



DE LA SALLE HIGH SCHOOL

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PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER #13

February 23, 2026

DATES TO REMEMBER

February	24	Sudden Impact <i>(sophomores: Strong - Williams, plus those who have not yet participated)</i>
	24	Principal's Assembly
	24	8th Grade Speech Night
	25	Faculty Meeting Schedule, 2:00 dismissal
	26	Brother Superior General Armin Luistro visit
	27	Valentine's Day Treat for Seniors
	27	"Welcome Packet Pick Up" New Students for 2026-27
	27	Fish Fry
March	4	Faculty Meeting Schedule, 2:00 dismissal
	5	ACE Mentoring - Session #11
	5	Honor Society Induction
	6	Sibling and Sidekick Day
	6	Junior Twilight Retreat #2
	6	Fish Fry
	6	Class of 1986 Reunion
	7	Saturday School
	9	Blood Drive



ROTATING SCHEDULE

February 23 - 27	C Week
March 2 - 6	D Week
March 9 - 13	B Week

LASALLIAN REFLECTION - *Living Lasallian Spirituality*

The Lasallian Heritage draws from a rich tradition of Christian reflection, yet its content and approaches are grounded in a holistic vision of the human person. Daily life is a resource for reflection and prayer, whereby one's own experiences become the means to establish a personal project. Our experiences are an invitation to open our lives to God. As we reflect and enter honestly into the day-to-day events of our lives, we become aware of God's word in them and are invited to offer ourselves to God through them.

CATHOLIC REFLECTION - *Understanding the Holy Spirit: The Different Gifts of the Holy Spirit*

The Holy Spirit bestows upon believers a variety of gifts intended for the edification and growth of the Church. These gifts are enumerated in Scripture and vary in nature and purpose, yet all are essential for the building up of the body of Christ.

Among the gifts of the Holy Spirit are wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord. These gifts enable believers to discern God's will, to make wise decisions, to endure trials with courage, and to grow in holiness and devotion.

Additionally, the Holy Spirit imparts charisms, or special graces, to individual believers for the service of the Church. These charisms may include gifts of prophecy, healing, teaching, administration, and others, all of which are intended to be used for the glory of God and the advancement of His kingdom.

As believers, we are called to be open to the movement of the Holy Spirit in our lives, allowing Him to work in and through us for the fulfillment of God's purposes. Through the gifts and charisms of the Holy Spirit, we are empowered to be effective witnesses of the Gospel and instruments of God's love and mercy in the world.

In conclusion, the Holy Trinity and the gifts of the Holy Spirit are foundational aspects of the Catholic Faith, revealing to us the nature of God and empowering us for lives of discipleship and service. May we seek to deepen our understanding of these mysteries and to live in communion with the triune God, who is Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever.

- Adapted from the writings of Jacobs Print

SCHOOL NEWS

Superior General of the Brothers of the Christian Schools to Visit DLS

Superior General Brother Armin Luistro, FSC, will make a pastoral visit to the southeastern area of the San Francisco New Orleans District this week. Brother Armin is based in Rome, Italy, at the international headquarters for the Brothers of the Christian Schools (known as the Christian Brothers in the U.S.).

Brother Armin's schedule will take him and several General Councilors to the New Orleans area. This Thursday, February 26, Brother Armin will visit De La Salle. During his visit, Brother Armin will tour our campus, meet with the administrative team, and spend time with students.

While Brother Armin is in the area, he will also visit the other local Lasallian schools - Christian Brothers (New Orleans) and St. Paul's (Covington).



Please keep Brother Armin and those traveling with him in your prayers for a safe and successful trip.

Eighth Grade Speech Night

All of our eighth grade students have been hard at work preparing for Speech Night. Each of the students selected a speech to memorize and perform for his or her classmates. The top performers have been selected to participate in Speech Night.

Speech Night will be held on Tuesday, February 24 at 6:30 p.m. in the 3rd floor Theater. Everyone is welcome to attend. Please come out and show your support for our students who will be performing their speeches that night.

Lenten Fish Fry



Come out and support our Lenten Fish Fries! Spread the word and bring your family and friends!

Dates: February 27, March 6 and March 27

Location: De La Salle Parking Lot - Drive thru is available!

Time: 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Price: \$15

Preorder: <https://bit.ly/46oA6y2>

Honor Society Induction

The Honor Society Induction ceremony will take place on Thursday, March 5 at 7:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Invitations to all students who will be inducted into or who are already a member of one of our honor societies have been sent out. The specific requirements for each honor society are noted in the student handbook.

On the night of the ceremony, participating students should arrive at school no later than 6:15 p.m. Students should dress in their school uniform for the ceremony. De La Salle sweaters are acceptable, but students should not wear sweatshirts or athletic shirts of any type. Boys should wear their school tie for the ceremony.

If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to Ms. Rogers at progers@delasallenola.com.

Standardized Testing Day

Students in grades 8 through 11 will be taking Standardized Tests on Tuesday, March 10. The 8th, 9th, and 10th grade students will be taking the PreACT. The 11th grade students will be taking an actual ACT. Please keep in mind and share with your child the importance of their attendance and best effort on this day.

On Standardized Testing Day, any 12th grade student who has not yet applied to a college or is still waiting for an admission decision is required to attend school to meet with Ms. Simmons and work on those applications. Any 12th grade student who has already received admission to college is not required to attend school on this day!

School will dismiss at approximately 11:45 a.m. There will be no lunch service on this day. Buses will leave campus shortly after dismissal. Students must be off campus or with a coach or moderator in an extracurricular activity by 12:30 p.m. Please remember to make the necessary transportation arrangements.

