The Naz Newsletter



Nazareth Academy High School Parent Update

October 9, 2022

All our hope is in God who protects us.
-Blessed Mary of Jesus the Good Shepherd

THIS WEEK

Monday, October 10: A Schedule Tuesday, October 11: A Schedule

Wednesday, October 12: PSAT Testing for Grades 9-11, Special Schedule, 12:15

dismissal; no school for Grade 12 Thursday, October 13: A Schedule

Friday, October 14: School Holiday, No Classes

LOOKING AHEAD

Saturday, October 15: Fall Open House

Wednesday, October 19: Career Day, Special Schedule, 2:10 dismissal

Thursday, October 27: *Yearbook Pictures (Grades 9-11)* **Thursday, October 27-Sunday, October 30:** *Kairos*

Monday, October 31: Fall Festival and Clash Day, Special Schedule, 2:10 dismissal

Tuesday, November 1: All Saints Day, No Classes

Thursday, November 3 – Sunday, November 6: Little Mermaid, Fall Musical

Monday, November 7: Winter Uniform Begins

From the Office of the Principal *Mr. Jim Meredith*

PSAT Testing

Mrs. Alyssa Scheerbaum, Director of College Counseling, provides directives for Wednesday's PSAT testing in her section of the Naz Newsletter. Students should get a good night's sleep on Tuesday night followed by breakfast to be ready for this important test. Following dismissal at 12:15, every suburban public school district other than Bensalem will provide bussing at 12:30. Students who are waiting for transportation after the test concludes can wait in the Student Dining Room under reasonable supervision.

On Wednesday morning before testing, the Junior Homeroom Moderators will be hosting the annual Junior Class PSAT Breakfast in the Student Dining Room. The breakfast runs between 7 and 7:30 and then the juniors will report for testing.

Good luck to our students taking the PSAT!



Sylvia Mendez



Sylvia Mendez, of Mexican and Puerto Rican heritage, is a retired nurse and civil rights activist. While growing up in California during the 1940s, Mendez, at age 8, was prohibited from registering at her local public school because it did not admit Hispanics. The family of Mendez subsequently brought a case to desegregate California schools, *Mendez v. Westminster*, to federal court which ruled favorably on her behalf. After the ruling was upheld via appeal, Governor Earl Warren desegregated all California schools and public spaces. The case set an important precedent for *Brown v. Board of Education in 1954*, which ended school

segregation nationwide. Mendez has given lectures across the country about her experience and was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 2010.

Source: The Daily Californian

From the Office of the President Mrs. Denise LePera

We understand that there have been some concerns in the neighborhood recently. I want to assure you that our School Safety and Facilities Team is on-site from 6 AM to 8 PM every school day and are present at evening and weekend school, admissions, and advancement events. The School Safety and Facilities Team is comprised of 6 staff members whose schedules allow for campus supervision.

Many do not realize we have been adding staff to ensure that our facility is a safe one for our students. We have ordered uniform shirts for this team so that they are easily recognizable to students and families, as well as the neighborhood as they walk the campus throughout the day.

We are fortunate to have three of our team members that are retired Philadelphia Police and Sheriff Officers with a combined service of 85 years.

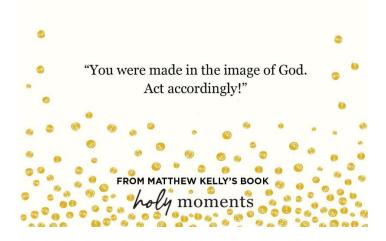
In addition to the staff, our security cameras provide full coverage of the full campus, including all entry points to the building. This summer, we also added interior security cameras in the hallways of each floor of the building.

Each team member is committed to providing a safe and secure school environment. Duties include, but are not limited to:

- Open the building to ensure the facility is safe and turn on all lights prior to the start of the school day
- Assist with fire drills and lock down drills
- Patrol the building and grounds to identify any potential situations
- Be on-site for all school, alumnae and admissions events
- Assist the staff, police, and emergency personnel in handling emergencies or disruptive situations.
- Assist with morning arrival and afternoon dismissal of students.
- Review of security cameras, which provide coverage of all building entry points.
- Full campus walkthroughs every two hours, including the checking of all entry points

Thought for the Week

How easy to do the right thing when we remember whose image we were created in!



NAPA News

Father Daughter Mini Golf October 22nd at 10:30 AM

Burholme Park

We are excited to offer this new event for our dads (uncles, grandpops) and their Nazareth student. Come enjoy a friendly game of mini golf, enjoy refreshments and hopefully be one of our lucky winners of a prize for the best personal score, best team score and best foursome. This will take place at Burholme Golf and Family Fun Center 401 Cottman Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19111. Cost for a dad and daughter is \$40 and \$15 for each additional daughter. Click here to purchase your tickets.

