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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 has come to a close! I hope you are all enjoying the transition to our lovely fall weather. We have numerous calendar irregularities in November, with Parent Conferences and the holidays. Some of the most notable items are listed below, but please keep a close eye on our electronic calendar, and as always, let us know if you have any questions or concerns.

The following are important dates for November:

- November 3 - Digital Learning Day
 - We will practice a "Digital Learning Day" for all 7 classes. You should have received an email on 10/26 with more information. If you have questions or concerns, please contact Andy Oldham at aoldham@marisths.org
- November 3,4,10,11 - Marist Theatre Presents Alice in Wonderland
 - [Purchase tickets online.](#)
- November 10: No school - In observance of Veterans Day
- November 13: First day of Winter Sports
 - Make sure your student has had a current sport physical and you've filed out the Athletic Clearance paperwork for them to participate. More information is available at athletics.marisths.org/athleticclearance
- November 15: Suicide Awareness and Prevention Parent and Guardian Workshop
- November 15: Fall Music Concert
- November 16-17: Parent Teacher Conferences
- November 17: No school - Conferences
 - You should have received an email regarding booking conferences online this year on 10/12. You can see the steps to create a parent account and booking conferences [here.](#)
- November 23-24: No School - Thanksgiving Break

Blessings,

Bob Fraley

NEWS AROUND CAMPUS

Textbook Fees

The flat rate for each student is \$200. As noted in earlier communications to families, Marist partnered with eCampus this year to provide textbooks and digital licenses to standardize costs and ensure materials are available. If you still need to, please [pay the fee at this link](#) or send a check to the front office.

Register and Book Your Conferences Now!

In-Person – Thursday, November 16 (5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.)

Virtual via ZOOM – Friday, November 17 (9:00 a.m. – Noon)

You can see the steps to create a parent account and booking conferences [here](#).

Once you register, you will receive an email with your login information. Keep this in a safe place for later. If your email program flags automated emails as junk mail, you may want to add

"appointments@schoolsoft.ca" to your email address book. You will receive an email before the start of your conference as a reminder.

If you book a Virtual Conference, please watch the [Virtual Conference How to Video](#). You do not need a ZOOM account. However, if you are using an iPhone or Android device, you may be required to download the ZOOM app. We suggest you test the process a few days prior to conference day. If you have difficulty, contact our IT department at help@marisths.org

If you need any help, please contact Mrs. Acton, either by phone at 541-686-2234 ext. 1524., or by email: sacton@marisths.org.

Ping Pong Tables Needed!

Due to significant interest Marist is forming a Ping Pong Club. Hence, we are searching for ping pong tables that you may not be using. If you have such a table and would like to donate it to the Ping Pong Club please e-mail Mr. Chronister at mchronister@marisths.org

Check Out Chess!

Midwestern Chess League starts its season after Thanksgiving. Marist plays weekly matches against other schools. To learn more, join the Marist Chess Schoology page or contact Mr. Nuxoll.

NHS Induction Ceremony

Marist's chapter of the National Honor Society (NHS) held its Induction Ceremony on Thursday, October 19th. Members were selected by a Faculty Council based on the four pillars of Scholarship, Service, Leadership, and Character.

The NHS is led by a driven group of senior officers: Co-Presidents Christina Nguyen and Claire Saxman; Secretary Ava Konrady; Vice President of Scholarship, Austin Murray; Vice President of Philanthropy, Elizabeth Tucker; and Vice President of Engagement, Esha Reddy. The new members are:

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William Barsotti
Jack Brotherton
Sheppard Brown
Cade Burggren
Michael Coffey
Annie Culver
Ryder Dame
Giana Elgarico
Lillian Foerstler
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Sean Freepons
Violet Garcia Mell
Kaylynn Guevara
Robbie Harden
Emma Hart
Alexa Henderson
Miranda Hopkins
Raith Huffman
Sophie Kamaru
George Knight-Sheen
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Caiden Larsen
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Elias Michel
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Order your 2023-2024 yearbook early!

Keep up with Marist on social media!



COUNSELOR'S CORNER

CONTACTING THE COUNSELOR

Please feel free to reach out to your student's counselor anytime. Email is the fastest way to connect.

Shari Pimental

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Jacob Copley

Grade 9-11 (M-Z), Grade 12 (Km-Z) jcopley@marisths.org

SENIOR FAMILIES

Applications

- The college application process is well underway!
- November 1 was the first major early application option offered by some colleges.
- November 15 and December 1 are also 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 exceptions would be students who are doing much better academically now than in past years and 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, 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 to have 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.)

Common Application Matching – Really Important

- Students using the Common Application to apply to one or more schools also need to link their Common App account with their Naviance account.
- The FERPA waiver must be completed first and then linked to 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 located 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 **December 1 tentatively this year due to changes in the FAFSA.**

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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 Newslane and Schoology group for the Class of 2024

JUNIOR FAMILIES

- The best thing for your student is to concentrate on doing the highest quality schoolwork he/she can do.
- One of the most significant stepping stones to future success in college is accepting the challenge of rigorous courses.
- Counselors will be holding a College Planning season, reviewing Naviance, and leading juniors through an activity during advisory.
- 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 the teacher's office hours.

