### Metro-East Lutheran High School



# HIGHLIGHTS

## December 8, 2023 *Inseparable*

Romans 8:38-39

#### Please pray...

- For the season of Advent as we prepare for the celebration of Christ's birth and for His return.
- For our students as they prepare for the semester final exams.



December 17 MELHS Christmas Concert December 20-22 Semester Exams December 23-January 7 Christmas Break

#### Announcements

MELHS ELVES Service Evening: NHS Members, help us spread Christmas cheer and assist others this holiday season! Tuesday, Dec. 19, at school from 5 p.m. to 8.p.m. — drop in when you can! We'll be wrapping presents that guests bring in, sipping hot cocoa, and listening to Christmas music. Please bring in wrapping supplies if you have them. It will be a fun, easy way to earn some hours! Families interested in bringing in gifts to be wrapped should see the attached flier and spread the word!

**ELF Movie Night:** Join in the ELF Movie Night fun with Mrs. Spelbring and Mrs. Morrison! Tickets were sold at the school auction, but we're opening ticket sales again!

**DATE:** Thursday, Dec. 14, 4-7 p.m. **LOCATION:** Student Success Center

**ACTIVITIES:** Elf Movie themed games with prizes, watch the movie together, pizza and snacks provided! Students who want to join in the fun, e-mail Mrs. Spelbring at <a href="mailto:faith.spelbring@melhs.org">faith.spelbring@melhs.org</a> to sign up. Then, bring \$25 to the school office by Dec. 12. If \$25 is too steep before Christmas, just tell Mrs. Spelbring. We have sponsored tickets to be given to a few students.

**Finals:** Students will take finals Dec. 20-22. All finals will conclude by 11:15 a.m. each day and lunch will not be served. The finals schedule is as follows:

#### Wednesday, Dec. 20

8:00-9:30 - English 9:45-11:15 - Math

#### Thursday, Dec. 21

8:00-9:30 - Foreign Language 9:45-11:15 - Social Studies

#### Friday, Dec. 22

8:00-9:30 - Theology 9:45-11:15 - Science

Students are not required to be in attendance if they do not have a scheduled exam. Students on campus who don't have an exam must gather in the gym commons.



Pictured L-R: Miles Dennis, Lucas Lorenz, Evan Klaustermeier, Dalton Beers, Josh Fields, Connor Skelton, Allie Oldham, Grace Brown, Lilly Skelton and Harry Mueller.

#### **SERVE AWARDS**

Congratulations to our SERVE (Students Earning Recognition for Various Endeavors) Award students. This week we recognize Miles Dennis, Allie Oldham, Grace Brown, Dalton Beers, Lucas Lorenz and Connor Skelton for their academic performance; Josh Fields, Harry Mueller and Evan Klaustermeier for their athletic and extracurricular performances; and Lilly Skelton for her willingness to serve.

#### **Sports/Activities Schedules**

**Boys Basketball** — 12/8 at Marquette; 12/11 Frosh Home vs. Marquette; 12/12 Home vs. Althoff; 12/14 Frosh Home vs. East Alton-Wood River; 12/15 at Carbondale Shootout; 12/16 Home vs. Collinsville; 12/18 Frosh Home vs. Father McGivney

**Girls Basketball** — 12/11 Varsity at Maryville Christian; 12/12, 12/14 and 12/16 at Gibault Tournament; 12/18 Frosh Home vs. Father McGivney

**Bowling** — 12/11 at Althoff; 12/14 at Christ Our Rock (Salem Bowl)

**Scholar Bowl** — 12/14 Home vs. Father McGivney/East Alton-Wood River/Civic Memorial

**Wrestling** — 12/9 at Tower Grove; 12/16 at Clinton Invitational

### Several bowlers had some high marks recently for the Knights bowling

team. Against Piasa on Thursday, Cody Morgan and Cole Renken each had careerbest series scores, while Christian Severs had a season-best 586 series and a 236 game. Josh Fields also recently reached his career-high series (478) and game (220) scores against Highland. MELHS travels to Belleville Althoff and Christ Our Rock Lutheran this coming week.



Look at all these lost items that have been found! All students should check out the lost and found items on the tables in the office commons. You may be reunited with your long lost item.

#### Announcements (Continued)

**Ugly Christmas Sweaters:** Student Council will be hosting an ugly Christmas sweater contest on Friday, Dec. 15. Judging will take place after chapel in the gym. There will be prizes for the first and second ugliest Christmas sweaters!

Boys Baseball: Any student interested in Boys Baseball should make sure they are signed up on the GameChanger app and added to our 2024 team. If you are not signed up yet and need help, please see Mr. Langendorf for assistance.

**Dancer Knight Minis:** Students in kindergarten through 8th grade have the opportunity to perform with the Dancer Knights at halftime of the Dec. 16 boys basketball game. Practice will be on Dec. 15, and the cost to participate is \$30. See the attached flier for more details.

**Christmas Concert:** The MELHS music department will present a Christmas Concert on Sunday, Dec. 17, at 4 p.m. in Henschen Hall. All are invited to join us to enjoy performances by the band, choir and strings ensemble.

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 on Monday, Jan. 8.

FCA is hosting Cardinals Gold-Glover Tommy Edman at Christ Church in Fairview Heights at 7 p.m. on Jan. 15. Coaches and Athletes can attend for free, and parents can get a \$5 discount. See attached flyer for more information. Contact <a href="mailto:moberhauser@fca.org">moberhauser@fca.org</a> with questions.

**Glo Bingo:** The boys basketball and baseball teams will be hosting a Glo Bingo fundraiser on Friday, Jan. 5, at the Tri-Township Activity Center in Troy. Doors open at 6 p.m. with bingo beginning at 7 p.m. See the attached flier for more details.

**ACT:** The registration deadline for the Feb. 10 ACT test is Jan. 5. Please go to <a href="www.act.org">www.act.org</a> to register. Our school code is 144463.





### **HELP YOU THIS HOLIDAY SEASON!**

- Tuesday, December 19th; 5-8 pm
- Drop off unwrapped Christmas gifts/packages in the gym commons. If you want specific wrapping paper to be used, drop that off, too.
- Volunteer "elves" will wrap your gifts for you—return 2-3 hours later to collect them!



Donations will be collected to cover costs of wrapping paper. Any additional funds will be given to a local food pantry. Thank you!



# Dancer Knight

## Minis!

What: perform with the Dancer Knights at halftime!

When: Practice- 12/15 4:30-6:30 pm

Perform- Halftime of the 12/16

boys basketball, 3:30pm game

Where: Metro East Lutheran High School

Who: Kindergarten-8 grade

Specifics: Cost \$30, Christmas themed dance

Contact: Coach Sophia Cook at Sophiajcook02@gmail.com

to register!



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# METRO EAST LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL

Tri-Township Activity Center 284 Riggin Rd, Troy, IL

Friday, Jan 5, 2024

Doors @ 6pm

Bingo @ 7pm

GLO-BINGO.COM/EVENTS

FOR TICKETS:

COACH SMITH 618-520-0625

COACH LANGENDORF 618-979-4612



\$25 In Advance - \$30 at the Door MUST BE 18 OR OLDER TO ATTEND

Includes 6 bingo cards for 10 games
Also includes Glow Hat & Dauber
(\$5 per additional 6 cards)





# FEATURING: TOMMY EDMAN

Family & Friends use TAKE5 at checkout for \$5 off



### **MONDAY JANUARY 15**

7:00 PM- PROGRAM BEGINS
CHRIST CHURCH
FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS, IL
COACHES/ATHLETES- FREE ADMISSION

