

MARIAN CATHOLIC DAILY BULLETIN – AUGUST 10-17, 2017

PARENTS

- **Main Office Hours (due to staff meetings):**
- **Monday, August 14:** 9:00 AM-3:00 PM
- **Tuesday, August 15:** 1:00 PM-3:00 PM
- Regular Office Hours resume on Wednesday, August 16.

- **Upcoming Dates:**
- **Wednesday, August 16:** Freshman Orientation (Dismissal at 11:45 am)
- **Thursday, August 17:** Freshman Orientation (Dismissal at 2:30 pm)
- **Friday, August 18:** Welcome ALL Students! Half-Day Schedule w/d dismissal at 11:45 a.m.; Fall Sports Picture Day (after school)

- **Monday, August 21:** Regular Class Schedule (dismissal at 2:30 pm); Eclipse Field Trip
- **Tuesday, August 22:** ID Picture Make-Up Day (during Study Hall); Freshman Parent Meeting 7:00 PM Leadership Center
- **Sunday, August 27:** Family Welcome Mass 10:00 AM Chapel

- **Freshman Orientation is Wednesday, August 16 & Thursday, August 17. Students should arrive by 7:40 AM both days and report directly to their Emmaus classroom.** Wednesday will be a half-day schedule with dismissal at 11:45 a.m. Thursday will be a full-day schedule with dismissal at 2:30 p.m. Students should bring a pen and their class schedule with them both days, and their iPad on Thursday. Students do not need to bring a lunch either day. On Wednesday, freshmen are encouraged to wear their "Class of 2021" t-shirt when they received on Schedule Pick Up Day, and be in dress code from the waist down. Thursday students are to be in full Marian dress code. Freshmen parents are invited to attend the prayer service on Thursday afternoon which will begin at 2:00 PM in the Theatre. Welcome Class of 2021!

- **New Student and Parent Technology Training Sessions:** As a school that values the use of state of the art technology in the classroom, and all aspects of student life, Marian Catholic encourages students and parents to be up to date with the various systems we use to make school life run smoothly. At the same time, we recognize that it can be particularly overwhelming for incoming freshmen and transfer students and their parents to absorb so much new information. For this reason we require all incoming freshmen and transfer students, and a parent, to attend a mandatory session of technology training on how to use the multiple elements of technology associated with being part of the Marian Catholic community.
Students and parents will be trained on iPad basics and safety measures, how to purchase and download digital books, important apps to have on your iPad before school begins, using PowerSchool to view grades and attendance, how to update and view MealTime cafeteria balances, being a responsible digital citizen in the 21st century, and the Marian Catholic policies for responsible technology use.
We will offer training sessions on four evenings from 7:00-9:00 p.m., and two morning sessions on Schedule Pick-Up Day, so that families can choose a session that is most convenient to attend. **Families need only attend one of the following sessions:**

Monday, **August 14:** 7:00 p.m. To register for your session now, **please click here.**

Students and parents must bring the student's iPad with them (fully charged) to the session they choose. The evening sessions will be held in the Leadership Center (where you came for registration), and the morning session on Schedule Pick-Up day will be held in the Marian Catholic Library. We hope these sessions will be helpful in answering many of your questions so that students may get off to a smooth start in August.

STUDENTS

- **Student Parking Applications** are available for **download** from the Marian Catholic "Students" page for senior, junior, and sophomore students with a valid driver's license. Students must retain a good driving record to park in the MCHS student lot. The application form, signed by a parent and the student, along with a copy of the current license place registration card containing the Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) and license plate number, along with the \$75 fee are to be turned into the Main Office. Stickers will be issued during the first week of school.

CAMPUS MINISTRY

- **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 Peach watch over us and lead us by God's grace to the Kingdom. Amen.

EVERYDAY ITEMS

- **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.
- **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. Please note that each fee must be processed separately and are paid through this link and not the on-line tuition link.
- **iPad Responsibility:** 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.
- **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).
- **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.