

SPECIAL SCHEDULES:

Tuesday, April 5: Student Mentoring Schedule. Dismissal at 2:47 p.m.

Wednesday, April 13: Early dismissal for Grizzly Relays Track Meet. Dismissal at 2:10 p.m.

Friday, April 15 – Friday, April 22: Easter holiday. No school for students.

Wednesday, April 27: Faculty Meeting. Dismissal at 1:27 p.m.

CHS Calendar

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY FUND DRIVE: Catholic High School participates in one large fundraiser each year to support two causes that are special to our community. On alternating years, we raise funds for Habitat for Humanity of Baton Rouge and Mission Amatongas, a Brothers of the Sacred Heart School in Mozambique, Africa.

Last school year, we had our weeklong fundraiser for Mission Amatongas and were able to provide funds to the school to enhance the educational capabilities of their teachers.

This school year, April 25th – 29th will be a week dedicated to fundraising for Habitat for Humanity. Our goal is to raise \$30,000.

Habitat for Humanity Fund Drive Guidelines:

Donate \$25 and participate in relaxed dress for the week. Students can wear:

- Jeans or dress shorts (including cargo).
- Catholic High t-shirt or regular school dress shirt (t-shirts do not have to be tucked in). No tank tops. Hawaiian shirts are acceptable.

- Tennis shoes.
- Boots.
- Ankle socks.
- Non CHS outerwear.
- No cut-off shorts, jean shorts, jorts, or chubbies shorts.

In addition, students who contribute the \$25 do not have to cut their hair.

Students who donate an extra \$10 do not have to shave during the week. Students who forget on Monday can participate during the remainder of the week, but no discounts will be given. If a student forgets his ID and lanyard at home, he will have to purchase new ones, but will not have to pay again to participate in the fund drive.

Since the fund drive takes place the week after the Easter break, students have the added incentive of being able to let their hair grow and not shave through the break and the week after, which always seems to encourage participation. Thank you parents for your support of this important fund drive.

DEADLINE FOR REQUESTS FOR TUITION

ASSISTANCE [From Gerald Tullier]: Applications for tuition assistance for the 2022-2023 school year must be submitted by Friday, April 29, 2022. Note that applications must be submitted by all persons who are requesting tuition assistance, both those applying for the first time and those who received tuition assistance during the 2021-2022 school year and are re-applying for tuition assistance for the coming school year. Applications for assistance are to be submitted on-line through FACTS. A link to the FACTS web page can be found in the "Tuition Information" section of the Parents section of the CHS web page or in the link below. You will need to create a FACTS account and login, and then complete the application online.

In keeping with the educational tradition of the Brothers of the Sacred Heart, no student is refused admission or asked to leave Catholic High School solely because of his family's inability to pay tuition. Tuition assistance is available for students whose families are unable to pay the full cost of tuition.

Any parent who does not have access to a computer or who needs help completing the online application can get assistance by contacting Mrs. Pinney Johnson by phone at (225) 383-0397 ext. #104, or by e-mail at pjohnson@catholichigh.org.



TUITION [From Gerald Tullier]: Parents are asked and expected to honor their financial obligations to Catholic High School through the timely payment of tuition and fees. However, should a CHS family experience a severe financial difficulty, the parents should contact the CHS president as soon as possible to discuss adjustments in scheduled payments. As stated on the CHS web page, no student will be asked to leave CHS solely on the basis of his parent's inability to pay full tuition.

If no alternative arrangement for payment is made and authorized by the CHS president, when a student's tuition account becomes two months in arrears, the student may be subject to suspension from classes. No student may take semester examinations until all financial obligations to the school have been satisfactorily addressed as defined by the CHS president.

<u>PUBLIC AND PERMANENT</u>: On February 18, CHS hosted a school-wide presentation by Richard Guerry, the Executive Director of the Institute for Responsible Online and Cellphone Communication. He spoke to our students on the following topics:

- Cyber Cruelty
- o Safe Communication in Gaming
- o Responsible Status Updates
- o Removing the Social Privacy Myth
- The Importance of Empathy in our Digital Decision Making
- Red Flags with Apps such as Tiktok, Snapchat, Cash Apps, and more
- Digital Legacy
- Positive Use Leads to Opportunities

To see a replay of the presentation to our students:

Visit: https://www.iroc2.org/370.html

Username: CHSBRLAPassword: Students

LEADERSHIP CONVOCATION: On Wednesday, April 27, we will hold our Student Leadership Convocation in the Catholic High gym beginning at 6:00 p.m. We will recognize leaders of our extracurricular activities, honor band and honor choir students, students that placed at district rally, and other academic award winners. We will also install the newly elected officers of the Student Council for the 2022-2023 school year. Letters and emails of invitation will be sent by April 11th to everyone being recognized. If you have any questions, contact Events Coordinator Tracy Ducote, tducote@catholichigh.org.

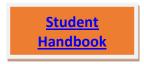
SENIOR EXAM SCHEDULE: The senior exam schedule is listed below. Please note that seniors take final exams by subject, not by class period.

	10:17 -	12:17 -
	11:32/11:47	1:32/1:47
Friday, May 6	History	Religion
Monday, May 9	English	Math
Tuesday, May 10	Science	Electives
Wednesday, May 11	Conflicts	Conflicts

<u>UNDERCLASSMEN FINAL EXAMS</u>: Underclassmen exams will take place Monday, May 23, through Thursday, May 26.

