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NEW FAMILY GUIDE

Welcome to St. Mary's Ryken!

2022-23 SCHOOL YEAR



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Main Phone Number: 301-475-2814

OUR MISSION & portrait of a graduate

At St. Mary's Ryken, we strive every day to instill core values in each student that reflect our school's overall values and mission. These values are reflected in the **St. Mary's Ryken Portrait of a Graduate** statement below. This statement embodies what makes St. Mary's Ryken graduates **unique** and how they are **prepared for success** in their future. As educators, we focus on these values as they spend their high school years with us.

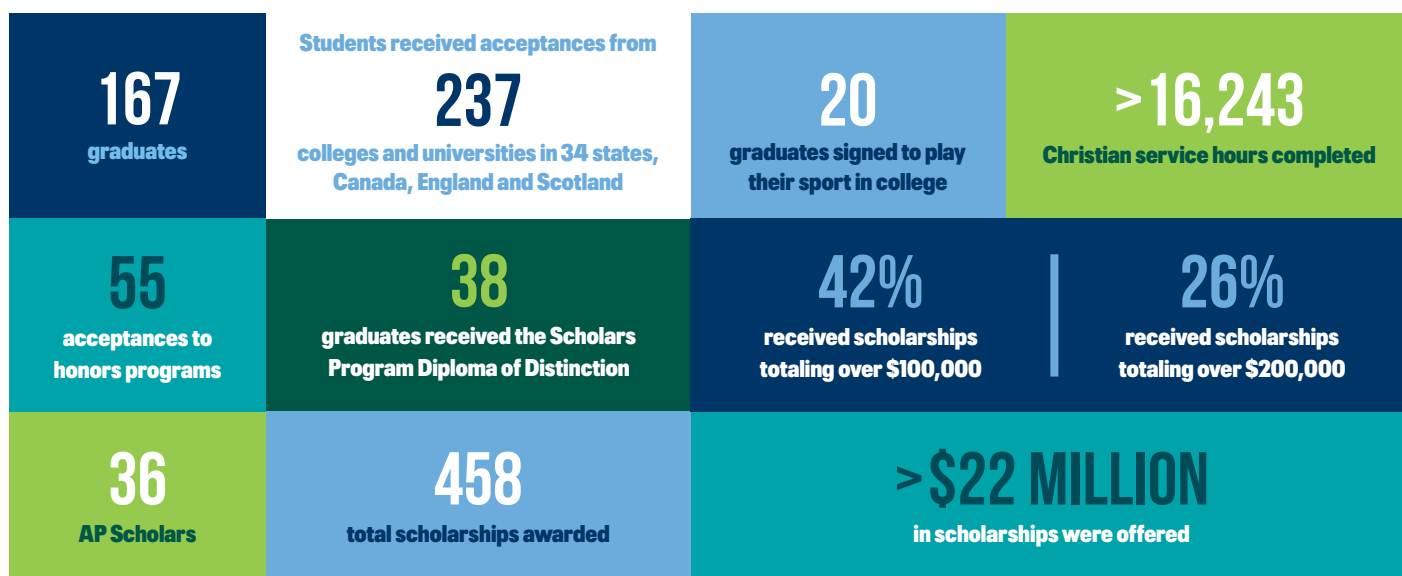
As a school community, we are committed to proving to you that by sending your children to St. Mary's Ryken, you are making the right choice for your family and your child's future!

Portrait of a Graduate

In the Xaverian tradition, a challenging Catholic, college preparatory, educational program is a hallmark of St. Mary's Ryken. As a center of growth and learning, SMR expects that all students and faculty are committed to academic integrity and excellence as well as spiritual growth. Such an atmosphere instills the desire to learn for the sake of learning and increases our students' personal confidence as they experience success in the classroom, on the stage, stewardship in the community, among their peers and on the athletic field. Understanding the importance of developing the whole, unique individual, it is our hope that an SMR graduate will:

- Be a person of moral character, be able to nurture a relationship with God through prayer, be a steward for social justice, and possess an understanding of Catholic theology and tradition
- Possess a deep intellectual curiosity with a passion for lifelong learning, have the ability in personal and professional pursuits to utilize evolving technology effectively and understand how it impacts our society, have the competency for critical thinking and analysis in the humanities and the sciences, and be well prepared for post-secondary academic pursuits
- Be a confident, self-assured young adult capable of developing enduring personal relationships, nurturing a spirit of harmony, being open to diversity and possessing a global perspective, and be committed to making a difference in their community by their leadership.

