



DE LA SALLE HIGH SCHOOL

THE CHRISTIAN BROTHERS HIGH SCHOOL ON THE AVENUE SINCE 1949

PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER #18

May 4, 2026

DATES TO REMEMBER

May	4-8	Teacher Appreciation Week
	4	AP Latin Exam
	4	Spring Athletic Awards Ceremony: CAVS Center, 6:00
	5	AP Human Geography Exam
	5	AP US Government Exam
	5	Principal's Assembly
	5	Senior College Shirt Dress Down Day
	6	AP English Literature Exam
	6	Senior Exams: C and D (<i>early dismissal for Seniors</i>)
	6	Faculty Meeting Schedule, 2:00 dismissal
	6	Parents Club Meeting, 6:00
	7	AP World History Exam
	7	Senior Exams: A and B (<i>early dismissal for Seniors</i>)
	8	AP US History Exam
	8	Senior Fun Day
	11	AP Calculus Exam
	11	Fire Drill, 9:35
	11	LHSAA Athletic Physicals
	12	AP French Exam
	12	Graduation Practice: St. Joseph Church, 9:30 am
	12	Underclassmen Awards Ceremony: cafeteria, 6:00
	13	AP English Language Comprehension Exam
	13	Faculty Meeting Schedule, 2:00 dismissal
	13	Spring Concert: cafeteria, 6:00
	14	AP Computer Science Principles Exam
	15	Solemnity of St. John Baptist de La Salle
	15	Founder's Day, 12:30 dismissal
	16	Saturday School: cafeteria, 8:00 - 2:00
	18	Class of 2026 Graduation, 1:15 dismissal
	20	Balfour - Letterman Jackets, lunch
	20	Faculty Meeting Schedule, 2:00 dismissal
	21	Exams, 12:00 dismissal
	21	Board of Trustees meeting
	22	Exams, 12:00 dismissal
	22	Class of 1970 Reunion: lobby, 6:00 - 8:00



ROTATING SCHEDULE

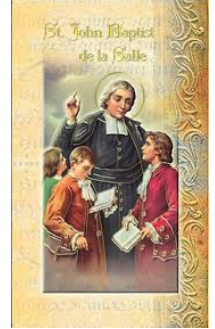
May 4 - 8 A Week
May 11 - 15 B Week
May 18 - 22 C Week

LASALLIAN FORMATION

Central to Lasallian spirituality is the spirit of faith. De La Salle realized that unless people are animated and guided by a firm belief in the Good News of Jesus Christ, they will wander away from goodness, wisdom, and charity.

Let us pray: “Merciful God, grant me an increase in faith so that I may have hope and love in abundance.”

- *Praying with John Baptist de La Salle, Meditation 1*



CATHOLIC REFLECTION - *Introduction to the Sacraments*

The Sacraments of Healing

Penance: Penance, also known as Reconciliation or Confession, is the sacrament through which we receive forgiveness for sins committed after Baptism. It offers us the opportunity to express contrition, receive absolution, and experience the healing mercy of God’s love and forgiveness.

Anointing of the Sick: The Anointing of the Sick is the sacrament in which the Church prays for the healing and spiritual strength of those who are ill or suffering. It provides comfort, strength, and grace to the sick, uniting their suffering with the redemptive sacrifice of Christ and preparing them for eternal life.

- Adapted from the writings of Jacobs Print

Athletic Ceremony for Spring Sports

The Athletic Ceremony for the baseball, bowling, powerlifting, softball, tennis, and track and field teams will be held on Monday, May 4, at 6:00 p.m. in the CAVS Center. At this ceremony, varsity and junior varsity athletes for these sports will be recognized. Parents of these student-athletes are invited and encouraged to attend as well.

This event is designed to celebrate our teams and the successes they achieved together. All student-athletes who participated on these teams are required to attend. If a student-athlete cannot attend, their parents should contact their respective coach and Mr. Jason Lachica at jlachica@delasallenola.com as soon as possible.

