



December 13, 2016

Dear Families:

During this Season of Advent, we are thankful for our many blessings and continue to pray for those who are in need. As we come to the conclusion to this season of preparation, I offer you this prayer:

As we come to the end of our Advent journey, guide us, dear God of Love. Help us to recognize the great gift You have given us in Jesus, and may we prepare well for His rebirth in our hearts. On each day of this journey, may we move closer to Jesus, the Prince of Peace, the Light of the World. Shine the light of Your grace upon us that we may follow Him faithfully. In all our preparations for Christmas, may we always remember that Jesus is the reason for this blessed season. Thank You, Loving God, for this time of joy and expectation. Walk with us and show us the way today and every day of Advent. Amen.

Enclosures and Reminders:

- Exam Procedures for students are listed below - 1st Semester exams are **December 14, 15, 16**
- 2017-2018 Tuition Assistance Flyer

Our sincere thanks to everyone who has given their time and talent to help with our fundraisers. Those of you who need volunteer hours are encouraged to call and we will get you involved with the bingo program. Again, thank you for all you do in the name of NCHS!

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, and 93.7FM.

Winter Drama Presentation of *Beauty & the Beast* will be held January 20th and 21st, 2017, at 7:30 pm, at The Midland Auditorium. Tickets are \$15.00. **TICKETS FOR CURRENT NEWARK CATHOLIC STUDENTS ARE \$10.00**

Senior Class Trip: The remaining payment dates for the Senior trip to Washington DC are: **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 questions or concerns.

Yearbook Price Goes Up in January – Get One NOW! Don't miss your chance to get the 2016-17 Yearbook at the lowest price! The cost goes up in January. Log on to www.jostens.com to place your order soon. It helps if you have the mailing from Jostens (sent out earlier this month) handy when you do it, but it's not necessary. Please contact Miss Lauren Bogner, Yearbook Advisor, at lbogner@laca.org if you have questions.

Guidance Department Information

First and Second Honors: Congratulations from the guidance department to students who have made first and second honors. If you would like to share your talents, please consider signing up to be a tutor. See Miss McDonald if you are interested.

Schedule Changes: Students were reminded to make schedule changes by December 9 for second semester. Anyone who still needs to change their schedule will be charged a \$35 fee, or may be unable to make the change, depending on the reason. See your counselor with questions.

Attention Seniors and Parents: The guidance office recommends ALL seniors apply for Licking County Foundation Scholarships. This is an organization that oversees the distribution of millions of dollars of scholarship money for high school seniors as well as current college students. Scholarships are passed out based on traditional criteria, such as GPA and test scores, as well as intended major of study, and talents and interests, with some awards only requiring a minimum GPA of 2.0. To begin investigating this opportunity, go to www.thelcfoundation.org/scholarships. Note that the due date is January 20. Many of the scholarships through the Foundation require completing the FAFSA and uploading the PDF of the Student Aid Report (SAR).

College Applications: Anyone still applying for college needs to submit transcript requests through Naviance. Please email Mrs. Welch if you have questions or need assistance in doing this.

Scholarships: Please check Google Classroom and the Naviance Scholarship page frequently for updates on available scholarships.

Scheduling for the ACT and SAT: Students who are planning on taking the ACT or SAT after the first of the year should be aware that registrations are 4-6 weeks before the testing date. Remember to plan ahead!

ACT for Juniors: NC will be testing the ACT with all Juniors during the school day on March 19. This test is paid for by the state and can be used as an optional assessment pathway for graduation. Contact Mrs. Welch with questions.

Score reporting for ACT/SAT: Colleges are recommending that students seriously consider where they are interested in attending, and send their scores at the time of testing to these schools. The schools understand that students typically will retest, and sending a low score will not interfere with their opinion of your higher score later, but failing to send the scores at the time of testing will force families to pay a fee to have the scores sent later. It takes at least two weeks from the time of the request for scores to be sent to a college or organization, so please take that into consideration when you are looking at deadlines for applications. Don't forget to send the scores to NCAA (Code 9999) if you are planning on registering with the NCAA eligibility center for a chance to play athletics in college. The NCAA does superscore (use the highest subsections of the test), so you will want to send all of your highest scores.

Tuition Assistance: Families registered in Catholic parishes are eligible for tuition assistance from our diocese. Local tuition assistance for participating Catholics and non-participating Catholics is also available at Newark Catholic High School. Financial assistance will only be given to those who qualify through the **FACTS** application. The **FACTS** form is used for both Diocesan and Newark Catholic grants. To be eligible for a Newark Catholic grant, service hours and finances must be in order. This aid is based on financial need and not all who apply are given the grants. To apply you must complete a **FACTS Student Aid Form** only available online. **Forms must be completed online by March 15, 2017.** See the attached flyer for more information.

**FACTS Applications must be completed online and
submitted electronically by March 15, 2017.
Go to www.factstuitionaid.com for information.**

On **April 22, 2017**, the Junior Class will be hosting our annual **Prom**. As always, Prom is a beautiful and memory-making event. All juniors and seniors are encouraged to attend Prom for it is an important part of their high school experience. **As before, juniors are required to pay a Prom Fee of \$40.00 that covers both junior and senior year before February 1.**

After February 1st, the fee will increase \$5.00 for every month not paid. Juniors & Seniors will be getting more information from Miss Bogner as the prom gets closer. (Students are reminded to adhere to the Dress Code for dances, found in the Student Handbook.)

December 2016 Raffle winners:

\$500 –M. Bane, \$400 –K. McCarty, \$300 –R. Csubak, \$200 –K. Bunting, \$100 –D. Green

Peace be with you and your family during this Holiday Season. We are most thankful for all of our blessings.
May Our Lady continue to bless us.

Sincerely,

Beth Hill
Principal