The Class of 2021



Mission Statement

St. Mary's Ryken is a Catholic, coeducational, college preparatory school community operated under the Xaverian Brothers' sponsorship dedicated to academic excellence and individualized student growth.

OUR ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM looks forward to meeting you!



Dr. Rick Wood, President and CEO

Dr. Wood has served the St. Mary's Ryken community since 1996 as an educator and administrator. He received his undergraduate degree and doctorate from the University of Maryland and a master's degree from Towson University. He is passionate about being a servant-leader as a member of other Xaverian-sponsored school boards and local nonprofits. He is also a graduate of Leadership Maryland. He and his wife, Paula, have three daughters, one a current SMR student, and two alums who have benefited from an SMR education. His family, faith and vocation as an educator are the three most important aspects of his life. He lives on the Wicomico River and enjoys boating, fishing and time with family and friends.



Dr. Catherine Bowes, Principal

Dr. Bowes has over 20 years of school leadership experience across a wide range of settings, including STEM magnet schools, career/technology, and performing/visual arts for high-performing schools in the Baltimore area. Dr. Bowes earned her bachelor's degree in English from Georgetown University and her master's degree in administration and supervision from Johns Hopkins University. She has a secondary education teacher certification in English from Towson University. She earned her Ph.D. in Curriculum and Instruction from Indiana University. Dr. Bowes is a St. Mary's Academy alumna from the Class of 1981. She enjoys being with her family and friends, gardening, going to the theater, movies and concerts, and being outside.



Mr. Brad Chamberlain, Dean of Academics

Mr. Chamberlain has more than 20 years of educational experience. He has taught at the high school and college level and has been a school administrator in urban and suburban schools, and for seven years at St. Mary's Ryken. He has a bachelor's degree in English from George Washington University, a master's degree from Ohio University in education administration and a Superintendent's Certificate from Xavier University. His wife is also an educator, and they have two daughters. He enjoys reading and listening to all kinds of music, and is an avid Ohio State Buckeyes fan.



Mr. James Parker, Dean of Student Life

Mr. Parker has 12 years of experience in education. After a year of teaching abroad, he worked as a K-12 music teacher before transitioning to the college level. Mr. Parker has experience working with a range of students. He has a bachelor's degree in music education from Providence College and a master's in orchestral conducting from the University of South Carolina. In his free time he enjoys cooking, music, and playing with his dogs, Brody and Izzy.

TO-DO LIST for the new school year

Now that you are a St. Mary's Ryken Knight, here is a checklist to get you started:

Bookmark the New Parent Page

It's your one-stop shop for news, updates and important documents and links as you transition to SMR.
www.smrhs.org/newparent.

Opt in to receive SMR text messages

SMR uses text messages to communicate timely information to parents and students. If you haven't already done so, please opt in to receive SMR text messages. To opt in, please **text Y or Yes to 67587**.

Tip: Your student's cell number must be included in your family profile for them to also receive school messages. If you need assistance, please contact Mrs. Betsy Haley at betsy.haley@smrhs.org.

Health physical — IMPORTANT!

All new students must have a current health physical on file before the first day of school. All physical forms must be submitted online; paper copies will not be accepted. All student-athletes must have a current health physical on file before tryouts begin to be eligible to participate in athletics, per Washington Catholic Athletic Conference requirements. Check the New Parent Page for additional instructions and links to the forms. **Physical forms must be dated after June 1, 2022.**

Validation exams — June 4 (Optional)

SMR will offer validation exams on June 4 for those students seeking a higher class placement in math, science or world languages. Students who have taken Algebra I or Geometry in 8th grade have the option to take the math validation exam to test into the next level of math, and therefore science. (Math placement determines science placement as well.) Students who took French, Latin or Spanish during middle school can take a validation exam to test into a higher level of that language. If you need help determining whether your child should validate, please email the Admissions Team at admissions@smrhs.org. The validation exams will be administered virtually.

