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MISSION:

A Foundation for the Future

Since the founding of Marian Central Catholic High School, its mission has been and continues to be developing students spiritually, morally, academically and socially by integrating the teachings of Jesus Christ with a value-centered curriculum.

In a safe, family atmosphere, the faculty and administration challenge students not only to reach their highest academic potential, but also to adopt a disciplined work ethic necessary to become contributing self-sufficient citizens who move confidently into the world, and to use their talents and gifts to lead and serve others.



VISION:

Building Men and Women for Life

Marian Central is committed to preparing Men and Women for Life by inspiring and encouraging our students to strive for personal excellence in academic pursuits, sporting achievements and cultural endeavors. The development of their personal character centers on Grace, Truth, and Unity, which are intertwined throughout this process.





Our school gathers for all school Mass twice a month and on Holy Days of Obligation. Students are actively engaged in their faith through weekday Masses, Confession and Adoration in the Sacred Heart Chapel. We also have student-led morning and afternoon prayer, and every class begins with prayer.

Retreats

As central to our mission, all Marian students attend annual retreats. The retreat themes and activities are developmentally scaled to build upon each other. The highlight of the

The Campus Ministry Team takes seriously Christ's call to "go and make disciples." Team members serve as leaders of evangelization within the daily rhythm of school life, working alongside faculty and administration to share their faith and use their gifts to enrich the prayer and liturgical life of Marian Central Catholic.

Faith in Action - Community Service Marian Central inspires students

to serve Christ by engaging in volunteer work that benefits their neighbors and the broader community.

Students are expected to complete 20 hours of service annually.

• Saint Teresa of Calcutta Community Service Award

Students who complete 25 or more hours in a single school year will be recognized at our Academic Breakfast.

Saint Vincent DePaul Community Service Award

Students who complete 100 or more hours over their four years will receive a cord to denote this amazing achievement at graduation.

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Named. Noticed. Known.



At Marian, every student is more than a number—they are valued by name, celebrated for their efforts and achievements, and embraced as a vital part of the school family.

We give our students the personal attention they deserve. We know our students by name, they are noticed for their hard work and achievements, and they are known throughout our Marian community. Students thrive in our safe learning environment where they are able to make meaningful relationships and memories throughout their four years!

Pride in Where We Come From and Who We Are

We begin every school day with our students folding their hands in prayer, followed by them placing their right hands over their hearts to say the Pledge of Allegiance. Our morning prayer includes prayer intentions dedicated to someone within the Marian family as a meaningful way to show gratitude and support.

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Avg. class size

Student-teacher ratio





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Academic Excellence

Mastering the Curriculum

At Marian Central, we offer a full range of courses, varying in levels of difficulty so that our students may excel and be prepared for their next steps after high school. Through our curriculum, our students will develop critical thinking skills, problem-solving skills, and a strong work ethic.

Honors Courses

We offer 30 honors courses to provide a deeper understanding of subjects for academically motivated students at an accelerated rate.

AP and Dual Credit Courses

We believe in providing the opportunity for our students to earn college credits.

- Advanced Placement: We offer 13 AP courses that provide students with the opportunity to pursue college level studies while still in high school to receive college credit and/or advanced placement.

 Dependent on end-of-year AP exam results
- **Dual Credit**: Marian Central offers 9 courses that are recognized by McHenry County College as a college level course. These courses are taught by Marian Central teachers during the regular school day.
- Starting in 2026-2027, all freshman students will be required to take a new credit course called, "Freshman Seminar" as an introduction credit in the fall semester.

Dual-Enrollment

Marian Central is pleased to offer increased opportunities for students to earn high school credit for courses taken with institutions of higher learning that we do not provide in our current curriculum.

Illinois Seal of Biliteracy & Global Seal of Biliteracy

As a college-preparatory school, Marian Central takes pride in developing graduates who are prepared to be well-rounded citizens of the world. Both seals are achieved by demonstrating proficiency of two or more world languages through testing.





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AP EXAM RESULTS

600/0

of three or above

McHenry County College Partnership for College and Career Success (PCCS) Program

Students have the opportunity to start working on a professional certificate or associate degree while you're still in high school. Marian Central students enrolled in one of the programs attend class at McHenry County College for the first period of the school day.