Gertrude Hawk Candy Apple Sale

Order you Candy Apples beginning on October 3rd. <u>Click on the link</u> to see all of the delicious options. Cost per apple is \$13 and 2 for \$22.

Charleston Wrap Sale

Get ready for the Christmas wrapping session. Charleston Wrap offers beautiful wrapping paper designs in addition to all of the gift items you may need. Your order will be delivered right to your door, no pick up at school. Click the link to make a purchase.

Wawa Hoagie Certificates

Treat yourself and purchase Wawa hoagie certificates good for a Wawa shorti of your choice for \$5 each. <u>Click here</u> to purchase.

NAPA Tumblers

We will also be selling new Naz Tumblers that are perfect for pairing with your Panda Perks. Here is the <u>link to purchase</u>. They will be \$22.50 for a 20 ounce tumbler and \$25.00 for the 30 ounce.

Advancement Office

Mrs. Terri Evans

NAZ Bingo

Sunday, October 23, 2022 1:00 PM in the gym. Tickets are \$30 per person or \$250 for a table of 10. Please join us and play bingo to win designer pocketbooks and gift cards. We will play 12 rounds of bingo for designer bags or gift cards and 3 cash games which are sold separately. We will have extra packets for sale and raffles for designer bag baskets. We hope to see you at this fun and exciting event. Purchase your tickets here.

Taste of the Town Friday, November 18, 2022 7:00 to 11:00 PM

The Taste of the Town is back featuring The Heartbeats. 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 are interested in sponsoring or attending the event please <u>click here</u> to do so. If you know anyone who has a restaurant or bar that would like to showcase their food, please email <u>tevans@NazarethAcademyHS.org</u>. We are also looking for donations that will help with making our

raffle baskets a huge success. We usually have 100+ baskets as well as a 50/50. We hope to see you there.

Taste of the Town Raffle

Each student should have received 5 tickets in the mail. We are hoping that each student will sell at least 5 tickets. If your daughter sells her 5 tickets and would like to sell more, please have her stop by my office, Room 210 to receive additional tickets. If you have not received your tickets in the mail, please tevans@NazarethAcademyHS.org.

From the Office of Campus Ministry Theresa Stanton, Director



Mission Moments

Sister Barbara Jean Wojnicki, CSFN, Director for Mission Integration

As we continue to navigate the uncertain environment in which we find ourselves today, living our Mission is more important than ever. The Mission, expressed in our Core Values, comes to life through our actions and professionalism because these values are sustained by our daily practices. These simple, yet powerful values motivate us to align our behaviors accordingly.

For example:

- Faithful Listening challenges us to really hear and pay attention to what the other communicates.
- Loving Relationships compels us to form respectful and reverential relationships with all whom I meet
- Recognizing God in the Everyday inspires us to consider each person, event, circumstance as reflecting our loving God.

Therefore, living the Mission calls us

- 1. To allow ourselves to be stretched in our personal and professional lives by recalling our Values and being aware to practice them as situations call them forth.
- 2. To be motivated to give meaning to daily, often ordinary tasks because of our link to the Mission.
- 3. To be conscious of the deep historical roots of our place of ministry. Each of us stand on the strong shoulders of those who came before us.

<u>Please click here for a brief video</u> about making the Mission possible.



NAHS was graced with a surprise visit from a famous saint, St. Francis of Assisi, on his feast day this week!



Thank you to Sister B for introducing our students to two novices of the Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth, who graced our campus this week with their joy and love of God. Sister Esperanza and Sister Mary Bernadette were able to share their vocation stories and to lead us in Rosary during Adoration in Chapel this week.

Service Opportunities

Sara Harrington, a 2008 NAHS grad who is currently the Volunteer Coordinator at The Elmwood Park Zoo, alerted us to the following event which provides a service opportunity for students throughout the month of October. Please click here for more information.





For a service opportunity on campus this week, your daughters are invited to support Mother of Mercy House of Kensington with a packaging event on Tuesday October 11th, directly following dismissal, in the Student Dining Room.

The Rosary and Respect for Life

The NAHS Community will continue to recognize the Month of the Holy Rosary by joining for recitation of the Rosary on Tuesdays and Thursdays at Activity Period throughout October and we will also continue to honor the dignity of human life through education and outreach during this month dedicated to Respect for Life.



From the Office of Student Life Mrs. Theresa Hartey, Assistant Principal

White Out Event

Last year we began the tradition of having White Out contests during our sports seasons. On Tuesday, October 18th, we will have our 2022 Fall Sports White Out to acknowledge all fall sports teams. On this date, we will be hosting both a soccer game and volleyball game. Please consider ordering the official White Out Shirt for the 2022-23 season and attending these two contests. Thank you to Kayla Maahs and Emma McSorley for this awesome t-shirt design!

Nazareth Academy

White Out



2022-2023

All White Out t-shirt orders are due by Monday, October 10th.

