



NOVEMBER

- 2 Virtual Parent Program - Suicide Prevention Strategies 7:00pm
- 5 Entrance Exam Prep 9:00am-11:30am
- 8 CHSPA Meeting 7:00pm
- 9 Sophomore Parent Night 6:30pm-8:00pm
- 10 Parent Teacher Conferences 3:30pm-6:30pm
- 11 **Veteran's Day – School and Offices Closed**
- 12 Entrance Exam Prep 9:00am-11:30am
- 15 Fall Concert and Fine Arts Night 7:00pm
- 16-18 Kairos
 - 17 Fashion and Ferrari Fashion Show 6:00pm-9:00pm
 - 19 Family Service Day 8:00am
 - 19 Entrance Exam #1 - 9:00am-12:00pm
- 23-25 **Thanksgiving Recess-School and Offices Closed**

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

PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES will be held on Thursday, November 10, 2022 from 3:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.

- Report cards will be available on PowerSchool after 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 9, 2022.
- Bring a copy of your son's report card or a list of his teachers (available on PowerSchool at canisiushigh.powerschool.com), as report cards will not be available at school for Parent Teacher Conferences.
- Conferences are approximately five minutes in length and are on a first come, first served basis.
- Teacher locations will be posted in the foyer, and teachers will meet with parents in the Center for Excellence (formerly the library), Beecher Cafeteria and Montante Cafeteria.

STUDENT ACADEMIC RESOURCES

- Teachers are available for academic support during most Blue Periods (MWF 2:14-2:52) and most Gold Periods (Tuesday)
- Learning Lab is open to all students who need extra help in English, math, and science:
 - Monday-English-Room 2W5, 2:15 p.m.-3:15 p.m.
 - Tuesday-Math-Room OB6, 7:30 a.m.-8:10 a.m.
 - Tuesday-Science-Room 2W5, 3:00 p.m.-3:30 p.m.
 - Wednesday-Math-Room 2W5, 3:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.
 - Thursday-Math-Room OB6, 7:30 a.m.-8:10 a.m.
 - Thursday-Science-Room 2W5, 3:00 p.m.-3:30 p.m.
- If your son is struggling academically, please encourage him to use the supports that are available.

ACADEMIC STATUS NOTES

Honors System:

- 1st Honors-GPA of 93.00 and above with no grades below 80%.
 - 2nd Honors-GPA of 90.00-92.99 with no grades below 80%.
- Ineligibility for Extracurricular Activities:
- Students are ineligible who, at the distribution of grade reports, are failing TWO or more subjects. A grade below 70% constitutes failing. U is failing on the O/S/U grading scale.
 - Length of ineligibility-The ineligibility period will last a minimum of a 10-school day period. The student will not be reinstated for the marking period if he is not passing all courses after a 20-school day period. Students who are ineligible will not attend, practice, or participate in team/club functions involving any extracurricular activity.
 - Reinstatement-After the 10-school day period, students can apply to the Assistant Principal for reinstatement. Students are required to have each of his teachers complete an evaluation form (available in the Principal's office). The student will not be declared eligible until he has a passing grade in every subject. If approved, the student receives a reinstatement form to be given to his coach/moderator.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAM INFORMATION 2023

The 2023 AP Exams will be administered in school as paper-and-pencil exams over two weeks in May: May 1–5 and May 8–12.

Students wishing to challenge an Advanced Placement Exam should see their Counselor for a challenge form. All challenge forms and payment must be received by November 9, 2022. 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.

Students enrolled in an AP course have already joined the AP class using their College Board accounts and a join code that was distributed to students during the first week of school. 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 \$97.00 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 in full.

Please contact Mrs. Michele Battin, battin@canisiushigh.org, if you have any questions about the 2023 AP Exams.

The 2023 Advanced Placement Exam schedule:

<https://apstudents.collegeboard.org/exam-calendar>

NEWS FROM THE GUIDANCE CENTER

Seniors:

If you are using SAT/ACT scores to apply to colleges, remember that you must have them sent directly from your College Board (SAT) or ACT accounts. Please plan accordingly as processing time can take several weeks during this hectic application season.

After submitting your applications, 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. Keep your counselors in the loop too!

Parents: Financial aid forms are now available. The [FAFSA](#) is the FREE federal financial aid form. For those applying for NYS aid, please complete those forms immediately after completing your FAFSA. The link ([HESC](#)) will automatically appear if you include a NYS college in your FAFSA. The [CSS Profile](#) is only required by specific colleges and can be accessed through the College Board website.

Juniors and Sophomores:

PSAT results can be accessed in the beginning of December. Students will receive a link with information about accessing their scores from College Board by e-mail. In lieu of their free period/study hall, counselors will begin the College Planning class for juniors and the Career Exploration class for sophomores during the second semester after January midterm exams.

Freshmen:

Counselors will review Pre-ACT results with freshmen in December and January. As we continue meeting with all of you, kindly remember to return your pink freshman information sheet to your counselor.

Upcoming Events:

Suicide Prevention Strategies for Parents/Caregivers: Wednesday, November 2 at 7:00 p.m.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/96647743832?pwd=c0RoVFNNbGc3VzJsakdQV1RIN2FrUT09>

- Joint Program with Nardin Academy
- Dr. Celia Spacone of the Suicide Prevention Coalition of Erie County will speak about warning signs of suicide and support resources

Sophomore Parent Information Night: Wednesday, November 9 at 6:30pm

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/93759603295?pwd=am5tRXFZS0M3NXVaYmZsOFhidEZWdz09>

- Overview of sophomore year: academics, social development, standardized testing and college.
- Seniors will speak about their high school experience.

