

MARIAN CATHOLIC DAILY BULLETIN – FRIDAY – JANUARY 12, 2018

PARENTS

- **This Week:**
- **Friday, January 12:** Jostens Rep here all lunch periods: last day for Class Rings & Grad Announcements Orders

- **Coming Up Next Week:**
- **Monday, January 15: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - No School**
- **Tuesday, January 16:** Band Parent Meeting
- **Friday, January 19:** Dress Down to benefit Model UN
- **Saturday, January 20:** Parents Club Trivia Night

- **Class Rings & Grad Orders:** The Jostens rep will be at Marian during all lunch periods this Friday to accept orders and payments for class rings and graduation announcements. This is the last day for orders for these items!

- **Parents Club Trivia Night!** Join us on Saturday, January 20 for a fun evening of trivia competition! Tables will compete against one another for prizes on such topics as music, history, sports, movies, TV and more. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. and the games begin at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$10 per person for this 21+ event. Bring your own food, drinks, and paper goods. [Click here](#) to reserve your spot! Volunteers are also needed to help out that night and you may sign-up through the link on the registration page. Hope to see you there!

- **Save the date for Veritas II:** Saturday, February 24, 2018 at Passo's at 311. Veritas II is a scholarship benefit which supports talented students pursuing a Marian Catholic education. Marian Catholic has committed to provide scholarship opportunities for over 30 years. In order to continue this tradition of generous giving for years to come, we are hosting this scholarship benefit to help promote and support the many scholars at Marian Catholic. Please [click here](#) for complete information and to purchase tickets.

- **Payment of AP Test Fees and Transportation Fees:** Fees for Transportation and AP Tests are now included on general tuition statements. To pay these fees, [please click here](#) for the link to make these payments. The link can also be found on the Marian Catholic website under the Parents tab. AP Test Fees are included on tuition statements beginning in November, and must be paid by February. **Please note that each fee must be processed separately and are paid through this link and not the on-line tuition link.**

- **Marian Catholic High School Driver Education January 2018:** Marian Catholic High School is offering a session of classroom driver education on the following dates: January 12,13,18,19,20,22,25,26,27,29,30 and 31, 2018. **CLASSES ARE ON WEEKDAYS FROM 3-5P.M. AND SATURDAYS FROM 8:00A.M. – NOON. ALL DATES ARE MANDATORY.** Class will be held in Room 120. Students should enter through the main office doors on Saturdays and exit through back hall doors all days. All students **MUST BE 15 YEARS OF AGE** by the end of the classroom instruction. The cost for the classroom instruction is \$100 and needs to be paid as follows: **\$80 check or money order only made payable to Marian Catholic High School (due at time of registration)** and a **\$20 money order only made payable to the Illinois Secretary of State**, for the driving permit and paid directly to the instructor the first day of class. Registration is on a first come first served basis (22 student maximum) in the main office. **NO REFUNDS WILL BE GIVEN. IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PARENT/GUARDIAN TO ENROLL THE STUDENT IN THE BEHIND-THE-WHEEL INSTRUCTION AT A FACILITY OF THEIR CHOICE. DRIVER EDUCATION IS NOT COMPLETE UNTIL BOTH CLASSROOM AND BEHIND-THE-WHEEL INSTRUCTION ARE COMPLETED BY THE STUDENT.**

- **Scholarships and Tuition Assistance Applications** for the 2018-2019 school year are available through the Marian Catholic website under the Parents and/or Admissions tabs. [Please click here](#) for complete information. Applications submitted in their entirety by October 10th are already being reviewed. A complete application includes the online application, tax forms, and parent and student essays. It is also necessary to have submitted a thank you letter if tuition assistance was offered for the current school year. The second wave of scholarship review will focus on those applications completed and submitted according to the October 30th deadline. **Late applications will be accepted; however, they will not be reviewed until the committee has completed their work on those submitted during the early application process and those that were submitted on time.** Please do not email parent or student essays as committee members find it easiest to highlight important information and make notes as they are reading the essays.

STUDENTS

- **Library Aides:** Sophomores and above, if you wish to be a library aid, or seniors, if you want to be a Senior Perk, the deadline to sign up is Friday, January 19th in the library. Thanks! Mrs. S.

