2  Faculty Day
2  Junior John 1:5 Retreat – Center for the Arts
2  No Classes
3  Election Day
3-5  Spirit Week
4  Faculty/Staff Annual Fund Lunch
4  Sophomore Parent Night
5  End Quarter 1
6  Walk for Canisius (virtual)
10  Senior 4th Day Retreat
11  Veterans’ Day
11  School & Offices Closed
13  Junior/John 1:5 Retreat – Center for the Arts
15  Father/Son Communion Breakfast
18  Fall Concert 7:00PM – 9:00PM
19  Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:30PM – 6:30PM
20  Freshman Retreat – No Classes
25  Class of 2020 Social Event
25-27  Thanksgiving Recess School & Offices Closed
30  Reconciliation – Freshmen

Be sure to check the school website often for event details and the updated school calendar.

*The Junior John 1:5 Retreat has limited spaces for the November 13th and December 11th dates. Please plan accordingly to ensure your spot.

Parent Teacher Conferences will be held remotely via Zoom on Thursday, November 19, 2020 from 3:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. This event will be different this year than in the past due to Covid-19 related considerations, please review the information below:

- Teachers will identify students most at risk academically or behaviorally.
- Parents of identified students will be notified that a teacher conference has been requested and will receive information about how to sign up for teacher conferences via a School Reach e-mail communication.
- Conferences will be 5 minutes in length. Please be considerate of this time limit.

We understand that your son may not be at risk and you would like an opportunity to speak with your son’s teachers. Our teachers are always available to communicate with parents via email, phone, or Zoom. The best way to reach teachers is by email, at which point you can determine the best time and method for a conversation regarding your son’s progress. We appreciate your continued partnership as we adjust our events during these unusual times.
**News from the Guidance Center**

**Guidance webpage**

**Seniors:**
In the midst of a pandemic, our seniors are still working hard to meet their Early Action and Early Decision deadlines. Kudos to them for their diligence and motivation! We strongly encourage them to continue working hard in their classes and meeting with their school counselor individually (in person or through Zooms). As always, meetings with parents are also welcome.

Many colleges remain closed for campus visits while some have reopened for individual family tours. For the most accurate and updated information about visiting any campus, please go to each college’s website. Through each senior’s Scoir account, seniors have access to online virtual tours of campuses and can also register for small group meetings with several college admissions representatives.

For those seniors choosing to use their test scores, please remember that official scores must be sent directly from the College Board and/or ACT to the colleges. Students must log into their College Board and/or ACT accounts to facilitate this process. Please plan accordingly as the additional processing time can take several weeks during this hectic application season.

After submitting your application, be on the lookout for colleges to send you a link to create an online portal that will identify any missing documents needed to complete your application and also serve as a direct line of communication.

Parents – financial aid forms are now available. The [FAFSA](https://fafsa.gov) is the FREE federal form and [CSS Profile](https://cssprofile.org) is only required by specific colleges and can be accessed through the College Board website. The PowerPoint presentation from our Financial Aid Night has been posted on our Guidance webpage along with a [CSS Profile](https://cssprofile.org) tutorial.

**Juniors:**
Thank you to junior parents who attended our virtual college admissions panel. We hope you found the presentation to be informational and useful. The recorded session, along with the case sensitive passcode, can be found on our guidance webpage: [College and Career Resources](#). As a reminder, the iBook for the College Planning class is now a PDF for parents to review and can be found at the bottom of the Career and College Resource page on our website located [here](#). The College Planning class for juniors will begin after January exams.

**Upcoming Events:**

**Sophomore Parent Information Night:**
Wednesday, November 4 at 6:30pm via Zoom.
- Presented by the school counselors.
- Overview of sophomore year: academics, social development, standardized testing and college.
- Seniors will speak about their high school experience.

In December: Juniors and sophomores will receive their results of the PSAT and freshmen will receive their PreACT results.

