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EST. 1963 EDUCATION FOR THE TIME AND ETERNITY SCHOOL PROFILE 2021-2022

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MISSION

The mission of Marist High School as a Roman Catholic, coed high school, is to make Jesus Christ known and loved in the Marist Brothers' tradition, while preparing students for higher education and life.

HISTORY

Marist High School opened its doors on September 9, 1963, under the continuing leadership and direction of the Marist Brothers. A debt of gratitude is owed to the original Brothers, students, and parents who were the early pioneers in building the foundation of Marist. The school has thrived over the last fifty-eight years, and now boasts more than 22,000 alumni. Through the years, Marist has developed an innovative and demanding college preparatory curriculum that serves Chicago-area and suburban students at all academic levels, while keeping its Catholic identity at the forefront of its mission.

Over the course of nearly six decades, Marist has made significant capital improvements and additions that have provided more classrooms, a theater, computer labs, new and improved athletic facilities, and more. The school has been transformed from its original marshland landscape into a premier 55-acre campus with modern amenities for today's students. In 2019, the school opened Gregory and Mary Beeson Science Center and Our Lady Queen of the Heavens Planetarium.

ADMISSIONS & ENROLLMENT

Students are accepted to Marist based on a variety of factors, including entrance exam scores (HSPT), junior high grades, and standardized test scores. Legacy status may be considered as a factor. Marist does not discriminate on the basis of gender, race, religion or ethnic origin in its admission policies, and complies with Archdiocese of Chicago and Illinois State High School Association policies. With a current enrollment of more than 1,600 young men and women, Marist is the second largest Catholic high school in Cook County, Ill. Marist is proud to welcome students from the Southwest Side of Chicago and the surrounding south and west suburbs. Marist students represent 81 zip codes and 211 grade schools.

FACULTY

There are 110 teachers and 4 religious. More than 75% of Marist's teachers and administration hold a master's degree or higher. The faculty have an average of 15 years of teaching experience. The student to teacher ratio is 15:1. Nineteen teachers are certified Advanced Placement instructors, while seven teachers are approved to teach dual credit courses.

ACCREDITATION & RECOGNITION

- AdvancED Education - College Board - Illinois State Board of Education
- Illinois Association for College Admission Counseling - National Catholic Education Association
- National Association of Secondary School Principals
- Trends in International Mathematics and Science Study (TIMSS), 2015

EDUCATION DURING THE PANDEMIC

In response to the shelter-in-place order enacted in Illinois in spring 2020, Marist High School offered remote learning from March 23rd until the end of the 2019-20 school year on May 29th. Students and teachers used the learning platform, Canvas, coupled with Zoom to continue meaningful lessons and class discussions while offering online resources.

During the summer of 2020, Marist administrators and the Safe Return Committee created a hybrid schedule for the 1st semester of the 2020-2021 school year to allow for synchronous and asynchronous learning. This schedule included students participating in synchronous remote learning one day per week (M), attending class in-person two days per week (T/W or R/F) and partaking in asynchronous, independent work two days per week (T/W or R/F). During the 2nd semester, a new schedule was created to allow all students to be on campus five days a week. Half of the students were on campus each morning and half of the students were on campus each afternoon.

The Marist Administrators and the Safe Return Committee met during the summer of 2021 and determined that all students would attend school under a cascade-drop schedule during the 2021-22 school year. Health protocols and additional student support services have been added in response to the pandemic's long-term consequences.

REQUIRED CREDITS

Religion – 4, English – 4.5, World Language – 2, Mathematics – 3, Science – 3, Social Studies – 3, Physical Education/Health – 1.5, Visual Arts, Performing Arts, and Technology – 1, Electives – 3

ACADEMIC SCHEDULE

Marist follows a cascade-drop schedule to allow for a rotation of classes, a later start time, additional instructional time for deeper study of topics, more student time with teachers outside of the classroom, and additional professional development opportunities for faculty.

