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THE NEWSLINE

Official Newsletter of Marist Catholic High School



A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE

Dear Marist Families,

Our first quarter of the school year is coming to a close. This is a good opportunity to thank all Marist families for their strong support of our effort to protect the health and safety of students and staff as well helping keep school open and in person learning happening. We know students thrive when they are surrounded by peers and caring adults. By keeping students home when they are sick, communicating with us quickly if they test positive for Covid-19, and reinforcing the on campus distance and masking rules we are able to provide an increasingly “normal” high school experience and an exceptional academic experience for our students. Thank you. It is very much a community success story and we could not have gotten this far without the support and good will of our families.

The following are important dates for the month of November:

- **November 5:** First Quarter Ends
- **November 5:** Digital Learning Day (more information to follow at a later date)
- November 15: First Day of Winter Sports
- **November 18-19:** Conferences
 - If you have yet to sign up you have until NOVEMBER 3 to request a meeting with your student's teacher. [CLICK HERE TO SIGN UP.](#)
 - El documento solicitud para las conferencias, haga clic [IMPRIMIR.](#)

Blessings,

Andy Oldham
Interim Principal

Add the official Marist calendar to your Google Calendar to keep up to date on all future events!

NEWS AROUND CAMPUS

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION DEADLINE EXTENDED TO NOVEMBER 3!

[Click here to sign-up](#)
[Spanish Conference Request form](#)

Dress Code Reminders & Clarifications

Over the last 18 months, there have been countless things on our minds. We have done our best to cultivate a safe and comfortable learning environment amid a global pandemic. Through all this constant change, one area of our student culture that has seen somewhat of a lapse has been the dress code. Our dress code is a means to help students cultivate an understanding of presenting themselves in different situations through their attire and appearance. When students returned to campus last spring, we did not emphasize or enforce the dress code. As we work with students to reacclimatize to "normal" school experience and environment, we have noticed an overwhelming number of students not following dress code.

- **Sweatpants:** There are NO sweatpants allowed during the school day. The only exception to this is on Fridays when it is a relaxed dress day on campus.
- **Leggings:** There are NO leggings allowed during the school day. Students may wear leggings underneath a sweatshirt or dress as long as the top comes down to no higher than 4 inches above the knee cap.
- **Shorts:** Shorts cannot be athletic or sweatpants material. Shorts also must be no higher than 4 inches above the knee, regardless of gender.
- **Dresses/Skirts:** Dresses and skirts must be no higher than 4 inches above the knee. The rule is the same for Mass days and days where students must dress formally like game days.
- **Midriff:** Students' midriffs must remain covered at all times. Including while taking on and off a backpack, reaching above their heads, or any other activity throughout the day. If students cannot perform these tasks without their midriff showing, they are considered out of the dress code.

If students are out of dress code, we follow the following protocol, which is listed in the student handbook:

- **1st dress code:** A verbal/written warning and a call home. If the circumstance is more extreme, we will require the student to change into clothes we provide or have parents bring a change of clothes.
- **2nd dress code:** Students required to change and parents notified. Students must also serve a 30-minute detention.
- **3rd dress code:** Students are required to change and will serve a 60-minute detention. Parents will be contacted by the Campus Monitor or Assistant Principal.
- **4th dress code:** Students are required to change, and a campus beautification (Community Service) will be scheduled with the Campus Monitor or Assistant Principal.

We thank you in advance for your support by ensuring that your student is in the dress code when they come to school.

AROUND CAMPUS

2022-23 Admissions Application is Open!

Application for Admission The application for the 2022-23 Academic Year is LIVE! Visit <https://www.marisths.org/admissions.html> and apply today. Submit your application before the end of December and no application fee is required.

Lunch Time at Marist

Families, we need your help. Marist does not have a staffed or stocked cafeteria during the pandemic. The USDA extended the free meal program for the 21-22 school year. Through this program, 4J supplies Marist with grab-and-go lunches for those students that order ahead of time. The pre-ordered lunches provided by 4J are brought to us a moment before lunch begins, and volunteers have graciously stepped up to prep and hand out these lunches, under the assumption that the students picking up a lunch have ordered it.

The students are provided a lunch menu and order form every week via Schoology to order lunch when they need it. Unfortunately, many times, students that followed the protocol to receive the free lunch have gone without due to students that did not order a lunch taking one anyway.

This is where we need your help. Talk to your student about lunch. Emphasize that if they aren't bringing their lunch from home, they **MUST** order it ahead of time and please not take one if they did not order it.