**Important websites:**
SAT website: [College Board](https://www.collegeboard.org)
ACT website: [ACT](https://www.act.org)
NCAA website: [begin registration here](#)

**Advanced Placement Exam Information 2021**
Students wishing to challenge an AP exam should see their Counselor for a challenge form. All challenge forms and payment must be received by November 9, 2020. Students should submit a completed challenge form and payment to Mrs. Battin in the Principal’s Office. Challenge forms will not be accepted after November 9th.

The College Board is currently planning for in school Advanced Placement exams this year. The College Board will provide further guidance to schools if it becomes necessary to revise the plan of in school exams.

Students have already enrolled in their AP course(s) using their College Board accounts. This enrollment automatically orders an AP exam for the student. No action is needed by the student or parent to facilitate an AP exam order.

The College Board has established a $95.00 exam fee for each AP exam. This fee will be billed with the November Smart Tuition invoice, or an invoice will be mailed home if tuition has been paid.
Please contact Mrs. Michele Battin, battin@canisiushigh.org, if you have any questions about the 2021 AP Exams.

**Spread the Word...**
Please tell your friends about the following:

**Crusader For The Day**
- 8th grade boys and potential transfer students can spend a school day at Canisius to experience life at the school.
- Space is limited due to current distancing protocols.
- Select your day at canisiushigh.org/visit or call the admission office at 716.200.0236.

**Entrance & Scholarship Exam**
- Nov. 21 at Canisius High School
- Please complete the Diocese of Buffalo standard Catholic high school application prior to the Entrance Exam

**Tours**
- Families considering Canisius can discover all the school offers during a private tour.
- Please call the admission office at 716.200.0236 to schedule a tour or go to canisiushigh.org/tours

**Adopt a Hero’s Family**
In this season of giving, Crusaders for America’s Heroes are once again reaching out to the whole Canisius community to help us give a local veteran and his or her family a Christmas to remember. For those of you not familiar with the Adopt-a-Family Program through WNYHeroes, Inc., sponsors of adopted families are asked to donate presents from family-provided gift lists and gift cards for area stores, which gifts are intended to allow the veteran and his or her family to have a better Christmas than they might otherwise have had.

As in past years, I am organizing cash and gift card donations to purchase presents for the family.

To donate: If you’d like to donate to the cause, we are asking for gift cards of the following types: Amazon, Target, Walmart, Tops, Wegmans, Aldi, MasterCard and Visa. You may also donate cash. (No checks, please.) Cards or cash can be given directly to Dr. Amy Kimmel in 1W3 or left for her at Reception. All donations that remain after the gifts are purchased are given directly to the family in the form of gift cards.

This year, it is expected that more veterans will be applying to the Adopt-a-Family program than ever before. The need is great. Our commitment to helping others is greater. Please donate if you can.

**Ski Club**
Ski Club is going to be a bit different this year, but you can still head out to Holiday Valley. Below is the website to sign in and purchase the ski/snowboard pass of your choice and rentals at the student discounted rate. There will not be bus transportation this year due to social distancing and other restrictions.

Ski Club Schoology GROUP access code: 2XSPJ-GCWS6


Username: MWCANISIU
Password: Canisius

If you have any questions, please email Ms. Shick at shick@canisiushigh.org
From Mr. Mauro, Athletic Director

Information for Student-Athletes

“Musts” before you can participate in Winter sports:

1. You must have an up-to-date physical on file with the school.
2. You must register your son with FormReleaf. If you already have your information in the Form Releaf system, you must update it for this season. This is a secure registration platform that provides you with an easy, user-friendly, password protected, way to register for our sports programs each season, and helps us to be more administratively efficient. This system will eliminate the paperwork our student-athletes were previously required to turn in.

