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THE NEWSLINE

Official Newsletter of Marist Catholic High School



A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE

Dear Marist Families,

We are entering the final lap of a mile-long race. That means that we still have a lot of distance in front of us! Spring at Marist introduces a number of traditions. Among these are Course selection, School-Wide standardized Testing in the form of the SAT, AP Exams, and preparation for our seniors to begin the painful and exhilarating process of leaving us.

- April 23 is School Testing Day. Freshmen, sophomores, and juniors will all be taking some variation of the SAT. Families and students will be receiving more information about this soon. Students simply need to show up for the scheduled exam with sharpened #2 pencils and an approved calculator. When students complete their testing, they are done for the day.
- On April 23, seniors will go through our annual separation preparation. This is a ritualized way of beginning the transition from a Marist student to a Marist graduate.
- AP Exams will be administered during May. The registration and payment process have already occurred. If there are questions, please reach out to our testing coordinator Fatima Mora Flores in the front office.
- Baccalaureate Mass is scheduled for June 7 at 7:00 p.m. at Marist.
- Graduation is scheduled for June 8 at 11:00 a.m. at Marist.
 - Details will be shared as plans are solidified.

Bob Fraley
Principal



2024 GRADUATION TIMELINE

Please review the timeline carefully. We want your last two months as a Marist Catholic High School student to be as stress-free and memorable to you, your parents/guardians, and your family as possible. If you have questions, please contact Ms. Underwood at 541-284-7506.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<p>Tue, April 23 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.</p>	<p><u>SEPARATION PREPARATION FOR SENIORS</u> Marist Theater Attendance is mandatory. Bring your iPad, phone and scholarship information for the graduation survey.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A speaker from the U of O, whose focus is on helping equip our seniors with tools to make healthy choices and ease the transition to college and life after high school. • There are several different components to this, including tying up loose ends of senior year (senior exit/graduation survey, class photo, picking up graduation items, etc.), • More details will follow soon, but for now seniors need to know that this is not a free day for them (but it is a free afternoon!) • Graduation Announcements will be distributed by Miner & Associates in the cafeteria hallway after the senior class picture.
<p>Wed. May 22 10:25 a.m. - 11:35 a.m.</p>	<p><u>ACADEMIC AWARDS ASSEMBLY PRESENTED BY NHS</u> Marist Gym Sponsored by the Marist High School National Honor Society Chapter, this assembly recognizes students who have excelled in each subject area during their four years. Parents and guardians are invited to the assembly and will be notified by letter in advance if their student will be recognized.</p>
<p>Fri, May 31 10:45 a.m.</p>	<p><u>SENIOR FAREWELL MASS</u> Marist Gymnasium Parents/Guardians (2 people per senior) are welcome and encouraged to attend.</p>
<p>Mon-Thurs, June 3-6</p>	<p><u>SENIOR FINALS</u> See public calendar and Schoology updates for more information in the coming weeks.</p>
<p>Wed-Fri, June 5-7</p>	<p><u>SENIOR IPAD RETURN</u> After students have completed their final exams.</p>



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<p>Thurs, June 6 11:30 a.m.</p>	<p><u>GRADUATION REHEARSAL</u> Marist Gym or Kevin Teller Field (TBA) Attendance is <u>mandatory</u>. ALL SENIORS ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND GRADUATION REHEARSAL AND BACCALAUREATE IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THE GRADUATION CEREMONY.</p> <p>Seniors will practice coming forward and crossing the stage when their names are read. This will help ensure that the college/after Marist plans and seating assignments are accurate.</p> <p>Cap and Gown kits distributed -Kits will be placed on your chair at graduation rehearsal.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Be sure to check that a gown, cap and tassel are in your package. ● Hang it up as soon as possible. ● The cap, gown and tassel are yours to keep.
<p>Fri, June 7 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p><u>BACCALAUREATE MASS</u> Marist Catholic High School Activity Center Attendance is <u>mandatory</u>.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Gowns must be worn to Baccalaureate. Please do not wear your caps. ● Seniors should arrive by 6:30 p.m. Mass begins at 7:00 p.m.
<p>Sat. June 8 11:00 a.m.</p>	<p><u>GRADUATION</u> Kevin Teller Field</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Graduates must be in the AC by 10:30 a.m. ● <u>Seating for family and guests will begin at 10:30 a.m.</u> Seating is first come, first seated. Seating will be on the home side of the field in the stadium and on the turf. ● There are no tickets for graduation this year. All seating is general seating. ● Graduate seating and stage will be tented, and all other seating will be uncovered. ● The ceremony will be live-streamed. It will not be recorded.