Cost per shirt: \$10

Check out the shirt using the link below:

White Out T-Shirts - Nazareth Academy High School (nazarethacademyhs.org)

A huge thank you to Kayla Maahs '23 and Emma McSorley '23 for this awesome design! We will utilize these White Out shirts for our Winter and Spring White Out events also. Information regarding purchasing a shirt will be sent in a separate email.

Naz-A-Thon

Naz-A-Thon is having a Fundraiser with Shady Brook Farm through October 30th. Use the QR code in your homeroom to purchase tickets and receive 10% off. Link to purchase tickets is also on all Naz-A-Thon social media.

Naz-A-Thon is having a Quizzo Night at Paddy Whacks on the Boulevard on Thursday, October 13th from 6-9 PM. Tickets are \$20, come for a fun night of Quizzo and a pasta dinner! Tickets can be purchased in advance in Room 213 or at the door. Reservations can also be made by emailing nazathon@nazarethacademyhs.org.

Naz-A-Thon is raffling off Eagles Tickets! The winner will get 2 Tickets in Section 111, Row 8. \$20 for one chance; \$50 for three chances! Open to all family and friends! Please bring payment to Room 213!

Donor drive registration is now open! Click here to create your donor drive for Naz-A-Thon!

Have a great week! Go Pandas! God bless!

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

Financial Aid Presentation

Thank you to everyone who came out to the NAPA meeting to hear from our guest speaker, Ms. Rita V. Goslin, Senior Associate Director of Financial Assistance, from Villanova University. Please click here for her presentation about financial aid.

PSAT October 12, 2022

Students should report to homeroom by 7:45 AM. Students should bring their calculator, number 2 pencils, water, and a snack. Approximate dismissal at 12:15 PM.

SAT October 12, 2022

Seniors taking the SAT should report to the Student Dining Room by 7:45 AM. Students should bring their calculator, number 2 pencils, water, and a snack! They are allowed to dress down as well! Please submit payment before the 12th if you haven't already. Approximate dismissal at 12:00 PM.

Junior College/Post-Secondary Parent/Guardian Night

When: October 18th

Where: Performing Arts Center (PAC)

Please RSVP via this FORM by Sunday October 16th at 11:59 PM.



From the Office of Athletics Mr. Dan Bradley, Director

Weekly Athletic Schedule October 10-October 16, 2022

Monday, October 10

2:30 - 4:30 V VB Practice-Nazareth Gym

2:30 - 4:30 JV Soccer Practice-Nazareth

3:00 - 5:00 V XC Practice-Nazareth

4:00 – 6:00 V Soccer Practice-Nazareth

4:00 – 6:00 JV VB Practice-Nazareth Gym

6:30 - 7:30 Basketball Open Gym-Nazareth Gym

Tuesday, October 11

3:00 - V Golf Practice-TBD

3:00 - 5:00 V XC Practice - Lorimer**Van**

3:45 – JV VB vs. MM-Away

4:00 - V Soccer vs. MSJ-Away

5:00 - V VB vs. MM-Away

5:30 – JV Soccer vs. MSJ-Away

6:30 - 9:30 V Cheerleading Practice-Nazareth Gym

Wednesday, October 12

1:30 - V Golf vs. Little Flower-Home-Byrne Golf Course

2:30 - 4:30 V VB Practice-Nazareth Gym

2:30 - 4:30 JV Soccer Practice-Nazareth

3:45 – V XC GMA/VJM-Home-Lorimer Park

4:00 – 6:00 V Soccer Practice-Nazareth

4:30 - 6:30 JV VB Practice-Nazareth Gym

6:30 – 7:30 Basketball Open Gym-Nazareth Gym

Thursday, October 13

3:00 - 5:00 V XC Practice-Nazareth

3:45 – JV VB vs. VJ-Away

4:00- V Soccer vs. VMA-Away

5:00 – V VB vs. VJ-Away

5:30 – JV Soccer vs. VMA-Away

6:30 – 9:30 V Cheerleading Practice-Nazareth Gym

Friday, October 14

2:30 - 4:30 JV Soccer Practice-Nazareth

3:00 - 5:00 V XC Practice-Nazareth

4:00 - 6:00 V Soccer Practice-Nazareth

Saturday, October 15

9:00 - 11:00 V XC Practice-TBD

12:30 – V VB vs. Dock-Away

1:45 - JV VB vs. Dock-Away

5:15 - JV Soccer vs. Hubert's-HFU

7:00 - V Soccer vs. Hubert's-HFU

Sunday, October 16

10:00 - 12:00 Youth Basketball Clinic-Nazareth Gym

6:30 - 9:30 V Cheerleading Practice-Nazareth Gym

Prayer Intentions

During October, Month of the Holy Rosary, please remember the following in your prayers:

- All impacted by Hurricane Ian
- The Unborn in a special way, during Respect Life Month
- Mrs. Denise LePera (Office of the President) and all who are battling cancer
- All intentions of the Nazareth Community