ONLINE WINTER REGISTRATION IS OPEN using this link to FormReleaf:
https://formreleaf.com/organizations/canisius-high-school

3. In addition, we would like to have our student-athletes take the ImPact test at home prior to 11/30.
Test link: www.impacttestonline.com/testing
Customer Code: 42GVV6B3BD

If you are a Junior or haven’t had an ImPact test here at Canisius High School within the last 2 years, please take the time to take the ImPact Test at home on a Laptop or Desktop computer. This test cannot be taken on a cell phone or tablet. If you do not have access to Laptop or Desktop Computer please notify your Coach or Mrs. Keating. Simply go the site listed above and type in your school customer code.

Important Info for the Winter Try-outs

The anticipated date for the start of the Winter season is Nov. 30. We are waiting to receive guidance from the Governor if that date is approved. Once approved, we will announce tryout dates/times/sites.

Canisius High School Parents’ Association (CHSPA)

Thank you to all the families who posted Open House lawn signs across our communities. It is such a beautiful representation of family support for Canisius! Special thanks to all the parent volunteers who participated in the Open House and greeted prospective students and families, sharing our collective spirit of community.

NOVEMBER EVENTS

• Father Son Mass & Breakfast – Sunday, November 15th
The CHS Father & Son Communion Mass & Breakfast will be held at Canisius High School on November 15th at 8:30 AM. Space is very limited due to social distancing guidelines and therefore the RSVP filled very quickly. Our apologies to those who were unable to make a reservation. For questions or more information, please email Kris Kemmis'21 at CHSFSMB@gmail.com.

• CHSPA Meeting – Tuesday, November 10th - Brady Conference Room at 7pm
This month Mrs. Moscovic, from the CHS Guidance Office, will join us as our guest speaker. All parents are welcome and encouraged to attend.

• Holiday Wreath & Poinsettia Sale - Orders Due by November 20th & Pick Up December 3rd
Don’t miss out on the opportunity to order beautiful, locally grown poinsettia plants and handmade wreaths as gifts or decorations for the holiday season! Proceeds go to Campus Ministry. To place your order, please find the ‘Poinsettia and Wreath Sale’ tab by clicking on the campus store link on the Canisius website at www.canisiushigh.org or go to www.canisiushigh.org/campus-store. Please place your order by the November 20th deadline. Volunteers are needed to coordinate and distribute orders of festive holiday décor. Please contact Co-Chairs: Leslie Fogg’23 laofogg@gmail.com & Terri Murray’23 tgm82@hotmail.com
Please visit the CHSPA site for coming events and volunteer opportunities on the CHSPA site. Please log into the Parent Portal and click on the following link https://www.canisiushigh.org/faculty-staff-clone/chspa/event-list. We look forward to seeing you soon!

As future events approach, links will be available at https://www.canisiushigh.org/faculty-staff-clone/chspa/volunteer-form to sign up. (Log into the Parent Portal and then follow the link)

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**CAMPUS STORE**

Our *online store* is open. Shop anytime for your back to school needs at canisiushigh.myshopify.com.

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer to work in the Campus Store, please contact Sue Hann at Hann@canisiushigh.org

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**Wreath & Poinsettia Order Form – next page**
MAKE YOUR HOME EXTRA FESTIVE THIS YEAR!!!
CHSPA will be accepting orders for beautiful, locally grown poinsettia plants, and hand-made holiday wreaths. **This year, order submissions and payment will occur online.** All proceeds will go to the Campus Ministry Office to help with upcoming service/spiritual opportunities. Your participation is greatly appreciated.

PICK UP SCHEDULE AND LOCATION
Thursday, December 3, 2020 1:00 pm – 6:00 pm @ Canisius High School
Kennedy Field House Foyer
Instructions on the pick-up process will be e-mailed prior to 12/3
Any orders not picked up on 12/03/20 will be donated to the school.

**To place your order, please find the ‘Poinsettia and Wreath Sale’ tab by clicking on the campus store link on the Canisius website at: www.canisiushigh.org or go to: www.canisiushigh.org/campus-store **

ORDERS MUST BE RECEIVED BY FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20th, 2020

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