- **Men's & Women's Soccer:** There will be an organizational meeting for those planning to play Boys or Girls Soccer on Friday at 2:30 p.m. in the Study Hall.

- **Men's & Women's Track & Field:** If you plan on joining the Track & Field team this upcoming season you **MUST** place your uniform and warm-up order. Stop by Room 140 to pick up an order form. **These are new uniforms, so all team members must purchase, even returning team members.** Thank you!
- **After School Tutoring:** Students, this is just a reminder that there is tutoring after school in the Bracha Center (Room 131) from 2:30 pm-3:15 pm, Monday- Friday. This tutoring is now open to all students in all grade levels. There is a Math and English teacher every day as well as a counselor. Starting today there will also be a Science teacher two days a week, every Tuesday and Thursday.

CAMPUS MINISTRY

- **Morning Mass** is celebrated on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 7:05 AM in the Student Chapel. Athletic teams and extracurricular clubs are always welcome to attend Mass as a group. If you would like Mass said for a special intention, please see Fr. O'Mara or Mr. Thirstrup in Campus Ministry. All are welcome!
- **The Dominican Blessing:** At the end of every school day, we pray as a school community the Dominican Blessing: May God Creator bless us, may God Redeemer heal us. May the Holy Spirit enlighten us, and give us all we need: eyes to see with, ears to hear with, hands to do the work of God; feet for walking, mouths for preaching words of saving power. May the Angel of Peace watch over us and lead us by God's grace to the Kingdom. Amen.

SPORTS

- **Please check the Marian Catholic website for any changes or cancellations.**
- **W Basketball:** vs. Joliet Catholic: S 5:30 pm; V 7:00 pm Home
- **Wrestling:** Geneseo Invite: V 4:00 pm Away
- **Saturday:**
- **Wrestling:** Geneseo Invite: V 8:00 am Away
- **Fencing:** Great Lakes Duals at Marian Catholic! 9:00 am (MCHS 1:30 pm)
- **W Basketball:** vs. Antioch at Coal City: V 1:00 pm; vs. TBD 3:00 pm Away
- **M Basketball:** vs. Dubuque Senior HS at Loras College: S 4:30 pm; V 6:30 pm Away
- **Cheerleading:** Lincoln Way Central JV/V Invitational
- **Sunday:**
- **Cheerleading:** Oak Forest JV/V Invite
- **Monday:**
- **Wrestling:** ESCC Mega Duals St. Viator: F/JV/V 9:00 am Away
- **W Basketball:** 26th Chicago Prep Classic at Willowbrook: vs. Marquette (IN) V 1:30 pm Away

GUIDANCE

- **Leadership Internship Opportunity**
- **Bank of America Student Leaders® Program:** Since its inception in 2005, the Bank of America Student Leaders Program has recognized more than 2,500 exemplary high school juniors and seniors who have a passion for improving their communities. The program helps students gain a greater understanding of how nonprofits create impact in the community and helps develop them as the next generation of community leaders through two components: **A summer eight-week paid internship with a nonprofit organization selected by the bank.** This internship is designed to provide opportunities for the students to develop and apply leadership skills through hands-on work experience, while raising their awareness of community issues addressed by their Host Organization. **The week-long, all-expense paid Student Leaders Summit in Washington, D.C. from July 8-13, 2018.** Conducted in partnership with the Close Up Foundation, the Summit introduces students to aspects of civic, social and business leadership and provides them with knowledge and skills they will use throughout their life to create positive community change. **Students can apply for the program at www.bankofamerica.com/studentleaders. Please note the application deadline of February 2, 2018.**

TAX CREDIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM IN ILLINOIS

Updated Information Regarding the New Tax Credit Scholarship Program in Illinois

The Illinois Invest in Kids Act was designed to create a more equitable formula for school funding. It includes a provision that has the potential to provide increased scholarship funds for families who choose to enroll their children at private schools including Marian Catholic. The provision allows individuals and corporations to donate to scholarship granting organizations (SGOs) and receive credit against their state taxes in return. The SGOs will then use the donated funds to grant scholarships to qualifying Illinois students to attend the private school of their choice.

