



**SPECIAL SCHEDULES in FEBRUARY:**

**Tuesday, February 4:** Faculty & Staff Meeting. Students Dismiss 1:27

**Thursday, February 6:** Standardized Test Prep Schedule. Regular Dismissal

**Monday, February 10:** \* **Calendar Change\***  
Faculty/Staff Day of Reflection Postponed.  
Students **WILL** have class this day.

**Wednesday, February 12:** Standardized Test Prep Schedule. Regular Dismissal

**Tuesday, February 18:** Liturgy Schedule.  
Regular Dismissal

**Thursday, February 20:** Standardized Test Prep Schedule. Regular Dismissal

**Wednesday, February 26:** Standardized Test Prep Schedule. Regular Dismissal  
To view the full calendar, please click here:

[\*\*CHS Calendar\*\*](#)

**RE-REGISTRATION FOR 2025-2026 AND IMPORTANT UPDATES (FROM LISA HARVEY, CHS PRESIDENT):**

On January 13th, all current families received an email from Stephanie Potter, CHS Registrar, with information about re-registering for the 2025-2026 school year. February 3, 2025, is the deadline to complete re-registration. Thank you for your timely response to this request. All current families will shortly receive an email from my office concerning other important updates about the 2025-2026

school year, including tuition and fees for 2025-2026 and important changes to our laptop program. The information in the email is lengthy so please allow some time to go through carefully it so that you will be fully informed. Please feel free to contact me with any questions: [lharvey@catholichigh.org](mailto:lharvey@catholichigh.org).

**CALENDAR CHANGE FOR FEBRUARY 10:**

Please note that, due to the recent loss of in-person class time because of the snow week, February 10 is now a regular school day. All students are expected to be in class on Monday, February 10.

**2025-2026 SCHOOL CALENDAR:** Attached to the newsletter is the 2025-2026 school calendar indicating important dates for the school year. Please make note of the dates of student orientation, the first day of classes,

and holidays so that you can plan your son's schedule accordingly. We ask that parents not extend vacations or schedule appointments during school days. Daily attendance at CHS is critical to the academic success of your son. Please see page 22 of the [2024-2025 Student Handbook](#) for our policies on absences.

**2024 TUITION STATEMENTS:** Tuition statements for 2024 are now available through FACTS. After logging on to your account, click on "View Details" then "View Payment Summary." Feel free to reach out to the Finance Office with any questions.

**SUMMER AT CHS PROGRAM:** Information including dates, times, and fees about

our 2025 Summer at CHS courses is on our [website](#) and registration is open! Courses include:

**Strength and Speed:** Required for current CHS JV and varsity athletes, and incoming 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade athletes.

**Academics and Enrichment:** ACT Preparation\*, Algebra I Preparation, College Application Boot Camp\*, English I Preparation, Fun Science\*, International Culinary Camp\*, Lego Camp\*, Pre AP Preparation, Robotics\*, Service Week, Strategies for Success in High School and College\*, Study Skills\*

\*Courses open to girls

**SENIOR SESSIONS:** During the standardized test prep sessions in the second semester, the majority of seniors attend presentations or activities focused on completing their time at CHS and preparing for the transition to college. See the list below for the content of the Senior Sessions.

- January 29: The legal, mental health, and ethical issues surrounding sexual consent. Guest speakers included representatives from the East Baton Rouge Parish District Attorney's Office, Baton Rouge Police Department, and a psychiatric nurse practitioner from LSU.
- February 6: Transitioning to college, the differences between high school and college, coping with newfound freedom and associated stress, managing the college workload, and other general tips for college. CHS faculty members and mental health professionals will present a variety of ideas to students on these issues.
- February 12: College culture, peer pressure, and other important decisions after high school. An attorney will address the effects of destructive behaviors and potential long-term legal consequences, including alcohol and drug use, as well as the culture within fraternities that can contribute to destructive behaviors. CHS coaches and teachers will reinforce the importance of making good decisions. Additional issues

related to the non-academic side of college culture will be explored.

- February 20: Information on graduation procedures, finish strong comments from administrators, and 2025 Class picture. Seniors should make every effort to be present for this session, so they are part of the class photo. There will be no retakes.
- February 26: Seniors will complete some important administrative tasks such as taking a Senior Exit Survey and voting for various awards for classmates.

