



ST. MARY'S PREPARATORY

January 30, 2009

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s) of St. Mary's Students,

As we prepare for the end of another successful academic year, it is time to enroll your son(s) for the 2009-10 school year at St. Mary's Preparatory.

We request that you submit the enclosed Registration Form and Payment Contract by **April 10, 2009** along with your initial \$1,000.00 deposit (**non-refundable after June 15, 2009**) to reserve a space for your son. If your son does indeed enroll for next school year, the \$1,000.00 deposit will be applied to his tuition balance. The other enclosed forms - Consent to Treatment Form, Physical Form, Immunization Form, Off-Campus Permission Slip, Honor Code Parent Form, FACTS Form or letter (if applicable), MHSAA Medical History Card, and the Athletic Emergency Form (again, if applicable) - are due no later than **July 31, 2009**. Failure to return these forms on time could result in a delay in your son being scheduled for his classes for the fall 2009 semester.

There are two tuition payment options currently available at St. Mary's: pay in full by September 15, 2009 (receive a \$100 discount for paying in full by August 15) or make monthly payments through the F.A.C.T.S. program. Enclosed you will find a F.A.C.T.S. registration form or letter for returning F.A.C.T.S. participants.

Applications for St. Mary's Preparatory financial aid are available online at www.nais.org/financialaid/sss. Once you log on, click on the SSS online area. On the next screen, click on the parent button and follow the instructions. You may also pick up a hard copy of the financial aid form in the school office. These forms must be submitted to SSS in Pittsburgh, PA by **May 15, 2009**. The application fee is \$24. Only one application needs to be submitted per family, even if you have more than one son currently attending St. Mary's. The amount of financial aid awarded to families is based solely on financial need and the amount awarded each year fluctuates with the economy and return on our investments. Recipients of financial aid awards will be notified by mail in early July. Please do not send Financial Aid applications to St. Mary's! Mail them directly to:

School and Student Service for Financial Aid
SSS PFS (ETS)
P.O. Box 371478
Pittsburgh, PA 15250-7478
Helpline: (866) 387-2601

The Archdiocese of Detroit also has up to \$700 in tuition assistance for high school students which is available to Catholic families who are registered in a parish and demonstrate financial need. You may pick up an application form in the school office or download one from the Archdiocese website. See instructions on the back of this sheet. The application must be post marked no later than **April 10, 2009**.

Please call us at (248) 683-0530 if you have any questions as you complete your registration packet. We look forward to having your sons join us for another great year at St. Mary's.

Sincerely,

James M. Glowacki
Headmaster

Please note: if you need to print out additional copies of any of our forms, go to the home page of our website at www.stmarysprep.com and click on "U.S. Resident Registration Forms."

Archdiocesan Tuition Assistance for the 2009-10 School Year

Applications are currently available for \$700 need-based tuition grants from the Archdiocese of Detroit. In order to be eligible, applicants must be active, registered members of a parish within the Archdiocese. The Archdiocese is now using the Private School Aid Service (PSAS) forms to evaluate financial need. **PLEASE NOTE: THIS APPLICATION IS IN ADDITION TO THE FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION FOR ST. MARY'S PREPARATORY. SEE REVERSE FOR DETAILS.**

The PSAS application fee is \$21, payable in check or money order. Hard copies of the PSAS application form are available in the St. Mary's Prep office and can also be downloaded from the diocesan website as follows:

- Go to **aodonline.org**.
- Click on **Catholic Schools** from the long list of options on the left of the screen.
- Click on **Tuition Assistance** from the options on the right of the screen.
- There you will see how to download applications in English or Spanish. You may also download the "Parent Information Letter" that includes FAQ's.
- **Do not mail PSAS applications to the Archdiocese or to the school!**
Completed applications should be mailed to:
PSAS / P.O. Box 770728 / Lakewood, Ohio 44107-0034
- The pastor of your parish will not be required to sign your application, but will be sent a list of all applicants who applied from his parish. If the pastor does not verify that you are an **active** parishioner, your application will not be processed. To avoid any possible confusion, please notify your parish if your student may have a different last name not recognized by your pastor.
- If you have other children in Catholic school in grades 1 to 12, you need not fill out additional PSAS applications. Only one application is required per family for all eligible children to be considered for grants from the Archdiocese.
- **Application deadline is April 10, 2009 (The application must be postmarked no later than April 10, 2009).**
- Award letters will be issued mid July, 2009. Applications that are denied funding from the Archdiocese will no longer be allowed an appeal.