Uniforms

Visit www.smrhs.org/uniforms for uniform policies, where to shop for school uniforms and uniform sale dates on campus. Uniform items can be purchased through the SMR Campus Store, The Carousel in Waldorf, Maryland, or Flynn O'Hara in Lanham, Maryland. *Check the New Parent Page for on-campus uniform sale dates. SMR will also send text alerts about upcoming new and used uniform sales.*

Need bus transportation?

Don't delay, sign up early! The St. Mary's County Government Non-Public School Transportation Division provides free bus transportation for St. Mary's County students. For students from Calvert, Charles, Prince George's and other counties, bus transportation is available for a fee.

For route questions regarding your student's transportation needs, please contact the following individuals:

St. Mary's County: Please visit www.stmarysmd.com/dpw/nonpublicschools to request transportation for the 2022-23 school year. If you have specific questions, please contact Becky George, Non-Public School Transportation Supervisor, at 301-475-4200 ext. 71124 or becky.george@stmarysmd.com.

Charles (LaPlata & St. Charles area), Prince George's (Ft. Washington/Accokeek) & King George Counties: Compton Bus Services, 301-932-0910 or sawcomptonbus@yahoo.com

Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles (Mattawoman Beantown/Hughesville) & Prince George's Counties: James Parker, 301-475-2814 ext. 443 or transportation@smrhs.org

For general transportation questions, please email transportation@smrhs.org.

Freshman Experience

Register for Freshman Experience, our interactive, four-day summer program for incoming freshmen. The Freshman Experience is designed to acclimate incoming freshmen to St. Mary's Ryken. It prepares students academically and socially for the upcoming year. Incoming students will meet faculty and fellow classmates, become familiar with the SMR campus, and develop new skills before the year begins. Families may choose one of two weeks: July 11–14 or July 25–28. The program runs Monday–Thursday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and costs \$235. Lunch and materials are included.

Register by June 30 at
www.smrhs.org/freshmanexperience.

Summer Knights summer camps

Is your student looking for some fun in the sun or fun in the classroom on the SMR campus this summer? Summer Knights camps offer a variety of academic, athletic and enrichment camps for students in grades K–12. Learn more by visiting www.smrhs.org/summerknights. Camps run June 20–July 28.

Purchase your iPad

All students are required to provide their own iPad for daily use at school. iPads are required for Freshman Orientation and starting on the first day of school. iPads must have at least 64 GB, be the current generation and be able to run the most recently released iPad OS. The Wi-Fi-only model is preferred. An iPad mini is not acceptable. If you have questions, please contact Mr. Jason DeLucco at jason.delucco@smrhs.org.

Textbooks

SMR utilizes an online bookstore—MBS Direct—for convenient, one-stop shopping for required course materials. Beginning in August, the SMR bookstore may be accessed at <https://bnck-12.com/smrhs>. Books can be purchased prior to the beginning of the school year, *but it is advisable to meet your teachers in the first week of school before purchasing.*

Let's eat!

Sign up for **My Kids Spending**, the online dining account for Sage Dining Services where you can monitor your student's Campus Cafe account. You can easily view your child's account balance, see what he or she has purchased in the Campus Cafe, and even make payments via credit card or electronic check. Check the New Parent Page in August for details about the sign-up process.

Campus Cafe dining services app

Download the Touch of Sage app to access the daily breakfast and lunch menu.

Tech on-boarding

Information about the technology set-up process on your student's iPad and instructions about how to access important SMR accounts will be available this summer. *Dates will be published in late June on the New Parent Page.*

Meet-and-greet opportunities

Throughout the summer, we will have opportunities for new students and parents to get to know each other and the SMR community. Stay tuned for details!

Athletics

Conditioning for fall sports starts before the school year begins. Please refer to the SMR coaches contact list on page 11 to reach out to the appropriate coach for details. Important: All student-athletes need a completed physical dated after June 1, 2022, before they can participate.

Parents Back to School Knight

Back to School Knight is Wednesday, September 7 at 6 p.m. This is your opportunity to meet each of your student's teachers and the administrative team.

