



SAINT MARY'S HIGH SCHOOL

A COLLEGE PREPARATORY HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Prospective Parents,

Time moves quickly and your child's eighth grade year will zoom by. Before you know it, your eighth grader will be in high school. In your quest to give your son or daughter the best high school education, one that will best prepare him or her for life, I'd like to personally invite you to take a close look at why St. Mary's High School is the best high school education in the region. An investment in your child's education at St. Mary's will give her or him the tools and skills necessary to have an edge in this competitive world in which we live.

A St. Mary's education will provide your student with the structure, foundation and skill-set, both in and out of the classroom, to achieve the dreams and aspirations you have for their future. We are a regional school with students coming from within and outside of San Joaquin County. We are a Catholic college preparatory high school. Our purpose is to provide students with the opportunity to grow in faith, develop as leaders and be challenged to meet their full potential, in a safe environment. The families that attend all have similar expectations so you and your student will become part of a community that is geared towards success. This provides your child with the opportunity to grow alongside other students with like expectations of successful living, with each student and family bringing their unique history and culture to our St. Mary's community. The standards and expectations are high for each student. We do not lower the standards here. It is each student's commitment to meet these standards, which establish the work habits and discipline that translates into a successful life, not only in chosen career paths, but as individuals.

St. Mary's has a 140 plus year illustrious history with generations of successful alumni who live all over the world. Our alumni are successful people who are leaders in their communities. When you make the investment in a St. Mary's High School education, you are joining the most successful fraternity-sorority in our academic area! Your student will be tied to our alumni with potential for opportunities that last long after your four years here. The old adage "it's who you know, not what you know" provides the opportunity and the foundation of our excellent education and work ethic that will help secure the job. Our alumni know what it takes to be a St. Mary's graduate. It is that very reason that they will help other St. Mary's graduates. They know our graduates will live up to the expectations that they have of the school's mission, built around the Salesian model of "Be Who You Are and Be That Well." Our Catholic values that live in our school become part of each individual as they grow as students. It is these values that help further develop our students into the successful people they will become, no matter what endeavor they are inclined and determined to undertake.

Please take advantage of the different opportunities we offer to explore a St. Mary's education and find out why it is an investment that will pay huge dividends in your child's future. Feel free to stop by during school hours and see the environment that we have created for our students. We have many financial aid and scholarship opportunities that make a St. Mary's education a possibility for anyone who really wants this experience for their child. We welcome all faiths and ethnicities, and embrace what each student brings to the culture of our school. Both of my children graduated from St. Mary's High School. It was an investment that my wife and I would make all over again, that resulted, like others, in a very successful college experience and life success. We are very proud of what we offer, but most proud of the graduates we produce. Join us and become part of our St. Mary's community!

Respectfully in the Lord,

Jim Brusa
President



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Hello to all from St. Mary's High School, a College Preparatory High School.

Thank you for considering St. Mary's as you plan for the education of your child. It is with pride and confidence that we encourage you to enroll your child at St. Mary's High School.

The transition from elementary school to high school is a milestone in your child's life. This milestone, coupled with the unique challenges young people face today, demands an approach to education that provides academic excellence within an environment that also fosters a Christian, caring attitude.

Our school strives to instill in its students a sense of right and wrong, devotion to duty and a Christian-based values system. Through religion classes, daily prayer, school Masses, First Friday Adoration, Benediction, Friday Rosary and Reconciliation, St. Mary's enables students to experience Christian community and positive relationships.

Following the charism of St. Francis de Sales, our students are frequently reminded to "be who you are and be that well."

St. Mary's has been a part of the Stockton community since 1876 and has graduated over 10,000 students. The St. Mary's community takes pride in the accomplishments of its distinguished alumni. Many of our community leaders and outstanding citizens in San Joaquin County, and throughout the country, hail from St. Mary's High School.

Throughout our 143 year history, graduates have also enjoyed an outstanding acceptance rate into the nation's top universities. 99% of our graduates attend colleges and universities.

We invite you to study the materials enclosed with the New Student Application. In addition, St. Mary's offers a financial aid program. Applications for financial aid are available through FACTS Tuition Management.

St. Mary's High School looks forward to serving your educational needs. Please do not hesitate to contact the Registrar, Su Towne at 957-3340, ext. 103. Our guidance counselors are also available should you have any questions or concerns, Elizabeth Nisby (A-Go), ext. 125; Nicole Rosado (Gr-O), ext. 126; and Misty Chapman (P-Z), ext. 123.

Sincerely,

Kathy Smith
Principal