I am a former foster kid. Sometimes the school lunch was the only meal I had for the day. It was embarrassing having peers look at me when I had to show my red token to the lunch ladies when receiving my free lunch. But nowadays, with the USDA free lunch meal program, there is no embarrassment in the lunch line; everyone is equal, no red tokens, just grab and go. But when there isn't enough food for all because someone didn't fill out the form, what do you tell those hungry kids? We can't just say, "Sorry, you can't eat today." Recently, we had someone donate cup of noodles to those students. But we can't rely on that. We also can't ask 4J for more than is ordered by the students per the program's rules.

Please, ask your student if they ordered lunch for the day. If they didn't, have them bring one from home. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Mrs. Acton

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AROUND CAMPUS

Mia Michel '22 Named Commended Scholar



In October, senior Mia Michel was recognized as a Commended Scholar by the 2022 National merit Scholarship Program for her academic excellence and promise. She was one of nearly two million high school students across the country who took the 2020 PSAT/NMSQT last spring to qualify for entry into the National Merit competition!

Gearing up for Winter Sports Season

Winter Sports practices begin on November 15. All students interested in girls basketball, boys basketball or swimming need to complete the Athletic Clearance if this is the first Marist sport played this year. (This doesn't sound right)

Both the student and a parent need to complete the Athletic Clearance one time per school year. Each student must complete a participation agreement, and a parent/guardian must complete a participation agreement.

Additionally, each participating athlete must have a current sports physical on file in the Marist main office. Completed forms can be sent to Fatima Mora Flores or dropped off in the main office.

Check the team calendars for practice times beginning November 15. If you have questions, contact the head coach or Fatima Mora Flores in the Marist main office.

Winter Sports baseline ImPACT testing is happening on November 3, 9, and 10. ImPACT testing is part of our concussion management protocol for athletics.

Freshman and Junior student-athletes who did not take their baseline for a fall sport, or any student who has not taken their baseline in the past, must sign up to be eligible for their winter sport.

Please sign-up for a day/time at:

<https://signup.com/go/xOvXGmM>.

NHS Inducts New Members

On October 27, Marist's chapter of the National Honor Society (NHS) held its annual Induction Ceremony in the gym. Marist's chapter has been active since 1949, and we are proud to continue this tradition today. The ideals held most dear by the club are Scholarship, Leadership, Service, and Character.

This year NHS is led by an outstanding group of senior officers, including President: Duncan Yozzo; Vice Presidents: Madison Fuller and Sofia James; Secretary: Amelia Watts; Treasurer: Jack Conway; Tutoring Chairperson: Mia Michel; and Member Relations Officers: Conner Chase, Mary Culver, Samantha Mattox, Trent McQuaid, and Sandhya Vaikuntam. The 35 new members are: Madelyn Baker-Fones, Benjamin Blonigen, Sage Bus, Avery Carlin, Alexandra Chavez, Kylah Cobarrubias, Sofia Ferrari, Henry Gonyea, Evan Hackstadt, Zachary Hagengruber, Ethan Hakala, Taryn Hanes, Tyler Harding, Reeve Helvoigt, Madison Holmes, Jack Kiefer, Isaac King, Amalie Knight-Sheen, Logan Letourneau, Ava Light, Sophia Mahalak, Paige Meador, Madeline Miller, Elizabeth Mojica Gonzales, Brooks Montoya, Roman Rasmussen, Evan Rice, Greenley Robinson, Elias Santin, Luke Shah, Camryn Sydow, Sam Thornton, Cole Tyner, Orion van Buskirk, and James Warner.

ADVANCEMENT

The **FUND** for Marist *We Are One*

Your Fund for Marist letter requesting support for Marist students will arrive early next month. There are many important reasons why support from our current families is vital to our success.

- Tuition only covers 85% of the cost to educate each student. The **Fund for Marist** gifts help provide the **additional** financial support necessary to fill the revenue gap.
- All donations, regardless of amount, help us maintain small class sizes, provide technology for 21st century learning, keep Marist accessible, attract and retain the best teachers and offer a faith-filled academic environment that prepares your student for college and beyond.
- 100% participation in the **Fund for Marist** powerfully enhances outreach to the larger community - alumni, past parents, businesses and private foundations. As we request support, often the first question we are asked is, "How many current families give to the Fund for Marist?" Help us answer that question with confidence and assure that every Marist student benefits from your generosity.

We are thankful that you are part of the Marist family and grateful for the many blessings that make Marist so unique.

Make a gift (you don't have to wait) to the Fund for Marist today. Thank You!



Parent Volunteer Opportunity

Looking to meet other parents & get a glimpse into your teenager's social life? Come and volunteer! We need volunteers to help with Lunch Service, especially on Wednesdays and Fridays. You can sign up directly online by [clicking here](#).

Need more information? Contact Vivi at volunteers@marisths.net Please note, expressing an interest in volunteering does not obligate you in any way. Thanks for your consideration!

