

NewsNote

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK...

Dear St. Mary’s Elementary Family,

At SME, we begin each day with a prayer and the pledge of allegiance. Today’s announcements were a little bit different and special, though, because today is Patriot Day. As a school community, we observed a moment of silence in honor of the individuals who lost their lives as a result of the September 11 attacks.

We prayed for the Church, that she may continue to provide healing for all affected by the 9/11 attacks. We prayed that the victims of violence and terrorism around the world may find comfort and peace. We prayed for the safety of our servicemen and servicewomen abroad, for civil servants, and for all first responders who protect us and keep us safe. We prayed for our leaders and for the leaders of nations, that they may work together to address the problems that provide fertile ground for the growth of terrorism. We prayed for the ability to forgive and for an end to all hatred, beginning in our own hearts,

In 2009, a presidential proclamation declared that Patriot Day is also a National Day of Service. The proclamation calls on Americans to participate in community service. This reminds me of one of the pillars of our school - to live as socially responsible citizens and leaders of tomorrow. Please look for a special email message later in the week that provides thorough and more complete information about our Pillars of SME System.

We will celebrate the new year with a dress down day tomorrow, September 12! Students and teachers can wear their favorite Buffalo Bills apparel to school - or just red, white, and blue, if they so desire.

Happy new (academic) year!
Mr. O



UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **Thurs. 9/18** - Meet the Teacher Night & Book Fair, 5:30-7:30
- **Fri. 9/20** - Book Fair
- **Fri. 10/4** - Christian Witness Mass, 8:30am
- **Mon 10/7** - STREAM/Excel Walk-a-Thon
- **Fri. 10/11** - **NO SCHOOL**, Staff PD
- **Mon 10/14** - **NO SCHOOL**, Indigenous People Day
- **Thurs. 10/17** - School Picture Day
- **Fri. 10/18** - School Picture Day
- **Fri. 10/18** - HSA: My Little Sweetheart Dance 6-8
- **Fri. 10/25** - HSA: Trunk-or Treat 6-8pm
- **Fri. 11/1** - All Saints Day Mass, 8:30
- **Wed. 11/6** - Pre-K Town Hall Meeting 5:30pm
- **Fri. 11/8** - Veterans Day Prayer Service 8:30am
- **Fri. 11/8 - 10:45am** **Early Dismissal:** P/T Conference Day

BY THE NUMBERS

In this section we will talk about the numbers of our fundraisers; the good, the bad and the most up to date as possible!

We offer a wide variety of opportunities to support SME and will be changing things up this year with our offerings.

We understand that every fundraiser will not be for everyone, but we do appreciate any & all support you can give!

Year round ways to help:

- ◇ Boxtops 4 Education
 - June Donation \$10.30
 - July Donation \$6.80
 - Aug. Donation \$47.10
- ◇ RaiseRight



FALL PICTURE DAY

Mark your calendars and make those hair cut appointments! Picture days are scheduled for:

Thursday 10/17 & Friday 10/18.

We will share the schedule of classes per day, link for online ordering and have paper order forms available soon, so be on the lookout for that information.



EXTRA, EXTRA! READ ALL ABOUT IT!

With the start of a new year, there is much to share!
Please take a moment to go through todays NewsNote as you don’t want to miss a thing!



A quick scroll through your electronic version is also recommended each week as we may attach information electronically rather than printing (to save as many trees as possible!).

HOME SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

Welcome back to school!

The Home School Association is ready for another amazing year of fun! The HSA has many events planned for the year with a few fundraisers, too. We always welcome new members and appreciate the help from all of our volunteers. If you are interested in a role on the HSA board, please reach out to ogradyj@smeschool.com.

Are you interested in being a room parent for your child's class? A room parent will work with the teacher to plan class parties throughout the year, as well as a class service project. Please reach out to your child's homeroom teacher by 9/25 if you would like to be a room parent.

