

Christian Brothers Academy



Newsletter

WELCOME BACK

Reminder

On Wednesday & Thursday, Sept 4 and 5 DRESS SHIRTS must be worn. Boys must wear ties. Yearbook and ID pictures will be taken. Polo shirts start on Friday 9/6

As we begin another school year, I would like to take a moment and review some of our accomplishments over the past year. Ninety-four percent of our 8th grade students scored above a 700 on the English Language Arts New York State Test. Scores on the test range from 527 to 830. At this time, New York State has not released the 8th grade Math results.

The Regents Exam results were also very encouraging. Parents, students, and teachers should be quite proud of the June 2002 Regents Exams scores. Passing rates for the exams were:

English	100%
Seq. Math II	91%
Seq. Math III	92%
Global History	100%

American Hist.	100%
Spanish	100%
French	100
Earth Science	99%
Biology	100%
Chemistry	85%
Physics	92%

Congratulations on a job well done!

It is now time to turn our attention to the upcoming school year. Mrs. Barbara Barber will be joining the administration to oversee the junior high concerns. Mr. Mark DeSalvo will be Vice Principal for grades 10 & 12 and grades 9 & 11 will have Mrs. Kathleen Hanson. Four new teachers have been hired and are eager to begin the year. Mrs. Cheryl Barredo will teach High School English while Ms. Vanessa Iorizzo

will teach English in the Junior High. Mr. John Schiller will teach Physics and Mrs. Lois Schneider will teach Biology. Ms. Colette Kode, has moved from part-time to full-time teaching status and Ms. Shannon Gotham has changed from a temporary employee to full-time faculty. Ms. Erin Shaughnessy has been hired as a part-time Grant Writer.

The school has been cleaned, the books ordered, lesson plans developed, and schedules prepared. It is time to begin. If you have any questions during the year, please feel free to call or stop in. My door is always open.

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Fall Sports Practice Schedule

As summer rapidly draws to a close, thoughts turn toward football and soccer games and cooler weather. Practice officially begins August 19. A complete schedule will be given to each athlete on the first day of practice.

Girls Varsity Swimming

August 14 at 7:00 p.m. in the gym for swimmers and parents. Practice Aug 19 from 6-8 p.m. at Le Moyne.

JV and Varsity Football

August 15 at 6:30 p.m. at Alibrandi Stadium for players and parents. Practice Aug. 19 from 8:30-2:30.

Boys & Girls X-Country

August 19 from 10:00-12.

JV & Var. Girls Soccer

Aug 19, 8:15-10:15 and 5:15 to 8:00

JV & Varsity Boys Soccer
Aug 19, 9 to 11 and 6 to 8.

Varsity Girls Tennis

Aug 19, 3:30 to 5:30.

JV & Var. Cheerleading

Tryouts will be held from 9 to 11 and 12 to 2.

Boys Gymnastics

Please call the Athletic office for more information.

**JUNIOR HIGH SPORTS
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Remember:

**NO Physical Exam
NO Sports!**

JUNIOR HIGH NEWS

I know it is hard to believe, but we're not far from the start of another school year. I certainly hope everyone is having a great summer, whether you are at camp, traveling with your family, or spending time at the pool.

As we approach the start of a new year, it is important to set goals for yourself. Some examples may be completing all your homework on time or getting straight A's on your report card. It may be making the soccer team or meeting new friends. Whatever your goals, remember to make them realistic.

As most of you know, all the counselors will return to school on Monday, August 19th. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Mr. Scullion. He will be checking his voice mail periodically and will get back to

you. Otherwise, you can make an appointment with him when he returns on the 19th. Enjoy the rest of your summer.

Junior High Student Senate

We are looking forward to a great year. The 8th grade senate officers and committee members spent a day together this summer to plan the year's events. We look forward to having the new 7th graders as part of student senate. Two 7th graders from each homeroom will be elected as homeroom reps. Information & applications will be available during orientation. Elections will take place at the end of September.

PARENTS: We always need chaperones for our events. Sign up during orientation



CENTRO BUS PASSES

Pictures for Centro bus passes for ALL new students MUST be taken over the summer to ensure a permanent bus pass for the 2002-2003 school year. This is done at the Syracuse City School Transportation Department located at 369 6th North Street in Syracuse.

Junior High Happenings

During the first few months of the new school year, there are a number of fun activities planned for the students in junior high and their parents.

September 3

7th & New 8th Grade Parent Orientation from 5 to 8 p.m. in the School gymnasium.

September 4

8th Grade Orientation for a half day. Remember dress shirts for girls and dress shirts and ties for boys are required.

September 5

7th Grade Orientation. Dress shirts for girls and shirts and ties for boys are required.

September 20

Junior High Welcome Back Party

October 15

7th Grade field trip and 8th grade testing day.