Grandparents Day

Each October, we invite the grandparents of our freshman students to join us on campus for a Mass and a luncheon. We will contact parents of first-year students asking you to provide the home address, cell phone, and email address of your student's grandparents so that we can invite them to the event. We look forward to hosting them!

Please email Mrs. Brandy Duley with this information at brandy.duley@smrhs.org. We appreciate your help!

St. Mary's Ryken HOUSE SYSTEM

The St. Mary's Ryken house system fosters authentic community and builds unity across all grade levels and interest groups while creating a school culture that competes with pride, spirit and familial charity. The house system is rooted in Catholic Social Teaching principles of human dignity and solidarity.

How does the house system work?

Everyone in the SMR school community (students, faculty and staff) are placed into one of four houses. Each house consists of eight smaller advisory groups with students from each grade level. Students are given opportunities to lead within their house and their advisory.

Competitions take place between the houses throughout the year. These competitions help to build relationships among house members and connections among the grade levels. Points may be awarded on either an individual or house-wide basis, depending on the nature of the competition.

The houses of SMR

These names all have significance within our larger SMR heritage, of both Ryken High School and St. Mary's Academy (the two schools that merged to form SMR in 1981). In addition, each house has a distinct color under which it competes.

Nazareth - Blue

Town in Kentucky where the Sisters of Charity were established

Concordia - Grey

Harmony; from the motto of the Congregation of Xaverian Brothers, *Concordia res parvae crescunt* ("In harmony, small things grow")

Bruges - Green

(*Broozh - rhymes with rouge*)

City in Belgium where Theodore J. Ryken founded the Xaverian Brothers

Caritas - White

(*KAH-ree-tahs*)

Love for all; from the motto of the Sisters of Charity of Nazareth, *Caritas Christi urget nos* ("The love of Christ impels us")



STAY INFORMED!

There are a variety of ways to stay in touch with all the latest SMR news and events.

Principal's Newsletter

Principal Catherine Bowes publishes an electronic newsletter every two weeks during the school year. The newsletter is sent by email to all SMR parents, students, coaches, faculty and staff members. It contains Dr. Bowes' blog, and important academic, student life, campus ministry, athletic and fine arts news and events.

Faculty and staff directory

Visit the SMR website to access the directory at www.smrhs.org/about/directory.

Veracross

Veracross is our student information system and learning management system. Your login information is the same as your Admissions Portal login.

Log on to Veracross to:

- View class web pages, schedules, assignments and report cards
- Change personal and household information with the school



**Your Veracross
and mySMR login
information
is the same!**

mySMR

mySMR portal

The mySMR portal is your hub for submitting attendance, forms and accessing documents such as the student-parent handbook.

Social media

Be sure to follow SMR on Facebook and Instagram to stay up on all the latest happenings, student achievements and news from the classrooms.



SMRKnights



StMarysRyken

SMR website

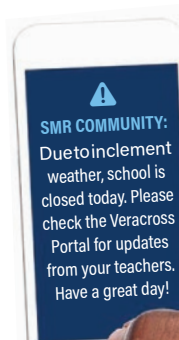
Not on social media? No problem. Visit www.smrhs.org to check out our social media feeds with no account or login required. You'll also find the latest student, faculty and school news.

Text alerts

Need a snow day? SMR uses text messages to communicate timely information to parents and students. If you haven't already done so, please opt in to receive SMR text messages. Text Y (or "yes") to 67587.

Connections magazine

Every summer, Connections magazine is sent to SMR alumni, donors to the school and recent graduates and their families. The magazine features major school news from the year, alumni feature stories and much more. It is also available online at www.smrhs.org/connections.



BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

After-school policy

Students staying after school must receive permission from a teacher and remain under supervision until departure. Students are not permitted on school grounds without teacher permission and/or adult supervision.

Homework lab

An after-school homework lab is available Monday–Thursday from 3–4:45 p.m. It is a quiet area for students to study and complete their homework while they wait for the late/activity bus.

Field trips

Various field trips are scheduled throughout your child's four years at SMR. Most are dependent on specific classes they are enrolled in and will vary from year to year.