Sibling and Sidekick Day

Our next Sibling and Sidekick Day is scheduled for Friday, March 6. De La Salle students are invited to bring a younger sibling, cousin, or other relative, and a friend of the younger sibling, for a day of activities to introduce them to De La Salle. In case you missed the email to register your child, here is the link: <https://forms.gle/BumeTdhgwdv67ZUR9>.

Limited spaces are still available, so please complete the form as soon as possible. The deadline to register has been extended to Tuesday, February 24.

Please let Ms. Cheryl Jarrott or Ms. Perry Rogers know if you have any questions.

Junior Twilight Retreat #2

All juniors participate in a twilight retreat with a select group of other juniors. The evening provides time for reflection on their relationship with their classmates, their families, and themselves, and exploration of how those relationships reflect God's will in their lives, particularly in overcoming obstacles.

The second of these retreats takes place on Friday, March 6 from 3:15 p.m. - 8:45 p.m. (Students should be picked up by 9:00 p.m.) Dinner will be provided. If your child is scheduled to participate in this retreat, you will be receiving a link for the electronic permission form. Please keep the students, the retreat team, and the teachers in your prayers for a safe and successful retreat experience.

Blood Drive

Thirty minutes is all it takes to save a life! Blood donations are used to save the lives of accident victims, adults and children with cancer, and newborn babies who need blood transfusions just hours after coming into this world. One donation can save up to three lives.



De La Salle, in conjunction with The Blood Center, is hosting a Blood Drive on Monday, March 9. Students who are at least 17 years old and weigh at least 110 pounds and 16-year-olds who weigh at least 130 pounds are eligible to donate. Students must also submit a completed parent permission slip to donate.

If your child is going to donate blood, please remind him/her to eat a good meal before coming to school that day!

Planning for the 2026-27 School Year

Recently, you should have received an email with information pertaining to the Registration Fee and Tuition/Fees for the 2026-27 school year. If you did not receive this information, please contact the school at your earliest convenience. The portal to complete registration for the 2026-27 school year will remain open through Friday, March 27.

At the end of this newsletter is a *tentative* 2026-27 school calendar. This calendar is being provided to inform you of some of the major dates in the upcoming academic year. Included in this version of the calendar are dates for back to school, exams, and major holidays. Please keep in mind that this is a *tentative* calendar and subject to change. A final version with much more detail will be available in July.

CAV Camp

Registration for CAV Camp is now open! CAV Camp is open to students entering Kindergarten through 8th grade for the 2026-27 school year. Students must be at least 5 years old to attend!

Campers in grades K-6th grades will build their own schedules and enjoy activities such as Art, Sports, STEM, Performing Arts, Cooking, and more! Campers in 7th and 8th grades will be in the Counselor in Training program where they will learn skills to help them become counselors while having summer fun! We have weekly special events such as Midsummer Mardi Gras, Spooky Summer Spectacular, Christmas in July, and more! Campers will enjoy weekly water days and swim days at the JCC. Our staff is comprised of classroom teachers, college students, and current and past De La Salle students who all bring experience and enthusiasm to their roles.



The camp day will run from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Before care and after care are available! To register click here: <https://bit.ly/CavCampRegistration>

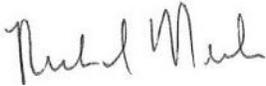
For more information, go to delasallenola.com/cav-camp. Follow us on Facebook: facebook.com/dlscavcamp and Instagram: instagram.com/dlscavcamp.

If you have any questions please contact Cav Camp Director Caroline Laurent Huber, '99 at cavcamp@delasallenola.com or 504-895-5717.

Save the Date

- Early Dismissals
 - Standardized Testing Day - March 10
 - 3rd Quarter Exams - March 12 & 13
- Alumni Crawfest - March 13
- Maroon and White Gala: *Breakfast at Tiffany's* - Saturday, March 21
- Golf 4 DLS - Friday, May 2 (No School for students!)
- CAV Camp - weekly sessions from June 1 through June 26, and July 6 through July 24

Sincerely,



Richard Neider



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2026-27
Tentative School Calendar

August	3	Archdiocese of New Orleans Day of Formation for Faculty and Staff
	4	In-service for Faculty and Staff
	5	In-service for Faculty and Staff
	6	Welcome to De La Salle Day (All students at assigned times)
	7	New Student Orientation
	10	Full Day of School for All Students
	21	Ring Mass - <i>tentative</i> (early dismissal)
September	4	No School - NOLAsallian Convocation for Faculty and Staff
	7	No School - Labor Day Holiday
October	8	1st Quarter Exams (Half-day)
	9	1st Quarter Exams (Half-day)
	27	Open House (Half-day)
	28	No School - Open House Holiday
November	23-27	No School - Thanksgiving Holidays
December	17	2nd Quarter Exams (Half-day)
	18	2nd Quarter Exams (Half-day)
	21-31	No School - Christmas Holidays
January	1-4	No School - Christmas Holidays
	5	School Resumes
	18	No School - MLK Holiday
February	5	Raffle Ticket Holiday
	8-12	No School - Mardi Gras Holidays
March	18	3rd Quarter Exams (Half-day)
	19	3rd Quarter Exams (Half-day)
	24	Half-Day
	25-29	No School - Easter Holidays
May	12	4th Quarter Senior Exams
	13	4th Quarter Senior Exams
	14	Senior Fun Day
	21	Founders Day (Half-day)
	24	Graduation - <i>tentative</i> (early dismissal)
	26	4th Quarter Exams (Half-day)
	27	4th Quarter Exams (Half-day)