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<p>Mon-Fri, June 17-21 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.</p>	<p><u>GRADUATION PACKET DISBURSEMENT</u> (They are never mailed; you must pick them up.) Graduation packets, which include the legal diploma, may be picked up in the Main Office between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Graduation packets will not be given to students with incomplete graduation requirements (including Christian Service) or who have outstanding fees, fines or Marist property (iPad, athletic uniform, etc.).
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Additional Graduation Information:

- If accessible seating is needed, please contact Ms. Underwood as soon as possible at kunderwood@marisths.org or 541-284.7506.
- Traffic will be heavy, so allow an extra margin of time. We want to start the ceremony promptly at 11:00 a.m.
- Caps, gowns, and shoes must be worn at graduation. Required attire beneath the gown is slacks, shirts, and ties for men and dresses, skirts, slacks, and blouses for women. Remember, the ceremony is outside, so please dress accordingly.
- We are planning to have Graduation take place outdoors. If it rains, guests should plan accordingly. Seniors will be seated under a tent. If heavy rain is forecast, the ceremony will be moved into the gymnasium. Parents will be notified on Thursday, June 6, if the event is going to be moved indoors.

To Participate In Graduation:

- Students must have satisfactorily completed the necessary number of credits needed to meet Marist Catholic High School’s graduation requirement.
- All Christian Service hours must be completed and approved.

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SKIP DAY:

Marist Catholic High School does not approve of “Skip Day”. If students skip class for this unsanctioned event, there are no provisions for making up class time and this could result in possible disciplinary actions. In addition, the student insurance program and Marist Catholic High School will not accept liability if the student has skipped. Students who are absent are not eligible for extracurricular activities, which include practices and games/competitions.

GRAD NIGHT:

Marist does not organize or sponsor an official Grad Night event. Questions regarding an “off-campus” Grad Night activity should be directed to the event organizers.

NEWS AROUND CAMPUS



Model United Nations

Nineteen Spartans were among nearly a thousand students at the Oregon Model United Nations Conference. Marist delegates were juniors Cade Burggren, Aleksandra Lee, Luke Manning and Gwyneth Westover; sophomores Kellen Fitzpatrick, Jaxen Mazur, Shuhan Li, Michael McConaghie, Hobs Movalson, Declan Pellegrini, Jackson Skinner and Edison Yang; and freshmen Karsten Klenke, Andrew May, Madeline Papé, Scout Pellegrini, Lukas Ruocco, Renata Russell and Charlie Westover. Marist delegates represented Finland and Sweden. The three-day conference was at the University of Oregon, April 11-13.

2024-25 Scholarships

The deadline to apply for a Foundation Scholarship is fast approaching! The scholarship committee will award more than 75 need-based scholarships (ranging from \$500 to \$2,500) to deserving Marist students for the upcoming 2024-25 academic year. If you would like to apply, please visit the Admissions page on the Marist website. The application deadline is midnight February 21, 2024.



Chess Champs!

Marist chess players took top 4A honors at the 2024 Oregon High School Chess Team Association tournament. Junior Dominic Kwon, junior Logan Kast, sophomore Nick Gran, sophomore Edison Yang and freshman James Williams won medals for Marist in the March 1-2 tournament at Oregon Episcopal School in Portland. The state tournament came after the five competed in a season of Midwestern League play. Juniors Sam McLaughlin, Raith Huffman, Robbie Hardin, Alex Peterman and Sean Freepons were also regulars in weekly league matches.

Senior Sheppard Brown Earns Eagle Scout Rank

Congrats to senior Sheppard Brown who earned the rank of Eagle Scout with his Troop 282!

Keep up with Marist on social media!



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COUNSELOR'S CORNER

SENIOR FAMILIES

COLLEGE APPLICATIONS

- Most College decisions are released by the end of March or early April. Students should continue to check their emails and application portals for admissions decisions.
- **Please continue to update your admissions decisions in Naviance.**

COLLEGE SIGNING DAY

- Traditionally, May 1 is the national deadline day for students to make a deposit at their chosen college without risking losing their spot. The deposit should be made only at ONE school.
- Some universities have extended their date due to the lateness of the FAFSA. We recommend checking your application portal.
- Families should closely monitor university admission websites and contact the university with questions.

SEPARATION PREPARATION (FOR STUDENTS), APRIL 23, 9:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

SENIORS BRING YOUR IPADS

- While younger grades are testing, seniors will attend a 3-hour event on Wednesday morning.
- A speaker from the U of O whose focus is on helping equip our seniors with tools to make healthy choices and ease the transition to college and life after high school.
- There are several different components to this, including tying up loose ends of senior year (senior exit/graduation survey, class photo, picking up graduation items, etc.),
- More details will follow soon, but for now, seniors need to know that this is not a free day for them (but it is a free afternoon!)

JUNIOR FAMILIES

JUNIOR COLLEGE PLANNING NIGHT FOR PARENTS AND STUDENTS

- Thanks to all those parents and students who attended the evening.
- Students who did not attend received a red college planning folder from their counselor.
- Challenge Success offers a short video on "Fit" over Rankings. <https://vimeo.com/292846230>
- They also provide a white paper <http://challengesuccess.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/10/Challenge-Success-White-Paper-on-College-Admissions-October-2018.pdf>

PNACAC COLLEGE FAIR APRIL 28 UNIVERSITY OF PORTLAND

Free and open to the public, PNACAC fairs connect you with colleges and universities in one convenient location.

