

# METRO-EAST LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL

# HIGHLIGHTS

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## Please pray...

- For our students as they begin their second semester.
- For the families of eighth grade students as they make their decisions about high school for next year.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Early Dismissal - 1:10pm

January 13, 2026

### No School - MLK Day

January 19, 2026

### Lutheran High Sunday - Holy Cross, Collinsville

January 25, 2026

### National Lutheran Schools Week

January 26 - 30, 2026



## Announcements

**Auditions for "Shrek the Musical" begin January 12!** We need actors and tech crew. Actors will audition on Monday Jan 12, with dance auditions on Jan 13. Wednesday we will have tech interviews for anyone interested in set design, build, paint, props, makeup/hair, costumes and choreography. Please sign up using this link: [HERE](#)

**Dine to Donate:** Please mark your calendars for a Knight Stewards Dine-to-Donate opportunity on Monday, February 23 from 4 – 8 p.m. at Panera Bread in Edwardsville. 25% of receipts will help fund various educational efforts at our school. The fundraising flyer will be included in Highlights.

**FCA** Guys Weekend of Champions will be March 6-8, 2026. Early bird pricing until January 9!

Register at [stlfca.org/guysweekend](http://stlfca.org/guysweekend)  
See attached flyer for more information!

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

**Homecoming photos** are available for purchase from Mr. Lorenz. They are \$10.00 each. An example is posted on the office window.

**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.

**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](mailto:rob.stock@melhs.org).

**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.

### 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>

## Announcements

### 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.

**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.

## Sports/Activities Schedule

Scholar Bowl - 1/15 at Breese Central with Mater Dei and Freeburg, 1/17 TBA at Piasa Bird Invitational

Bowling - 1/8 at Southwestern, 1/12 at Marquette, 1/14 Home vs CORLHS, 1/17 Boys Bowling Regionals

Girls Basketball - 1/8 Home vs Gibault, 1/10 Home vs Roxana, 1/12 at North Greene Tournament vs Bunker Hill, 1/13-1/17 TBA North Greene Tournament

Boys Basketball - 1/12 at Sparta, 1/13 at Althoff, 1/16 at CORLHS

Wrestling - 1/10 at Quincy Notre Dame, 1/17 at Litchfield



The Knights bowling team returned to action this week with a home match against Belleville Althoff. The Girls improved to a perfect 5-0 with a 36-4 victory. Emma Gusewelle led all bowlers with a career-best 476 series and game score of 168! For the boys, Lucas Getta also had a career-high game score. Go Knights!

## 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.

- 1/15 National Guard Rep Visit - 11:39am - 12:51pm

## 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](mailto:kori.krause@melhs.org).

*"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

# Knight Stewards

Happy New Year from the Knight Stewards! There are 4 upcoming events we want to make you aware of and ask you to add to your calendar.

First, we have 2 Dine To Donates scheduled so far in 2026 (more to come).

- Monday, January 26, Peel Pizza-Edwardsville will give MELHS 20% of net sales all day - including dine in, carry out, gift cards, prepackaged items, etc. Just show the flyer or enter "2026" for online ordering.
- Monday, February 23, Panera Bread-Edwardsville will give MELHS 25% of receipts from 4-8pm. We'll have a flyer to share closer to the event!

Second, we'd like to invite all members of Knight Nation who have worked or will be working in the concession stands this year (this should be **EVERY FAMILY!**) to attend a Knight Stewards meeting on Thursday, January 22 at 7pm. There are no athletic contests that evening so we hope to have a big crowd! We'll provide a year to date report, food, and drink and also want to use this as an opportunity for MELHS parents to socialize and meet new friends. This is our way to thank you for your efforts as we continue to raise money for all the extracurricular activities offered at MELHS.

Finally, there is one more tournament being hosted at MELHS this year on Friday and Saturday, January 30-31. We could use extra help in the concession stand. If you'd be able to give a little time, please grab a friend and sign up in the Knights Hub on the Knights App or by clicking this link: [HERE](#)

Thanks for stepping up, Knight Nation!

Misty Menossi ([president@knight-stewards.melhs.org](mailto:president@knight-stewards.melhs.org)) and Jennifer Schilbe ([secretary@knight-stewards.melhs.org](mailto:secretary@knight-stewards.melhs.org)), Co-Chairs, Knight Stewards



## DINE AND DONATE

Indoor & Outdoor seating and Carryout orders  
open to close on 1.26.26.

Gift Cards, Packaged Sauces, Growlers of Beer and  
all Food Purchases count towards fundraiser.



**ENTER CODE 2026 FOR  
ONLINE ORDERING!**

Show this flyer on your phone or mention when you  
place your order. 20% of your proceeds will be counted.  
(Net sales before tax and tip).  
EDWARDSVILLE Location!!

# GUYS WEEKEND OF CHAMPIONS



March 6-8 / Lake Williamson Christian Center / Carlinville, IL



Early Bird  
Price of \$199  
until Jan. 9!  
(\$250 after)

Register at [stlfca.org/guysweekend](http://stlfca.org/guysweekend) or use the QR Code above.

Financial Assistance is available.

Contact Mark Oberhauser for more information: 618-219-0489