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Lilly Storment '14
Broker- Evans, Elder, Brown & Seubert



COUNSELOR'S CORNER

ALL FAMILIES

CONTACTING THE COUNSELOR

Please feel free to reach out to your student's counselor at any time.

Email is the fastest way to connect.

- **Shari Pimental**
 - Grade 9 (A-L), Grade 10-12 (A-KI) spimental@marisths.org
- **Jacob Copley**
 - Grade 9 (M-Z), Grade 10-12 (Km-Z) jcopley@marisths.org

SENIOR FAMILIES

COLLEGE APPLICATIONS

- The college application process is well underway!
- November 1 was the first major early application option offered by some colleges. Your student should submit their completed applications by November 1, if not before, to meet the deadline.
- November 15 and December 1 are common early options as well. Regular (i.e., final) deadline options will be coming up as early as November 15 (the University of Washington) or November 30 (California Public Universities)
- Most other colleges' final deadlines will be January 1 or later.
- **Always check the college's website for the exact deadline details and other information.**
- For most students, applications to four-year universities should be completed and submitted by Mid-December.
- Most students who stick to this timeline will be glad they did. Two possible exceptions would be students doing much better academically now than in past years. They may benefit from making sure their first semester grades are included in their admittance consideration.
- Students applying to Lane Community College and other two-year colleges can wait until after Christmas Break to begin applications.

UPDATING NAVIANCE

- Seniors need to keep their college list in Naviance updated and accurate, not just in Common App
- Non-Common App colleges need to be manually entered into Naviance
- This should be done throughout the application process.
- It is how the counselor knows what to send, where to send, and by what deadline.
- In the "**Colleges I am Applying to**" tab, students indicate which colleges they are applying to, how they are applying (using the Common Application or not), when they are applying (meaning which application deadline, such as Early Action, Early Decision, Rolling, Regular Decision).
- The program also lets us know once a student has submitted their application and requested their transcripts sent. **Counselors will not send the school forms until a student has submitted their application.**
- Once students hear back from colleges, the admission decision should also be updated. (Admitted, denied, deferred, waitlisted etc.)

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SENIOR FAMILIES

COMMON APPLICATION MATCHING – Really Important

- Students using the Common Application to apply to more schools also need to link their Common App account with their Naviance account.
- The FERPA waiver must be completed first and then link the account.
- This is necessary because counselors need to submit the school forms for the application of those colleges.
- The only way we can do that is if the accounts are linked. If a student has a question regarding linking, there is a video on our college planning site on the Marist counseling page.
- www.screencast.com/t/gxEQkElyo1

FINANCIAL AID NIGHT RECAP

The presentation is available on our College Planning page on the counseling page on the Marist website <http://counseling.marisths.org/>.

- Some colleges may additionally require the CSS Profile (about 140 colleges listed here). Check the financial aid webpage of the college to see the deadline. A few colleges may have additional requirements.
 - <https://cssprofile.collegeboard.org/pdf/css-profile-student-guide.pdf>
- **FAFSA**
 - The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is the form students, and families need to fill out to get any financial aid from the federal government to help pay for college. This form is available beginning **October 1** of a student's senior year.

Scholarship Alerts

Elks Most Valuable Student (MVS) Scholarship \$1000, varies Deadline: November 15, 2021

Information Night for Elks Scholarships

When: Monday, November 8, 6:00 pm

Where: Eugene Elks Lodge, 2470 W 11th Ave. Eugene, OR 97402

Who: Senior Parents and Students interested in learning more?

Topics Covered:

1. The Most Valuable Student Award: How to apply and helpful hints
2. The local Eugene Elks Scholarships: How to apply
3. The Heritage Scholarships for Children and Grandchildren of Elks Members
4. The Oregon Elks Grant for Vocational/Technical Schools

Ford Scholars Covers 90% of Unmet Need Deadline: March 1, 2021

OSAC Various Amounts Deadline: February 15, 2021, and March 1, 2021

Additional scholarship information will be posted in the Newline and Schoology group for the class of 2022

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JUNIOR FAMILIES

- The best thing for your student is to concentrate on doing the highest quality schoolwork they can do.
- One of the most important stepping stones to future success in college is accepting the challenge of rigorous courses.
- Juniors should explore Naviance and complete the "Do What You Are" under the "About Me" tab.
- The Do What You Are will help students learn about their personality, strengths, blind spots and more! The student will also see suitable careers and majors.
- Create a college list – Colleges I'm Thinking About
- If your student does not know their username or password, they should contact their counselor.
- **Attend virtual and in-person college visits on the Marist campus. Students need to register in Naviance and have permission from their teacher to attend.**

SOPHOMORE FAMILIES

- Counselors will be checking in with sophomores during late November and early December.
- Please encourage your student to reach out to their counselor for questions or concerns.
- Students should take every opportunity to use teacher office hours.

