MARCH

4  7th Grade Practice Exam 9:00 am
4  Mother & Son Dance
7  Freshman Reconciliation
9-10  Emmaus
11  SAT’s
14  Sophomore Reconciliation
14  CHSPA Meeting 7:00 pm
14  End of Marking Period 3
16-18  Spring Musical
18  SAT Prep 8:30 am
20-23  Foreign Language Week
23  Junior Reconciliation
23  Senior Parent Meeting via Zoom 6:00 pm
24  Faculty Meeting-No Classes
28  Senior Reconciliation
29  Spring Concert and Art Show 7:00 pm

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

Senior Parent Meeting-Thursday, March 23, 2023, 6:00 p.m. via Zoom
Details to Follow

2023-2024 COURSE SELECTION UNDERWAY

- During February and March students will be selecting courses for the 2023-2024 school year. Administrators and counselors are meeting with students to explain the course catalog and the course selection process.
- A parent signature is required for the course selection form to be considered complete.
- Once the course verification process is complete (typically by May or early June) a student’s course requests are considered final. All efforts will be made to schedule a student in his desired courses, provided he meets the necessary prerequisites. Nonetheless, students should be aware that some courses will have restricted enrollment, some classes may be cancelled due to
low enrollment, and some combinations of course requests will be impossible to schedule because of conflicts.

**Summer Session 2023**

Canisius High School students interested in taking an accelerated course this summer must register for the course on the CHS website. Students may complete a summer course registration at: [https://www.canisiushigh.org/academics/departments-programs/summer-at-canisius/summer-session](https://www.canisiushigh.org/academics/departments-programs/summer-at-canisius/summer-session)

**Important Dates**

- May 12: Registration forms and payment due
- June 19: 8:30am – 10:30am Health class begins
- June 26: 10:30am-12:30pm Health class begins
- June 26: Accelerated Physics, Precalculus classes begin
- July 4: Independence Day observed, no classes
- July 28: Last day of classes
- Physics and Precalculus are held weekdays 8:30am – 12:30pm

**Summer Session Courses for 2023**

**Accelerated Courses**

- **Health** – June 19, 21, June 28, July 5, 12, 19 (8:30am-10:30am)
  June 26, 28, July 5, 12, 19, 26 (10:30am-12:30pm)

- **Precalculus** – June 26 through July 28 (8:30 – 12:30pm)

- **Physics** - June 26 through July 28 (8:30am – 12:30pm)

**Health**

In class meeting dates: June 19, 21, 28, July 5, 12, 19 (8:30-10:30am)
Absence on June 19 and/or July 19 will preclude a student from receiving credit.

In class meeting dates: June 26, 28, July 5, 12, 19, 26 (10:30am – 12:30pm) Absence on June 26 and/or July 26 will preclude a student from receiving credit.

**1/2 Credit**

This course features a hybrid of in-class instruction and online course work. It covers a number of topics including emotional health, nutrition, disease and disorder, healthy life styles, and first-aid. These topics are covered through in class meetings and the use of Schoology. This course fulfills a student’s Health requirement.

**Requirements:** Eligible students must have an overall GPA of 80% or above.
Precalculus June 26 – July 28
1 Credit

This course is intended to prepare students for Calculus. Students enrolled in this course may register for AP Calculus AB or BC in the fall, depending on teacher recommendation. This course fulfills the Canisius High School Precalculus requirement.

Requirements: Eligible students must have a grade of 85% or higher in Algebra II Trig and receive department approval.

Physics
June 26 – July 28
1 Credit

This course will meet the Canisius High School Physics requirement, and completion of this course will allow students to enroll in the next science course in his sequence. Students who successfully complete summer Physics will be eligible for enrollment in Advanced Placement Science for the 2023-2024 academic year which is based on space availability and department recommendation.

Requirements: All students must have successfully completed Biology, Chemistry, Geometry with an average of 85% or higher and receive department approval.

Writing the Common Application Essay Workshop
July 31, August 1-4 9:00am-12:00pm

This workshop is an intensive, five-day program that primarily focuses on writing the Common Application essay. The workshop will include: an in-depth look at the essay prompts, brainstorming essay ideas, writing the perfect hook sentence and introduction, structuring the body and incorporating specific details, and constructing a compelling clincher. The goal of the workshop is for students to produce a complete, polished, engaging Common Application essay that has been reviewed for content, structure, tone and readability, and spelling, punctuation, and grammar.

This course is offered to Canisius High School students currently in Grade 11, and is not a credit bearing course. Space is limited.

NEWS FROM ADMISSIONS

Spread the word...