Important websites:

SAT website: [College Board](#)

ACT website: [ACT](#)

NCAA website: [Begin registration here](#)

ONE OF OUR FAVORITE HOLIDAY TRADITIONS IS BACK FOR ANOTHER YEAR!

The Crusaders for America's Heroes are reaching out to the whole Canisius community to help us give a local veteran and his or her family a Christmas to remember.

As in past years, we are organizing cash and gift card donations to purchase presents for the family. Gift cards for any of the following in any amount are appreciated:

- Amazon
- Target
- Walmart
- Tops
- Wegmans
- Aldi
- MasterCard or Visa
- You may also donate cash. (No checks, please.)

Cards or cash can be given directly to Dr. Amy Kimmel (kimmel@canisiushigh.org) in 1W3 or left for her at Reception. The deadline for donations is Monday, December 5, 2022.

Thank you in advance for your immense generosity!

GAMBIT XLVIII

GAMBIT, Canisius High School's premier auction event! Mark your calendars for a fun GAMBIT season!

Meet our GAMBIT XLVIII Co-Chairs:

Jennifer and Mike Ball '91, P '23
Kari and Marco Cercone P '23
Diane and Ryan Den Haese P '25

We are grateful for their leadership and their dedication to this year's event!

Mark Your Calendars

Friday, Dec. 2 – Ladies Gift Gathering Breakfast

The Buffalo Club – for all CHS moms and friends, past and present.

Friday, Dec. 16 – GAMBIT Holiday Happy Hour Gift Gathering

Buffalo Distilling Company – For all our families, Alumni and friends!

Saturday, April 22 – GAMBIT XLVIII at Canisius High School

Looking forward to celebrating CHS with all of you!

To RSVP to any of the above gift gathering parties please call our GAMBIT RSVP line at (716) 200-0224 or contact Kelly Wilkens at wilkens@canisiushigh.org.

Can't make a Gift Gathering Party? You can always drop off a gift for our auction to the GAMBIT office at 1193 Delaware Ave. (across the street from the school)

Gift Registries:

We are grateful for a gift of your choice to donate to our major fundraiser in any price range. If you want the ease of using a gift registry, we have signed up with several stores and online sites for your convenience:

Jenss Décor – Located on Maple Rd. in Amherst or Abbott Road in Orchard Park. You can also go to jenssdecor.com to look at our registry (event name: *GAMBIT*)

Pottery Barn, Williams Sonoma and West Elm – (first name: *Canisius* and last name: *GAMBIT*)

[Pottery Barn Registry](#)

[Williams Sonoma Registry](#)

[West Elm Registry](#)

Want to get involved??

- **Consider joining one of our many volunteer committees.** We are assembling our committees and urge your participation in the school's major fundraising event. It is a great way to meet other parents and enjoy your son's short time at Canisius. Please sign up at canisiushigh.org/volunteer
- **Host a Gift Gathering Party**
- Hosting a Gift Gathering Party can be as simple as helping to underwrite the cost of the event – the GAMBIT office plans the party, sends the invitations, takes the RSVPs and sets everything up. OR if you would like to be more involved, you can plan the party and the GAMBIT office will be there to collect the gifts and provide any other support you need.
- If you are interested in hosting a party, please contact Kelly Wilkens at wilkens@canisiushigh.org or (716) 200-0220.
- **Purchase an advertisement or sponsorship.** Contact Kelly Wilkens at wilkens@canisiushigh.org or (716) 200-0220 for more information.

Help us to create a successful 48th year! Thank you so much for your support!

FAMILY SERVICE DAY – NOVEMBER 19

9:00am – 12:00pm

Join alumni, families, students, and friends for a day of service to our community.

Service locations include:

- The Teachers Desk
- Ladies of Charity Thrift Store
- St. Luke's Mission
- Kevin Guest House
- Buffalo City Mission
- Buffalo Naval & Military Park

Current students will receive service hours for this event. Space is limited.

To learn more & register [CLICK HERE](#)

CHSPA (CANISIUS HIGH SCHOOL PARENTS ASSOCIATION)

November Meeting

Tuesday, November 8, 7-8pm, Brady Conference Room

Andrew Deyell, VP of Institutional Advancement will be the speaker.

Fashion and Ferrari

Thursday, November 17, 6-9pm

Location: Maranello Maserati Alfa Romeo of Western New York

Ticket Link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/fashion-ferrari-tickets-426746318727>

- **See the latest sports cars, enjoy live music, exclusive shopping opportunities, silent auction, and Buffalo's best local fashion!**
- Fashion Show with styles from [Napoli's](#) and [Half & Half](#)
- Hors d'oeuvres by [Hutch's Restaurant](#)

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO HELP FUND EVENTS FOR OUR SONS!

Wreath and Poinsettia Sale

Friday, December 2

Help support Campus Ministry and buy your holiday décor from CHS! Order forms will be emailed in mid-November.

CAMPUS STORE

Our *online store* is open. Shop anytime for your back-to-school needs at <https://canisiushigh.myshopify.com>

The campus store will be open from 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm.