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EST. 1963 EDUCATION FOR TIME AND ETERNITY SCHOOL PROFILE 2020-2021

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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-seven 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 the 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, 1 clergy, and 5 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

REMOTE LEARNING

In response to the shelter-in-place order enacted in Illinois in spring 2020, Marist High School offered remote learning from March 23 until the end of the school year on May 29. Students and teachers used the learning platform Canvas coupled with Zoom to continue meaningful lessons, class discussions, and more. Additionally, apps, online resources, and ingenuity allowed students to complete projects at home including in art, engineering, and other areas. During the summer of 2020, Marist administrators and a return-to-school committee created a hybrid schedule for the 2020-2021 school year to allow for synchronous and asynchronous learning. The schedule included students attending class in-person two days per week, participating in synchronous remote learning one day per week, and partaking in independent work two days per week. Many health protocols, logistical changes, and additional student support services were added in response to the pandemic.

REQUIRED CREDITS

Religion – 4, English – 4.5, World Language – 2, Mathematics – 3, Science – 3, Social Studies – 3, Physical Education/Health – 1.5, Visual and Performing Arts – 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 2019 average ACT score is 28.75. Marist has had eight students earn a 36 on the ACT since 2004; six of them since 2016.

SCHOLAR RECOGNITION

	Illinois State Scholars	Advanced Placement Scholars	National Merit Commended Students	National Merit Finalists	Chick Evans Scholars
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 2020, 333 Marist students took 683 AP Exams. In 2020, 107 Marist students earned AP Scholars Awards for their performance on multiple exams, including 13 AP Scholars with Honor, 27 AP Scholars with Distinction, and 7 National AP Scholars. 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 take 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, Rhetoric, Women in Literature, Literature & Film, Chicago Literature, Algebra, Geometry, College Algebra & Trigonometry, Anatomy and Physiology, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Western Civilization, U.S. History, Psychology, Philosophy, IDEA (Innovative Design for Entrepreneurial Applications), Computer Science, Studio Art, Band, Strings Ensemble, Chorus, Acting, Spanish (All Levels), French (All Levels), Italian (All Levels), Architectural Drawing, Creative Writing, Graphic Design, War Literature, African American Literature, Environmental Science, Broadcasting II, 1960s, Constitutional Law.

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, story-telling, 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 yearlong course culminates with a pitch night where student teams present their startups 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.

The following programs were either put on hold or extremely limited for the 2020-21 school year due to COVID-19 precautions.

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.

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 96% of Marist graduates attend college. The Class of 2020 is represented on 115 campuses across 28 states.

- 85% to 4-year college or university
- 11% to 2-year and community colleges
- 2% joined the military or an apprenticeship
- 46% In State; 54% Out of State
- 55% Private; 45% Public

The class of 2020 from Marist High School earned more than \$48 million in scholarships, and are currently attending the following schools, among others:

University of Alabama • Arizona State University • Baylor University
Boston College • Boston University
Bradley University • Butler University
Clemson University • Colgate University
Cornell University • Creighton University
Dennison University • DePaul University
Fordham University • Georgetown University
Grand Valley State University • Hampton University • Illinois Institute of Technology
Illinois State University • Illinois Wesleyan University • Indiana University
Jackson State University • Lake Forest College
Lewis University • Loras College
Loyola University • Miami University
Marquette University • Michigan State University • Morehouse College
Morgan State University • Northern Illinois University • Northwestern University
Providence College • Purdue University
Southern Illinois University, Carbondale
Spring Hill College • St. Ambrose University
St. Louis University • St. Xavier University
St. Norbert College • Syracuse University
Texas A&M University • The Citadel
The Ohio State University • United States Military Academy West Point • United States Naval Academy • University of Alabama
University of Arizona • University of Chicago
University of Colorado, Boulder
University of Dayton • University of Florida
University of Illinois, Chicago
University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
University of Iowa • University of Kansas
University of Kentucky • University of Louisville • University of Memphis
University of Michigan • University of Minnesota • University of Mississippi
University of Missouri • University of Notre Dame • University of Pittsburgh
University of San Diego • University of South Carolina • University of South Dakota
University of Southern California
University of Tampa • University of Texas, Austin • University of Wisconsin, Madison
Vanderbilt University • Western Illinois University • Western Michigan University
Xavier University • University of Louisiana
Yale 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, Learning Resource Program, School Nurse, 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, National Art Honor Society, Band, Bass Fishing, Boxing, Broadcasting, Chess, Chorus, Cooking Club, Debate Team, EVOLVE, Fencing, Fine Arts & Literary Club, French Club, Investment Club, Liturgy Committee, Marist Youth, Math Team, Mock Trial, Model United Nations, National Honor Society, Powerlifting Club, Pro-Life Club, RedHawk Rowdy Spirit Club, S.A.D.D., Science Club, Sentinel Newspaper, Spanish Club, Spanish National Honor Society, Speech Team, Student Ambassadors, Student Council, Theater Guild, Ultimate Frisbee, and Yearbook. Some clubs could not run or were limited in their activities due to the pandemic.

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	Gregory and Mary Beeson Science Center (Includes 10 labs.)	3 Gymnasiums
Campus Ministry Center	Our Lady Queen of the Heavens Planetarium	All-weather Track & Field
Student Life Office	Broadcast studio	Baseball Complex
Murphy Art Center	Digital Design Studio	Complete Wrestling Facilities
RedHawk Theater	Drafting & Architecture Lab	Mortimer Fitness Center
Shannon Marching Band Center	Entrepreneurial Center	Multiple Practice Fields
Cafetorium	McGowan Academic Resource Center	Red & White Stadium-synthetic turf with lights
Andreotti Bookstore	O'Heir Computer Center	Soccer field-natural turf
School Advancement Center	Tutoring and Testing Centers	Softball Complex
Current technology with a fiber-optic backbone	65 technology-enhanced classrooms	Zidek Tennis Courts