FRESHMAN FAMILIES

- Please encourage your student to use the teacher's office hours during the week.
- Meet with your student at least once a week to go through schoology with them.
 - o Treat it like a business meeting.
 - o Give your student a chance to explain grades, missing work, up-and-coming work, as well as activities that they have for the week.
- Please reach out to your student's teacher if your student is struggling.
- If you could not attend Freshmen Parent, please refer to our college planning page to view the presentation. Available in English and Spanish.
- <http://counseling.marisths.org/>

CAMPUS MINISTRY

DR. RICK MARTIN - DIRECTOR OF CAMPUS MINISTRY & FORMATION; RETREAT COORDINATOR
JULIE FERRARI - ASSISTANT CAMPUS MINISTER; LITURGY & CHRISTIAN SERVICE COORDINATOR

Retreats

ENCOUNTERS: As announced last month, this year, we will offer three Encounter retreats for juniors and seniors (who have not yet made an Encounter):

- Nov. 18-20, 2023 – Women's Only
- Feb. 10-12, 2024 – Men's Only
- Feb. 24-26, 2024 – Coed

Each retreat has a maximum number of attendees allowed. While there is room for all, it is essential to REGISTER BY NOVEMBER 1, 2023, to make sure that all have a space. After that date, limited space may close weekends.

DEADLINES:

- Nov. 18-20 Women's Only Encounter: Deadline for registration and fee is November 1. Late registrations are accepted only if space permits – contact Mrs. Baker
- Feb. 10-12 Men's Only Encounter: Deadline for registration is November 1, fee due January 19. Late registrations are accepted until full, or January 19, whichever comes first. Contact Mr. Oldham or Mr. Moser.
- Feb. 24-26 Coed Encounter: Deadline for registration is November 1, fee due February 7.

Late registrations are accepted until full, or February 7, whichever comes first. Contact Mr. Oldham or Mr. Moser. Remember that a scholarship is available if needed! Just indicate need on the form.

SOPHOMORE JOURNEY RETREATS are just around the corner:

- Dec. 2-3, 2023 Girls
- Feb. 3-4, 2024 Boys
- Feb. 10-11, 2024 Girls

Watch for details coming out soon!

SENIOR METANOIA RETREAT: This year, we will offer two weekend options for the co-ed Metanoia Retreat taking place at St. Benedict's Lodge in McKenzie Bridge. The dates are:

- Jan. 12-14, 2024 OR
- Feb. 17-19, 2024

There is limited space available on each. Registration will begin soon to provide adequate preparation time and allow family scheduling. Contact Mrs. Boyd if you have questions.

Liturgy

During the month of November, the Catholic Church remembers deceased loved ones in prayer. At the conclusion of our All Saints Mass, your student was invited to write the names of their beloved dead in our "Book of Remembrance." This book is kept in the chapel throughout the month of November and all of those listed will be remembered in a special way at our November Masses and when our staff gathers to pray together.

Christian Service

Senior Parents: Again, many thanks to the members of the Class of 2024 who have completed their Christian service hours! The final reflection requirements are due December 11, and the completion conferences will take place 2nd semester through theology classes.

Special congratulations to two seniors who completed over 150 hours beyond the 50-hour requirement!

Kaylynn Guevara – 240 hours at the Genesis Summer Reading Academy

Elizabeth Tucker – 215 hours at the Genesis Summer Reading Academy

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Christian Service cont.

Junior Parents: Verification of the first 10 hours of service and the 2 corresponding journal reflections were due on October 30. This graduation requirement is also worth 10% of your student's Theology grade. Please remember that the service must be to people experiencing disadvantaged circumstances (poverty, in need of an assisted living facility, significant disabilities or illness, at-risk home environment). See the CSE Manual for a list of pre-approved agencies.

Suicide Awareness & Prevention

TALKING TO OUR TEENS ABOUT SUICIDE IS ESSENTIAL!

Please attend the parent workshop on **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, FROM 7 – 8:30 p.m. IN THE ARC** to find out what to look for, what to say, and what to do.

✓ The youth suicide rate is the highest it has been 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.

Peace & Justice Day

We had a very successful event on October 18, featuring keynote speaker Dr. Alice Prince (www.catholicanddiverse.com; www.pathwaysunited.org). Dr. Prince encouraged the students to love themselves and then extend that love to others so it can transform humanity. The students came away with the message to run toward their dreams and to believe they are unstoppable!

The other presentations were "Dining with Dignity" by Josie McCarthy, program manager of Food For Lane County's The Dining Room, "Land Acknowledgment & Cultural Awareness" by Josh Davies, 4J NATIVES Program, "Unconventional Humility: Finding the Lesson in the Line of Service" by Amber Alexander, a yoga instructor at the Oregon State Corrections Institution, and "Our New Neighbors" by David Ross & Zoë Livelybrooks from the Refugee and Immigration Services Program at Catholic Community Services. David and Zoë were joined by Zubair, a 14-year refugee from Afghanistan. The post-reflections revealed that many students were deeply impacted by the stories they heard and left the event with an appreciation for the struggles of others and a stronger desire to recognize the value of ALL people.

Important Dates at a Glance

- November 14 Suicide Awareness & Prevention Parent Workshop (7 p.m. in the ARC)
- November 18-20 Junior Women's Encounter
- December 1-12 Advent Angel Project in Theology classes
- December 2-3 Sophomore Girls Journey Retreat
- December 8 Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception Mass (10:25 a.m. in the Gym)
- December 15 Christmas Prayer Service & Concert (10:20 a.m. in the gym)

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!

DONATE TODAY

The Marist Foundation Scholarship application is live online!

The scholarship committee will award more than 75 scholarships (ranging from \$500 to \$2,500) to deserving Marist students for the upcoming 2023-24 academic year. If you would like to apply, please visit the Admissions page on the Marist website. The application deadline is midnight on February 21, 2023. Good Luck!

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