Please tell your friends about the following:

Seventh Grade Practice Exam
- Boys currently in 7th grade can take a version of the high school entrance exam for practice at no cost.
- Choose either date – March 4 or April 1
- Sign up at canisiushigh.org/practiceexam
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
- Offered at Canisius High School.
- Contact the admission office at (716) 200-0208 to reserve a space, or schedule the exam on a different date.
- Please complete an application first at canisiushigh.org/apply

Summer Programs
- Higher Achievement Program for rising 8th grade boys
- Wonder Week Workshops for rising 6th-7th grade boys
- Sports Camps for rising 6th-9th grade boys
- Reserve a spot at www.canisiushigh.org/bestsummerever

NEWS FROM THE GUIDANCE CENTER

Sophomores: All sophomores have taken the Strong Interest Inventory during Career Exploration class. In the coming weeks, they will use their results to consider various career possibilities, learn more about career resources online and research a specific career of interest. Sophomores have also all received their course selection forms, which are due to their counselor, with a parent signature, by Friday, March 3. Counselors will meet with each of their students to discuss their choices.

Juniors: In College Planning class, students have already learned about SAT/ACT testing and the SCOIR college platform. Next topics include utilizing SCOIR in the college search, researching careers and creating resumes.

Registration is now open for the Canisius SAT Prep class. It is designed to help juniors prepare for the SAT in May or June. The class is on Saturday mornings from 8:30 to 11:30 on the following dates: March 18, April 15, 22, 29. A test prep workbook is included. Register at: https://www.canisiushigh.org/academics/academic-support/guidance-and-counseling/sat-prep-course

All prospective college-bound athletes are invited to attend our annual seminar on athletic eligibility on Thursday, March 9 during the Gold period in the Brady Conference Room. NCAA liaison Dr. Veronica and Athletic Director Mr. Mauro will present information for athletes on eligibility, recruiting and what coaches look for. Students in any sport who realistically expect to play at the college level are invited to attend.

SCOIR Virtual Workshop for Junior Parents: Tuesday, March 7, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Please join us to learn more about the SCOIR college admission platform, including how to use it as a part of your son’s college search, valuable data regarding specific college admission results for past CHS students and how it will be used as a part of the college application process.
Zoom Link: [https://zoom.us/j/9794070180?pwd=RStHeDBWektHbjhlMno5enZmMWlHUT09](https://zoom.us/j/9794070180?pwd=RStHeDBWektHbjhlMno5enZmMWlHUT09)
Meeting ID: 979 407 0180
Passcode: 7YSNNZ

**Seniors:** Please remember to send in copies of acceptances as they are received. Hard copies or electronic copies (e-mails/screenshots) should be given to your school counselor. This information is required in order to receive your graduation tickets in May. The national deadline to make your decision about where you will enroll and pay your deposit is May 1. If you have any questions about acceptances, applying for financial aid or choosing a college, please have your son meet with his counselor.

**NEWS FROM THE DEAN’S OFFICE**

- 2023-2024 Transportation forms can be found in the transportation section of your home district’s website
- Forms must be returned to your home district by April 1, 2023
- Failure to complete forms on time may result in forfeiture of transportation
- If you have multiple children in attendance, a separate form must be filled out for each child
- Students living within the Buffalo School District, who already receive a Metro pass, do not need to reapply. They will automatically be renewed for 2023-2024 unless there is a change of address.

**2023-24 RE-APPLYING FOR FINANCIAL AID FOR RETURNING FAMILIES**

All families must re-apply for financial aid for the upcoming 2023-24 academic year. Families can re-apply now and must apply no later than April 15th in order to be considered for financial aid. Late applications will not be considered.
Please see our website for more details: [https://www.canisiushigh.org/admissions/tuition](https://www.canisiushigh.org/admissions/tuition)

Please contact Mrs. Holly Graham at 200-0255 with questions.

**GAMBIT XLVIII NEWS**

GAMBIT is Canisius High School’s premier auction event!

**SAVE THE DATE – Invitations will hit mailboxes early March!**
Saturday, April 22 – GAMBIT XLVIII at Canisius High School

Follow us on Instagram and Facebook so you stay up to date on everything GAMBIT!
Facebook: Canisius High School GAMBIT
Instagram: canisiushs_gambit
$10,000 GAMBIT RAFFLE!

Our $10,000 raffle will be pulled on April 22 at GAMBIT. Purchase tickets online today at canisiushigh.org/raffle. You can also fill out a raffle form and drop it off to our main reception desk or mail it back to Canisius High School GAMBIT, 1180 Delaware Ave., Buffalo, NY, 14209.