Complete information about the state scholarship program for both Marian Catholic families and individuals interested in reserving a tax credit is available on the **[Marian Catholic website](http://www.mariancatholic.org)**.

Recent updates include a list of approved Scholarship Granting Organizations, important dates and specific details about the application process, as well as how to make a donation.

The **Archdiocese of Chicago** also has resources posted to their website. We strongly encourage you to read all of the information in order to be fully prepared to participate in the state scholarship program. We will continue to share further details as we receive them.

EVERYDAY ITEMS

- **iPad Responsibility/Drop-offs for Students:** Along with iPad technology comes the additional responsibility for our students to care for their electronic devices both on and off the school campus. While on campus, students are expected to keep their iPads with them whenever possible or locked in their locker. While off campus, students are responsible for charging their iPads at home in the evening so they come to school with a fully charged device to get through the school day. However, if your student forgets his or her iPad in the morning, the Main Office staff will not accept devices to be dropped off for distribution to students. Other drop-offs such as lunches, homework, etc. will also not be accepted, as this will encourage students to become more responsible. We appreciate our parents' compliance with this policy.
- **Meal Time Accounts:** If your student chooses to purchase lunch in the cafeteria, they must have funds deposited into their Meal Time account. Money may be deposited on-line with a credit card (on Marian website, under Parents, [Mealtime Online link](#)). Cash or checks may be brought to the Tuition Office/Bookstore (located near the main office) prior to 8:35 a.m. for funds to appear in your student's account that day. If you experience problems with Meal Time on-line, please call their help number at 1-800-755-0904. For your information, the MCHS cafeteria menu and price list can be found on the Marian website under Parents. Please remember that no cash is exchanged in the cafeteria.
- **Student ID's:** Students are to wear their school-issued ID on the school-issued black and white lanyard around their neck during school hours every school day. Failure to wear the lanyard and ID card will result in a detention. If students forget their ID, they may rent a temporary ID for that day at the Welcome Desk (outside of the Main Office) before 7:40 a.m. The rental fee is \$10 (\$5 for the ID & \$5 deposit), and a detention is issued. Five dollars will be returned and the detention cancelled if the ID and lanyard are returned immediately after school. If students do not return the rental ID immediately after school there is no refund and the detention stands. If students do not have the rental fee they can pay before school the next day; after that the rental fee is doubled to \$10. If a student loses their ID, they must purchase a new ID for a fee of \$5. The cost for a new lanyard is \$5. Please consult page 27 of your policy handbook for the complete ID policy.
- **After School Supervision** is provided in the Leadership Center for student who need to wait for their ride home. While in the Leadership Center a study hall environment will be maintained and students must have their student ID, remain in dress code, and use the restroom located in the Leadership Center. Students may use their cell phone for texting only and must ask a supervisor to use their cell phone to call for a ride home. Students may listen to MP3's using earbuds or headphones. Students will only be allowed to exit through the Leadership Center doors and will not be permitted to re-enter the building once they exit. Students who remain in the Leadership Center past 5:30 p.m. will be charged a \$25 fee for every 30 minutes they stay past 5:30 p.m. After school supervision in the Leadership Center is not available on days when the half-day schedule is followed. Please consult page 8 of your policy handbook regarding this policy.
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- **Student Parking Applications** are available for [download](#) from the Marian Catholic website for senior, junior, and sophomore students with a valid driver's license. The application form, signed by both student and a parent, along with a copy of the license plate registration card containing the Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) and license plate number, and the \$75 fee are to be turned into the Main Office. Security is checking cars for valid parking stickers! Please take a few minutes to review the Driving Privilege section in your policy handbook (page 8).
- **Policy for Emergency Closings:** In the event of the school needing to be closed due to severe weather or emergency conditions, families will receive a telephone message and email announcing a closing or late arrival schedule. Information will also be posted on the Marian Catholic website by 5:45 AM. Local media will also receive information through the [Emergency Closing Center](#) (please tune to your local radio/television station). Please check page 9 of your policy handbook regarding this policy.

STUDENT EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- **State Farm** agency located at 547 W. Exchange Street, in Crete, has a job opening. Please call Lauren Glen at 708-672-6644 for details or send your resume to jobs@laurenismyagent.com.