



STELLA MARIS ACADEMY

Holy Rosary Campus Newsletter

January 4, 2019

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

Spelling Bee—Congrats to the following students:

Grade 3 - Jackson Marshall, Joey Yapel, Hannabella Li, Josie Gregorich, Lucy Brown, Kyan Yoon

Grade 4 - Collin McCarthy, Greta Pritchard, Elisa Lushine, Avery Beranek, Krista Altonen, Simon Merritt

The school spelling bee will be on Tuesday, January 8th at 1:00 in the gym. The top 5 spellers will advance to the SMA Spelling Bee to be held at the St. John's Campus. Please read over this [information](#) if your child is in the campus bee.



Box Top Contest—The box top contest runs through January 31st. Please keep saving and turning in box tops! Click on the icon for more information.

Family Association Meeting—The family association will be meeting on Wednesday, January 9th, at 9:30 a.m., in room 206. Please join the meeting if you can.

Upcoming Opportunities to get involved—

- Serve Donuts: January 20th at the Cathedral of Our Lady Sunday Masses
- Dance the night away (or watch): Family Dance for all SMA families on Friday, February 1st, from 6:00-7:30 pm.

NWEA Map Testing—Students in grades one through four will be doing the second round of Map testing starting the week of January 14th. We have two weeks blocked to get all the groups through. Check your child's teacher's newsletter for information on dates and times.

No School—There is no school on Friday, January 18th and Monday January 21st.

Catholic Schools Week January 27th—February 2nd—Information and schedule of events will be included in the next newsletter.

Saturday at the Races - If winter weather has you pursuing indoor options to keep your kids active, join the Young Athletes Foundation (YAF) for its FREE "Saturday Morning at the Races." Children ages 14 and under are invited to burn off endless energy by adding all three races to your 2019 calendar today! Check out the attached [Flyer](#).



Catholic United Raffle—It's time for our **Catholic Schools' Raffle** sponsored by Catholic United Financial.

This terrific fundraiser helps to cover the gap between the tuition that you pay and the actual cost to educate each child at SMA. Tuition only covers 60% of the actual cost to educate your child. The remaining 40% must be made up throughout the year.

The goal for this event is to raise \$55,000. SMA keeps 100% of the monies raised in ticket sales. If each student sells their allotted tickets we will reach our goal! The selling period is Friday, January 11th through Monday, Feb. 25th. Due to Winter Break (Feb. 18-22), we are asking families to **turn in ALL sold tickets and ANY unsold tickets on Friday, February 15th**. Please see the flyer included for more information.

This annual raffle fundraiser will start this January. Look for a packet of information to be sent home with your child with all of the information, details and goals for the year on Friday, January 11th. This fundraiser runs from January 11h through our February break.

Pickleball Family Fun Tournament— Don't miss out! On Saturday, January 12th, there will be a pickleball tournament fundraiser to support the Stella Maris Academy tennis program that is starting this spring. The tournament is open to adults and students in 5th grade and up - Stella Maris and non-Stella Maris families are welcome. You can learn the sport, compete and have fun with friends and families. You can read [more information here](#) and [register here](#).

January 8, 2019	Campus Spelling Bee at 1:00 in the gym
January 9, 2019	Family Association meeting at 9:30 a.m. in room 206
January 11, 2019	Kick off Catholic United Raffle
January 14—January 24, 2019	NWEA Map Testing
January 18	No School—Teachers site visit to Catholic Liberal Arts and Classical Schools in Minneapolis/St. Paul
January 20	Donut Sunday at the Cathedral (8:00 am and 10:30 am Masses)
January 21	No School
January 27	Kick off to Catholic Schools' Week (Sunday Masses)
January 28	SMA Spelling Bee
January 28-February 1	Catholic Schools' Week (Detail Coming)
February 1	SMA Family Dance Event 6:00-7:30 pm; Middle School Dance 7:30 - 9:30pm



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Mark Your Calendars—This is a must attend event. On Wednesday, February 6, 2019, from 6:30-8:30 pm, the Protect Young Eyes, connected with Virtue in Media will be in Duluth to guide parents and their families as we deal with the culture of social media and technology. [Here is a video snap shot of the content.](#) This is open to all and no RSVP necessary. Don't wait until after your child has been involved in exposure to inappropriate use of technology. Get ahead of the situation. The event will be at St. Scholastica in the auditorium at the Science Center at CSS (Building 10) We hope to have an attendance for 200-300 parents.