Our student raffle drive starts now and will run thru April 17. We have some great incentives for the boys to win. Check out our GAMBIT Raffle page for more information – canisiushigh.org/raffle

Student Raffle Drive “Early Bird” Incentive – Students who sell two $10,000 raffle tickets by Friday, March 17 will have their name entered into a raffle for a $100 CHS school store gift certificate.

GIFT GATHERING PARTIES – Join us!

• Sophomore Parents Gift Gathering
  Thursday, March 9, 2023
  6-8pm
  Canisius High School Center for the Arts – 1140 Delaware Avenue, Buffalo, NY

  Bring a gift for GAMBIT and enjoy cocktails and conversation with our Principal, Tom Coppola, and other Sophomore parents!

  RSVP to Kelly Wilkens at (716)200-0224 or GAMBIT@canisiushigh.org

• Junior Moms Tea Gift Gathering
  Saturday, March 11, 2023
  9-11am
  The Buffalo Club – 388 Delaware Avenue, Buffalo, NY

  Bring a gift for GAMBIT and join other Junior Moms for a special morning tea and conversations with Fr. Frederico!

  RSVP to Kelly Wilkens at (716)200-0224 or GAMBIT@canisiushigh.org

• Can’t make a Gift Gathering Party? Come to our Last Chance Drop-Off!
  Thursday, March 23
  8:30am-4:30pm
  GAMBIT Office – 1193 Delaware Ave. (across the street from the school)

  Drop off a gift donation valued at $50 or more at the GAMBIT Office and receive a $10 gift certificate for the CHS Book Store.
ADULT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Set-up dates the week of:
- **Wednesday, April 19** – silent Auction set-up – 8:30am-5pm
- **Thursday, April 20** – décor and silent auction set-up – 9am-5pm
- **Friday, April 21** – décor set-up – 9am-5pm

GAMBIT night:
- **Saturday, April 22** – registration, silent auction – 5-10pm

Next day clean up:
- **Sunday, April 23** – What goes up must come down! – 10-2pm

Email Kelly Wilkens at wilkens@canisiushigh.org or visit our volunteer page to sign up.

SPONSORSHIPS are still available!

Check out our sponsor opportunities here. Would you rather underwrite a part of the event. Contact Kelly Wilkens at wilkens@canisiushigh.org to see what opportunities are available.

You can also check out our GAMBIT page on the CHS website. You will find information on sponsorships, gift gathering parties, our donation wish list as well as volunteer information and sign-up form!

We are looking forward to celebrating our great school with all of you! If you have any questions, please contact Kelly Wilkens at wilkens@canisiushigh.org.

NEWS FROM FOREIGN LANGUAGE
- Foreign Language Week will culminate on March 23rd with the Taste of Canisius.
- Please send a dish with your son to celebrate the culture he is studying or his own.
- All food should be sent in a disposable container please.
- We appreciate your help to make this a success! It is the students’ favorite day!

2023 SENIOR PROM

When: Friday, May 5th, 2023
Where: Events @ The Foundry
Time: 7:30PM – 11:00PM
Tickets: $120 per couple ($60 a person)
Please make checks payable to: Canisius High School Senior Prom
Permission Slip and Guest Authorization Form: These will be emailed to Seniors via their school account on March 27th. Hard copies will also be available through Mrs. Wojda in 3W5.

Details:

- Tickets will be on sale April 12th – April 20th. Checks only for the exact amount please.
- A hard copy of the Permission Slip and Guest Authorization Form must be turned in at time of ticket purchase.

Questions? See Mrs. Wojda (wojda@canisiushigh.org)

**CHSPA (CANISIUS HIGH SCHOOL PARENT’S ASSOCIATION)**

**March Meeting**
Tuesday, March 14th
7 pm - Brady Conference Room

**Volunteer Opportunities:** Please find the link to Sign up Genius, listing upcoming volunteer opportunities, including the Senior Post Prom Party
https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0549AFAD23A0F94-canisius

**Upcoming Events:** Mother/Son Dinner Dance
March 4, 2023
5 pm - Buffalo Marriott Niagara
Enjoy a memorable evening of dinner, dancing, and fun with your son at the "Mom Prom".

**Post-Prom Party for Seniors**
May 5th
CHSPA provides a fun, safe drug and alcohol-free event party zone for our seniors and their guests after the senior prom, at CHS, from 11 PM- 2AM. All Canisius seniors are welcome to join in the fun whether they attend the prom or not. A cash drawing of $2,023 will be given away. Students must be present to win at the end of the night.

Freshman, sophomore, and junior parents are asked to donate prizes for seniors and/or volunteer their time for the Post Prom Party. Please be on the lookout for details on prize donations.

**CAMPUS STORE**

Shop online at https://canisiushigh.myshopify.com
You can also visit the campus store which is open from 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm.