# The Naz Newsletter

A Weekly Update for Parents, Students, Faculty and Staff

May 12, 2024

Do not lose courage and hope...

-Blessed Mary of Jesus the Good Shepherd

## **THIS WEEK**

Sunday, May 12: Happy Mother's Day

Monday, May 13: A Schedule | Spirit Week Begins | AP Italian Language

Tuesday, May 14: A Schedule | Executive Team Meeting, 2:15 PM | AP English Language

Exam | Music Recital, 5:00 PM-6:00 PM

Wednesday, May 15: A Schedule | AP Music and Music Sight-Singing | Freshman Field Trip

| Music Recital, 6:00 PM-9:00 PM

Thursday, May 16: A Schedule | AP Biology, Late AP Biology, AP Spanish | Athletic

Recognition Night

Friday, May 17: A Schedule | AP Latin, Late AP Latin, AP Physics | Last Day of Classes

Saturday, May 18: NAPA Outdoor Movie Night, 6:00 PM-11:00 PM

Sunday, May 19: Black and White Tea | Tri-M Leader Installation, 3:30 PM-5:30 PM

# **LOOKING AHEAD**

Monday, May 20: Final Exams
Tuesday, May 21: Final Exams
Wednesday, May 22: Final Exams

Tuesday, May 28: Senior Sleepover

Wednesday, May 29: Class Day Awards | Baccalaureate Mass and Commencement

Practice, 9:00 AM

Thursday, May 30: Underclasswomen Awards | Baccalaureate Mass and Commencement

Practice | Senior Slide Show

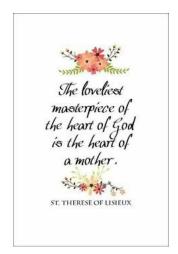
Friday, May 31: Baccalaureate Mass and Commencement Exercises

# From the Office of the President Mrs. Denise LePera

As we celebrate the Moms in our lives, remember that it is through them and the love they have instilled in all of us that we may see a glimpse of God's kingdom here on earth. Wishing all the Moms in our lives, a very Happy Mother's Day.

"She holds the family together with love and nourishes them with prayer. Her children arise and call her blessed." Proverbs 31:28





Earlier this week, I attended the NAPA meeting honoring our Senior parents. Our parents are the best! This year's board presented the school with a check for \$43,000. Everyone commented on how hard the board works to engage our parents and provide this level of support that goes right back to the girls! As our board members said, we are grateful to Mrs. Terri Evans for the work she does behind the scenes as the NAPA Moderator, and for making them want to volunteer and be a part of NAPA.



# **Alumnae Pinning**

How wonderful to welcome the next class of Alumnae into our Alumnae Association. Thank you to Mrs. Cristie Giordano '91 P '24 for her remarks to the graduates and to our Alumnae Association President, Bernadette Farrell '79, for inducting the next group of wonderful young women.

Congratulations to Grace Palermo '24 on receiving the Nancy Ann Spirt Award. This award is voted on by the seniors and certainly well-deserved.

# From the Finance Office Mrs. Jennifer McCloskey '03, Director

### **Lunch Accounts**

The last day for lunch is Friday, May 17th. Reminder to please log into MyKidsSpending.com to view your daughter's account. If the account has a negative balance, click on "Fund Accounts" and follow the prompts to load funds and bring her account up to date. All available funds remaining at the end of this school year will carry over to the next school year. After May 17th, all outstanding lunch account balances will be charged to the corresponding FACTS account. Please contact Mrs. Michele Kelly with any questions or concerns at mkelly@NazarethAcademyHS.org.

# From the Office of the Principal Mrs. Patricia Quinn P'04

<u>District Buses – Early Dismissal Schedule for Exams</u>

May 20, May 21, May 22

Abington - Pick up all three days at 12:30 PM

Bristol Township - Pick up all three days at 12:30 PM

**Lower Moreland** - Pick up on May 20 and May 21 at 12:30 PM. May 22 - no early dismissal – students need to get own transportation or stay until regular dismissal time of 2:10 PM

**Bensalem** - No early pick up - all early dismissal used. Students will have to make own arrangements or stay until regular dismissal at 2:10 PM

**Neshaminy** — May 20 - Pick up at 12:30 PM - May 21 and May 22 - no early pick up – students need to find own transportation or stay until regular dismissal at 2:10 PM

Council Rock - Pick up all three days at 12:30 PM

**Centennial** - May 20 and May 21 early pick up at 12:30 PM. May 22 no early pick up — Students will need to make own arrangements or stay until regular dismissal at 2:10 PM

Cheltenham – Pick up all three days at 12:30 PM

Pennsbury - Pick up all three days at 12:30 PM

# NAPA ~ Mrs. Ellen Lawall P'24

### **NAPA Outdoor Movie Night**

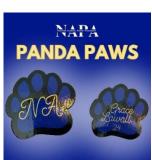
Join us for a movie under the stars at Nazareth! Mark your calendars for Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup> at dusk for a fun night featuring Coco. Freewill donations are accepted. Please bring lawnchairs or blankets. To RSVP to the event, please click <u>here</u>.