Our first event for the school year is the Scholastic Book Fair! You can set up an e-wallet for your child by [clicking here](#), or send in cash for them to shop. A schedule will be coming out before the Book Fair of when classes will be attending. If any parents (or even grandparents!) would like to volunteer to help out on 9/19 or 9/20, or assist with set-up on Wednesday 9/18 (5-7pm), please sign up using this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4CAFA72CABF4C43-51255251-fall>



Show your SME pride with SME Parent t-shirts. Each T-shirt is \$10. Adult sizes small through 2XL available. Sizes are limited to available inventory. Use the link or scan the QR code to order. Payment may be made via credit, cash or check payable to St. Mary's HSA. <https://sme-parent-wear.cheddarup.com>



SME Spirit Wear: HSA will host a monthly spirit wear dress down day on the first Monday of each month. Each t-shirt is \$15. Sizes youth small through adult 2XL available. If the size you're looking for is sold out, please join the waitlist. You will be notified when waitlist sizes will be available by the end of September. Use the link or scan the QR code to order. Payment may be made via credit, cash or check payable to St. Mary's HSA. <https://sme-spirit-wear.cheddarup.com>



September Events:

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|------------------------------|--|
| 9/18: Book Fair Set-up 5-7pm | 9/19 & 9/20: Scholastic Book Fair |
| 9/19: Meet the Teacher Night | 9/25: Deadline to express room parent interest |

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UPON THIS HILL,
WE DO GOD'S WILL



RAISERIGHT

Welcome back SME families!

I hope everyone had an awesome summer!

Just a few updates:

Starting September 16th the office will be back to our in-school schedule.

Tuesday 9-12
Wednesday 12-3
Friday 9:30-12



We have updated our order form to include cards we carry in stock and removed others. If there is something you want, but don't see it, please contact me! If available, I can order them for you! Or you can go online to find a master order form there. I will also be in office on Monday completing paperwork and ordering so you can also reach me on that day as well. I am sorry to say Tim Horton cards are still unavailable for ordering.

If there is anything I can do for you, please email me at raiseright@smeschool.com or call me at (716) 683-2112 ext. 132. I will answer emails within 24 hours and voice messages on my next day in.

Wishing all our families a safe, healthy and happy school year!

Cindy Olejniczak
RaiseRight Coordinator

DISMISSAL

Wow! It is hard to believe that we are just a week into school for our K-8 students and our dismissal process has become so efficient already! Thank you to all of our families for your patience and understanding as we've tweaked the process here and there to enhance that efficiency & safety for all.

That being said, any student (K-8) that is not picked up and signed out by 2:30 will go to our Afterschool Care program and Afterschool Care rates will apply. Students can then be picked up at door #5 near the stop sign when you pull into the property. Registration forms are available [HERE](#) and families are billed to the nearest quarter hour.

VOLUNTEER NEEDED

Are you a parent / grandparent with a few hours to spare during the lunch hour?

We are looking to add volunteers to our lunch monitor crew. If you are interested please contact Mrs. Kuhn (secretary@smeschool.com) for more information!



Social Responsibility



Spiritual Growth



Academic Excellence

BACK TO SCHOOL BASH

Many thanks to the families that joined us for our now annual, Back to School Bash! It was so great to see so many old and new families alike all coming together to kick off the start of another great year!

Great big thanks to the Morgan, Junik and Sandker families for donating the bounce house, it was a hit!

Another big thank you to the Oakley's ice cream truck for not only coming but also donating the spin it to win it ice cream prizes, what a cool treat!

KITCHEN NEWS

Attached electronically today is a copy of the application for Free & Reduced lunches. If you would like to apply, please complete and return the application to the attention of our Kitchen.

The monthly lunch menu is always posted to our school website and parent portal. Prepayment is encouraged. A handy cost calculator is at the top of the September menu.

If you are interested in celebrating your child's birthday, a birthday treat order form is available on the lunch menu tab of the school website.

SAFETY DRILLS

As is required by law, we will be participating in both fire & lockdown drills while the weather cooperates.



ASBESTOS NOTICE

We are notifying you that in accordance with EPA/AHERA (Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act) regulations, St. Mary's Elementary School is required to have an asbestos management plan in place. If any parent, teacher or employee wishes to see the plan, a request can be made to the school office where it is filed.

NURSE NOTES

Each month I will be sending out important information from the Health Office in the form of "Notes From the Nurse" which will be attached to the NewsNote at the beginning of each month.

The information may include new school health policies, updates on community illnesses, or tips and tricks to keep you and your students healthy throughout the school year. Please make sure you read these updates and contact me with any questions or concerns.