October 26

8th Grade trip to Gettysburg

Effective Study Habits

You can prepare yourself to succeed in your studies. Try to develop and appreciate the following habits:

- **Take responsibility for yourself.** Set your own priorities, plan your time, and use your resources wisely.
- **Center yourself around your values and principles.** Don't let friends and acquaintances dictate what you consider important.
- **Look for better solutions to problems.** Try lots of different things. If re-reading material doesn't work, ask for help from the teacher, or ask for a tutor.

The Guidance Office is always open to help you, whatever your question or problem. Stop in and see us for more study tips. Don't wait until you are behind, stop in early, the door is always open. And remember—you can accomplish anything you put your mind to!

SENIOR HIGH GUIDANCE– WELCOME BACK!

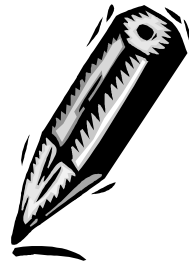
Summer is almost over and a new academic year will soon begin! We hope everyone has had a great summer with lots of fun and relaxation!

We anticipate a great year! The fall is always a busy time with academics, sports, final college visits for seniors, and standardized tests. **This year's testing day will be Tuesday, October 15th.**

The sophomores will be taking the PLAN test and the juniors will be taking their PSAT's. Once you are back to school you will receive important information about testing day. All students are automatically registered for their respective test-

no forms for you to fill out!

The PLAN test is the practice exam for the ACT (American College Test) taken in the spring of the junior year. The exam consists of an interest inventory and academic tests.



The PSAT is the Preliminary Scholastic Assessment Test. This is the practice test for the SAT's all juniors will take in the spring. It is also the national qualifier for the National Merit Scholarship pro-

gram. Taking the PSAT's is your first active step towards the college application process.

Both classes will receive booklets with practice test questions in September. Please take the time to complete the practice questions and understand the directions for each test section. Get a good night's sleep and come prepared to do your best!

Seniors: Use the internet sites to sign up for the fall SAT and ACT exams (if you plan to re-take them), at www.act.org and www.collegeboard.org

COLLEGE ADMISSIONS REPRESENTATIVES COME TO CBA

Every year CBA is fortunate to have a great number of college admissions representatives come to meet with our students. Take a few minutes each day to check the morning announcements for a list of the representatives who will be coming to CBA. Each week we will post the list outside the Guidance Office on the bulletin board.

If you would like to meet with a particular representative, come to the Guidance Office at least 2 days ahead of time to get a form your teacher must sign to release you from class. If you have a free period just let us know you plan on attending the session so we can

add your name to the list.

All juniors and seniors are highly encouraged to meet with reps from any college you are planning to apply to, or are interested in- it's a great way for them to get to know you individually.

Sophomores can also plan to visit with the representatives if they have a study hall during the time a rep is visiting. It's never too early to start college shopping!

"Ask your counselor for a list of questions to ask when visiting with a college representative."

NEWSBITES

WORKING PAPERS

This year, forms for obtaining working papers will be in the Nurse's office. This is a change from last year-we hope this will make it easier for students.



Junior Job Shadowing Program

Last year was the pilot year for this new program. In the spring, approximately 50 students were able to spend a half-day with a professional of their choice. We are so appreciative of the CBA parents and alumni who participated in this event.

If you would like to have students shadow you at your workplace this year during the spring semester, or

you would like to be on the Planning Committee, please call the Guidance Office. The Planning Committee will meet beginning in November.

Sophomore Career Fair

Any parent who would like to be part of the planning committee for this yearly event, please call the Guidance Office. Meetings will begin in early March for the May 2003 Career Fair.

12th Annual Corvette Raffle

The 12th Annual Classic Corvette Raffle is set to begin October 4, 2002. This year's car is a beautiful 1959 deep red convertible. The car comes complete with a black soft top and a deep red hard top. It has a 283 cu. in / 230 horsepower engine, an automatic transmission, sun shades, a heater, knock-off style wheel covers and new wide white wall ties.



The car will be moved into Carousel Center, in the Kaufmann's wing, in front of JC Penny, the evening of October 3rd and ticket sales will begin October 4. Last year, over 175 people volunteered to sell tickets at the Mall and covered more than 400 shifts. More than \$100 worth of tickets were sold each hour at the Mall.

The car has an AM/FM cassette radio and two-tone paint, one of only 2900 made with the 2-color paint scheme. The Corvette has a meticulously maintained black interior, a clock, and tachometer.

In October, all CBA families will be receiving raffle books to sell. These will come home with your child, so please check their backpack packs the week of October 7th. If you need additional tickets, please call Ken Balamut at 446-3477 or the Development Office.

The Corvette Raffle and the Auction are the school's largest fundraisers. PLEASE be generous with your time and help with these most worthy fundraisers. Any questions, please call the Development Office, extension 1140.