#### **Panda Paw Sale**

NAPA is selling <u>Panda Paws</u> 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! This is a great decorating idea for the Class of 2024 Graduation parties and all of the shore houses this Summer! 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 4 x 2.5 ft and \$60 each. Get one for yourself or your favorite Alum! Click here to purchase a banner.



### **Wawa Hoagie Certificates**

Treat yourself and purchase Wawa hoagie certificates good for a Wawa Shorti of your choice for \$6 each. These gift certificates are perfect for your athletes, on-the-go parents, or hungry Pandas! Click here to purchase.

# From the Office of Academics

# Ms. Theresa Ennis, Assistant Principal

### **Final Exams**

Spring Exams are next week. Here are a few reminders:

- Students are responsible for knowing when their final exam will take place for each course.
- There is no homeroom period on exam days, students report directly to the classroom for that exam.
- Students can arrive between 8:00 AM and 8:15 AM for the first exam each day.
- Students are permitted to leave at the end of their last exam period, when the bell rings.
- Students are only required to be present for the exams they will take. For example:
  - If a student does not have an 8:30 AM exam but does have a 9:40 AM exam, she can report to school at 9:30 AM.
  - o If a student has an 8:30 AM exam and does not have a 9:40 AM exam, she can leave at 9:30 AM
- If a student is sick on the day of their exam, they can make it up on exam make up day, May 22nd. The student should make arrangements with her teacher for a good time to make up the exam that day.
- Students are not permitted in the hallways or at their lockers while exams are going on. If a student arrives early for an exam or needs to stay late, she can stay in the Student Dining Room. Students can access their lockers in between exams.
- No student is permitted to change their exam schedule.
- Seniors with an A or A- in all marking periods for that course (i.e. M1, S1, M2, and S2 grade for yearlong courses or M2 and S2 for semester long courses) may be exempt from taking that course exam with the permission of the teacher.
- Final report cards will be completed and sent by May 31st

### **Spring Exam Schedule**

Monday, May 20th, Two 60-minute examinations 8:10 AM Warning Bell 8:15 AM PRAYERS, ATTENDANCE & ANNOUNCEMENTS 8:30-9:30 AM Block 1 and Block 1 Classes meeting M, W, F 9:40-10:40 AM Blocks 2 and Block 2A

Tuesday May 21<sup>st</sup>, Two 60-minute examinations 8:10 AM Warning Bell 8:15 AM PRAYERS, ATTENDANCE & ANNOUNCEMENTS 8:30-9:30 AM Block 3 and Block 3A 9:40-10:40 AM Block 4 and Block 4 Classes meeting M, W, F

Wednesday May 22<sup>nd</sup>, Three 60-minute examinations 8:10 AM Warning Bell 8:15 AM PRAYERS, ATTENDANCE & ANNOUNCEMENTS 8:30-9:30 AM Block 1 Class meeting T, Th, F and 2B class 9:40-10:40 AM Block 3B 10:50-11:50 AM Block 4 Class meeting T, Th, F EXAM MAKE UP DAY

Thursday, May 23rd NO SCHOOL FACULTY CLERICAL DAY GRADES DUE BY 2:00 PM

# From the Office of Campus Ministry Mrs. Theresa Stanton, Director



# **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

Students still in need of service hours, please check out these local organizations whose Directors expressed a need for volunteers. However, you may choose to spend your service time at any of "our" ministries where you can give of your time and receive the joy of serving others. See Mrs. Stanton if you need assistance scheduling service time. Thank you!

# 1. Caring for Friends



Monday and Tuesday evenings (kitchen cooking only), 5:00-8:00 PM

Some Saturdays (kitchen cooking), 9:00 AM-12:00 PM

Contact: Hannah Leifheit, Volunteer Coordinator

267-874-2378

# www.caringforfriends.org

2. Legacy of Life



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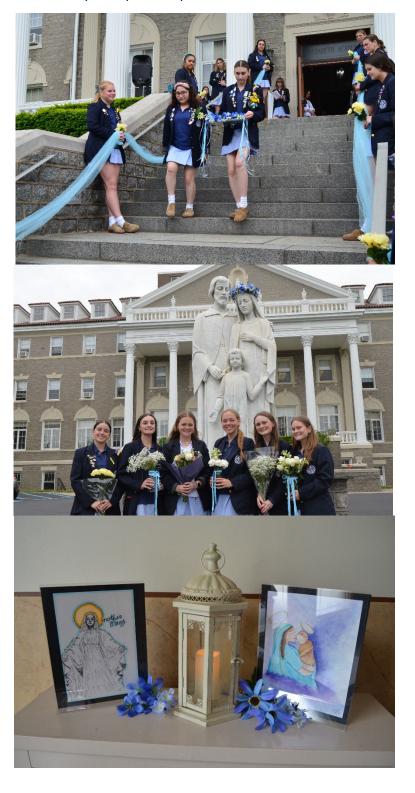