~ Nurse Dara Sirianni RN, BSN
nurse@smeschool.com
716-683-2112 x128

7TH & 8TH GRADE INFO

8th Graders: If your child plans on attending a catholic high school next year you will need to complete the online application:

https://catholicshwny.smapply.io/prog/application_for_admission_grade_9/

Please be sure to print and sign the confirmation email you receive upon completion and submit to the main office. Without this signed document, we are unable to submit a copy of your child's 1st report card to their 1st & 2nd choice catholic high schools.

7th & 8th Graders: We will share information & flyers from area high schools as we receive them so be sure to scroll through our electronic version each week. There are several included this week!



STAY IN THE KNOW

Save the Date: 11/9 HSA Craft & Vendor Fair

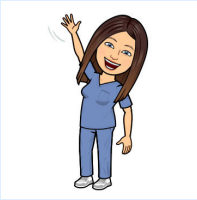
Make Note: 11/11 No School - Veterans Day

Save the Date: 11/15 Christian Witness & Grandparents Mass

Save the Date: 11/27-29 Thanksgiving Recess

Make Note: Fall Picture Retake Day








Save the Date: 12/5 HSA Merry Moose Shop

<div data-bbox="159 239 354 438"></div> <div data-bbox="138 473 386 513">Welcome Back</div>	<div data-bbox="717 217 1271 276"><h1>Notes from the Nurse</h1></div> <div data-bbox="823 319 1164 370"><h2>September 2024</h2></div> <div data-bbox="808 405 1169 456"><i>Dara Sirianni RN, BSN</i></div>
<div data-bbox="138 669 363 709">Spare Clothing</div>	<p>The Health Office will no longer be able to provide or share clothing. I strongly encourage students under the age of 10 to have an extra set of clothing (PE clothing and underwear is acceptable) in a ziplock bag to keep in their cubbies in case of emergencies.</p> <p><i>In any and all cases where an accident occurs that is out of character/age for the student parents will be notified.</i></p>
<div data-bbox="92 1166 415 1247">Allergy Information / Approved Snack List</div>	<p>Due to the increasing number of allergies, and for the health and safety of all students please use the approved snack list when sending in snacks to share with the class as well as when sending in treats for holiday celebrations.</p> <p>We would like all students to share in the fun of classroom celebrations, any treats that are sent in must come through the health office to ensure they are free of allergens. Any snacks that are brought in that are not on our approved snack list will be sent home.</p> <p>I am always open to expanding the list so if you feel there is another option to add let me know ahead of time and I will review with the goal of approving it.</p>
<div data-bbox="141 1771 371 1852">Physicals & Immunizations</div>	<p>All students in grades K,1,3,5,7 as well as any new student or students wishing to participate in sports are required to have a current physical for the 2024 school year.</p> <p>Physicals are good for 1 calendar year, so any physical submitted must have been completed after 9/5/2023.</p> <p>Students must also be up to date on all immunizations. As a reminder students entering kindergarten, 6th & 7th grade have required vaccinations and I will reach out by phone or email if your student is still missing required doses.</p>
<div data-bbox="152 2201 358 2282">Health Office Information</div>	<p>Office Hours: School Days 9:30-1pm</p> <p>Phone: (716) 683-2112 ext 128</p> <p>Fax: (716) 683-2134</p> <p>email: nurse@smeschool.com</p>

Attention all parents/guardians:

Please note that if your child is not feeling well at home we ask you to use your best judgment when determining whether or not to send them to school. Illness can and will spread rapidly among younger students and it is our goal here at SME to take precautions to minimize the instances of these illnesses.

Your student **MUST STAY HOME** if any of the below items apply. This also applies anytime a student is sent home from the Health Office.

I NEED TO STAY HOME IF...						
I HAVE A FEVER	I AM VOMITING	I HAVE DIARRHEA	I HAVE A RASH	I HAVE HEAD LICE	I HAVE AN EYE INFECTION	I HAVE BEEN IN THE HOSPITAL
						
Temperature of 100.4 or higher	Within the past 24 hours	Within the past 24 hours.	Body rash with itching or fever.	Itchy head, active head lice.	Redness, Itching, and/or "crusty" drainage from eye.	Hospital stay and/or ER Visit

I AM READY TO GO BACK TO SCHOOL WHEN I AM....						
Fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medication i.e. Tylenol, Motrin	Free from vomiting for at least 2 solid meals	Free from diarrhea for at least 24 hours	Free from rash itching, or or fever. I have been evaluated by my doctor if needed.	Treated with appropriate lice treatment at home and proof is provided to nurse.	Evaluated by my doctor and have note to return to school	Released by my medical provider to return to school.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me in the Health Office.

