



ABOUT

Christian Brothers Academy

IN THE LASALLIAN TRADITION SINCE 1859

Mission Statement & Philosophy

Christian Brothers Academy is a Catholic Junior High School and college preparatory, military Senior High School whose mission is to instill Christian values and provide a demanding academic program in the Lasallian tradition. Christian Brothers Academy is committed to meeting the needs of the individual, to develop his full potential and to guide him toward a role as a contributing member of society. The mission of Christian Brothers Academy guides a community of De LaSalle Christian Brothers and their lay faculty colleagues, all of whom hold the education of young men from diverse backgrounds to be the foremost principle of the Lasallian tradition. The teachings of the Catholic Church, the traditions of the De LaSalle Christian Brothers and the tenets of American citizenship form the foundation of the school's Educational Philosophy.

The Christian principles of life that most strongly influence our Philosophy include:

- The universe was created by God and is sustained by God's Providence;
- Humankind is a personal creation of God, composed of body and soul and placed on Earth to merit happiness through service to God and society;
- We are endowed with gifts and powers which are to be perfected;
- We are endowed with intelligence and free will and we are responsible for our conduct, having rights and obligations;
- The traditions of the Christian Brothers throughout the world are the foundation of our philosophy;
- Intellectual, spiritual, moral and social development hold the foremost place in our Lasallian schools; and
- An atmosphere must be created in which self-discipline, order and respect be seen as important objectives in the development of mature Christians.

Objectives

Operating in the Lasallian tradition, the objectives of Christian Brothers Academy include:

- To develop a Christian sense of being as an individual and as a person in relationship to God; to use these spiritual values to act with integrity in life.
- To impress upon the student the necessity of developing leadership qualities and a positive attitude toward legitimate authority, as expressed by family, the church and society.
- To impart the necessary knowledge and life skills for successful adjustment to the challenges of life by offering programs which are spiritual, educational, social, physical and personal;
- To provide an academic program that recognizes individual differences among our students and places a particular emphasis on preparation for college and lifelong learning; and
- To support and maintain faculty professionalism, collegiality and enthusiasm.

CBA History....in Albany since 1859

Christian Brothers Academy is conducted by a religious order known as the Brothers of the Christian Schools. The De LaSalle Christian Brothers, as they are more commonly referred to in the United States, constitute the largest order of men in the Catholic Church devoted exclusively to education. The roots of the extensive educational work of the Christian Brothers go back over 300 years to 17th century France when their founder, St. John Baptist deLaSalle (1651-1719), lived with and ministered to the children of the poor. Within the span of his lifetime, De LaSalle revolutionized education for centuries to come. The Christian Brothers are men who put aside all other worldly concerns to consecrate themselves to God in the apostolate of Christian education. They are not priests, nor do they aspire to priesthood. Their principal obligations in life are their own personal, intellectual and spiritual growth, and the education of children. In 1854, Bishop McCloskey invited the Christian Brothers to Albany to open an orphan asylum for boys. The Brothers' traditions in Albany began with this orphanage on Western Avenue. To help support the asylum, the Brothers began a pay school in 1859. This was the beginning of the present day Christian Brothers Academy. In 1869, the University of the State of New York chartered CBA. Over the next 20 years the school outgrew its facilities several times and, in 1882, the school moved to Lydius Street. In 1886, the Brothers purchased the former Normal College at 43 Lodge Street from the State Education Department and classes were conducted in this building for the next 51 years. In 1892, military training was introduced while enrollment at the Lodge Street site followed a pattern of ups and downs. In 1935, the Brothers found that the Lodge Street building could no longer accommodate the school's necessary programs and they undertook an effort to secure property and funds to erect a new and modern building. Through the interest and aid of influential friends and alumni, city and county officials made a sizable piece of land at University Heights available to the Brothers in 1937. In recognition of the cultural and civic training the Brothers had provided to the boys of Albany for 78 years, all citizens of Albany were encouraged to contribute to the cause. The site was the home of Christian Brothers Academy until July 1998. The new Christian Brothers Academy in Colonie represents the sixth location for Brothers' education since their arrival in Albany. The state-of-the-art building is located on a spacious campus adjacent to the Ann Lee Pond. Today's Christian Brothers Academy is a vibrant educational community that offers students a demanding college preparatory curriculum, a safe and secure environment to explore their spiritual and personal growth, and a wide array of co-curricular and athletic programs to develop both mind and body. CBA graduates have maintained a 100% college acceptance rate for the past two decades. Present CBA alumni are enrolled in the Ivy League, the military academies and dozens of other highly regarded schools throughout the country. Through school service organizations, CBA students are involved with providing community assistance year-round. CBA students participating in the many activity offerings have achieved regional, state and national recognition for their accomplishments. All of these successes speak volumes of the Lasallian mission to develop the "total student." The school colors are Purple and Gold. The coat of arms combines the seal of St. John Baptist De LaSalle (the star), the acquisition of knowledge (open book), faith (the cross) and military training (the eagle).