Mass, retreats and spiritual direction

The Campus Ministry department hosts daily prayer and Mass, monthly all-school Mass and a spiritual direction program. Annual spiritual retreats also provide students with the opportunity to take time out and evaluate the faith aspects of their lives and to renew their sense of the centrality of God in all they do. Retreats are required for freshmen, sophomores and juniors, and are offered to seniors. Alumni often say that retreats were the most memorable part of their St. Mary's Ryken experience.



Social, emotional and academic **SUPPORT**

The SMR counseling team supports students socially, emotionally and academically throughout their four years. Students are assigned a counselor based on the student's last name and will stay with that counselor throughout their time in high school. This fosters a strong counselor-student relationship.

Concierge services provided by the SMR counseling team

- Small group counseling based on students' needs
- On-site school therapist available to meet with students needing additional support
- Classroom guidance lessons
- A college and career readiness program to aid students in identifying strengths and interests for post-secondary goals
- A robust college preparation and application process curriculum integrated into academic classes
- College night events with appropriate content for each grade level and parents
- Annual on-campus college fair with over 60 colleges represented
- SMR-sponsored college tours during the school year
- Student workshops on how to write college essays, apply for scholarships, apply to college and choose the right school.

Naviance

Naviance enables SMR students and parents to access a comprehensive website to help make decisions about colleges and careers. This online platform provides up-to-date information specific to our school so the counseling department can track and analyze data about college and career plans.

Naviance allows students to:

- **Keep track of the process:** Build a resume, complete online surveys, and manage timelines and deadlines for making decisions about colleges and careers.
- **Research careers:** Through a variety of interest inventories, students can learn more about their strengths and abilities as they relate to potential occupations.
- **Search for scholarships:** Access a national database of over 3.5 million scholarships worth more than \$18 billion.

Check and Connect

Check and Connect is support for students needing assistance with their academics. Students identified at or below a 2.0 GPA or having two failing grades are scheduled into the Check and Connect X-hour. The resource is run by the counseling team and consists of checking grades, discussing study habits, working on time management skills and any other support a student needs. In addition, the counselors encourage communication between the students and their teachers, including face-to-face meetings after school.

Coffee With SMR Counselors

Coffee With SMR Counselors is held quarterly. These morning events are open to all SMR parents and are an opportunity to talk to the counseling team about various topics including mental health, technology addiction, course selection, and making the most of summer vacation.

If you have any questions about school counseling services, please contact Director of School Counseling Christine Jaffurs at christine.jaffurs@smrhs.org or 301-373-4166.

X-hour

X-hour stands for Xaverian Hour and is a daily time when students can join a study group, attend Mass or participate in clubs. X-hour enables all SMR students to participate in extracurricular activities and seek help from faculty during the school day, no matter what they have scheduled after school.

Advisors

Each student's homeroom teacher serves as their advisor. While course-specific questions are usually best directed to that course's teacher, advisors are your primary contact for any other questions or if you just need help getting pointed in the right direction. They serve as a go-to resource and advocate for your student through graduation.

St. Mary's Ryken offers multiple opportunities for student-athletes to develop values such as leadership, integrity, determination, teamwork and sportsmanship.

The athletics program teaches student-athletes to persevere and compete with dignity and pride. We are proud to offer 26 varsity sports programs. Games, matches and meets are a family affair, whether you participate on the field or by cheering from the stands. It's a great opportunity to catch up with other St. Mary's Ryken families. We hope you'll join us by cheering on the Knights at every opportunity!

Fall sports

Cheerleading
Girls JV and Varsity

Cross Country
Boys and Girls JV and Varsity

Field Hockey
Girls Varsity

Football
Boys JV and Varsity

Sailing
Coed JV and Varsity

Soccer *Boys and Girls JV and Varsity*

Tennis *Girls Varsity*

Volleyball
Girls JV and Varsity

Winter sports

Basketball *Boys Freshman, JV and Varsity, Girls JV and Varsity*

Cheerleading *Girls JV and Varsity*

Ice Hockey *Boys and Girls JV and Varsity*

Swimming *Coed Varsity*

Wrestling *Boys JV and Varsity*

Spring sports

Baseball *Boys JV and Varsity*

Golf *Coed Varsity*

Lacrosse *Boys and Girls JV and Varsity*

Sailing *Coed JV and Varsity*

Softball *Girls JV and Varsity*

Tennis *Boys Varsity*

Track & Field
Boys and Girls Varsity

Physicals and athletic forms

The following forms must be completed and submitted prior to a student being eligible for sports tryouts and practices:

Sports physical packet checklist

- Pre-Participation Physical Evaluation Form — **MUST BE DATED AFTER JUNE 1, 2022**
- Athletic Consent Waiver Form (completed by parent/guardian)

- Athletic Medical History Questionnaire Form (completed by parent/guardian)
- Emergency Contact Form (completed by parent/guardian)
- Concussion Information Form (completed by parent/guardian)
- COVID-19 Medical History Questionnaire and Waiver of Liability (completed by parent/guardian)

All physical forms **MUST** be submitted online and be completed by the physician. No paper forms will be accepted. *Links to download and complete these forms will be available on the New Parent Page.*



Sports medicine

Two full-time athletic trainers are members of the athletics staff, and the office is located on the 3rd level of the Donnie Williams Center.

The primary mission of the sports medicine department is to provide the finest health care to student-athletes at St. Mary's Ryken. Their first priority is always the student-athlete's overall safety and medical needs. Through the efforts of the sports medicine staff, they aim to provide the student-athlete with a competitive edge for maximizing athletic performance.

Athletic coaches contact list

Athletic Director	Jon Lombardo	jonathan.lombardo@smrhs.org
Asst. Athletic Director	Justin Gordon	justin.gordon@smrhs.org
Team	Coach	Contact information
Baseball	Bryan Towers	bryan.towers@smrhs.org
Basketball, Boys	Walter Booth	walter.booth@smrhs.org
Basketball, Girls	Toyja Somerville	toyja.somerville@smrhs.org
Cheerleading	Jennifer Burchinal Sandy Massiglia	jenn.burchinal@smrhs.org sandy.massiglia@smrhs.org
Cross Country	Jill Tennyson	jill.tennyson@smrhs.org
Field Hockey	Tara Everly	tara.everly@smrhs.org
Football	Gary Wynn	gary.wynn@smrhs.org
Golf	Jason Early	jason.early@smrhs.org
Ice Hockey, Boys	Brad Messick	brad.messick@smrhs.org
Ice Hockey, Girls	Chris Palombi	chris.palombi@smrhs.org
Lacrosse, Boys	Jon Lombardo	jonathan.lombardo@smrhs.org
Lacrosse, Girls	Jeff Worcester	jeff.worcester@smrhs.org
Sailing	Joe Vavrus	joe.vavrus@smrhs.org
Soccer, Boys	JJ Raley	jj.raley@smrhs.org
Soccer, Girls	Steve Senna	steve.senna@smrhs.org
Softball	Stephanie Bolin	stephanie.bolin@smrhs.org
Swimming, Boys and Girls	Brent Gordon	brent.gordon@smrhs.org
Tennis, Boys and Girls	John Niswander	john.niswander@smrhs.org
Track and Field	Jill Tennyson	jill.tennyson@smrhs.org
Volleyball	Delwin Harris	delwin.harris@smrhs.org
Wrestling	Robert Seidel	robert.seidel@smrhs.org

For specific athletic information, please contact Athletic Director Jon Lombardo or the coach.

SUPPORT OUR KNIGHTS!

Knight Fund

St. Mary's Ryken raises funds throughout the year to support our **Knight Fund**. This money covers the costs to maintain our 87-acre campus, provide financial aid to families, recruit and retain top-notch faculty and seize new opportunities that benefit our students in and out of the classroom. The Knight Fund is made possible by the generosity of our board of directors, alumni, faculty and staff, current and past parents, and many friends. Contact Jerrilyn Borneman, director of development, if you have any questions about the Knight Fund or our events at jerrilyn.borneman@smrhs.org or 301-373-4162.

Knight Raffle

Each year we ask our students and parents, along with our faculty and staff, to participate in the Knight Raffle, which supports the Knight Fund. Each family in our school community is asked to sell 15 \$10 raffle tickets. There are cash prizes and other fun rewards for the top sellers. Support the Knight Fund!

