

# Metro-East Lutheran High School



# HIGHLIGHTS

November 22, 2024

*Grace and Kindness*

Ephesians 4

Please pray...

- Giving thanks for our families and friends who bless our lives.
- For safety for our school families who will be traveling over Thanksgiving break.



## Important Upcoming Dates

Nov. 25-29 Thanksgiving Break

Dec. 10 Early Dismissal at 1:10 p.m.

Dec. 15 Music Department Christmas Concert

## Announcements

**Thanksgiving Break:** There will be no school next week for Thanksgiving break. The school office also will be closed during the break. Enjoy your holiday!

**Academic Challenge applications** are now available in Mr. Moldenhauer's room! They are due by the end of the day today. This is a test-taking competition. Each team member takes tests in two different subject areas, choosing between Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, English, Engineering Graphics, Mathematics, and Physics. We compete against other schools, and you can advance individually or as a team from Regionals to Sectionals to State. Those competitions are in February, March, and April. There are no practices, so the only commitments are the actual competition dates. See Mr. Moldenhauer for more information or for an application.

**The SAT registration deadline is** today for the Dec. 7 test. Please go to <https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/sat/dates-deadlines> to register.

**Our MELHS Hat and Mitten Tree is up!** From today until Dec. 16, we are accepting donations of hats, mittens, scarves, and socks. These will be locally donated to those in need. Please hang donations on the tree located in the office commons.

**Seniors:** The FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) portal will open on Dec. 1! MELHS will be hosting a "Teach-Me-How-To-FAFSA" Workshop on Monday, Dec. 2, at 6:30 p.m. in the media center. A representative from the Illinois Student Assistance Commission will be there to answer questions and give help with filling out the FAFSA form.

**Get into the Christmas spirit by sharing what you have with others!** MELHS Theatre Club is hosting a Toy Drive on behalf of Fire Truck O'Toys. We will be collecting new unwrapped toys for children ages 0-18 years old that will be in the hospital over the holidays. If you would like to donate a toy to this amazing non-profit organization please bring your toys to our collection boxes at MELHS from now until Dec. 13.

**Mission Trip Fundraisers:** Support the upcoming MELHS Mission Trip to Costa Rica by dining at Peel Wood Fired Pizza on Jan. 14. See the attached flier for more info on that event. Thanks for supporting our students as they serve others during interim week!

**Save the Date:** Mark your calendar now for the annual Sigmund Bohnet Memorial Golf Tournament, which will be held on April 20 at Arlington Greens Golf Course in Granite City.

**New Student Applications:** Applications are now open for new students interested in joining the MELHS family for the 2025-2026 school year. Families can submit an application using this link:

<https://mel-il.client.renweb.com/oa/?memberid=3749>

Please pass this info on to any families with students interested in becoming a Knight!

**Want to support the Fine Arts?** The fall play may be over, but the MELHS Theatre Department wish list fundraiser is still open. [Click here](#) to view the wish list and make a donation to support the performing arts at Metro-East Lutheran High School.

## Sports/Activities Schedules

**Boys Basketball** — 12/5 Home vs. Granite City; 12/6 at Father McGivney

**Girls Basketball** — 12/2 Home vs. Althoff; 12/5 at Maryville Christian; 12/9 Home vs. Marissa

**Bowling** — 12/3 at Highland; 12/9 at Althoff (St. Clair Bowl)

**Scholar Bowl** — 12/3 Home; 12/5 Home; 12/7 Tournament TBA

## Announcements (continued)

**English Country Dance:** Trinity-St. Paul Walther League is hosting an English Country Dance on Sunday, Dec. 8, from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Trinity Parish Hall in Worden. Cost is \$5 per attendee. RSVP to [eliza.askins@gmail.com](mailto:eliza.askins@gmail.com) by Nov. 30, if you plan to attend. All are invited! Please see the attached flier for more details.