• Courses:

- Application Development
- Automotive Technology
- Criminal Justice
- Culinary Management
- Early Childhood Education
- Fire Science Technician
- Heating, Ventilation, & Air Conditioning
- Manufacturing & Advanced Technologies
- Nursing Assistant

Dual Credit Business Courses

Beyond the Traditional Curriculum

Dive into the business world through our IDEA courses. The course includes:

- Intro to Business
- Business Communications
- Intro to Entrepreneurship (new)
- Management and Leadership (new)

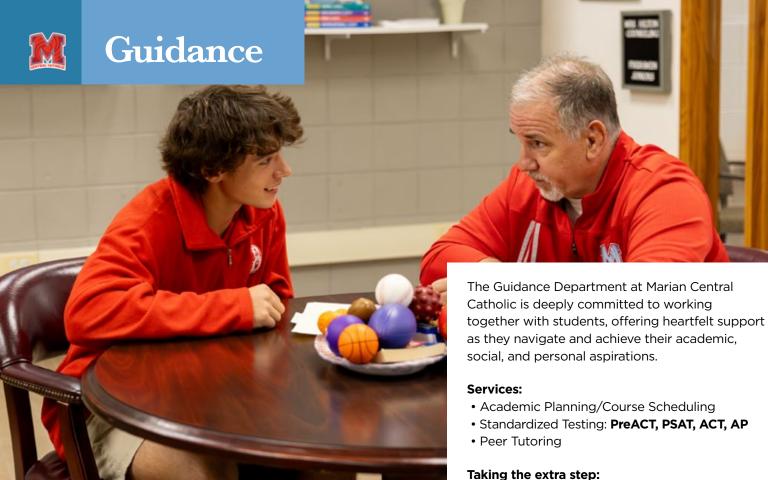
All courses are dual credit.

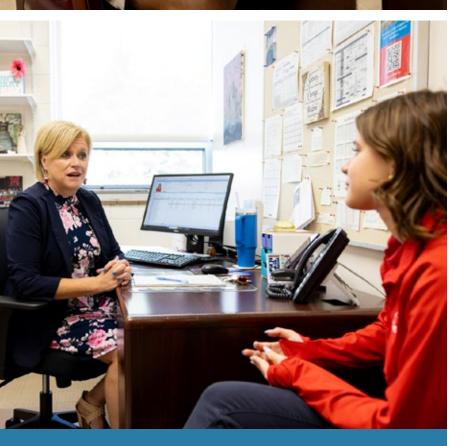
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PCCS Program

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Supporting the Whole Person

- Academic Resource Program: Dedicated to assisting students with formalized learning plans (IEP, ISP, and 504) by providing tailored support and resources to help them achieve their academic goals. In addition, Academic Resource also assists students with their accommodations while advocating for them in the classroom and beyond.
- Social & Emotional Support:
- Goal Setting
- Problem Solving
- Referrals
- Academic Advisory: Promotes academic success by identifying students in need of support and providing targeted assistance to improve organization, study skills, and overall achievement.

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Academic Resource

Guidance Services

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College & Life Prep

Our college and career counselor provides individualized attention with the college search and financial aid process. Students have support in exploring 4-year, 2-year, and trade education opportunities, as well as career options.

Events:

- College Application Night (for Seniors)
- Financial Aid Night
- College Information Night (for Juniors)
- Junior & Senior Meetings
- College Stock: We host weeklong series of college fairs during the lunch periods. Each day 8-12 colleges will be available to meet with students, with one day being dedicated to the various branches of the United States Military.

• College Rep Visits: Marian Central Catholic hosts over 100 college representatives annually. Students can sign up to attend presentations to learn about their schools of interest.

Class of 2025 Outcomes

- 75% attended four-year college/university
- 22% attended two-year college/university Of our 18 seniors who attended a two-year college or university this fall, the combined cumulative GPA was 3.479, including five students with above a 4.0 weighted GPA.
- 2% entered the workforce
- 1% attended technical/trade schools

WE ARE A SMART INVESTMENT



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Campus Views

Picture yourself here as a Hurricane.



George Harding Field



Business Classroom





Sacred Heart Chapel



Landers Pavilion

Queen of Peace Courtyard



Athletic Excellence

Not Just About the Final Score

FALL

Cheer/Dance

Cross Country (G/B)

Football

Golf (G/B)

Soccer (B) Tennis (G)

Volleyball (G)

WINTER

Basketball (G/B)

Cheer/Dance Chess (G/B)

Fencing (G/B)

Wrestling

SPRING

Baseball

Bass Fishing (G/B)

Track & Field (G/B)

Soccer (G)

Softball

Tennis (B)

At Marian Central Catholic, we strive to build champions both in competition and in life. Our athletic programs are dedicated to cultivating a championship mindset that values hard work, resilience, and excellence. We believe that being a

champion is not just about the final score, but about how we conduct ourselves, face challenges, and support our teammates and community. Winning with humility, losing with grace, and always giving our best effort are the hallmarks of a Hurricane.



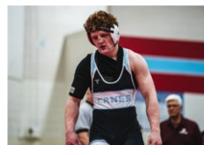








Athletics





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Student Life

No matter the interest, all students find a place at Marian Central Catholic.

Clubs & Organizations

Our students can join a wide variety of clubs and organizations that fit their interests. Ranging from service clubs, athletic clubs, debate and politics, academic honor societies, and religious clubs - students can explore their passions in a welcoming environment.



Performing & Fine Arts

The Performing & Fine Arts programs at Marian Central offer a diverse range of creative opportunities for students to explore and develop their artistic talents. Students can engage in courses and extracurricular activities that foster creativity and self-expression.

Whether you're interested in drawing, painting, singing, playing an instrument, or performing on stage, Marian Central's Performing & Fine Arts programs provide a vibrant environment to nurture your passions.









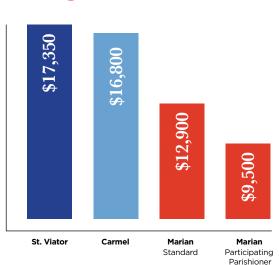
The Right Investment in Your Child's Future

We believe a Marian education is more than tuition—it's an investment in your child's growth, faith, and future. Through our Tuition Assistance Program, we strive to make Marian welcoming and attainable for all families. More than 26% of our families receive assistance, and our team is here to help guide you through the financial process so every student can thrive..

Payment plans

• Monthly, Quarterly, Semester, and Yearly

Affordable Excellence. Lasting Value.



*All rates are from the 2025-26 school year **Fees not included











Hurricane for a Lifetime

Being part of Marian Central means more than just four years—it's a lifelong connection. As students, Hurricanes grow in faith, knowledge, leadership, and service. As alumni, they carry those values into their careers, families, and communities, living out the mission of being "Men and Women for Life." Once a Hurricane, always a Hurricane.

Need a Ride?

Marian provides convenient bus transportation serving: Algonquin, Cary, Crystal Lake, Harvard, Huntley, Lake in the Hills, Marengo, McHenry, and Woodstock.





Admissions FAQs

Who attends MC?

We serve students in grades 9-12 who are motivated by academic achievement, athletic opportunity, the arts, and spiritual growth. Our students come from more than 40 middle schools in northern Illinois and southern Wisconsin. While nearly 71% of our student body is Catholic, we welcome students of all faiths.

What is the profile of a Marian Central Catholic student?

Marian seeks students who:

- Are intellectually curious and maintain good grades
- Are hard workers, have good study habits, and can succeed in a college-preparatory curriculum
- Accept the invitation to grow spiritually in their faith formation
- Are active in their school, church, and community
- Are ambitious, motivated, and participate in co-curricular activities

What is the Admissions process?

- Complete the Application and Release of Records via the QR code below.
- All Class of 2030 applicants who apply by the deadline will receive notification of their admission decision by mid-January 2026.

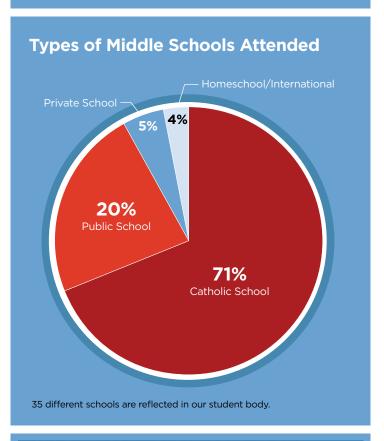
Is Marian Central Catholic for me?

We can't answer this one—only you can! Visit
Marian Central Catholic soon to talk with our
students, teachers, and coaches. Our publications
and website provide helpful information, but
the BEST sense of our school comes from
experiencing it in person. Scan the QR code below
to schedule your visit, we can't wait to meet you!

ADMISSION FACTS Boy/Girl Ratio

Boys







ADMISSIONS OFFICE

Director of Advancement/Admissions:

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2025-2026 Important Dates

- VIP Shadow Days September April
- Open House November 2
- Fall Play November 14-16
- Application & Tuition Assistance
 Deadline November 21
- Placement Test December 6
- Freshman Registration February 11 & 22
- Musical March 13-15

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Register for Events