



ARCHBISHOP MOLLOY HIGH SCHOOL

# Parent Newsletter



Not for school but for life

March/April 2014

Dear Parents and Guardians,

The Middle States Commission on Higher Education is an independent association that evaluates and validates schools that volunteer to undergo the accreditation process. This process involves a detailed review and examination of the school's mission, values, academic achievement, facilities, and all aspects of the school community. The school identifies areas for development and improvement, and this self-study culminates in a four-day visit to the school by a team of educators drawn from schools in the Middle States Association. The team reviews the school's operation objectively and offers commendations and recommendations to assist the school's continual growth and future success.

Accreditation affirms the quality of education that a school provides and expresses confidence in a school's performance. Through accreditation, the Committee on Secondary Schools verifies that the school meets the Middle States Association's standards of excellence within the terms of the school's own philosophy and objectives.

The chief purpose of the whole accreditation process is the improvement of education. Has the school achieved worthwhile outcomes set by its own staff and community? Through a comprehensive self-evaluation, the school seeks to confirm the effectiveness of the entire school operation by inviting professional feedback from impartial outside educators. The chief goal is to explore remedies for any shortcomings and to identify and nurture good practices.

Archbishop Molloy High School has been accredited by the Middle States Association for two decades, and this year, we are completing a two-year review process to renew our accreditation. We are grateful to the faculty, staff, students and parents who have served on committees that have explored the kind of school we are, and the kind of school we want to be. A Middle States accreditation team will visit Molloy from Monday, March 10th through Thursday, March 13th and will present their final report to the entire faculty on Thursday morning, March 13th. For this reason, students will be dismissed at 10:30 AM that day.

We thank the Middle States Commission on higher Education for helping us to define our goals and to discover ways to achieve them

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Brother Thomas J. Schady, FMS  
Principal.



## WINTER SPORTS RECAP

Molloy athletes had a successful winter, producing excellent team records and memorable seasons. The Girls Varsity swim team, went 8-0 during the Dual Season and won the Individual Championship. The Boys Varsity swim team put up a solid 6-2 record and finished the Individual Championships in 5<sup>th</sup>. In Bowling, the Varsity team earned a 10-3 record and reached the semi-finals of the Diocesan playoffs. The JV bowling squad, stole the show this winter, going 16-0 en route to the Diocesan and City Championship. In hoops, the Boys Varsity basketball team went 19-6 and reached the quarter-finals of the city playoffs. Boys JV basketball achieved at 17-7 record and reached the semi-finals of the city playoffs. The Boys Varsity "B" basketball team finished 19-8 and reached the city championship game. The Boys Freshman Basketball team doubled up on their losses with 16 wins and reached the semi-finals of the city playoffs. On the girls' side, the Varsity hoops team went 13-11 and advanced to the BQ Diocesan Championship game. They will compete in the upcoming Girls High School "AA" Basketball Tournament. The Girls JV team finished a bit better, going 17-4 while entering the playoffs and also advanced to the BQ Diocesan Championship game. Our Boys Step team earned championship trophies at the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Daily News Youth Step USA Brooklyn and Queens Borough Championships. The boys also took home championship hardware for their outstanding performance at the Break the Stage competition for the high school division.

In track, our Varsity boys and girls teams have both secured BQ Championships. Standout performances belong to Jared Lovelace '14 and Niamani Morrison '14, who were both voted Outstanding Athletes by the CHSAA.. Niamani is also to be commended for setting the Molloy record for the 55m at 7.1, which also tied the meet record. MaryEllen Woods '14 completed the 1600m in 59.6, which qualified as the fastest relay split for Molloy. At the Intersectional Championships, the boys finished in 5<sup>th</sup> while the girls finished in 3<sup>rd</sup>.

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Marking Period Report Cards

The third marking period of the academic year ends March 24<sup>th</sup>. Parents will be receiving reports cards by the end of March.

## Scheduling Assemblies

Fresh/Soph Scheduling Assemblies will take place on Wed, March 26<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Vellucci will explain what courses are available and required for the 2014-2015 academic year. Students will register for next year's courses on April 10<sup>th</sup>. Parents and students can check the school website for the Course Catalog. more specific information about the requirements for each year will be posted before the scheduling assemblies.

## Spirit Week

Spirit week at Molloy is a weeklong series of activities and events in which students

**I ♥ AM** and faculty celebrate "STANNER SPIRIT". Parents are requested to encourage their children to participate in the many events planned for the week. We know that with your sons' and daughters' participation and support, we will have a fabulous Spirit Week! Spirit Week will be April 7<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>.

## Junior Leadership Ceremony

Junior parents are invited to attend the Junior Leadership Ceremony on Thur., May 1<sup>st</sup>. At this ceremony, the Junior Class receives their Leadership Pins and Class Rings. The ceremony begins at 8:05am in the Curran Gym with refreshments to follow in the Marsole Gym.

## 34<sup>th</sup> Annual International Day

Come celebrate our cultural infusion of ethnic foods and student performances for our 34<sup>th</sup> annual International Day, which will be held on Sunday, March 30<sup>th</sup> from 2 to 4pm. Ticket prices are \$10 for adults, \$5 for students & children under 10, free for children under 5. Lunch is included in the price. Take the family out and have some fun!