Support CBA: Host a Gift Gathering Party



Each year, several CBA parents hold Gift Gathering Parties to help secure items for the Lasallian Dinner and Auction. The party can be quite small with just a few of your closest friends or on a larger scale for your football, basketball, or soccer friends. The gathering can be a sit-

down dinner, a cocktail party, a wine and cheese, a Halloween costume party, a car or game night, a Super Bowl party, a pool party, a picnic, or wherever your imagination takes you. Your guests bring a donation of their choice to the party.

The donation then becomes part of the live or silent auction. The expenses you incur as hosts of the party are tax deductible as a contribution to the auction.

In addition, the Development Office will assist you in designing and mailing your invitations and keeping track of donations at the party.

If you are interested in hosting a gift gathering party, whether large or small, please call the Development Office and select your date. Hurry, dates go very quickly.

RESERVE MARCH 22, 2003—14th Annual Dinner & Auction

The 14th annual Lasallian Dinner and Auction will be held on March 22, 2003. The committee is hard at work, planning another fun-filled evening. The gym will be transformed, a catered dinner will be offered, and spirited bidding on live and silent auctions will take place. The dinner and auction is a wonderful time to meet new people, reconnect with old acquaintances, and spend time with cherished friends.

The auction committee is always in need of volunteers. If you have artistic ability, love arranging things, or just want to help out, the decorations committee is always in need of volunteers. If you like calling and asking for donations, the silent auction committee could use your talents. The set-up committee will need your help on Thursday evening and the clean-up committee will need your help on Sunday morning.

Please take a few moments and review the volunteer form on page 5 of this newsletter. If you can help in any area, please complete the form and return it to the Development Office. You can mail it to the office or have your child bring it to the Main Office. Please label your envelope with "Auction and Raffle." The auction's success is because of incredibly generous volunteers. Thank you in advance for supporting the dinner, auction, and corvette raffle.

CORVETTE RAFFLE AND AUCTION VOLUNTEER FORM

Please return to the Development Office ASAP

NAME _____ **PHONE NUMBER** _____
Child's Name _____ **Grade** _____

CORVETTE RAFFLE

_____ Sell Tickets at Carousel Center _____ Mornings
 _____ Weekdays (Mon-Fri) _____ Afternoons
 _____ Weekends (Sat-Sun) _____ Evenings

_____ In addition to the books I will receive in October, please send me
 _____ additional books of tickets.

SILENT AUCTION ITEMS

_____ Contact donors by phone in January, 2003 after CBA sends letter.
 _____ Pick up donated items and deliver them to CBA in January, 2003
 _____ Would like to host a gift gathering party for the Auction.
 _____ Will make a donation (item or cash) to the auction.

LIVE AUCTION ITEMS

_____ Will donate items or make a cash donation of \$150 or more.

ADVERTISING SALES

_____ Will purchase an ad in the program book. Prices range from \$90 to
 \$300

CHECK-OUT/CASHIER, March 22

_____ Cashier
 _____ Silent Auction Coordinator

SET-UP and CLEAN-UP

_____ Can help with Auction set-up on March 20 (Thurs) (between 6 and 9)
 _____ Can help with Auction set-up on March 21 (Fri) (between 9 and 5)
 _____ Can help with Auction clean-up on March 23 (Sun) (between 10 and
 12)

If you have any questions, please call the Development Office at ext. 1140

FRESHMAN NEWS

September 2002 What's in it for you?

Greetings from Miss Burrows!! This school year brings new and exciting changes for both of us. You will be making the transition into high school and I will be your guidance counselor working specifically with the freshman class to help make this transition a smooth one. I am extremely ex-

cited to take on this new endeavor and to get to know all of you!

This year is important in many ways. You are now entering your first year of high school and you are beginning to build your resume for college. This is the time to develop (if you haven't already) and refine your study skills. It is a time to check out what CBA has to offer you in the way of clubs, activities, community service and

sports. From intramural sports to the fall play or spring musical, there is something to fit everyone's tastes. Getting involved will help you become connected. If you have questions about what CBA has to offer don't hesitate to stop in and see me. If my door isn't open, please make an appointment with the secretary. I would love to see you.

Students Offering Support (SOS)

SOS is a diverse group of high school leaders who are committed to addressing issues that affect the CBA community. SOS hopes to continue to make a positive impact and reach out to every student in some way throughout the year. Any new 9th grade students interested in joining the SOS group should see Miss Burrows during the first week of school.



BIG BROTHER BIG SISTER PROGRAM

The Big Brother/Big Sister program has been a very successful part of the SOS group. Junior High students interested in becoming a little brother or little sister should see Miss Burrows in the guidance suite. Parents may also contact me for more details or to refer a student to this program.

