# METRO-EAST LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL

# HIGHLIGHTS

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### Please pray...

- For our students as they begin to prepare for final exams.
- For the continued health of our school families and our entire community as we approach the holidays.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Lutheran High Sunday - Trinity Edwardsville

December 7, 2025

- \* Early Dismissal 1:10pm December 9, 2025
- 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.

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.

#### 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: <a href="https://signup.com/go/UQmNYsA">https://signup.com/go/UQmNYsA</a> Please make sure one adult is signed up with you.

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.

**All Juniors** – There will be a CEO recruitment informational meeting during 1st hour in the media center on Monday, December 8.

**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.

**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!

**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.

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**Thrivent Action Teams:** Mrs. Spelbring is looking for Thrivent policy holders who would be interested in using one or both of their Thrivent Action Team applications to support the Student Success Center. We provide food to students in need and Thrivent Action Teams can help us stay stocked! We need volunteers to adopt-a-week and submit an application for support.

Sample applications are available so you can literally copy and paste the project details into the application to make it super easy to submit. Mrs. Spelbring provides a picture of the event and wording to use to report back after the week's activities are complete.

If you are a Thrivent member/policy holder, you have access to two Action Team requests each year. Each request can provide up to \$250 to your project. Once the project is approved, you can coordinate with Mrs. Spelbring to make this easy and fun. You can be as hands on as you'd like. E-mail <a href="mailto:faith.spelbring@melhs.org">faith.spelbring@melhs.org</a> if you are willing to team up with Mrs. Spelbring and submit a request!

#### **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: <a href="https://forms.gle/GeCRsVFIfvEmJLVD9">https://forms.gle/GeCRsVFIfvEmJLVD9</a>

#### **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!

## **Sports/Activities Schedule**

Scholar Bowl - 12/4 at Highland with Belleville East, 12/6 at Granite City, 12/11 at Civic Memorial with Belleville West and Father McGivney

Bowling - 12/4 at Roxana, 12/8 at Camelot, 12/11 at CORLHS

Girls Basketball - 12/4 Home vs Maryville Christian, 12/8 at Marissa, 12/9 at CORLHS, 12/12 at Althoff

Boys Basketball - 12/4 at Granite City, 12/5 at Father McGivney, 12/6 at Odin, 12/9 Home vs CORLHS, 12/13 at Lincolnwood Shootout vs Carlinville

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

"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? 26 Look 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.



**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!

Trinity Lutheran Ministries