## Lenten Season

To begin the holy season of Lent, our Ash Wednesday prayer service took place on March 5<sup>th</sup>, at 8am in the Jack Curran Gym.

Lantern happens every Thursday at 2:10pm in the chapel. Each Lantern service in March and April will focus on Lenten themes. All are welcome!

We will have a school wide Reconciliation service here on Tuesday April 8<sup>th</sup>. 11 priests from neighboring parishes will be coming to hear confessions. Please encourage your child to attend.

Our annual Fast-A-Thon will take place on Wednesday April 9<sup>th</sup>. The Fast involves students giving up lunch for the day. They will be asking people to help sponsor them for this very worthwhile experience. Every year we raise at least \$2000 for those who are less fortunate.

On Wed. April 16<sup>th</sup>, we will have our Holy Week Liturgy at 8am in the Jack Curran Gym.

Pax Christi will sponsor a Good Friday Stations of the Cross held in Manhattan going through Times Square. This is a wonderful and unique prayer experience. Please have your child come to Room 334 for more details.

New service opportunities will start at the end of April. Please encourage your child to look out for announcements for more details concerning these programs.



My Faith in You is nothing but the dark path in the night between the abandoned shack of my poor, dim earthly life and the brilliance of your eternity.  
- Karl Rahner  
*Keeping a Holy Lent*

## Blood Drive

Molloy Juniors and Seniors are being called upon to volunteer to give blood at this year's blood drive on April 1<sup>st</sup>. Giving the gift of life to someone in need is a lesson well learned. Please join us in encouraging your child to give the gift of life. Complete details & consent forms will be distributed to the juniors and seniors in March.

## CONGRATULATIONS

**Congratulations** to Samantha Sattler, who has advanced to Finalist standing in the National Merit Scholarship Program of 2014 by demonstrating achievement through distinguished performance high potential for future academic accomplishment.

**Congratulations** to Harsh Patel for qualifying for the Presidents Volunteer Service Award. This award recognizes all students who have volunteered significant amounts of their time to serve their community and their country.

## Student Hosting Opportunity

Ten students from Mariste la Immaculada school in Barcelona will be hosted by the families of Molloy students and alumni this spring. Would you and your family like to be a part of this unique learning experience? A few more AMHS families are still needed to host the ten Marist school students from April 16 through April 26. Families with sophomores, juniors or seniors currently at Molloy or AMHS alumni families are eligible to host a student. For more information, please contact David Little at [dlittle@molloyhs.org](mailto:dlittle@molloyhs.org). Families will be assigned to host a Barcelona student on a first come, first served basis.

## Graduation

Graduation will take place on Sun, June 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am at the Colden Auditorium of Queens College.

# Class of 2014

All academic and athletic scholarships will be listed in the graduation program next to your son or daughter's name. Please have your child give a copy of any scholarship letter he or she receives to Mrs. McCabe in Rm 207. Remember to include scholarships awarded by various organizations (Knights of Columbus, Sons of Italy and Union Scholarships, etc.) We will need this information no later than April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

## CAMP MARIST

Camp Marist was founded in 1949 on the beautiful shores of Ossipee Lake by The Marist Brothers. After having established numerous elementary and high schools throughout the world, the Brothers wished to create a camp which complemented what they were doing in their schools.



Camp Marist is a traditional residential summer camp for boys and girls, ages 6 to 16. Nestled on 300 acres in the White Mountain region of New Hampshire, it offers children an opportunity to continue learning about their faith, learn about character and community, develop strong self-esteem and self-awareness, and grow in confidence while practicing new skills.

It's goal is to provide positive, life-enhancing experiences for all participants in our programs and for members of our surrounding community, including those less fortunate. Camp Marist strives to offer a stimulating and fun-filled environment, which fosters personal growth in faith, mind, body, and friendship through challenging and educational activities.

For more Information,  
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Brother James Vagan, FMS  
Jvagan@molloyhs.org or  
718-441-2100 ext 148  
Or check us out on the web at:  
[www.CampMarist.org](http://www.CampMarist.org)

## PlusPortals

If you communicate with teachers via email through PlusPortals, please remember to include your email address in the message. Return email addresses do not automatically appear with your communication and as a result, teachers may have trouble replying promptly to your questions.

**PlusPortals**

## "Love 'A Little' Week"

"Love 'A Little' Week " is a week where, as a school community, we will be celebrating life. We will recall the dignity that all human beings possess, especially the unborn. The week of the 18<sup>th</sup> of March, will include such events as watching & discussing the movie "Juno," a bake sale which will raise money for Bridge for Life, a talk given by Generation Life which will discuss human dignity, and finally a simple service dedicated to praying for all life especially the most vulnerable of our society and world. Please encourage your child to take part in these celebrations of life.

## Working Papers

Any student interested in getting Working Papers must see the school nurse to obtain the required forms. These forms must be completed by parents and returned to the nurse with a copy of the student's birth certificate. Also required is a note from your physician stating that the student has had a physical and is able to work. Since the nurse is not available during the summer months please plan ahead.

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## Senior Trip to Disney

A group of students from the Class of 2014 will be leaving for their senior trip to Disney World this month. They will be leaving on Thurs., March 13<sup>th</sup> and returning on Monday March 17<sup>th</sup>. We'd like to wish them a safe and fun trip!



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