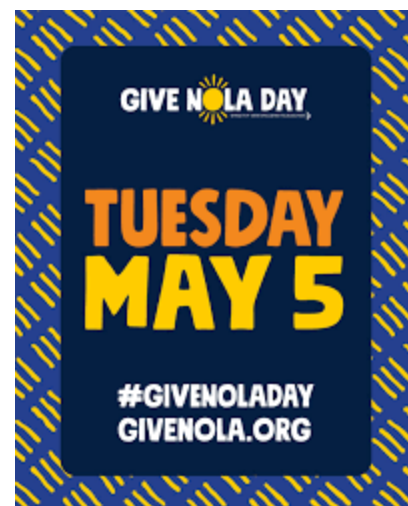
Students should wear their school uniform to this event. Boys should wear their ties, and students may not wear sweatshirts, only their white uniform shirts, with or without a school sweater or letterman’s jacket. All grooming rules will be applicable.

GiveNOLA Day / Founder's Day Fund

GiveNOLA Day is Tuesday, May 5, and De La Salle is again participating in this special one-day of giving organized by the Greater New Orleans Foundation. Your charitable donation will go towards enhancing the everyday experience of current and future Cavaliers!

To make a donation, go to the school website (delasallenola.com) and in the "Upcoming Events" section, under "GiveNOLA Day", click the "Donate Today!" Link.

GiveNOLA Day kicks off our annual Founder's Day Fund drive, which runs for the entire month of May. Please be on the lookout for emails and video messages from President Paul Kelly and some of our students as we conclude our academic year with this fundraising effort!



Senior Exams - *early dismissal for Seniors only!*

Senior exams will be on Wednesday, May 6, and Thursday, May 7, following the schedule below. Please note that all senior balances must be cleared prior to the first senior exam for seniors to take exams and participate in the graduation ceremony.

Senior Exam Schedule

Wednesday, May 6

Warning Bell: 7:40

Prayer and announcements: 7:45 - 7:55

C Period Exams: 7:55 - 9:15

D Period Exams: 9:30 - 10:50

Thursday, May 7

Warning Bell: 7:40

Prayer and announcements: 7:45 - 7:55

A Period Exams: 7:55 - 9:15

B Period Exams: 9:30 - 10:50

Graduation practice: 11:00 - 12:30

Notes:

- On Wednesday, May 6, seniors should be off campus by 11:20. Grades 8 through 11 will have a regular Wednesday dismissal at 2:00.
- On Thursday, May 7, seniors should be off campus by 1:00. Grades 8 through 11 will have a regular Thursday dismissal at 2:45.
- All seniors are expected to be on campus on Wednesday, May 6, from 7:45 - 10:50, and on Thursday, May 7, from 7:45 - 12:30, even if they have an intern period or other period not requiring an exam.
- All seniors enrolled in AP or DE classes are expected to fulfill all requirements for the course, including attendance at daily review sessions during the school day as specified by the teacher and taking the exam. Please make sure that all applicable AP fees have cleared.
 - *Per the Student Handbook:* Students in this program must take the Advanced Placement Exams nationally administered in late spring each academic year. However, students earning a D or F in an AP course will only be allowed to take an AP exam with teacher approval. Failure of a qualifying student to take the AP

exam will result in the AP designation and accompanying quality points for GPA being removed. In such a case, students will receive the equivalent points for a Track 3 course.

LHSAA Athletic Physicals

On Monday, May 11, a team of doctors will be on campus from 2:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. to offer athletic physicals for our students. There will be no charge for these physicals! Student athletes are required to have an annual athletic physical prior to being eligible to participate in LHSAA sanctioned sports.



Parents are welcome, but not required to attend. There is a form that must be completed and signed by parents. The students will need to have this form with them for the doctor to complete. Students can pick up a copy of this form either at the receptionist's desk in the lobby or from the Athletic Director's office in the gym. The form is also available on the school website. To access the form online, go to the school website (delasallenola.com), click on "Athletics", then click on "LHSAA Physical Form".

If you choose to have your child's pediatrician perform the physical exam, he/she must also complete the same LHSAA Physical Form.