#GivingTuesday

St. Mary's Ryken joins the National Day of Giving movement for a one-day campaign to raise money celebrating the founding of our school. On this day—GivingTuesday—our students become #GivingKnights by participating in various acts of kindness on campus and in our community. Also, members of our SMR community become #GivingKnights by celebrating this national day of philanthropy and donating to our Knight Fund.

Special events — Homecoming, Knight Gala and more!

Annually, SMR hosts two big community-wide fundraising events for our parents to connect with old friends and make new connections. Managed by our Development Office, the annual golf tournament is the perfect opportunity for parents and alumni to gather for a fun day of golf and friendship, and the Knight Gala in the spring is our school's premier fundraising event.

If you are interested in learning about special event volunteer opportunities, please contact Mrs. Brandy Duley at brandy.duley@smrhs.org.

Knights Fine Arts Alliance

The Knights Fine Arts Alliance (KFAA) is a school organization that assists the teachers and administrators in advancing and enriching educational programs in music, visual arts, drama and dance through volunteerism, fundraising and support. For more information about KFAA, please visit www.smrhs.org/arts/kfaa.

SMR Athletic Boosters

The Athletic Boosters is an organization of parents, faculty, coaches, alumni and friends that supports our student-athletes by assisting with the needs of our teams and coaches. For more information about the Athletic Boosters, please contact athletics@smrhs.org.



KEY CONTACTS

**St. Mary's Ryken phone number:
301-475-2814**

Topic	Contact Person	Email	Extension
Absences and Tardiness	Attendance Office	attendance@smrhs.org	option 3
Academics	Brad Chamberlain	brad.chamberlain@smrhs.org	x 188
Admissions	Aimee Raley	aimee.raley@smrhs.org	x 184
	Elizabeth Kandler	elizabeth.kandler@smrhs.org	x 189
Athletics	Jon Lombardo	jonathan.lombardo@smrhs.org	x 433
	Justin Gordon	justin.gordon@smrhs.org	x 525
Campus Ministry	Greg DeStefano	gregory.destefano@smrhs.org	x 744
Campus Store	Diane Kestler	diane.kestler@smrhs.org	x 179
College Counseling	Last name A–D: Emma Layne	emma.layne@smrhs.org	x 164
	Last name E–K: Christine Jaffurs	christine.jaffurs@smrhs.org	x 166
	Last name L–Q: David Hamilton	dhamilton@smrhs.org	x 165
	Last name R–Z: Michelle Robertson	michelle.robertson@smrhs.org	x 167
School Counseling	Christine Jaffurs	christine.jaffurs@smrhs.org	x 166
Course Scheduling	Brad Chamberlain	brad.chamberlain@smrhs.org	x 188
Disciplinary Actions	James Parker	james.parker@smrhs.org	x 443
Fine Arts	Kim Norris	kim.norris@smrhs.org	x 408
Freshman Experience	Catherine Bowes	catherine.bowes@smrhs.org	x 187
Illness and First Aid	Bette Krahling	bette.krahling@smrhs.org	x 718
iPad Questions	Jason DeLucco	jason.delucco@smrhs.org	x 458
Main Office	Rina Perham	rina.perham@smrhs.org	option 3
Sage Dining Services	Lance Boyden	cafeteria@smrhs.org	x 442
Student Records and Transcripts	Kelly Tividor	kelly.tividor@smrhs.org	x 168
Summer Camp	James Parker	summerknights@smrhs.org	x 443
mySMR (portal)	Chris Palombi	chris.palombi@smrhs.org	x 742
Technology	Mike Lusby	michael.lusby@smrhs.org	x 741
Textbooks	Brad Chamberlain	brad.chamberlain@smrhs.org	x 188
Transportation	James Parker	transportation@smrhs.org	x 443
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Uniforms	James Parker	james.parker@smrhs.org	x 443
Veracross	Jason DeLucco	jason.delucco@smrhs.org	x 458
	Terry Wood	twood@smrhs.org	301-475-7662
Visitors to the School	Rina Perham	rina.perham@smrhs.org	x 400

Need to change your contact information?