GRADE SCALE

A = 93-100% B+ = 89-92% B = 85-88% C+ = 81-84% C = 76-80% D = 70-75%

GPA

Marist's GPA is based on a 5.0 grading scale. The school does not rank students. Students who achieve a GPA of 5.0 or better are named to the Dean's List. Students who earn a GPA of 4.5 to 4.9 out of 5.0 make the honor roll.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT CAP

Marist caps the number of AP courses students may take. Sophomores may enroll one course, juniors in three courses, and seniors in four courses.

TEST RESULTS

Marist High School offers test preparation classes on campus for all standardized tests, along with a strong curriculum that readies students for exam content. The top quartile of Marist's Class of 2021 average ACT score is 28.58. Marist has had nine students earn a 36 on the ACT since 2004; seven of them since 2016.

SCHOLAR RECOGNITION

	Illinois State Scholar	Advanced Placement Scholar	National Merit Commended Scholar	National Merit Finalist	Chick Evans Scholar
2021	50	48	1	2	5
2020	64	100, 7 National	4	5	2
2019	77	113, 4 National	6	1 (1 Semifinalist)	4
2018	71	106, 7 National	8	2	2
2017	61	74, 3 National	2	2	4

ACADEMIC OVERVIEW

Advanced Placement: In 2021, 312 Marist students took 683 AP exams. In 2021, 48 Marist students earned AP Scholar Awards for their performance on multiple exams, including 17 AP Scholars with Honor and 9 AP Scholars with Distinction. Students may enroll in one AP course as a sophomore, three as a junior, and four as a senior.

AP Courses Offered: Biology, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Chemistry, Computer Science A, English Language and Composition, English Literature and Composition, European History, French Language and Culture, Macroeconomics, Microeconomics, Physics C-Mech., Physics C-E & M, Psychology, Spanish Language and Culture, Spanish Literature, Studio Art, Studio Art 2D, U.S. Government, U.S. History, and World History.

Dual Credit: Marist offers dual credit for eight select courses at Loyola University, Moraine Valley Community College, and St. Xavier University.

Faculty Professional Development: Marist works to attract and retain qualified, dynamic, and passionate educators who are lifelong learners themselves. One hundred percent of the faculty participate in professional development opportunities each year. Along with attending nationally recognized seminars and conferences, teachers are also Advanced Placement exam readers and often are workshop presenters themselves. They have taken part in travel abroad opportunities including programs in France and Israel. Each year representatives from every department attend national teaching subject conferences.

Honors Courses Offered:

English (All Levels), Expository Composition, Journalism, Women in Literature, Literature & Film, Chicago Literature, War Literature, African American Literature, Algebra, Geometry, College Algebra & Trigonometry, Anatomy and Physiology, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Environmental Science, Western Civilization, U.S. History, Psychology, Philosophy, 1960s, Constitutional Law, IDEA (Innovative Design for Entrepreneurial Applications), Computer Science, Studio Art, Band, Chorus, Acting, Architectural Drawing, Creative Writing, Graphic Design, Broadcasting II, Spanish (All Levels), French (All Levels), Italian (All Levels).

Marist's Marcellin Program is a college-prep program that focuses on building literacy and executive functioning skills within a curriculum that supports students with specific learning differences through smaller class sizes, specialized teachers and a pace for in-depth review.

UNIQUE PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES

BAND

Marist's famed marching and performance band is an honors course. Members prepare for seasonal concerts, pep events, and special appearances. The Marist band has appeared in the Rose Bowl Parade and The Tonight Show with Jay Leno. The group opened up the new Comiskey Park (now Guaranteed Rate Field) in 1991. They are regulars on the Chicago parade scene, and have performed and competed at countless college bowl games across the country.

