

NEWBURGH FREE ACADEMY ATHLETICS NEWSLETTER

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GOLDBACK HIGHLIGHTS



Recognizing Our Senior Athletes

It's a special time at NFA as we celebrate our incredible senior athletes and gear up for Homecoming Week! These last two weeks, we honored our girls tennis and girls swimming seniors-student-athletes who have led their teams with heart, determination, and pride. Their teammates, families, friends and coaches came together to celebrate their hard work and lasting impact on their teams. The celebrations continue next week with more Senior nights across several sports, building up to our Pep Rally on October 23rd and our Homecoming Football game on Fri. October 24th.

Cross Country will recognize its seniors on October 21st, followed by a big night on Oct. 22nd when Volleyball, and Girls and Boys Soccer honor their seniors. The week of school spirit and celebration continues to build as our Freshman, Sophomore, Junior and Senior classes all compete in spirited challenges and games at our Homecoming Pep Rally on Oct. 23rd. Homecoming week will be capped off on Friday night at the football game when we will be honoring our senior Football and Cheerleading student athletes. As if this night isn't going to be special enough, we will also be taking some time prior to the game to walk in honor of all of our Newburgh family and friends who have lost their battle with cancer and also in a show of support for those who are currently battling various forms of cancer. It will be a week full of energy, unity, and Goldback pride- lets pack the stands for all of our student athletes and make this Homecoming week one to remember!



UPCOMING EVENTS

PINK DAY HOMECOMING SENIOR NIGHT

Friday, October 24th,
2025

Pink Walk 5 pm NFA Track
Football Game 6 pm

SENIOR NIGHTS

10/21 - Boys & Girls
Cross Country

Chadwick Lake Park

10/22 - Volleyball

5:30 pm NFA Main Gym

10/22 - Girls Soccer

1/2 Time : Academy Field

10/22 - Boys Soccer

5:45 PM Academy Field

10/24 -

Football & Cheerleading

5:30 PM Academy Field



GOLDBACK UPDATES CONTINUED



NFA FOOTBALL ON FIRE

The Goldbacks are riding an impressive four- game win streak! With dominant performances on both sides of the ball, the Goldbacks have found their rhythm and are playing with passion, precision, and pride. The teams chemistry and strong leadership has powered them through some tough matchups. NFA football is rolling, and the excitement is building for what's next!



Lady Goldbacks Serving up Success

NFA's tennis team had an outstanding showing at the county tournament this week, highlighted by Vivienne Bucci's incredible run to the finals! The team's hard work and sportsmanship was on full display as they represented NFA with pride. With Sections this week our Lady Goldbacks are ready to keep the momentum going and make an even bigger impact on the court this week.

Athletic Director's ShoutOut

This week we would like to give a huge thank you to all of our coaches for their dedication, hard work, and commitment to our student-athletes. Your leadership, guidance, and encouragement on and off the field, helps our students grow not only as athletes, but as confident, resilient individuals. From early morning practices to late-night games your passion and commitment does not go unnoticed. The positive impact you make on our teams and our school community is truly invaluable, and we are grateful for everything you do to lead our Goldbacks to success!

- Chris Herrera

Girls Varsity Swim

The NFA girls swim team continues to impress in the pool, showcasing teamwork and steady improvement with each meet. Leading the way is Vivien Piscitella, who is not only seeded in the top 8 of our section, but has also taken first place in every breaststroke event during dual meets so far this season. Come support these girls as they continue to make waves heading into the final stretch of the season!

Boys Soccer Top 5 NYS Ranking

The NFA boys soccer team continues its impressive season, earning recognition as the highest-ranked Section 9 team in the state. With a strong mix of skill, discipline and teamwork, the Goldbacks have battled through tough competition and consistently risen to the challenge. Their focus and teamwork has made them a force to be reckoned with as they push toward postseason play!