School Nurse,
Dara Sirianni RN, BSN

SME Spirit Wear



HSA will host a monthly spirit wear dress down day the first Monday of each month.

Each T-shirt is \$15. Sizes youth small through adult 2XL available.

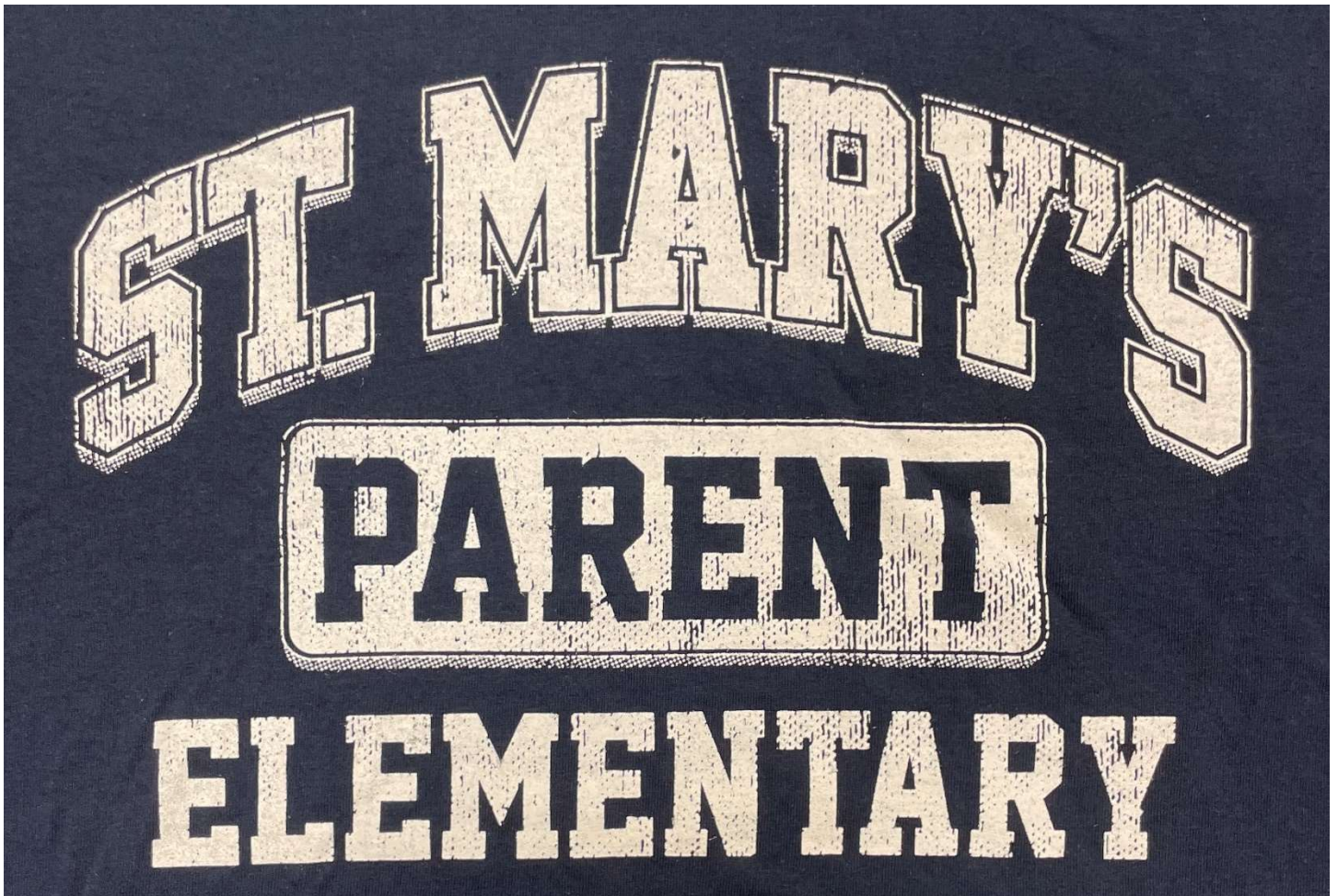
Payment may be made via credit, cash
or check payable to St. Mary's HSA.

Scan the QR code to order.

<https://sme-spirit-wear.cheddarup.com>



SME Parent Wear



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Date Withdrew _____

F _____ R _____ D _____

2024-2025 Application for Free and Reduced Price School Meals/Milk

To apply for free and reduced price meals for your children, read the instructions on the back, complete **only one** form for your household, sign your name and **return it to the address listed below**. Call **716-683-2112 ext 119**, if you need help. Additional names may be listed on a separate paper.

Return Completed Applications to: **St Marys Elementary**
2 St Marys Hill
Lancaster , NY 14086

1. List all children in your household who attend school:

Student Name	School	Grade/Teacher	Foster Child	Homeless Migrant, Runaway
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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2. SNAP/TANF/FDPIR Benefits:

If anyone in your household receives either SNAP, TANF or FDPIR benefits, list their name and CASE # here. **Skip to Part 4 and sign the application.**

Name: _____ CASE #: _____

3. Report all income for ALL Household Members (Skip this step if you completed step 2)

All Household Members (including yourself and all children that have income).

List all Household members not listed in Step 1 (including yourself) **even if they do not receive income**. For each Household Member listed, if they do receive income, report total income for each source in whole dollars only. If they do not receive income from any other source, write '0'. If you enter '0' or leave any fields blank, you are certifying (promising) that there is no income to report.

Name of household member	Earnings from work before deductions <i>Amount / How Often</i>	Child Support, Alimony <i>Amount / How Often</i>	Pensions, Retirement Payments <i>Amount / How Often</i>	Other Income, Social Security <i>Amount / How Often</i>	No Income
	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
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	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>

Total Household Members (Children and Adults)

*Last Four Digits of Social Security Number: XXX-XX-__ __ __ __

I do not have a SS# ☐

*When completing section 3, an adult household member must provide the last four digits of their Social Security Number (SS#) or mark the "I do not have a SS# box" before the application can be approved.

4. Signature: An adult household member must sign this application before it can be approved.

I certify (promise) that all the information on this application is true and that all income is reported. I understand that the information is being given so the school will get federal funds; the school officials may verify the information and if I purposely give false information, I may be prosecuted under applicable State and federal laws, and my children may lose meal benefits.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Email Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ Home Address: _____

5. Ethnicity and Race are optional; responding to this section does not affect your children's eligibility for free or reduced price meals.

Ethnicity: ☐ Hispanic or Latino ☐ Not Hispanic or Latino

Race (Check one or more): ☐ American Indian or Alaskan Native ☐ Asian ☐ Black or African American ☐ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Island ☐ White

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE – FOR SCHOOL USE ONLY

Annual Income Conversion (Only convert when multiple income frequencies are reported on application)
Weekly X 52; Every Two Weeks (bi-weekly) X 26; Twice Per Month X 24; Monthly X 12

- ☐ SNAP/TANF/Foster
☐ Income Household: Total Household Income/How Often: _____ / _____ Household Size: _____
☐ Free Meals ☐ Reduced Price Meals ☐ Denied/Paid

Signature of Reviewing Official _____ **Date Notice Sent:** _____

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

To apply for free and reduced price meals, complete only one application for your household using the instructions below. Sign the application and return the application to St Marys Elementary. If you have a foster child in your household, you may include them on your application. A separate application is not needed. Call the school if you need help: 716-683-2112 ext 119. Ensure that all information is provided. Failure to do so may result in denial of benefits for your child or unnecessary delay in approving your application.

PART 1 ALL HOUSEHOLDS MUST COMPLETE STUDENT INFORMATION. DO NOT FILL OUT MORE THAN ONE APPLICATION FOR YOUR HOUSEHOLD.

- (1) Print the names of the children, including foster children, for whom you are applying on one application.
- (2) List their grade and school.
- (3) Check the box to indicate a foster child living in your household, or if you believe any child meets the description for homeless, migrant, runaway (a school staff will confirm this eligibility).

PART 2 HOUSEHOLDS GETTING SNAP, TANF OR FDIPIR SHOULD COMPLETE PART 2 AND SIGN PART 4.

- (1) List a current SNAP, TANF or FDIPIR (Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations) case number of anyone living in your household. The case number is provided on your benefit letter.
- (2) An adult household member must sign the application in PART 4. SKIP PART 3. Do not list names of household members or income if you list a SNAP case number, TANF or FDIPIR number.

PART 3 ALL OTHER HOUSEHOLDS MUST COMPLETE THESE PARTS AND ALL OF PART 4.

- (1) Write the names of everyone in your household, whether or not they get income. Include yourself, the children you are applying for, all other children, your spouse, grandparents, and other related and unrelated people **in your household**. Use another piece of paper if you need more space.
- (2) Write the amount of current income each household member receives, before taxes or anything else is taken out, and indicate where it came from, such as earnings, welfare, pensions and other income. If the current income was more or less than usual, write that person's usual income. **Specify how often this income amount is received: weekly, every other week (bi-weekly), 2 x per month, monthly. If no income, check the box.** The value of any child care provided or arranged, or any amount received as payment for such child care or reimbursement for costs incurred for such care under the Child Care and Development Block Grant, TANF and At Risk Child Care Programs should **not** be considered as income for this program.
- (3) Enter the total number of household members in the box provided. This number should include all adults and children in the household and should reflect the members listed in PART 1 and PART 3.
- (4) The application must include the last four digits only of the social security number of the adult who signs **PART 4** if Part 3 is completed. If the adult does not have a social security number, check the box. **If you listed a SNAP, TANF or FDIPIR number, a social security number is not needed.**
- (5) **An adult household member must sign the application in PART 4.**

OTHER BENEFITS: Your child may be eligible for benefits such as Medicaid or Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). To determine if your child is eligible, program officials need information from your free and reduced price meal application. Your written consent is required before any information may be released. Please refer to the attached parent Disclosure Letter and Consent Statement for information about other benefits.

USE OF INFORMATION STATEMENT

Use of Information Statement: The Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act requires the information on this application. You do not have to give the information, but if you do not submit all needed information, we cannot approve your child for free or reduced price meals. You must include the last four digits of the social security number of the primary wage earner or other adult household member who signs the application. The social security number is not required when you apply on behalf of a foster child or you list a Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) case number or other FDIPIR identifier for your child or when you indicate that the adult household member signing the application does not have a social security number. We will use your information to determine if your child is eligible for free or reduced price meals, and for administration and enforcement of the lunch and breakfast programs.

We may share your eligibility information with education, health, and nutrition programs to help them evaluate, fund, or determine benefits for their programs, auditors for program reviews, and law enforcement officials to help them look into violations of program rules.

DISCRIMINATION COMPLAINTS

In accordance with federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex (including gender identity and sexual orientation), disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity.

Program information may be made available in languages other than English. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication to obtain program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotope, American Sign Language), should contact the responsible state or local agency that administers the program or USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TTY) or contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

To file a program discrimination complaint, a Complainant should complete a Form AD-3027, USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form which can be obtained online at <https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/ad-3027.pdf>, from any USDA office, by calling (866) 632-9992, or by writing a letter addressed to USDA. The letter must contain the complainant's name, address, telephone number, and a written description of the alleged discriminatory action in sufficient detail to inform the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights (ASCR) about the nature and date of an alleged civil rights violation. The completed AD-3027 form or letter must be submitted to USDA by:

1. **mail:**
U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; or
2. **fax:**
(833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or
3. **email:**
program.intake@usda.gov

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FREE AND REDUCED PRICE MEAL APPLICATION FACT SHEET

When filling out the application form, please pay careful attention to these helpful hints.

SNAP/TANF/FDPIR case number: This must be the complete valid case number supplied to you by the agency including all numbers and letters, for example, E123456, or whatever combination is used in your county. Refer to a letter you received from your local Department of Social Services for your case number or contact them for your number.

Foster Child: A child who is living with a family but who is under the legal care of the welfare agency or court may be listed on your family application. List the child's "personal use" income. This includes only those funds provided by the agency which are identified for the personal use of the child, such as personal spending allowances, money received by his/her family, or from a job. Funds provided for housing, food and care, medical, and therapeutic needs are not considered income to the foster child. Write "0" if the child has no personal use income.

Household: A group of related or non-related people who are living in one house and share income and expenses.