BROADCAST STUDIO

Students enrolled in this elective course will explore the integration of emerging technologies, storytelling, and script writing. In creating video-based projects, students will have hands-on, real world practice in all facets of the development of visual media projects. Students will produce broadcasts relevant to Marist High School, including news, public service, school initiatives, community activities and Marist outreach. Students will compile a video portfolio containing projects produced throughout the course.

IDEA (Innovative Design for Entrepreneurial Applications)

This business course gets students excited about becoming true entrepreneurs. Students create and fully develop their own product or service. Student teams work through the process of ideation, market research, and business plan development. They learn about marketing, accounting, human resources, as well as the legal aspects of running a business. This is a hands-on course structured to allow students to imagine, design, construct, market, and refine their own business ventures. The year-long course culminates with a pitch night where student teams present their start-ups hoping to secure funding.

TECHNOLOGY

While the tools will change over time, the adaptability of students to use those tools and have comfort and confidence with technology is a lifelong attribute. To that end, Marist complements a rigorous academic program with relevant technology. The school boasts a fully integrated 1:1 iPad program aided by apps and web resources. The school also has three computer labs and a CAD lab with 3D printers. Teachers help expand the classroom by hosting virtual exchanges with international schools and enhance student learning with Smart Board tools and other resources. Courses and co-curricular activities give students access to video editing, robotics, drones, and a makerspace.

SENIOR RELIGION

In addition to traditional classroom courses, Marist offers two options for seniors:

Senior Service is a yearlong course in which students serve one of nearly 20 local organizations several hours per week during the school day. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this program is on hold for the 2021-22 school year.

Peer Leadership provides training to seniors so they can work in Marist classrooms, providing support to both teachers and students in a variety of subject areas. Both courses require seniors to attend seminars and reflect on their ministry and personal growth.

RETREATS & MISSION TRIPS

Marist offers retreats for each grade level that introduce aspects of social justice and faith life appropriate for student development. The campus ministry office also provides several mission trips during the year for sophomores, juniors, and seniors to expand their cultural understanding and faith experience.

INTERNSHIPS, RESEARCH, & TRAVEL

Marist partners with universities and corporations to provide research opportunities and internships to students to enhance their learning experience and leadership skills. This allows them to explore possible career paths in advance of college. The school sponsors exchange programs in Argentina, France, Italy, and Spain in order for students to translate classroom lessons into real life experiences. International travel for pleasure is also offered to new destinations each year.

EXPLORE PROGRAM

The Explore Program provides unique opportunities for students to consider careers through mentorship, special events, and professional resources. It allows students unsure of a future career the chance to learn from seasoned professionals about a variety of industries, while affording students who have a career goal in mind the opportunity to delve deeper into the industry, attain insider knowledge, and gain invaluable professional experience while in high school. Students have access to industry leaders, cultural and political events, and internship and research opportunities.

COLLEGE MATRICULATION

Over 98% of Marist graduates attend college. The Class of 2021 is represented on 119 campuses across 30 states.

- **86% to 4-year college or university**
- **13% to 2-year and community colleges**
- **1% joined the military or an apprenticeship**
- **46% In State; 53% Out of State**
- **55% Private; 45% Public**

The class of 2021 from Marist High School earned more than \$51.5 million in scholarships, and are currently attending the following schools, among others:

Arizona State University • Ball State University • Belmont University • Boston College • Bradley University • Butler University • Carthage College • Case Western Reserve University • Central Michigan University • Creighton University • Culinary Institute of America • DePaul University • George Mason University • Grand Valley State University • Illinois Institute of Technology • Illinois State University • Indiana University • John Carroll University • Kent State University • Lake Forest College • Lewis University • Loras College • Loyola University • Marquette University • Miami University, Oxford • Michigan State University • Northern Illinois University • Ohio University • Princeton University • Purdue University • Saint Ambrose University • Saint Louis University • Saint Mary's College • Saint Xavier University • Saint Norbert College • School of the Art Institute of Chicago • Spring Hill College • Syracuse University • The Ohio State University • The University of Alabama • University of Chicago • University of Dayton • University of Florida • University of Illinois at Chicago • University of Illinois, at Urbana-Champaign • University of Iowa • University of Kansas • University of Kentucky • University of Louisville • University of Minnesota • University of Mississippi • University of Missouri • University of Notre Dame • University of San Diego • University of Wisconsin, Madison • Western Michigan University • Xavier University

