St. Mary's School of Piscataway



Discover the Difference!

Weekly Newsletter

January 24, 2020

Tuition For 2020-21 School Year

The base tuition rate for next year will increase in just 2 days! If you have students in grades Pre-K3 to 7th grade, be sure to enroll now for next year! You have the opportunity to lock in your current tuition rate by re-enrolling before 11:59 p.m. on Sunday, January 26. This is especially important for any students that are currently in Pre -K3 returning next year for Pre-K4 because Pre-K tuition is increasing significantly.

Current Tuition Rate

\$7,000 per year Pre-K Kindergarten - 8th Grade \$8,250 per year

Tuition Rate after January 26, 2020

\$8,330 per year Pre-K Kindergarten - 8th Grade \$8,415 per year

To re-enroll, go to www.TADS.com and click on "Family Login." On the next page click on "Admissions & Enrollment." Log in to your account and go to "Enrollment." Under "Fall 2020 - Spring 2021," click on "Click here to enroll," next to your student's name. If you have new students (siblings) to enroll, be sure to reach out to Mrs. Weslowski to discuss. Mrs. Weslowski can be reached via e-mail at admissions@smsp.school.

Winter Open House "Discover St. Mary's Day"

It is the time of year when we have a big push to increase enrollment here at St. Mary's for the 2020-21 school year. Our goal is to increase enrollment by at least 25%. If we are able to reach this goal, it would significantly increase our resources for the overall student population.

We need student and parent ambassadors to welcome prospective families and answer questions about school life here at St. Mary's. Because the Open House is on a weekend, any students that are willing to participate will need to have permission to attend. A permission slip is posted on OrgsOnline under

Looking Ahead

† Sunday, January 26 - CSW

Winter Open House 1:00-3:00

Deadline to Enroll for the 2020-21 School Year and Lock In Your 2019-20 Tuition Rate!

† Monday, January 27 - CSW

Tuition for 2020-21 School Year Increases **Donation Collection Begins**

† Tuesday, January 28 - CSW

Muffins with Mom/ Donuts with Dad 8:00 -8:30

† Wed., January 29 - CSW

Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast 7:30 - 8:30 8th Grade Parent Meeting 6:00 in the Library

† Thurs., January 30 - CSW

Spirit Day! Wear your spirit shirts

Spirit Night at Chick-fil-A Brandywine 5:00-7:00

† Friday, January 31 - CSW

Wear your favorite NFL football jersey for \$1! Open House 9:00 - 11:00 Report Cards E-mailed

† Thursday, February 6

100th Day of School Centenarian Day (students dress up like they're 100 years old)



"Enrichment." Click on <u>www.OrgsOnline.com</u> below to grant permission for your child to participate.

Remember, if you refer a new St. Mary's family, you can earn a \$1,000 tuition credit! Please spread the word to your family and friends! Share our posts on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.

Making Sandwiches for the Hungry

During Catholic Schools Week 2020, students in Grades 3-8 will join together to make sandwiches for those in need. Through this community service activity, we will be contributing to McKenna's Wagon, Martha's Table mobile food truck that helps meet the basic needs of homeless and hungry residents. To ensure that our efforts are successful, school-wide contributions will be accepted in the following ways:

Donation Method #1: Food items to make sandwiches

- 1. Whole Wheat Bread
- 2. Deli Packets of Ham and Turkey
- 3. Packs of Cheese Slices (e.g. American cheese)
- 4. Sanitary gloves for making the sandwiches
- 5. Disposable tablecloths
- 6. Zip-lock Baggies

Donation Method #2: Provide a monetary donation to the school for the purchase of the food items.

Please provide all donations by Thursday, January 30. Thank you for supporting this community outreach activity!

Care Gift Bags for the Needy and Homeless

As part of the upcoming Catholic Schools Week 2020, the Lower School community will come together on Friday, January 31, to create toiletry gift bags for the residents at Little Sisters of the Poor. This activity will allow students in grades Pre-K through 2 to join in service to reach those in need within our society.

In order to make this activity a success, the Catholic Schools Week Committee is requesting that the school-wide community purchase a few "travel size" toiletry items that can be organized into gift bags and boxes by the students.

Please find listed below possible items for the gift bags. (Items should be brought in a bag to your child's homeroom teacher no later than Thursday, January 30.) Thank you for your support of this activity!

Gift Bag Items (Travel-size)

Comb Hand (Chapstick) Kleenex Shampoo Sanitizer Dental Floss Toothbrush

Toothpaste Lip Balm Q-tips





Celebrate Catholic Schools Week 2020

January 26 -February 1 #CSW20

Join the Boy Scouts!

St. Mary's has a boy scout troop that meets every Wednesday evening at 6:30 in the Parish Hall. Those that want to join must be at least 10 years old and in grades 6-8. If your child would like to join, simply show up at the meeting! If you have other questions, please reach out to Mr. Roger Brown. He can be reached at (301) 802-4719.

Art Club is Changing

If your child is currently in Art Club, this section is for you. Starting next week, Art Club is changing up a bit. We have found that having so many different ability levels in the club makes it difficult for the moderator to direct students.

All art club members in grades 2-4 may now join the Craft Club that meets on Wednesdays from 3:15-4:15. This club is moderated by Ms. Mercer. All art club members in grades 5-8 will now be moved to a new club we are calling the Drawing Club. Drawing Club will meet on Fridays from 3:15-4:15 and it will be moderated by Mr. Garcia.

If you have questions, please call the office at (301) 292-2522.

Join Us For A

Date: Thursday, January 30

Time: 5:00 -7:00 pm



Location: Chick-fil-A Brandywine 16003 Crain Hwy Brandywine, MD 20613

20% of sales during that time will go to our school!