



STELLA MARIS ACADEMY

Holy Rosary Campus Newsletter

November 16, 2018

Mission Statement

Commissioned by the Catholic Church, the Stella Maris Academy community prepares lifelong learners who lead, love, and serve as Jesus taught—transforming our world one student at a time

Christmas Program—Mark your calendars for Wednesday, December 19th. The students will be performing at 1:00 pm and 6:30 pm in the Cathedral. Students should wear uniforms for the 1:00 pm performance, but may dress their best for the 6:30 pm performance.

Mom's Night Out—St. John's Campus is hosting a night out for moms on November 20th. Check out the [flyer](#) for more information on this great event.

Second Grade Bake Sale—The students in second grade will be doing a few bake sales this month. All money raised will go towards gifts for the giving tree. The giving tree is sponsored by the Cathedral, and it is designed to purchase gifts for those in need during this holiday season. The students will wrap the gifts and place them under the tree. All baked goods will be sold for under \$1.

Scrip Program— What is Scrip, and how can it help the school? This is how it works. You order gift cards for businesses from the scrip website at full value. You can use the cards to shop, and a percentage of each gift card purchased goes directly to SMA. No need to solicit or sell, just use gift cards at most businesses. SMA is looking into the possibility of offering this great service for the Christmas season. We are looking for volunteers who would be interested in helping on Monday and Thursday mornings. We would only do this through the Christmas season, so volunteers would only be needed through December. If we get volunteers we can get this running really soon.

Order Spiritwear—Don't forget, Stella Maris Academy gear is available for purchase online until Nov. 25th. Check out our selection of North Face vests, stocking caps and sweatshirts - they make perfect Christmas gifts!

Additional Spiritwear through Land's End— Youth sized sweatpants are now available for purchase through Land's End. Open your account at Land's End, and select Stella Maris Academy. Enter your child's name, and click on *spiritwear* rather than their age. This will get you to the page to order the sweatpants.

Wreath Sales—Wreaths will be delivered to St. John's and St. James Campuses. Orders should be picked up on Tuesday, November 20th.

Yearbook Cover Contest—The date has been extended to November 19th for this exciting opportunity. Please check the Stella Maris Facebook page for more information or follow this [link](#).



Uniform Closet—There is a uniform closet available for all families to use. It is located in the Cathedral, but we are hoping to move it over to the school. We are accepting donations for uniforms or spiritwear that your children have outgrown. You can drop items off in the school office. If you aren't sure where the uniform closet is check with the school office.

Nordic Spirit Youth Ski League—This program is 40 years old, and 100 to 125 children ages 5 to 14 years old participate every year learning how to cross-country ski. Our lessons are every Sunday for 6 weeks, taught by volunteers and very reasonably priced. If you are interested follow the links for [parent information](#) and [registration information](#).

[Holiday Ski Camp Information](#)—Click on the link to get more information on this opportunity.

Circle of Grace—Teachers will be teaching Circle of Grace materials during the month of November. Please contact your child's teacher if you have any questions.

Winter Weather—As winter approaches, so does the possibility of school closures. Stella Maris Academy usually follows the Duluth Public Schools because of bussing. The primary method to announce school closures will be through the local television stations, WDIO, KBJR and CBS. An announcement and text message utilizing the student information system may be a secondary form of communicating school closures, within the limitations of internet availability. Notes were sent home with families who do not have a mobile number listed on Rediker.

Below is a link for families to register to be auto-notified from WDIO when Stella Maris is closed. You can register with your email address and then select Stella Maris Academy.

<http://schoolregister.wdio.com/php/loadRegistrationForm.rwd.php>

Upcoming Events	
Wednesday, November 21st	End of Grading Period
Thursday and Friday, November 22nd and 23rd	No School
Friday, November 30th	Report Cards Available
Friday, November 30th	MS Dance



Happy Thanksgiving