below.



Essay Writing
Workshop- Nazareth

My presentation can be accessed by clicking the image below.



2024 March NAPA
Meeting.pdf

Here are two essay brainstorm worksheets: [Handout: Values and Objects Exercise - Google Docs](#) & [Handout: Essay Test - Google Docs](#)

Prompt is an essay service that our students have used in the past for extra essay help.

Here is the [link](#) for the Common App essay prompts. These prompts will remain the same for the 24-25 application cycle.

Mock Interviews

We will be hosting our Holy Family University college admissions representative, Tim O'Driscoll, on April 22nd and/or April 25th for mock interviews with Junior students. A survey was sent out on Scoir on March 7th for Juniors to RSVP for an interview. Your students may have to schedule interviews as a part of their application process, they may participate in Nazareth instant decision and interview days with college reps during Senior year, and they will eventually have job interviews, so this would be a good opportunity for your students to practice interviewing.

Class of 2026

Sophomore small group sessions during Activity Period will start again in April!

If you would like to schedule a meeting with your student's college counselor, please email ascheerbaum@nazarethacademyhs.org or mkaloudis@nazarethacademyhs.org

Mrs. Scheerbaum: Adamchak - Martin; Thornton
Ms. Kaloudis: Mastrosante - Stratton; Tomes - Woltjen

Class of 2027

If you would like to schedule a meeting with your student's college counselor, please email ascheerbaum@nazarethacademyhs.org or mkaloudis@nazarethacademyhs.org

Mrs. Scheerbaum: Altieri - Mastil

Ms. Kaloudis: McCann - Zhang

Opportunities

Illinois Tech is hosting a webinar on March 20th at 5:00 PM (CST) to talk about their summer programs for high school students.

Representatives from Trinity College Dublin will be at La Salle College High School on March 27th at 6:30 PM for an open house event. Please use this link to register if you are interested in attending.

“West Point’s Summer Leaders Experience (SLE): At West Point we develop Leaders of Character, and we are looking for high-achieving young people who are in great standing with their school and community, and who want to challenge themselves. Please click on the icon below to view the flyer.



2024 SLE FYLER.pdf

What is SLE?

- SLE is a one-week program for current Juniors (High School Class of 2025) to visit West Point in June.
- Students in this program get to spend the week with our cadets, live in the barracks, and eat in the mess hall.
- Learn about West Point’s world class academics by trying five of our 17 academic workshops.
- Learn about military training and becoming a Leader of Character at West Point by completing two military days to include rappelling, Zodiac boats, combatives (like Jiu-Jitsu) training and more!
- Challenge themselves physically by attempting the Candidate Fitness Assessment, conducting physical training, and sports.
- Complete their admissions interview with a cadet.
- Spend the week making friends with other students from all over the US who are applying to West Point.

Our priority application deadline for SLE is the following Friday on March 15th and we will accept applications until April 15th. SLE is competitive and not all who apply are offered to attend. Learn more about SLE at:

<https://www.westpoint.edu/admissions/summer-program>

Apply now: <https://apply.westpoint.edu/portal/candidate>”

From the Office of the Athletics

Mrs. Brigid Kelley '98, Director

Good luck to our swimmers who are preparing to leave for States on Thursday, March 14th at Bucknell University! GO PANDAS!

Good luck to our lacrosse team as they have their first spring scrimmages at home on Tuesday, March 12th at 3:45 PM and Thursday, March 14th at 4:00 PM.

Good luck to our softball team as they have their first spring scrimmages away at Dock Mennonite on Tuesday, March 12th at 4:00 PM for varsity only and Thursday, March 14th at Springfield High School at 3:45 PM for both junior varsity and varsity.

Congratulations to our basketball team for their 55-39 victory in the First Round of States over Bishop McDevitt. They will face Central Columbia on Wednesday, March 13th at 6:00 PM at Catasauqua High School.