



November 17, 2016

Dear Families,

As we approach the Holiday Season, I would like to once again thank all of you who continue to sacrifice in the name of Catholic Education. We are blessed with your kindness and sacrifice. As you join with your family and friends this Thanksgiving, I offer you the following prayer:

Father in Heaven, Creator of all and source of all goodness and love, please look kindly upon us and receive our heartfelt gratitude in this time of giving thanks. Thank you for all the graces and blessings. You have bestowed upon us, spiritual and temporal: our faith and religious heritage. Our food and shelter, our health, the loves we have for one another, our family and friends. Dear Father, in Your infinite generosity, please grant us continued graces and blessing throughout the coming year. This we ask in the Name of Jesus, Your Son and our Brother. Amen.

Reminders:

- Progress Reports can be viewed in Progress Book
- Monthly calendars are available for view on the web
- Parent/Teacher Conferences are **November 21 from 3:15 to 8:15pm**. Please call Mrs. Julie Snider at 740-344-3594 to set up appointment(s) with any teacher you would like to meet. Guidance Counselors will also be available.
****PLEASE NOTE: CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS MAY BE REQUESTED UNTIL NOON THE FRIDAY PRECEDING THE CONFERENCE DATE. This allows teachers sufficient time to prepare for your meeting. Thank you!**

Semester Exams: Semester Exams will take place December 14 -16. The Exam Schedule will be posted in the cafeteria, I in the office area and will be available on the website. Students are to follow the attached procedures and be on time for every exam. Open campus will be followed so students will be permitted to leave campus between exams if they choose to do so. Please do not schedule vacation departure at any time during exams. Exams are 20% of the semester grades so please encourage your student to begin studying today!

Progress Reports and Detentions: Please be sure to contact the school if you need to speak with the teacher(s) concerning a grade or comment. Also, remember to try all the TABS; you will find a variety of information concerning your student. Parents and Students can also check for possible **detentions** that have been issued. Under the STUDENT tab you will see "Progress Details." If your student has received a detention, you will find it posted here. Students have 1 week to serve their detention from the date it was received. Feel free to ask your student about any that are posted and of course may contact the teacher or Mr. Schaefer if you have any concerns. Using CLASSROOM tab and then "Information" you can find additional information that a teacher may have entered. Please contact Mrs. Jodi Snider at ext. 227 if you are having trouble navigating through Progress Book.

HONOR ROLL: Each quarter, a student may achieve **First Honors** if the student has **no grade below an A-** in any class. A student may achieve **Second Honors** if the student has **no grade below a B-** in any class. The student's **GPA will not factor into either of these honors.**

Attendance Policy: It is our desire that family vacations be taken outside of school time. Every day of school is important to your child's learning, and students learn much better when they are in class than when they try to learn on their own.

Your cooperation is appreciated. A reminder to all families concerning our school policy in regard to vacation as stated in our Parent-Student Handbook:

According to diocesan policy: Students who take extended vacations on school time cannot demand the privilege of earning credits. Requests from parents to take students on a family vacation or a family day during school time will be handled on a case-by-case basis. Parents must contact the school at least one week in advance of the vacation. The absence will count toward the seven day per grading period rule.

Weather information and school closings: Please Do NOT call the radio stations or the school. NC calls the following TV and Radio stations: **TV - Channel 4, 6 and 10; Radio – 101.7FM, 100.3FM, Sunny 95, 93.7FM.**

Freshmen & Sophomore Guidance Night is November 21st. Sophomore Parents are invited to attend from 6-7pm in the cafeteria and freshmen parents are invited to attend from 7-:45pm in the cafeteria.

Campus Ministry

Our annual Advent All School Reconciliation Service along with Adoration and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will take place on Wednesday, November 30. Students will follow a special bell schedule to allow for ample time to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation in the afternoon.

Our annual School Mission will be November 30 – December 2. Father Blau, of St. Patrick Parish in Columbus, will be speaking to us on the Cardinal Virtues.

We will continue to offer First Friday Adoration in our St. Catherine of Siena Chapel for all students, faculty and staff from 8 am until 3 pm. Please know that you and your family will be in our prayers during this time spent before Our Lord.

Our Mass for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of Mary, a Holy Day of Obligation, will be held on December 8 at 10:30 am in our gym. As always, you are welcome to join us for Mass.

SENIOR CLASS INFORMATION

College Applications: Most college application deadlines to receive merit-based financial aid, which accounts for the largest portion of financial aid, occur between now and December 1. Please be aware of the various deadlines for individual colleges. Mrs. Welch will need at least a week prior to the due date to complete her portion of the application process. Transcript requests and Common Application recommendations with a **December 1** due date must be requested by **November 21** to guarantee they will be completed on time. The office is closed over Thanksgiving and Christmas breaks, and will not be processing requests during those times. All requests should be completed through Naviance.

Senior Class Trip: The remaining payment dates for the Senior trip to Washington DC are: **November 23, January 11 and February 8.** We are hopeful that every member of the class of 2017 will participate in this memorable experience. Please make checks payable to **Newark Catholic High School** and write your son/daughter's name on the "memo" line. Contact Mr. Schaefer (dschaefer@laca.org) with any problems or concerns.

Yearbook Senior Portrait Information: requirements for a photo to be included in the yearbook:

- ✓ It is a portrait – it must be headshot only
- ✓ The background must be in a single color, conservative and muted
- ✓ Boys must be clean-shaven
- ✓ Girls must have shoulders covered and no cleavage showing
- ✓ Both boys and girls may not have facial piercings, visible tattoos, or non-uniform-acceptable hair

It is easiest if you have them taken at Don Pound Studio. Mr. Pound has been working with NCHS for years and knows exactly what our requirements are.

DUE DATE IS DECEMBER 16, 2016. If we don't have your Senior Portrait by that date, we will use the ID photo taken on the first day of school.

Tuition Reduction Incentive Program (TRIP and SCRIP): Any family who would like to use TRIP to help reduce your tuition costs, please reference the St. Francis parish office website at www.stfrancisparish.net for TRIP information. **SCRIP** is available at Blessed Sacrament to help reduce your tuition costs at www.blessedsacramentschoolnewark.org

ATTENTION ALL VOLUNTEERS: You must have your 35 or 50 hours of volunteer work done by May 1, 2016. If you fall short of the required volunteer hours to lower your student's tuition, you will be invoiced **\$850.00 per child.**

ATHLETIC NEWS & INFORMATION

Eligibility for any extra-curricular activity depends on conduct and academic grades during the preceding grading period. Weekly eligibility will continue throughout the year. Each student-athlete must attain the Grade Point Average of 1.9 for each quarter. Please refer to Parent-Student Handbook and Athletic Rules or contact Athletic Director Scott Harris with questions.

November 2016 Raffle winners: \$500-D. Anderson, \$400-E. Hudson, \$300-C. Trusley, \$200-B. Boehmer, \$100-J. Dete

Happy Thanksgiving to you and yours!

Please keep us in your prayers, as you will remain in ours. May Our Lady continue to bless us.

Sincerely,

Beth Hill

Beth Hill
Principal