SEPTEMBER 2010

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 Faculty Day	2 Faculty Day	3 School Offices closed	4
5	6 Labor Day School Closed	7 9am, Peer Leaders Meeting 7pm, Freshman & New Parents Meeting	8 8am, Grades 6 & 7 8am, Gr. 9 Welcome 6:30pm, Junior, Senior & Parents Meeting	9 8am, Grades 8, 9,10 11, 12 Report 6:30pm, Mother's Assoc. Meeting	10 1st full day of classes 8:30am, Mass of the Holy Spirit 2pm, Flag Raising 9/11 Remembrance A	11
12 11am, All Family Picnic	13 Fall Fundraiser begins B	14 C	15 D	16 School Pictures E	17 School Pictures X	18
19	20 A	21 B	22 4pm, Board of Trustees C	23 D	24 E	25
26	27 6:30pm, 'Follow Your Son's Schedule' for Parents X	28 A	29 12pm, Alumni Golden Plus Luncheon B	30 C		

OCTOBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 6:30pm, Freshmen Review, Stadium D	2
3	4 E	5 8am, Haircut Inspection X	6 A	7 B	8 C	9
10	11 Columbus Day (No School)	12 Class Trip Day, TBA SPIRIT WEEK	13 Grades 6 -11 Testing Day, dismissal at 12pm	14 Gold Day—Show Your Spirit 1:30pm, Class Spirit Competition D	15 Purple Day—Show Your Spirit 1:30pm, Pep Rally E	16 High School Homecoming Dance
17	18 X	19 A	20 6pm, Mother's Assoc. Fall Banquet (Glen Sanders) B	21 6 - 8pm, Admissions Open House 1st marking period ends C	22 Mid Semester Holiday (No School)	23 Diocese of Albany Gathering
24	25 Grades due in the Main Office	26	27 7pm, Honors Night for Spring 2010 Semester E	28 X	29 A	30 B
31 Halloween						

NOVEMBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 All Saints Day Winter Fundraiser– CEP Raffle begins 1:30pm, School Mass C	2 All Souls Day D	3 E	4 X	5 A	6
7 Daylight Savings Time ends	8 B	9 8am, Haircut Inspection C	10 2pm, BOCES Emergency Release D	11 Veteran’s Day 9am, Parade Faculty Retreat	12 Faculty Retreat No Classes	13 8:30am, Entrance Exam & Scholarship Test
14	15 E	16 X	17 4pm, Board of Trustees A	18 6:30pm, Mother’s Association Meeting B	19 No After School Activities C	20 CBA Mother’s Assoc. Craft Fair
21	22 D	23 E	24 Thanksgiving Holiday School Closed	25 Thanksgiving Day School Closed	26 Thanksgiving Holiday School Closed	27
28 Advent begins	29 Classes resumes B	30 A				

DECEMBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 Financial Aid Packets Available B	2 C	3 D	4
5	6 E	7 8am, Haircut Inspection X	8 Feast of the Immaculate Conception Liturgy A	9 7pm, Christmas Concert, State Museum B	10	11 C
12	13	14	15 10am, School Liturgy (Bishop Hubbard) E	16 8am, Semester 1 English Exams 10am, Semester 1 Science Exams Winter Fundraiser ends CEP Raffle Drawing X	17 8am, Semester 1 Soc. Studies Exams 10am, Semester 1 Foreign Lang. Exams	18
19	20 8am, Semester 1 Mathematics Exams	21 8am, Exam Make up Day (if needed) 2nd marking period ends	22 Christmas Holiday School Closed	23 Christmas Holiday School Closed	24 Christmas Eve School Closed	25 Christmas Day
26	27 Christmas Holiday School Closed	28 Christmas Holiday School Closed	29 Christmas Holiday School Closed	30 Christmas Holiday School Closed	31 New Year's Eve School Closed	

