

*We are Nouvel Catholic Central, called by Christ to learn, love, and lead... courageously.*

MONTH IN REVIEW:

September has been a month packed full - getting into the routine of school, college visits, homecoming festivities, and grade-level push-ins! This month, I have had the opportunity to spend time in classrooms with every grade level from 7th through 12th grade. I have worked with our 12th graders on finalizing college applications, 11th graders on in-depth career exploration & college-matching, 10th graders on personality inventories and career exploration, 9th graders on learning styles and high school success, and 7th and 8th graders on time management, organization, and success in junior high school. Please see email updates for more details! Looking ahead, we are preparing for PSAT testing in October, which will take up a good portion of my time.

FALL TEST DATES

PSAT testing is right around the corner for 8th through 11th graders. An email was sent out to families with more testing information. All tests begin at 8:00am and are 134 minutes in length. All tests are taken digitally in the computer lab. Here's the schedule:

- Monday, October 6 - 8th Grade
- Tuesday, October 7 - 9th Grade
- Thursday, October 9 - 10th Grade
- Friday, October 10 - 11th Grade



COLLEGE VISITS AT NOUVEL

Fall is here, which means College Application season is upon us for the Class of 2026! As always, we will be hosting numerous admissions reps from colleges and universities and military branches to meet with our junior and senior students interested in learning more about offerings. All visits will be held during the high school lunch hour in Room AT19. Here's what is scheduled so far:

- Wednesday, October 1: Western Michigan University
- Monday, October 6: Michigan Technological University
- Tuesday, October 7: Northern Michigan University
- Tuesday, October 14: Kettering University
- Monday, October 20: Saginaw Valley State University
- Tuesday, October 21: Grand Valley State University
- Thursday, October 23: Hope College
- Monday, October 27: Hillsdale College
- Tuesday, October 28: Madonna University

CLASS OF 2026: FAFSA IS OPEN!

The Class of 2026 students and parents should have received a Remind text last week regarding the FAFSA opening early for the 2026-2027 academic year. Completing the FAFSA is an essential part of the college application process, even if you do not anticipate qualifying for financial aid.

- [FAFSA Quick-Start Guide](#)
- [FAFSA Checklist](#)
- [Why You Should Complete the FAFSA](#)



MCAN COLLEGE APPLICATION MONTH

MCAN's (Michigan College Access Network) College Application month is upon us! Beginning October 1, many Michigan colleges partner together to increase college access by eliminating the application fee for the month of October (or a part of October).

Read more here: [MCAN](#)

Institution	Dates	Waiver code (if needed)
Andrews University	Oct. 1-31	FREE4MI2025
Calvin University	Ongoing	Waiver automatically applied in October, waiver code 1876 needed after Nov. 1
Central Michigan University	Oct. 1-31	None for CMU app, FireUp2026 on Common App
Eastern Michigan University	Oct. 1-31	MCAM
Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Community College	Oct. 1-31	
Lawrence Technological University	Oct. 1-31	OCTOBER1932
Michigan State University	Oct. 1-10	Spartan1855
MSU Institute of Agricultural Technology	Oct. 1-Nov. 2	
Saginaw Chippewa Tribal College	Oct. 1-31	
Wayne State University	Oct. 1-31	WSU2026
Western Michigan University	Oct. 1-31	

SKYWARD NOTIFICATIONS

Did you know that you are automatically set up to receive emails from Skyward each Saturday morning? The following information is included:

- Missing Assignments**
 - The teacher has clicked a box indicating that the assignment was not turned in on the due date.
 - Note: Late submissions may not be updated daily. In order to keep up with grading demands, grade entry priority is given to work submitted in a timely manner.
- Courses or Assignments with a grade below a 70%**
 - In order to be proactive, we have set this threshold higher than the "failing" threshold of 60%.

You can find more detail by logging into Skyward and reviewing the gradebook. Any questions regarding grades should be directed to the teacher of record for the class.

STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES

- uAspire Financial Aid Workshops for College**
 - Register for virtual workshops: [uAspire](#)
- Student Loan Webinar** October 8 at 6:30 or December 8 at 12:30
- Catholic College Virtual College Fair**, October 9 from 7:00-9:00pm
 - Register: <https://cardinalnewmansociety.org/fair/>

AP EXAM REGISTRATION

As we plan ahead for the remainder of the school year, it is time to start thinking about whether or not you/your student intends to take their AP Examination for each course they are currently taking. Each AP Exam is \$99; however, College Board does offer financial support for students who meet fee reduction eligibility (see below), reducing the cost, if criteria are met (see below).

Registration and Payment are due October 24, 2025.



Students who are taking AP Macroeconomics (semester 2 only) do not have to register or pay for their test until February 26.

How to Register for AP Exams:

- Students are automatically "registered" to take the AP exam and must opt out by sending me an email that includes the exam they wish to opt out of. If you intend to take all of your exams, you can proceed to step 2.
- Once you have confirmed your exam(s), submit payment (\$99) online: www.nouvelcatholic.org/aptest.
 - If a student changes their mind prior to February 26, they will be able to cancel their registration and receive a partial refund by sending me an email request. Cancellations after February 26 will not be refunded.

*Fee Reduction Eligibility criteria include any one of the following: The student is enrolled in a federal, state, or local program that aids students from low-income families (e.g., Federal TRIO programs such as Upward Bound). The student's family receives public assistance. The student resides in federally subsidized public housing or a foster home or is unhoused. The student is a ward of the state or an orphan.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

- Central Michigan University Centralis Scholarship Application**
 - Link: [Centralis Application](#); Due November 3

Save the Date
OCTOBER 2025

- October 6-10th - PSAT Testing
- October 15 - PD Day, No School for Students
- October 24 - End of Quarter 1