Adult Family Members: All related and non-related people who are 21 years of age and older living in your house.

Financially Independent: A person is financially independent and a separate economic unit/household when his or her earnings and expenses are not shared by the family/household. Separate economic units in the same residence are characterized by prorating expenses and by economic independence from one another.

Current Gross Income: Money earned or received at the present time by each member of your household before deductions. Examples of deductions are federal tax, State tax, and Social Security deductions. If you have more than one job, you must list the income from all jobs. If you receive income from more than one source (wage, alimony, child support, etc.), you must list the income from all sources. Only farmers, self-employed workers, migrant workers, and other seasonal employees may use their income for the past 12 months reported from their 1040 Tax Forms.

Examples of gross income are:

- Wages, salaries, tips, commissions, or income from self-employment
- Net farm income – gross sales minus expenses only – not losses
- Pensions, annuities, or other retirement income including Social Security retirement benefits
- Unemployment compensation
- Welfare payments (does not include value of SNAP)
- Public Assistance payments
- Adoption assistance
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI) or Social Security Survivor's Benefits
- Alimony or child support payments
- Disability benefits, including workman's compensation
- Veteran's subsistence benefits
- Interest or dividend income
- Cash withdrawn from savings, investments, trusts, and other resources which would be available to pay for a child's meals
- Other cash income

Income Exclusions: The value of any child care provided or arranged, or any amount received as payment for such child care or reimbursement for costs incurred for such care under the Child Care Development (Block Grant) Fund should not be considered as income for this program.

If you have any questions or need help in filling out the application form, please contact:

Name: Lisbeth Heerdt Title: Kitchen Manager

Telephone Number: 716-683-2112 ext 119

INVITATION TO YOUNG LADIES

**6th Grade thru Senior High
JUNIOR LADIES OF CHARITY**

Meeting & Ice Cream Social

SUNDAY SEPT 15TH

1 - 3 PM

St. Mary's Parish Center

The Junior Ladies of Charity are seeking new members! If you are a young lady between 6th & 12th grade interested in making a difference in your community, earning service hours, making new friends and having fun then join us at our First Fall Meeting & Ice Cream Social on Sept. 15th. Meet our members, learn all about us and have an ice cream sundae. And bring a friend along! Become a part of this national organization!

For more information contact Mrs. Marian Snyder at 681-2957 or 868-7604 or mariansnyder33@gmail.com. Hope to see you there!

St. Mary's High School

Lancaster, NY



Fall Open House

Sunday, Sept. 29th • 9am-12pm

Monday, Sept. 30th • 5-7pm



Tour the building, ask questions,
see why St. Mary's will be your
perfect high school home.



SCAN & REGISTER HERE!

girl scouts
of western new york



Making

New Friends!

Matters

Most.



Be part of a *crew* that *celebrates* you just the way you are.

Girl Scout Registration Night
Lancaster Youth Bureau, 200 Oxford Ave, Lancaster
Wednesday, October 16th, 6:00-7:00 PM



RSVP is kindly requested. RSVP for our IN-PERSON event using above QR code. At these free events, you & your girl are invited to learn more about our program, find troop options and register. Don't forget to invite your friends!



If you aren't able to attend our in-person event, scan here to RSVP to one of our virtual open houses that are held via Zoom

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Coach Mike MacDonald presents...

THE LITTLE DRIBBLERS **BASKETBALL SCHOOL**

DATES: Saturday Mornings from September 21 to November 9

**PLACE: Daemen University Academic and Wellness Center
4433 Main St. Amherst**

AGES: Boys and Girls ages 3-6 (Pre-K 3 through 1st Grade)

HOURS: 10 AM – 11 AM

COST: \$225

**Join Daemen University Basketball Coach
Mike MacDonald for one of the best instructional
camps in Western New York!**

**Enrollment is limited. This will be a small teaching
environment. Campers will learn skills and drills and
have a lot of FUN! Each player will receive a Basketball
plus an official "Little Dribblers" T-Shirt.**

Please call (716) 818-1100 with any questions.