**Online on-demand tutoring:** We have launched our new online tutoring program, Varsity Tutors. Every MELHS student now has access to this online portal. Students can log in using their school e-mail address and Google password either through the school website or the included QR code. We are thrilled to bring you this 24/7 on-demand tutoring with a trained educator who can offer homework help, reteach concepts, and answer questions for any student who logs on to find help. Questions? Contact Mrs. Spelbring at [faith.spelbring@melhs.org](mailto:faith.spelbring@melhs.org).



**Comfort Dogs on Campus Every Monday:** Esther the comfort dog will be here in the Student Success Center every Monday from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Please feel free to come and enjoy this ministry! Did you know that connecting with animals can help some people de-stress and find calm? If that is something you need, stop on by!

**Jumpstart to Joy:** The Edwardsville CEO program will once again be hosting a Jumpstart to Joy program on Nov. 29, from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the YMCA Meyer Center. The event will include bounce houses, roller skating, arts and crafts, face painting, games, and a chance to meet Santa and Mrs. Claus. Tickets are \$10 each. For more information, see the attached flier.



**The Knights Boys Bowling** team tied Wood River this past week in competition, based on individual match-up scoring, 20-20. Senior Christian Severs led all bowlers with a 518 series. Anton Dehne and Isaak Broekemeier each had career-best game scores, while Jacob Staake and Ryan Sine had season-high scores!



**Congratulations to our music department students** who submitted auditions and were selected to be part of the ILMEA District 6 Festival this weekend at Belleville West. Pictured L-R, back row: Gany Krausz, Henry Schumacher, Rebekah Lindsey, Kaitlyn Peterson, Dean Hemmer, Christian Greer and Ben Ettling; front row: Aubrey Goeckner, Kate Mueller, Josie Wright and Wyatt Goeckner





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# We're Hiring

## Parks and Recreation Seasonal Part-Time Jobs

**AGES 15+ (WITH WORKERS PERMIT)**  
**NIGHT AND WEEKEND SHIFTS**  
**\$15-\$18 PER HOUR: BASED ON POSITION**  
**EMPLOYMENT: FEBRUARY-NOVEMBER**



### POSITIONS AVAILABLE

- **Parks Facilities Supervisor (ages 21+)**
- **Operations Staff (ages 15+)**  
Splash Pad Monitor, Concessionaire, Scorekeeper,  
Youth Sports Official, Parks Field Maintenance
- **Alcohol Concessionaire (ages 18+)**

**ALL POSITIONS REQUIRE EXCELLENT CUSTOMER SERVICE  
SKILLS AND THE ABILITY TO WORK OUTDOORS**

TO APPLY & FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT  
THE CITY OF EDWARDSVILLE'S WEBSITE:  
[CITYOFEDWARDSVILLE.COM/HR](http://CITYOFEDWARDSVILLE.COM/HR)





# Walther League Winter English Country Dance



Trinity St. Paul Walther League  
@Trinity Parish Hall (Worden, IL)  
Sunday, December 8th from 3-7pm

Youth grades 7-12th are invited for fellowship, English Country dancing, and food. No experience necessary. A skilled caller will lead all dances and teach those just learning. Dress in comfortable shoes, ugly Christmas sweater optional, and modest slacks or skirts. Cost is \$5 per attendee.

RSVP by November 30th to Mrs. Askins at  
[eliza.askins@gmail.com](mailto:eliza.askins@gmail.com) or 618 604 2316



**DINE <sup>2</sup>AND DONATE**

Indoor & Outdoor seating and Carryout orders  
open to close on 1.14.25.

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

# **Metro East Lutheran High School Costa Rica Mission Trip**

**ENTER CODE 2025 FOR  
ONLINE ORDERING!**

Please pull up 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 only.



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# Jumpstart to Joy

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MEYER CENTER

- ❄️ Bounce Houses
- ❄️ Roller Skating
- ❄️ Arts & Crafts
- ❄️ Face Painting
- ❄️ Character Interactions
- ❄️ Scavenger Hunt
- ❄️ Jumbo Games
- ❄️ SANTA & Mrs. Claus!

**\$10** PER TICKET  
+ service fees



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