STUDENT SERVICES

Marist provides a multifaceted student services program to support and strengthen the mission of Marist High School by providing educational and co-curricular programs and services that foster personal growth, spirituality, healthy behaviors, leadership development, and community engagement. Departments and personnel actively partner across the school to enhance learning in environments that are supportive, challenging, and inclusive. These departments and resources include, but are not limited to: Academic Resource Center, Athletics, Campus Ministry, Counseling, Health Office, Learning Resource Program, and Student Activities.

ATHLETIC PROGRAMS

The Marist RedHawks compete in the Illinois High School Association's highest class. Students develop as athletes, with the focus on academics coming first. Marist garners local, state, and national attention and accolades each year. More than 10% of each graduating class is recruited to play at the college level.

BOYS' SPORTS: Baseball, Basketball, Bowling, Cross Country, Football, Golf, Hockey, Lacrosse, Rugby, Soccer, Tennis, Track & Field, Volleyball, and Wrestling

GIRLS' SPORTS: Basketball, Bowling, Cheerleading, Cross Country, Golf, Lacrosse, Poms, Soccer, Softball, Swimming, Tennis, Track & Field, and Volleyball

CO-CURRICULARS

Marist provides a robust offering of clubs and activities to help enhance students' talents, build leadership skills, and promote camaraderie. Marist clubs enjoy continued success in local, state, and national competitions. Studies show that students who participate in co-curricular activities do better academically because they learn time management, prioritization, and commitment.

1 Book 1 Marist, Academic Team, Anime Club, Art Club, Art National Honor Society, Bass Fishing, Billiards, Boxing, Broadcasting, Chess Club, Cooking Club, Debate Team, EVOLVE, Fencing, Fine Arts & Literary Club, French Club, French National Honor Society, Improvisation Club, Investment Club, Italian National Honor Society, Liturgy Committee, Marist Youth, Math Team, Mock Trial, Model United Nations, National Honor Society, Orchestras, Paranormal Club, Polish Club, Powerlifting Club, Pro-Life Club, RedHawk Rowdies, Rooted Paradise, SADD, Science Club, Spanish Club, Spanish National Honor Society, Speech & Acting Team, Stage Crew, Student Ambassadors, Student Council, Technology Club, Theater Guild, Ultimate Frisbee, and Yearbook.

CAMPUS FACILITIES

Marist's 55-acre campus is owned and operated by the Marist Brothers of the Schools, United States Province. The campus provides students with state-of-the-art facilities in order to create a productive learning atmosphere.

Chapel	Our Lady of the Heavens Planetarium	All-weather track
Campus Ministry Center	Broadcasting Studio	Baseball Complex
Student Life Office	Digital Design Studio	Mark Gervais Wrestling Center
Murphy Art Center	Drafting & Architecture Lab	Mortimer Fitness Center
RedHawk Theater	Entrepreneurial Center	Multiple Practice Fields
Shannon Marching Band Center	McGowan Academic Resource Center	Red and White Stadium (synthetic turf and lights)
Cafetorium	O'Heir Computer Center	Soccer Field (natural turf)
Andreotti Bookstore	Tutoring & Testing Centers	Softball Complex
School Advancement Center	65 Technology Enhanced Classrooms	Zidek Tennis Courts
State of the Art Technology (with fiber-optic backbone)	3 Gymnasiums (Hynes Gym, Main Gym & McNamara Gym)	
Gregory and Mary Beeson Science Center (includes ten labs)		