JANUARY 2011

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 Feast of Mary, Mother of God New Year's Day
2 Feast of the Epiphany	3 Second Semester begins A	4 B	5 C	6 D	7 E	8
9	10 X	11 8am, Haircut Inspection A	12	13 6:30pm, Mother's Association Meeting B	14 C	15 D
16 7pm, Military Ball (Holiday Inn Turf)	17 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, School Closed	18	19 4pm, Board of Trustees E	20 X	21 A	22 B
23	24 c	25	26	27	28	29
30	30 B	D	E	X	A	

FEBRUARY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4	5
			C	D	E	X
6	7	8	9	10 6:30pm, Mother's Assoc. Meeting 7pm, Officer's Dining In	11	12
	A	B	C	D	E	
13	14	15	16	17 7pm, Fall Semester Honors Night	18	19
	X	A	B	C	D	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	President's Day School Closed	Winter Recess School Closed	Winter Recess School Closed	Winter Recess School Closed	Winter Recess School Closed	
27	28 School resumes					
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MARCH

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4	5 7pm, Purple & Gold Gala
		X	A	B	C	
6	7 Spring Fundraiser begins 3pm, First day of spring sports	8	9 Ash Wednesday, Lent begins	10 6:30pm, Mother's Assoc. Meeting	11	12 8:30am, Entrance Exam
	D	E	X	A	B	
13 5 - 8pm, Phonathon Daylight Savings Time begins	14 5 - 8pm, Phonathon	15 8am, Haircut Inspection 5 - 8pm, Phonathon	16 End of 3rd marking period 4pm, Board of Trustees	17 St. Patrick's Day Parade, New York City	18 Faculty Lenten Retreat Day 8am, Grades due in Main Office No Classes	19
		C	D	E		
20 5 - 8pm, Phonathon	21 5 - 8pm, Phonathon	22 5 - 8pm, Phonathon	23	24 6 - 8pm, Admissions Open House	25 Spring Holiday School Closed	26
		X	A	B	C	
27	28	29	30 Spring fundraiser ends	31 Financial Aid Application deadline		
	D	E	X	A		

APRIL

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 7pm, Junior & Senior Prom (Hall of Springs, Saratoga) B	2
3	4 C	5 D	6 E	7 X	8 A	9
10	11 B	12 8am, Haircut Inspection C	13 D	14 6:30pm, Mother's Assoc. Nominating Meeting E	15 X	16
17	18 Spring Recess School Closed	19 Spring Recess School Closed	20 Spring Recess School Closed	21 Holy Thursday School Closed	22 Good Friday, School Closed	23 Holy Saturday
24 Easter Sunday	25 Easter Monday School Closed	26 Classes Resume A	27 B	28 7pm, Leadership Awards Night C	29 D	30 8:30am, Entrance Exam

MAY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 9am, Mother – Son Communion	2 8am, AP Chemistry Exam E	3 8am, AP Spanish Exam X	4 8am, AP Calculus AB Exam A	5 8am, AP English Exam B	6 8am, AP U.S. History Exam C	7
8 Mother's Day	9 8am, AP Biology Exam 12pm, AP Physics B Exam D	10 E	11 12pm, AP Statistics Exam X	12 8am, AP World History Exam 6:30pm, Mother's Assoc. Election of Officers Meeting A	13 B	14
15	16	17 8am, Haircut Inspection C	18 4pm, Board of Trustees D	19 7pm, Mother's Day Review (Puleo Stadium) E	20 X	21 7pm, Graduation Liturgy, St. Pius X Church A
22 1:30pm, High School Graduation	23 7pm, JROTC Officer Commissioning B	24 C	25 D	26 E	27 St. La Salle's Day School Closed	28
29	30 Memorial Day, School Closed	31 X				

JUNE

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2 8:30am, Mass of the Ascension A	3 B	4 C
5	6 D	7 8am, Haircut Inspection E	8 X	9 Letter Day: A 7pm, Athletic Awards Banquet	10 8:30am, Gr. 8 Moving Up Day Ceremony 10:30am, Faculty In-Service	11
12	13 Final/Regents Exams	14 Final/Regents Exams	15 Final/Regents Exams	16 Final/Regents Exams	17 Final/Regents Exams	18
19 Father's Day	20 Final/Regents Exams	21 Final/Regents Exams	22 Final/Regents Exams	23 Final/Regents Exams	24 Final/Regents Exams	25
26	27	29	29	30		

JULY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
3	4 Independence Day	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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