



January 6, 2023

Dear Wonderful Nazareth Community,

We pray you had a blessed Christmas and have a joyous New Year! It has been wonderful seeing all of you back on campus.

Core Value of January – Justice

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for Justice for they shall be satisfied. Matt 5:6

At Nazareth School, we understand that justice and fairness create a path to peace. As Pope Paul VI said, “If you want peace, work for justice.” In our way, we work for peace within our relationships. We practice fairness for all on the playground and in our classrooms. We celebrate and recognize the peacemakers among us at a special liturgy on Friday, January 20, 2023. At that liturgy, we also recognize the work of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and his efforts to build a society in which equality among all people is practiced. As a school community, we pray for justice in a world, city, school and home that is filled with peace.

Drop-off and Pick-up

Thank you for continuing to use the front driveway entrance, entering from San Diego Mission Road, for both drop off and pick up. **Please note, for safety concerns the back gate and fire road gate from the Mission San Diego will be locked from 7:00am to 4:30pm every school day.** We welcome parents to park and then walk your children into school, or drop them off at the carport parking lot. We ask for your *patience* and *grace* on rainy days, as drop-off and pick-up does take longer. In addition, please pull all the way forward to the garages, so we may facilitate a faster process. We have created a template for you to use during the pick-up line, we respectfully ask that you utilize the form, a copy will be re-emailed today and a copy will be uploaded to our website this weekend. Please complete the form, print and display it in your front windshield. It will be a great help to faculty and staff during pick-up.

In addition, we ask that you do not use the Rancho Mission entrance, as traffic backs up creating a dangerous hazard. For safety, please have your children enter and exit your cars from the right side only. It is extremely scary when children and parents, dart in and out of traffic as cars drive by, please help up keep our community safe. Teachers and staff will assist your children with

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their books and backpacks. We appreciate all of your assistance in line, by pulling all of way forward to the carport. Thank you for your patience and respect.

STAR/Renaissance Testing

The Winter Star/Renaissance Test Window 2 will begin on Monday, January 9 and end on Friday, January 27th. Nazareth School was featured on the front of the January issue of the Southern Cross this month. The caption read, “RUNNING THE RACE: Students at Nazareth School participate in their 2022 Turkey Trot on Nov. 19. A recent national report on education showed that, while test scores declined amidst the COVID pandemic, Catholic school students outperformed their peers at public and charter schools. Local Catholic educators are committed to building upon their schools’ pandemic era successes.” Nazareth School is blessed to have an amazing faculty and staff!

COVID 19, RSV, Flu

Nazareth School asks for your support and vigilance in continuing to keep our community safe. As a Nazareth community we have seen a significant increase in COVID-19 positive cases, RSV, and the flu during the Christmas break and this week. Thank you for keeping your child(ren) home if they are sick or experience any COVID-19 symptoms. We appreciate your open communication about potential exposures and positive results. If your child has any COVID-19 symptoms please keep them home and notify Nazareth School at office@nazarethschool.org immediately. Please check-in with the office in the morning before child goes to class. If child tests positive, please contact the office at office@nazarethschool.org or call at 619-641-7987.

God Bless,

Mrs. René Coons
Principal
Nazareth School

*Holy Family of Nazareth
Watch over us and protect us.*

Our Mission: Nazareth School, “A school with a Mission,” develops faith-filled learners who are guided by the Core Values of the Sisters of Nazareth, providing academic excellence rooted in Catholic tradition.

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