

METRO-EAST LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

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Please pray...

- For our students as they take their final exams next week.
- For our students who will be participating in the music department's Christmas Concert this Sunday.

UPCOMING EVENTS

* Christmas Concert

December 14, 2025

* Final Exams

December 17-19, 2025

* End of Semester 1

December 19, 2025

* Christmas Break

December 22, 2025 -
January 2, 2026

Announcements

Christmas at MELHS: The MELHS Music Department invites you to our annual "Christmas at MELHS" concert on Sunday, Dec. 14, at 4 p.m. in Henschen Hall. Enjoy performances from our talented Chorale, Honors Choir, String Ensemble and Concert Band. Plus, join our combined choir for a special rendition of the "Hallelujah Chorus." If you can't attend in person, catch the live stream on the MELHS Fine Arts Facebook Page. A dessert reception will follow the performance.

Our Hat and Mitten Tree is up! From now until December 16, NHS is collecting hats, mittens, scarves, gloves, and socks for local people in need. Please hang donations on the tree located in the office commons. Thank you for your generous support of our community!

The boys soccer team is selling whole bean coffee just in time for Holiday gifting. These 12 oz bags of medium roast gourmet coffee are the perfect stocking stuffer! Each bag is \$17.50 and you can choose between regular or decaf. Limited quantities available in the school office. Thank you for supporting the boys soccer team!

ACT/SAT: The registration deadline for the February 14 ACT test is January 9. Please go to www.act.org to registration and use our school code 144463.

Juniors & Seniors who are interested in being an Election Judge for the upcoming election on Tuesday, March 17th should see Mr. Langendorf for more information and an application. In addition to being paid for your time, it would also be a great thing to include on a resume! Applications must be returned to Mr. Langendorf by Friday, January 16th.



Theology 10 students attended Greenville University's annual performance of Handel's "Messiah" (Part 1). This year's performance—the University's 97th annual performance—took place on Sunday, December 7. Students who attended the performance (and completed a performance worksheet) qualified to take a reduced semester final.

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TUTORS NEEDED:

Would you like to sign up to be a tutor and help other students with homework, study for tests, and relearn difficult concepts? In addition to helping others, being a volunteer tutor looks great on a resume and is a fun way to complete NHS hours! Fill out this Google form to sign up to be a tutor: <https://forms.gle/GeCRsVF1fvEmJLVD9>

TikTok and Instagram Accounts

Students with TikTok and Instagram are encouraged to follow our new MELHS_KnightLife account! We post things to help with your mindset on Mondays, study tips on Tuesdays, scripture on Wednesdays, things we are thankful for on Thursdays, and fun things on Fridays. You can help us build a following by doing these things: follow, comment, like, share, and invite others to do the same!

National Honor Society Service Hours Opportunity

Calling all NHS Students! Do you need service hours? As Mrs Schilbe mentioned at our recent meeting, NHS students are invited to serve in the concession stands to get hours. Sign up in the Knights Hub on the MELHS Knights app or at this link: <https://signup.com/go/UQmNYsA> Please make sure one adult is signed up with you.

Save the Date: Mark your calendar for the annual Sigmund Bohnet Memorial Golf Tournament, which will be held on April 11 at Arlington Greens Golf Course in Granite City. If you are willing to help make this event a success, please contact rob.stock@melhs.org.

Lost and Found: All students should check out the table in the office commons to be reunited with their long-lost lunchbox, water bottle, sweatshirt, etc.

Enrollment: Enrollment for the 2026-2027 school year is now open! Please spread the word to family and friends that may be looking at high school options for next fall.

Sports/Activities Schedule

Scholar Bowl - 12/11 at Civic Memorial with Belleville West and Father McGivney

Bowling - 12/11 at CORLHS, 12/16 at Wood River, 12/18 at Civic Memorial

Girls Basketball - 12/12 at Althoff, 12/15 Home vs Father McGivney, 12/16 Gibault Tournament vs Gibault, 12/18 TBA Gibault Tournament, 12/20 TBA Gibault Tournament

Boys Basketball - 12/13 at Lincolnwood Shootout vs Carlinville, 12/15 Freshman Home vs Marquette, 12/16 at Maryville Christian, 12/18 Freshman Home vs EAWR, 12/19 at Marquette, 12/20 SWIC Shootout vs Waterloo

Wrestling - 12/16 Home vs East St. Louis, 12/20 at Clinton High School

Schedules: Many students have been working with Mr. Stock to finalize their schedules for second semester. Students should try to finalize their schedules before Christmas break. A student does have eight days into the new semester to make changes. Parental approval may be needed for some changes. Students will receive a printed copy of their schedule when they arrive back to school



Congrats to the Girls Bowling team on their great showing recently at the Gateway Metro Conference Bowling Tournament.

Emma Gusewelle and Kacy Gears earned Honorable Mention All-Conference recognition, while Katie Albrecht and Dani Spann were named 1st Team All-Conference.

Spann had the highest girls score for the day, as she and Charlotte Smith each set career-best match marks with their scores. Go Knights!

"Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes? ²⁶Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they?"

Matthew 6:25-26

College Reps

College visits are starting. Watch the daily announcements for more information about which schools will be sending representatives. To attend a college visit, juniors and seniors need to see Mrs. Behrhorst the day before the visit to receive a pass. You must still get permission from your teacher for the time that you will miss from class.

Stay Updated!

Follow our social media pages so you can stay up to date on everything happening during the school year. Please email any pictures to kori.krause@melhs.org.

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Trinity Lutheran Ministries Hosts

UGLY CHRISTMAS SWEATER 5K

Benefitting Glen-Ed Food Pantry &
Edwardsville Neighbors



REGISTER HERE:



SATURDAY
DEC. 13



600 Water Street
Edwardsville, IL 62025

RACE BEGINS
9AM

FESTIVITIES INCLUDE:

- Christmas Carolers
- Photo Opportunities
- Cookies
- Christmas Displays
- Ugly Sweater Contest!
- Medals for Finishers
- Shirts for early registrants
- and Christmas Cheer!

REGISTER TODAY!

<https://runsignup.com/Race/IL/Edwardsville/CHRISTmasUglySweaterDash5K>

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