Email Kelly Tividor at kelly.tividor@smrhs.org with any updates to your home address, email address or phone numbers.

IMPORTANT!

Orientation and the first week of school

- The first day of school is Tuesday, Aug. 23. It is a full day of school.
- The school day begins at 8:10 a.m.
- Dismissal is at 2:40 p.m.*

Freshman Orientation is Aug. 18-19. Attendance is required on both days!

During Freshman Orientation, students will prepare for the school year through several activities including: connecting with their mentors, meeting their teachers, learning about student activities and upcoming elections from the Student Government Association, attending technology check and participating in a “Battle of the Advisories!”

Important notes about Freshman Orientation:

- Students should report to the front of the Donnie Williams Center by 8 a.m.
- Orientation ends at 2:40 p.m.
- Car riders should be dropped off and picked up in the parking lot in front of the Donnie Williams Center.
- Students should bring their iPads.
- Students must wear their SMR casual uniform.
- Lunch will be provided on both days.
- Bus transportation is available for registered Compton and VVS bus riders. Bus transportation for St. Mary's County residents begins with the first day of school.*
- School/yearbook photos will be taken during orientation.

If you have questions about Orientation, please contact **Principal Catherine Bowes** at catherine.bowes@smrhs.org.



Important notes about Transfer Student Orientation:

- Students should report to the front of the Donnie Williams Center by 8 a.m.
- Orientation ends at 2:40 p.m.
- Car riders should be dropped off and picked up in the parking lot next to the Donnie Williams Center.
- Students should bring their iPads.
- Students must wear their SMR uniform.
- Lunch will be provided.
- Bus transportation is available for registered Compton and VVS bus riders. Bus transportation for St. Mary's County residents begins with the first day of school.*
- School/yearbook photos will be taken during orientation.

Bus transportation for those who have registered — Orientation and the first week of school

St. Mary's County residents: Bus transportation for St. Mary's County students will begin on the first day of school. However, **there is no afternoon bus transportation for St. Mary's County bus riders on the first day of school.** Bus transportation is **NOT** available for Freshman or Transfer Student Orientation. Please make other arrangements.

All other counties: For Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles and Prince George's County residents, bus transportation begins with Freshman Orientation.

Storage of student belongings

- Upon request, students are issued a locker for their personal belongings.
- Additionally, in-season athletes are assigned lockers in the Donnie Williams Center for their equipment.
- Out-of-season athletes who are not assigned an equipment locker will receive information from their coaches concerning storage of their equipment.

* There is no **afternoon** bus transportation for St. Mary's County bus riders on the first day of school.

TRAFFIC PATTERN for morning and afternoon drop-off and pick-up

Entrance Gate

When school is in session, the entrance gate to campus will be open for morning arrival and after-school pickup, and closed during the school day. For late arrivals and early departures, students should be signed in/out at the Main Office, located in Paschal Hall. All visits to campus must be pre-arranged and visitors must sign in at the Main Office before being granted access to campus. If you plan to visit campus, please email attendance@smrhs.org.

Morning student drop-off

Parents enter campus and drop off students using **rows 4 and 5** of the main parking area located on the upper campus (Donnie Williams Center and Stadium).

Afternoon student pick-up

Parents enter campus and pick up students in **rows 4 and 5** of the main parking area located on the upper campus (Donnie Williams Center and Stadium). **Please park in a vacant parking spot as you wait for your student to arrive.**

Traffic is discouraged on the lower campus for the safety of our students from 7:50 a.m. to 2:40 p.m.



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| 1. Rupert Hall, including the Chapel of Charity and Campus Ministry | 4. Xavier Hall | 9. Paschal Hall, including the entrance gate, main office, Flight Academy and MIL STEM Innovation and Computer Lab |
| 2. Fields and facilities for baseball, field hockey, sailing, soccer and tennis | 5. Campus Cafe | 10. Softball field |
| 3. Romuald Hall, including the Auditorium and Media Center | 6. Business Office | 11. Student drop-off and pick-up lanes and student parking lot |
| | 7. Donnie Williams Center | |
| | 8. Stadium and track | |

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