Thank you to all students for your prayerful presence and participation in our Ascension Thursday liturgy celebrated by Father Ryan from St. Bede's parish. Thank you particularly to our Choir members for sharing their musical gifts which enrich all of our Chapel events.

The "marching" Choir took its talents outside chapel as our school community honored the Blessed Mother in a post-Mass May Procession at the Holy Family Statue in the circle. Thank you to Senior Kairos members for leading this event and to Junior Kairos members for your assistance in creating an honor guard for our three sets of Naz twins {The Cheeseman, Martin and Thornton Sisters} who bore symbols of Mary, our heavenly mother and

helper. Very special thanks to Daria Heletkanycz '24 for representing the love of NAHS for our Blessed Mother as May Queen.

Mrs. Shaw's art students' portrayals of the Blessed Mother greatly enhanced the beauty of the event. Most notably, God, the Master Artist, took artistic license and granted all Pandas a perk in painting a sky free of raindrops despite the predicted forecast!



Amid the stress of final projects and exams, we abide in solidarity with our Seniors as they anticipate the many traditions which await them in upcoming weeks. Please join us in prayers for them and their families.

"I know what I have planned for you," says the Lord. "I have plans to prosper you, not to harm you. I have plans to give you a future filled with hope."



JEREMIAH 29:11 NET

A final reminder to all Senior families to extend an invite to priests and deacons who are relatives or friends of the family to join Fr. Chris Walsh, our main celebrant, on the altar for Baccalaureate Mass!

# From the Office of Student Life Mrs. Theresa Hartey, Assistant Principal Freshman Field Trip







We are super excited for the Freshman field trip to downtown Philadelphia tomorrow!

We will follow this schedule for the day:

**Students arrive to school by 8:45 AM**; students arriving earlier may gather in the Student Dining Room. 9:05 AM Buses depart

9:45 AM Buses arrive at the Constitution Center.

Students will have a walking tour of the Independence Hall area hosted by our very own Mr. Sev who used to be a park ranger there for years.

10:45 AM Head to the Bourse for an early lunch (**Please bring money to purchase lunch**). Students may purchase lunch, eat inside the Bourse or in the park if they travel with an adult chaperone. Vendors - The Bourse (theboursephilly.com)

11:40 AM Board the buses to head to Citizens Bank Park for our ballpark tour.

12:05 PM Our interesting and extensive tour of Citizens Bank Park will last about 70 minutes.

1:30 PM Board the buses and return to Nazareth Academy HS. We are hoping to return to school by 2:15 PM.

# Students may dress down—Naz gear preferred!

Please reach out with any questions...thartey@nazarethacademyhs.org We are looking forward to a great day with our fabulous Freshmen!

Spirit Week is here!





Thank you to the L TEAM, Mrs. Greenewald, and Mrs. Graveley for their extensive planning for Spirit Week! And thank you to Nell Duesler '24 for these beautiful graphics.

### May 14<sup>th</sup> Senior Sunrise

Freshman/Sophomore Sister Ice Cream Social during Activity Period

# May 15<sup>th</sup> International Day

SIGN UP HERE!

Travis Manion graduation and Dodge Ball Tournament after school at HGP Sign up here!

May 17th SPIRIT DAY!

### **Senior Sleepover**

The Senior Sleepover will take place on May 28th leading into May 29th.

Please sign up here by May 21st if interested.

A Sign-up Genius will go out later to help with snacks and drinks for the event.



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

# From the Office of College Counseling Mrs. Alyssa Scheerbaum '12, Director

Happy Mother's Day!

### **College Fair**

Villanova University is hosting a college fair on May 22<sup>nd</sup> from 6:00 PM-8:30 PM. Please visit this site for more information.

### **Internship Opportunity**

The Philadelphia Chapter of the Citizens' Climate Lobby is looking for high school and college student interns. Please view their site and application for more information.

### SAT School Day - Class of 2025

A survey went out to students in Scoir for them to sign up for the SAT School Day that Nazareth is offering in October. Students should fill out this survey by June 3, 2024, if they would like to participate. We will follow up with the Class of 2025 in the beginning of the next academic year to verify whether or not they wish to take the test.