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IN MEDIA**
Families Honoring God With Technology

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SMA Winter Sports/Activities— SMA winter sports get rolling next week. Make sure to sign up (if you have not already):

- Basketball — Girls (Monday/Thursday) and Boys (Tuesday/Friday) from 2:30-4:00 pm. Today is the last chance to [register for basketball.](#)
- Downhill Skiing— There will also be two sessions of Snow Club at Spirit Mountain starting on January 15. Each session meets for three Tuesdays and is open to skiers and snowboarders. Students can register for one or both sessions by using [this link.](#) Families who register will have to pay an activity fee for each session and fill out a Stella Maris permission form. (For St. John's and Holy Rosary campuses: The fee for Snow Club is \$75 per session, which covers gear rental, lift pass, snack, and bus ride for three weeks.) [For St. James' campus: The fee for Snow Club is \$50 per session, which covers gear rental and lift pass for three weeks of skiing or snowboarding. Carpooling to the hill will be organized by Dan and Michaela Doyle - volunteers will be needed.
- Art Club will start January 17 and meet for our Tuesdays at the Holy Rosary campus from 2:30-3:45 and is open to students in K through 5th grade. More information and registration [is available here.](#) There will also be another session of Art Club offered at the St. James' campus starting in March. Registration for that session will be sent out at a later date.
- Cross Country Skiing— We now have snow. Dates are still being finalized and approved. Look for an email regarding February and March XC skiing opportunities.
- Martial Arts—The fall session of Martial Arts recently wrapped up, but there will be another chance to get your child started in this great sport soon. If you are interested in Martial Arts, please contact Tony Merritt at tony0merritt@gmail.com or let me know. Registration will be sent out in January for the new session.
- Tennis—Registration will be available soon for your 7th or 8th grade boy to compete in our first season of tennis at Stella Maris. For more information or if you would like tennis lessons to prepare for the season, please contact Kirsten Baumgarten at 218-590-7777.

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January 11 to February 24, 2019

GRAND PRIZE: 2019 CHEVY TRAX
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More prizes...\$5,000 Dream Vacation • Family Getaways to
Twin Cities • Smart TVs • Valley Fair Packages • Apple iPads •
Cabela's Gift Cards • Amazon Gift Cards & more!

Every dollar raised
stays with our school!



Watch the live prize drawing online on March 5, 2019

Must be 18 years of age or older to purchase a ticket. For complete rules, visit www.catholicunitedfinancial.org. MN gambling permit # X-93077. All prizes TM of their respective brands. No endorsement of the Catholic Schools Raffle by the brands mentioned above is intended or implied. Drawing to take place at Catholic United Financial Home Office on March 5, 2019. ©2019 Catholic United Financial. All rights reserved.




Kick-Start Family Fitness in 2019

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Children ages 14 and under are invited to burn off that endless energy by adding all three races to your 2019 calendar today!

CSS
JANUARY 5

Burns Wellness Center
1200 Kenwood Ave., Duluth



UWS
JANUARY 26

Lydia Thering Fieldhouse in the
Marcovich Wellness Center
1810 Catlin Ave., Superior



UMD
FEBRUARY 9

Ward Wells Fieldhouse
1228 University Dr., Duluth



Participants will receive a FREE "Saturday Morning at the Races" t-shirt!

Registration begins at 9:00 am with races starting promptly at 10:00.

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND UPDATES ON RACES VISIT GrandmasMarathon.com



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SATURDAY, MARCH 16



SATURDAY, APRIL 27



THURSDAY, JULY 18

YAF FUNDRAISING RACES



YOUNG
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The Young Athletes Foundation (YAF) was developed by Grandma's Marathon in 1990 to promote, develop and grow youth athletics in Duluth and across the region. All net proceeds from YAF events go toward programs for kids that promote an active, healthy lifestyle.



JANUARY & FEBRUARY



FRIDAY, JUNE 21



THURSDAY, JULY 18



JULY & AUGUST

YAF FREE RACES FOR KIDS