Underclassman Awards Ceremony

The Underclassmen Awards Ceremony is scheduled for Tuesday, May 12, at 6:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m.

At this ceremony, we will recognize students who participated in an extracurricular activity or who are being awarded an academic honor. If your child is being recognized at this event, he or she will be receiving an invitation, and both you and your child will receive an email notification. All invited students are required to attend. We also invite and encourage parents to attend as well. There is no assigned or reserved seating, and students may sit with their parents.

Students should wear their school uniform to this event. Boys should wear their ties, and students may not wear sweatshirts, only their white uniform shirts, with or without a school sweater or letterman's jacket. All grooming rules will be in place.

Spring Concert

The De La Salle Band, String Orchestra, and Choir present their annual Spring Concert on Wednesday, May 13, at 6:30 p.m. in the cafeteria. Parents, students, friends, and family are invited and encouraged to attend the concert. While De La Salle students are admitted to the concert at no charge, we ask that other guests make a \$5 cash donation at the door.

Come out and enjoy an evening of musical entertainment provided by our talented musicians and singers. These groups will also be performing for the entire student body during the school day on Thursday, May 14.

Founder's Day

Our annual Founder's Day Mass and Eighth Grade Promotion is scheduled for Friday, May 15. Mass will begin at 10:30 a.m. in the cafeteria. Parents of 8th graders are encouraged to attend; please refer to the recent letter regarding this ceremony for those full details.

At the Founder's Day Mass, we will honor our founder, St. John Baptist de La Salle, celebrate the promotion of our 8th graders, and recognize the members of the Class of 1976.

School will dismiss early this day upon the conclusion of the Mass and ceremony. Dismissal will be at approximately 12:30 p.m., and buses will leave campus shortly after dismissal. All students should be off campus by 1:00 p.m. Lunch will not be served on this day.

Graduation

The Graduation Mass and Ceremony for the Class of 2026 is scheduled for Monday, May 18, at 4:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Church. (Admission is by ticket only!) To facilitate the faculty attending the graduation, school will dismiss at 1:15. All students should be off campus by 1:45. Buses will leave campus shortly after dismissal. Lunch will be served on this day.

Registration for the 2026-27 School Year

The portal to complete registration for the 2026-27 is now closed. If you did not register on-line, you will need to set an appointment through the admissions office to complete this process in person during school hours (7:45 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.).

Please direct any questions to our admissions office at admissions@delasallenola.com.

State Rally Results

The Louisiana High School Rally Association held their annual State Rally on April 18. We are thankful and proud of all the DLS students who participated in the State Rally.

Congratulations to the following students who placed at the rally:

- Khyren Anderson - French II: 2nd in Division III
- Matthias Bergeron - Latin II: 2nd in Division III
- Madeleine Caplinger - English IV: 1st in Division III
- Brenny Davis - Spanish III Extemporaneous Speech: Excellent
- Jameson Erspamer - Geometry: 3rd in Division III
- Gabriel Fusilier - French IV Extemporaneous Speech: Superior



- Tierra Gray - French III Interpretive Reading: Superior
- MahLeah Hayes - French II Extemporaneous Speech: Superior
- Saya Jackson - French I Interpretive Reading: Excellent
- Leah Jones - Fine Arts: 2nd in Division III
- Harlan Labranche - French II Interpretive Reading: Excellent
- Benjamin Miller - English III: 2nd in Division III
- Gabriel Montes-Garcia - Spanish IV Extemporaneous Speech: Superior
- Joseph Murillo - Latin 1: 1st in Division III
- Dominick Musso - World Geography: 1st in Division III
- Chloe Plessy - Spanish III: 2nd in Division III
- Nathan Smith - Physics: 2nd in Division III
- Maleah Williams - French I: 3rd in Division III

Congratulations to these students on a job well done.

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.

Early Dismissals

Please make note of these early dismissal days and times:

- Friday, May 15 (Founder's Day) - 12:30
- Monday, May 18 (Graduation) - 1:15
- Thursday, May 21 (Exams) - 12:00
- Friday, May 22 (Exams) - 12:00



Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Richard Neider.

Richard Neider