- The fair will take place on Sunday, April 28, from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the [Chiles Center on the University of Portland](#) campus. You may park in the main parking lot near the Chiles Center.
- **Students:** register in advance with [StriveScan](#) by filling out a quick form. After you sign up, StriveScan will send a barcode via text message and email.
- Present your barcode to college representatives at the college fair to receive more information about that college.
- The next day, receive an email with a report of all the colleges and representatives you met, along with contact information and social media profiles.

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COMMON APPLICATION

- All juniors that plan to apply to more than two colleges should register for a common app account at <https://www.commonapp.org/> unless your schools do not use common app.
- Students should only enter their family, personal and educational background. Please do not enter college information, as the application platform rolls over August 1.

TESTING INFORMATION

- Juniors will take the Digital SAT here at Marist on Tuesday, April 23
- All juniors have been signed up for this by Marist.
- Please note that for any other ACT or SAT test date, students register, select a testing location, and pay directly on the test agency's website, either www.sat.collegeboard.org, or www.actstudent.org.
- Fee waivers are available to eligible students based on family income- see your counselor for more info.

NAVIANCE TASKS

- Naviance is a crucial tool in the application process, as it is how every Marist student alerts us to the colleges they are applying to and requests the appropriate school forms (transcripts, letters of rec, etc.).
- Juniors are encouraged to start and/or continue using Naviance.
- Complete the Super Match and start creating a college list in the "Colleges I'm Thinking About" tab.
- Contact your counselor for help and/or questions via Schoology.
- Counselors are continuing junior one-on-one meetings for post-secondary plans.

SOPHOMORE FAMILIES

- Students can continue to make individual appointments with their counselor via a Schoology message.
- Sophomores will take the Digital PSAT10 on the April 23 testing day.
- Naviance Presentation regarding careers will take place in late April or early May.

FRESHMEN FAMILIES

- Freshmen will take the Digital PSAT9 on the April 23 testing day.
- The Naviance Presentation will take place in May.

During April and May, all students can contact counselors regarding their course requests for the 2024-2025 academic year. Message your counselor to set up a time to meet.

CAMPUS MINISTRY

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

2024-25 Retreat Team and Christian Leadership Class

We are currently processing Retreat Team and Christian Leadership Class (CLC) applications for the 2024-25 school year. The deadline for applications was March 19. This month, the process will include a review of applications and recommendations for all applicants. We are hoping to be able to announce decisions by May 10. Updates and notifications will be sent to applicants through Schoology. For all students who applied, please be aware that all applicants will be considered for these positions. For that reason, please check that you are still “enrolled” in *Sophomore CLC/RT Application* for sophomores or *Junior RT Application* class for juniors. If you have been unenrolled (the class is no longer visible in Schoology), please contact Dr. Martin immediately at rmartin@marisths.org. For information on how final selections are determined, please review the document “Selection Process,” available on the school website. On the drop-down menu under the Spiritual Life tab, select Student Faith Leadership and then Selection Process.

Christian Service Experience

Parents of Juniors: Your student should have completed 20 hours of service to those most in need and the two corresponding reflection journals (Journal #3 & #4). If this is not the case, please support your student in planning and completing the first 20 hours ASAP. Please refer to the Christian Service Manual for placement ideas. The remaining 30 hours (50 are required to graduate) are due September 23.

Parents of Sophomores: Orientation to our Christian Service Experience program, required to graduate from Marist, just took place in Ecclesiology classes. Please read the CSE Manual your student will share with you and support them in their research and reflection on where they might do their service. In May, they will create a plan for how they will complete their 50 required hours throughout the next 16 months.

Any questions you may have can be directed to Mrs. Ferrari, the CSE Coordinator, by calling 681-5479 or emailing jferrari@marisths.org.

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Liturgy

Our annual Founder's Day Mass will take place on Tuesday, May 7, at 10:20 am in the courtyard (weather permitting). We are very excited that both of our Br. Dans will be with us!

Br. Dan Grogan, past Marist Eugene administrator whose statue greets our students each morning, and Br. Dan O'Riordan, the Provincial of the Marist Brothers Province of the United States.

Easter
 blessings

ADVANCEMENT

Marist Gives

Save the Date for Marist Gives!

24 Hours to Support Tuition Assistance

Join the entire Marist community on
Thursday, May 9
and support tuition assistance during
MaristGives, our 24-hour online giving day.

You can sign-up to become
a *MaristGives* Ambassador and encourage
others to join you in supporting Marist
and all our students.

Keep an eye out for more information on
social media and our school website!

ADVANCEMENT

Thursday, May 9, 2024

**MARIST GIVES
GALA****Connect · Support · Celebrate**

Join Honorary Chairs Mark '99 & Shelley Giustina, the Marist School Board, Marist Foundation and members of the Marist community on Thursday, May 9, 2024, for the **MaristGives Gala**.

The MaristGives Gala is a dinner and social event to Connect with the Marist Community, Support tuition assistance and Celebrate the success of **MaristGives**.

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