FRESHMEN FAMILIES

- Please encourage your student to use teacher office hours during the week.
- Meet with your student at least once a week to go through Schoology with them.
 - Treat it like a business meeting
 - Give your student a chance to explain grades, missing work, up-and-coming work, and activities that they have for the week.
- Please reach out to your student's counselor if your student is struggling

Visit our
College Counseling Website!

<http://counseling.marisths.org/>

CAMPUS MINISTRY

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JULIE FERRARI - ASSISTANT CAMPUS MINISTRY/LITURGY & CHRISTIAN SERVICE COORDINATOR

RETREATS

Thank you for your prayers for our junior men who just attended the first Encounter of the year! It was our first regular student retreat in close-to-normal practice – an entire weekend, at a camp, doing most of the usual stuff. By all reports, it was an excellent retreat!

JUNIOR WOMEN'S ENCOUNTER. Junior women should be signing up for their Encounter, with a choice of November 20-22 or February 26-28. Please sign up right away (even for February) so that we can get a good start on our preparations for your St. Benedict time-away! Contact Mrs. Baker if you have questions.

SOPHOMORE GIRLS JOURNEY RETREAT. Information will be coming out soon regarding the Sophomore Girls Journey Retreat. You will be able to sign up for your choice of weekend, Dec. 4-5 OR Feb. 12-13. We ask that you sign up by the November deadline regardless of the retreat you plan to attend so that we can prepare. The cost is \$35. Contact Mrs. Ferrari if you have questions.

SENIOR METANOIA RETREAT. This year we will offer three weekend options for the Metanoia Retreat to keep numbers at a safe level for our time at St. Benedict's. The dates are January 14-16, January 28-30, OR February 18-20. Registration will need to take place in December to provide adequate preparation time. Information will be coming out in November. The cost is \$135. Contact Mr. Ferrari or Mrs. Boyd if you have questions.

SENIORS WHO DID NOT ATTEND ENCOUNTER LAST YEAR. Any seniors interested in attending an Encounter are encouraged to sign up and join the juniors!

LITURGY

During November, the Catholic Church remembers deceased loved ones in prayer. Our school community invites you to stop by (or have your student do this for you) and write the names of your own beloved dead in our "Book of Remembrance" in the Chapel. These people will be remembered in a special way at our weekday November Masses and on Thursday mornings when the staff gathers to pray.

SUICIDE AWARENESS & PREVENTION

TALKING TO OUR TEENS ABOUT SUICIDE IS ESSENTIAL!

Please attend the parent workshop on MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8, from 7 – 8:30 p.m. IN THE ARC to find out what to look for, say, and do.

- The youth suicide rate is the highest since 1960 when statistics became available (Journal of the American Medical Association).
- Suicide is the second leading cause of death in Oregon for youth ages 10-24.

SUICIDE AWARENESS & PREVENTION IS EVERYBODY'S BUSINESS!

Questions or concerns? Contact Julie Ferrari at jferrari@marisths.org or 541. 681. 5479.

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CHRISTIAN SERVICE

Senior Parents: Again, many thanks to the members of the Class of 2021 who have completed their Christian service hours! The final reflection requirements are due December 15, and the completion conferences with members of the Leadership Team will take place 2nd semester through theology classes.

Special congratulations to the following seniors who completed 50 or more service hours (and were not acknowledged in the October Newsliner):

Kylie Hescocock

Ethan Nguyen

Junior Parents: Verification of the first 15 hours of service is due November 3, worth 10% of their Theology grade. Journal entries #1 - #3 are due November 8/9, worth 10% of their theology grade. Please remember that the service must be to people experiencing disadvantaged circumstances (poverty, needing an assisted living facility, significant disabilities or illness, at-risk home environment). See the CSE Manual for a list of pre-approved agencies.

Upcoming Events

November 1	Solemnity of All Saints Mass
November 3	All-Freshmen Retreat (day retreat held at school)
November 8	Suicide Awareness & Prevention Parent Workshop (7 p.m. in the ARC)
November 20-22	Junior Women's Encounter #1
December 4-5	Sophomore Girls Journey Retreat #1
December 8	Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception Mass
December 17	Christmas Prayer Service
January 5	Epiphany Mass
January 14-15	Senior Metanoia Option #1
January 28-30	Senior Metanoia Option #2
February 5-6	Sophomore Boys Journey Retreat
February 12-14	Junior Men's Encounter #2
February 12-13	Sophomore Girls Journey Retreat #2
February 18-20	Senior Metanoia Option #3
February 26-28	Junior Women's Encounter #2

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