***Fill out the application on the reverse side and return it to reserve your spot
in the Little Dribblers Basketball School ***

LITTLE DRIBBLERS BASKETBALL SCHOOL APPLICATION

(Please PRINT and fill in all of the blanks completely)

Name: _____ Age: _____ Grade: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone #: _____ School: _____

Email: _____

T-SHIRT SIZE: S M L XL (ALL SIZES ARE YOUTH)

The camp assumes no responsibility for accidents or illness. In case of injury, the camper's personal insurance company is the primary company in any claim. Parent/Guardian Authorization: I hereby authorize my child, or ward, to be admitted to the Little Dribblers Basketball School and that the staff act for me according to their best judgment in any emergency requiring medical attention.

Signature: _____

In case of emergency contact: _____

Phone: _____

Primary Physician's Name: _____

Primary Physician's Phone #: _____

Payment: Please make checks payable and mail to:

MacDonald Basketball Academy

* Returned checks assessed \$25 bank fee.

PO Box 1112

* Refund requests assessed \$100 processing fee.

Amherst, NY 14226

***Full payment required to reserve a spot in the camp**



**COACH MIKE MACDONALD AND DAEMEN UNIVERSITY
BASKETBALL PRESENTS...**

DAEMEN BASKETBALL **SUNDAY SCHOOL**

***“Workout like a college player as you prepare for the
upcoming season!”***

DATES: Sunday Mornings from September 22 to November 10

PLACE: Daemen University, Lumsden Gymnasium

AGES: Boys in Grades 5 thru 10

HOURS: 9:30 AM – 11 AM

COST: \$225

**Join the Daemen University Basketball Staff as they
offer you an opportunity to prepare for the upcoming
season.**

**Enrollment is limited...this will be a small teaching
environment... Each player will receive their own
Daemen Basketball jersey...**

Call (716) 818-1100 with any questions.

***Fill out the application on the reverse side and return it to reserve your spot
in the Daemen Basketball Sunday School ***

DAEMEN BASKETBALL SUNDAY SCHOOL APPLICATION

(Please PRINT and fill in all of the blanks completely)

Name: _____ Age: _____ Grade: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone #: _____ School: _____

Email: _____

The camp assumes no responsibility for accidents or illness. In case of injury, the camper's personal insurance company is the primary company in any claim. Parent/Guardian Authorization: I hereby authorize my child, or ward, to be admitted to the Sunday School Basketball Camp at Daemen University and that the staff acts for me according to their best judgment in any emergency requiring medical attention. Daemen University sports camps and clinics are open to any and all entrants, limited only by number, age, grade level and/or gender.

Signature: _____

In case of emergency contact: _____

Phone: _____

Primary Physician's Name: _____

Primary Physician's Phone #: _____

Payment: Please make checks payable and mail to:

**MacDonald Basketball Academy
PO Box 1112
Amherst, NY 14226**

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Coach Mike MacDonald presents...

THE MIDDLE DRIBBLERS **BASKETBALL SCHOOL**

DATES: Saturday Mornings from September 21 to November 9

**PLACE: Daemen University Academic and Wellness Center
4433 Main St. Amherst**

AGES: Boys and Girls in Grades 2-4

HOURS: 8 AM – 9 AM

COST: \$225

**Join Daemen University Basketball Coach
Mike MacDonald for one of the best instructional
camps in Western New York!**

**Enrollment is limited. This will be a small teaching
environment. Campers will do drills, skill work and
scrimmage. Each player will receive a Basketball plus
an official Camp T-shirt!**

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***Fill out the application on the reverse side and return it to reserve your spot
in the Middle Dribblers Basketball School ***

MIDDLE DRIBBLERS BASKETBALL SCHOOL APPLICATION

(Please PRINT and fill in all of the blanks completely)

Name: _____ Age: _____ Grade: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone #: _____ School: _____

Email: _____

T-SHIRT SIZE: S M L XL (ALL SIZES ARE YOUTH)

The camp assumes no responsibility for accidents or illness. In case of injury, the camper's personal insurance company is the primary company in any claim. Parent/Guardian Authorization: I hereby authorize my child, or ward, to be admitted to the Middle Dribblers Basketball School and that the staff act for me according to their best judgment in any emergency requiring medical attention.

Signature: _____

In case of emergency contact: _____

Phone: _____

Primary Physician's Name: _____

Primary Physician's Phone #: _____

Payment: Please make checks payable and mail to:

MacDonald Basketball Academy

* Returned checks assessed \$25 bank fee.

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Amherst, NY 14226

***Full payment required to reserve a spot in the camp**



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