Lasallian Athletic Hall of Fame

On September 28, 2002, seven CBA alumni will be inducted into the Lasallian Athletic Hall of Fame. A dinner and induction ceremony will be held at Justin's Grill, 6400 Yorktown Road, East Syracuse, New York beginning at 6:30 p.m. A cocktail hour will precede the dinner of roast tenderloin of beef or roasted sea bass. Emcee for the evening, Athletic Director John "Buddy" Wleklinski, will be-

gin the induction ceremony at 9:00 p.m.

This year's inductees are: Joe Byrne, Class of 1927, W. Dennis Owen, AFSC, Class of 1944, Dennis McCarthy, Class of 1947, Thomas Dotterer, Class of 1953, Chuck Zimmerman, Class of 1954, Ron Pelligra, Class of 1972, and John Haas, Class of 1989.

All members of the CBA community are invited to attend. The

cost is \$55 per person with students admitted for \$45. Invitations will be sent in mid-August. Reservations may be made by sending payment to the CBA Development Office, LaSallian Athletic Hall of Fame, 6245 Randall Road, Syracuse, NY 13214. Please indicate your menu choice and anyone with whom you wish to be seated.

CAMPUS MINISTRY CORNER

Mass of the Holy Spirit To Start the New School Year

Students, faculty, and staff will once again recall God's holy presence in the Eucharist on Friday, September 6, 2002 at 8:20 a.m. in the school gym. Catholic schools, colleges, and universities around the world begin their academic year with this very special mass and pray to the Holy Spirit for guidance in the coming year. All parents and alumni are welcome to join us the morning of the 6th as CBA begins this new year. If you can't be there, please pray for us as we will also be praying for you!



Prayer Service to Honor September 11th

Christian Brothers Academy is proud to celebrate a school wide prayer service on the morning of September 11, 2002 to remember and honor all that took place one year ago. Our theme is "Instruments of Peace" and we will be challenged to hear the Gospel call to be peacemakers in our school, our families and our world. All members of the CBA community are welcome to join us at 8:20 a.m. to pray for peace.

Peer Ministry Retreat and Workshop Day

The Peer Ministry program is growing by leaps and bounds! With 80 Peer Ministers working in Campus Ministry this year we are excited to begin with a day-long retreat and workshop on **WEDNESDAY, September 25** at Christ the King Retreat House. The day will consist of prayer, community building, ministry training, and fun as we prepare these juniors and seniors for ministry in our school and in the Church of tomorrow. We are proud of this unique program and anxious to begin this year at CBA.

Mark Your Calendar

Mother and Son

Communion Breakfast

Sunday, December 15, 2002

9:30 a.m. Mass

followed by a full

hot breakfast

Speaker: TBA

Prayer for the Start of a New School Year

O Holy and Astounding Spirit,

You catch us by surprise at least once a day,

With the Freshness of your love

And the unpredictability of your presence,

At the start of our new academic year,

We pray that you will stand with us in all that we are about to do.

Teach us true compassion for those in need

Teach us true peace for those in turmoil

Teach us true wisdom for the choice we make

Teach us true love for the people around us

Bless us, today Holy Spirit and surround us again! Amen

Mark Your Calendar

Father and Daughter

Communion Breakfast

Sunday, May 4, 2003

9:30 a.m. Mass

followed by a full

hot breakfast

Speaker: TBA

Junior High Sports

Football:

On Sept 4 there is a meeting for **8th Grade** football candidates and their parents at 6 p.m. in the Stadium. Please wear shorts and T-shirts and be prepared to practice. **7th Grade** candidates will have signups at Orientation on Sept 3 and begin practice Sept 4 at 6 p.m.

Soccer:

Junior High Boys and Girls Soccer practice begins on Sept 4 from 3 to 4:30 p.m.

Cross Country:

Junior High Cross Country practice begins on Sept 6 from 3 to 4:30 p.m.

If you have any questions, please call Mr. Wikelinski at extension 83.

DATES TO REMEMBER

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| Sept 3 | Faculty Orientation
7th and New 8th Grade Parent
Orientation, 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. |
| Sept 4 | Grades 8-12 Orientation, 8:00 - 12:30
9 - 12th Grade New Parent Orientation, 6 - 8 |
| Sept 5 | Grade 7 Student Orientation, 8:00 - 2:30 |
| Sept 6 | All Grades Report. Opening Liturgy |
| Sept 11 | Parents Club Meeting 7:15 p.m. |
| Sept 20 | Junior High Welcome Back Party, 7-10 p.m. |
| Sept 23 | Spirit Week Begins |
| Sept 26 | Back to School Night for Parents at 7:00 p.m. |
| Sept 27 | Homecoming Pep Rally and Dance |
| Sept 28 | Lasallian Athletic Hall of Fame Dinner and
Induction Ceremony, 6:30 p.m. |

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