**PARENT SURVEY:** Thank you for the overwhelming response to the Parent Survey that I sent out in the December Principal's Newsletter. The survey is now closed, and I will continue to compile the results and include a summary in the March Principal's Newsletter. Rest assured that your feedback is integral to our planning process as we strive to make progress in those areas that parents indicate need improvement.

### **GRANDPARENTS DAY, SUNDAY, MARCH**

**23:** Grandparents of current CHS students are invited to join us for the 2025 Grandparents Day celebration on Sunday, March 23, from 2-4 p.m. starting in the CHS Gymnasium.

Whether grandson(s) are able to attend or not, grandparents of current CHS students are invited to join in the afternoon's celebration. The presentation will begin promptly at 2 p.m. in the CHS Gymnasium and will conclude at 3 p.m. Immediately following the prayer service and performance, students and their grandparents are welcome to tour campus and to take part in a CHS Mothers' Club welcome reception in the Br. Donnan Berry, S.C. Student Center. The CHS Photography Club will be on hand taking pictures in the Student Center. Proper dress for students is school attire. Invitations, along with a campus map including general and handicapped parking information will be mailed to grandparents in February for addresses that have been submitted. There is no need for grandparents to RSVP for this event. Contact Jamie Segar '90 in the CHS Advancement Office for more details at [jsegar@catholichigh.org](mailto:jsegar@catholichigh.org).

**CHS MOTHER'S CLUB:** The Catholic High School Mothers' Club signature event, the CHS Mother-Son Breakfast, will be held on **March 30, 2025**. Tickets go on sale starting Thursday, February 27, 2025. Members of the CHS Mothers' Club may purchase tickets in advance beginning Monday, February 24, 2025; however, your CHS Mothers' Club registration must be current as of Wednesday, February 19, 2025, to be eligible for priority registration. Please visit the CHS website to join the Mothers' Club if you are not already a member! The CHS Mother-Son Breakfast tickets are \$40 per person. Tables of 10 may be purchased, so we encourage moms to plan ahead and be prepared to provide a table captain and a guest list for table reservations. Individual tickets are not guaranteed for placement at specific tables. Starting February 27, 2025, you can visit [www.catholichigh.org](http://www.catholichigh.org) for the link to purchase tickets via myCHS.

**CAR RAFFLE:** In conjunction with the CHS Mother-Son Breakfast, we will once again be raffling off the chance to win \$25,000 toward the purchase of a vehicle from our sponsor, Price LeBlanc. Each student is asked to sell 10 tickets and the class that sells the most tickets will receive a free dress day at school. CHS sent parents an email in early December with your son's specific raffle link, which can be shared with family and friends. If you did not receive the email, you may access your student's tickets through their myCHS account or by visiting the CHS website. On the website, ticket purchasers may identify which student they would like to credit with the ticket purchase. If your son is identified with a ticket sale, then he (and his class) gets credit for it. If anyone would like to purchase a paper ticket for the raffle, please visit the front office. Ticket sales deadline is March 15, 2025 and proceeds from the car raffle and other Mothers' Club events directly benefit your son and CHS.

Thank you for your support of the CHS Mothers' Club. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to President Blythe Lamonica at [blythelamonica@me.com](mailto:blythelamonica@me.com)

**CHS MEN'S CLUB:** Your CHS Men's Club is in action this month with the following events. On Saturday, February 8<sup>th</sup> we will assist with

the Habitat for Humanity build by providing breakfast and lunch for the students and others working that day. Then on February 19<sup>th</sup>, we will host a Hamburger Supper honoring members of Baseball, BBN, Beach Volleyball, FCA, Golf, Grizzly Hospitality Group, Lacrosse, NHS, Soccer, Tennis, Wrestling, Ultimate, and Quiz Bowl. Please contact Men's Club President Jack Dirks at [chsmensclub@gmail.com](mailto:chsmensclub@gmail.com) if you would like to help. As always, we're looking for new members; click [HERE](#) to sign up and support us.

**PSAT PREPARATION CLASSES:** Dates are available for the PSAT/NMSQT Preparation Course for members of the Class of 2026. These six workshops will be offered on: March 15 or 16, April 12 or April 13, May 10 or 11, August 23 or 24, September 20 or 21, and October 4 or 5. There are also make-up workshops being offered in July (July 23, 26, 27). The cost of the PSAT/NMSQT course is \$215. A flier is included in this newsletter with more details about this course, including times. Any current sophomore, including SJA students may take this course. Registration is available online at [mychs.catholichigh.org](http://mychs.catholichigh.org). Please email Mrs. Kessler at [ckessler@catholichigh.org](mailto:ckessler@catholichigh.org) if you have questions about this course.

**ACT PREP CLASSES:** ACT Preparation Classes will be on February 22 and March 8, 2025. These classes are designed for students taking the ACT in March 2025. Registration is online at [MyCHS.catholichigh.org](http://MyCHS.catholichigh.org). A flier is included in this newsletter with more details. Please email Mrs. Kessler at [ckessler@catholichigh.org](mailto:ckessler@catholichigh.org) if you have questions about this course.

**NATIONAL SCHOOL COUNSELORS WEEK:** February 3-7 is designated as National School Counseling Week. We are very fortunate at Catholic High School to have such a dedicated staff in our Counseling Center. Our counselors work with students across a wide range of areas, including, but not limited to, emotional, academic, and social growth. They are an indispensable part of the holistic program we provide for your sons. Please join me in thanking them for their work with our Bears!

**Catholic High School**

**2025-2026 School Calendar**

**August 2025**

M	T	W	T	F
28	29	30	31	1
4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	28	29

**January 2026**

M	T	W	T	F
5	6	7	8	9
12	13	14	15	16
19	20	21	22	23
26	27	28	29	30

**September 2025**

M	T	W	T	F
1	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26
29	30			

**February 2026**

M	T	W	T	F
2	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	13
16	17	18	19	20
23	24	25	26	27

**October 2025**

M	T	W	T	F
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6	7	8	9	10
13	14	15	16	17
20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	31

**March 2026**

M	T	W	T	F
2	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	13
16	17	18	19	20
23	24	25	26	27
30	31			

**November 2025**

M	T	W	T	F
3	4	5	6	7
10	11	12	13	14
17	18	19	20	21
24	25	26	27	28

**April 2026**

M	T	W	T	F
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6	7	8	9	10
13	14	15	16	17
20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	

**December 2025**

M	T	W	T	F
1	2	3	4	5
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22	23	24	25	26
29	30	31		

**May 2026**

M	T	W	T	F
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11	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	28	29

**Important Dates 2025**

July 31-Aug 1	Rollout/Retreat for Incoming students
Aug 4-5	Faculty & Staff Prof. Development
Aug 6-7	Student Orientation
Aug. 8	1st day of school for 8th & 9th grades
Aug. 11	1st day of school for all students
Sept. 1	Labor Day holiday
Sept. 2	Prof. Dev. (no school for students)
Oct. 10	End of 1st Quarter
Oct. 12-13	Senior Retreat
Nov. 7	Faculty & Staff Retreat
Nov. 13	Open House
Nov. 24-28	Thanksgiving holidays
Dec. 16-19	1st semester examinations
Dec. 19	1st semester ends
Dec. 22 - Jan.2	Christmas holidays

**Important Dates 2026**

Jan. 5	Faculty & Staff Development
Jan. 6	2nd semester classes begin
Jan. 19	Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday
Mar. 27	Province Day of Reflection or Day of Experience
Feb. 16-20	Mardi Gras holidays
Mar. 13	3rd Quarter Ends
Mar 16	Junior Retreat/8th, 9th & 10th grade testing, Career Day
Mar. 17	Sophomore Retreat/11th grade testing/Senior Olympics
Mar. 27	Day of Experience
Apr. 3-10	Easter holidays
May 1 - 6	Senior final examinations
May 16	Graduation
May 19-22	2nd semester examinations
May 22	2nd semester ends
May 22	Record Day

**Legend:** Circles indicate holidays for students and faculty  
 Squares indicate holidays for students; professional development for faculty and staff  
 Exams