FOURTH QUARTER GRADES: Please review Catholic High's grading policy (see pages 45 and 46 of the student handbook). If your son had a failing grade in any subject at the end of the first semester, it is imperative that you review this policy. Even if your son had passing grades in all subjects for the first semester and the third quarter, please read the entire policy, and be aware particularly of the following stipulations:

- A first semester failing grade can be offset only by a grade of C or higher in the second semester.
- A second semester failing grade is <u>not</u> offset by a first semester average of C or higher, and requires summer school remediation.



SUMMER CREDIT RECOVERY AND SUMMER

REMEDIATION: CHS is once again offering students the opportunity to either overcome a semester failure in a subject or improve a GPA due to poor semester grades. Please see the flyer at the end of this newsletter for further information. Students who must remediate a semester failure will be contacted by an administrator or a school counselor on May 27.

CHS MOTHERS' CLUB: The CHS Mothers' Club will help celebrate our seniors at the Senior Supper on Tuesday, April 5, and our final Faculty/Staff Appreciation Luncheon will be held on Tuesday, May 3. Take advantage of our "Mothers' Club Spring Special!" Pay dues now for the 2022-2023 school year to be sure you are in the loop for "back to school." For more information on upcoming events, to learn how to get more involved next year, or to join the Mothers' Club now, contact Michelle Bohan at michelle@lhdesign.net.

SUMMER AT CHS PROGRAM: Registration is OPEN! Information including dates, times, and fees about our 2022 Summer at CHS courses are available on our website.

Courses include:

Strength and Speed: Required for current CHS JV and varsity athletes, incoming 8th and 9th grade athletes.

Academics: ACT Preparation*, Preparation for Algebra I, Preparation for English I, Creative Writing*, Public Speaking*, Study Skills*, AP Boot Camp, College Application Boot Camp*, Middle School Band Camp*, Jazz Intensive Band Camp*, CHS/SJA Percussion Camp*, New Member Marching Camp*, CHS Service Week

*courses open to girls

Athletic Camps Baseball, Basketball, Football, Lacrosse, Soccer, Wrestling

Summer at CHS 2022

SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THE SCHOOL YEAR:

Please take a few minutes to discuss with your son the importance of concluding his school year successfully. Of particular importance is the Easter break when so many of our students travel to the beach or other vacation locations. CHS expectations are always in place, yet each year students face disciplinary consequences for poor decisions made over the Easter break. Please encourage and help your son to make good decisions so that he successfully completes the school year.

In addition, as the end of the school year gets closer, excitement naturally occurs and it is easy for students to lose focus. Please encourage your son to concentrate on both his academic work and his behavior so that all of us can experience a positive conclusion to the school year.

PROGRAM (CHS SUMMER SCHOOL) CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL 2022

The Catholic High School Summer Credit Recovery and Summer Remediation Program (Summer School) is designed to provide an educational environment that specifically addresses the needs of students who require additional support for academic success. This form of personal attention is a hallmark of education within a Brothers of the Sacred Heart school and is one additional way that we can provide opportunities for students to achieve their educational goals.

CHS Summer School 2022

<u>When:</u> June 7-30, 2022, Monday through Friday. Four classes are available each day. The first class begins at 8 a.m. and the last class concludes at 2:45 p.m. Classes are 90 minutes long. The specific time slots for each course will be determined after registration closes.

<u>Cost:</u> \$250 per semester remediated; students can take up to four semesters of remediation in the summer.

Subjects Available: English, math, science, social studies, religion, and limited foreign languages.

Who must attend CHS Summer School?

- Students who made an F in a core subject for the first semester and did not make a C or higher at the end of the second semester.
- Students who made an F in a core subject at the end of the second semester.

Who should attend summer school?

- Students who earned a D in the first or second semester in a core subject.
- Students who earned an F the first semester, but earned a C or higher in the second semester.

Why should you attend summer school?

- Master skills and content needed to succeed in future classes
 Courses build on content and skills for prior courses. Mastering these skills and reviewing that content in the summer can help a student succeed in the next school year.
- 2. Prevent a summer slide

"Summer slide" is the tendency for students to lose some of the achievement gains made during the previous school year. Continuing academic work during the summer can help students retain the gains made during the school year.

- 3. Improve your GPA
 - A. TOPS GPA TOPS utilizes a "repeat/delete" system. This means that the semester grade of D or F is deleted in the TOPS GPA and replaced by the summer school grade.

 Therefore, retaking a course with a semester D or F could bring up the core GPA for TOPS purposes.
 - B. Student transcript GPA Louisiana public colleges/universities (and some Louisiana private institutions) pull transcripts through the Louisiana Student Transcript System. This system also utilizes the "repeat/delete" system. This means that the semester grade of D or F is deleted and replaced by the higher summer school grade. Retaking a

course with a semester D or F could bring up the academic GPA used for college admission purposes.

C. Catholic High GPA

The CHS GPA includes all courses a student has taken, including Summer School courses. The earned semester grade and the summer school grade are averaged together. Earning better grades in summer school courses can raise a student's CHS GPA. Please be aware that honors credit courses cannot be earned in Summer School.

Additional information about CHS Summer School will be included in the registration process at the end of May. Please note that only courses taken this current school year can be remediated in summer school. For more information about CHS Summer School, please contact your school counselor or Dr. Tom Eldringhoff, Academic Assistant Principal.

Food Availability: "Grab and Go" food options will be available in the Student Center Union during breaks between classes and during the lunch break at 11:05. Food service will conclude at 12 noon. Students may also bring their own lunch, water bottle, or snacks to eat in between classes.