



2021-2022 ANNUAL REPORT

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OUR MISSION

Marian Middle School, a Catholic school welcoming adolescent girls of all backgrounds, is committed to breaking the cycle of poverty through education. Marian fosters each student's spiritual, academic, social, moral, emotional, and physical development from middle school through post-secondary education as a foundation for career success.

Our Commitment to Impact

Poverty is a serious deep-rooted issue in our community – and Marian Girls are no strangers to its effects. In St. Louis, the poverty rate stands at 22.8%, compared to 10.5% overall in the U.S. It jumps to 23.7% for those without a high school diploma and dropouts are more than twice as likely to live in poverty than college graduates.

Since we began, Marian has been so much more than a middle school. Up to 90% of our girls live below the poverty level – so illuminating their path for high school, through post-secondary education, and into careers is key.

On average, Marian serves up to 75 girls in middle school, 70 in high school, and over 50 in college:

- The **Academic Program** prepares middle school students to succeed in high performing high schools.
- The **Enrichment Program** provides leadership experiences and character development.
- The **Graduate Support Program** prepares Marian Girls to not only succeed in high school but also college and careers through scholarships, mentoring, counseling, internships and career connections.

Marian is accelerating and deepening our impact to deliver support, services, and education beyond a traditional middle school. Through our 10-Year Impact Plan, we're actively accelerating and deepening our ability to break the cycle of poverty through education via our three primary focus areas:

- Establishing **wrap around support services** for Marian alumnae and families
- Enhancing our **Graduate Support Program** for Marian graduates
- Evaluating the expansion into **elementary education** to lay a stronger foundation for Marian Girls

Marian's 12+ year commitment to each student is unlike anything else in our region. Through our deep and abiding commitment to our students and their families, we are changing lives.

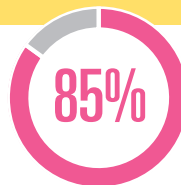
PROUD TO BE A

Marian Girl



By 2030, 80% of Marian students will complete post-secondary education (compared to the national average of only 48%).

IMPACT:



of Marian Girls face poverty, traveling from up to 30 zip codes to receive a life-altering education.



of alum entered post-secondary institutions, compared to 72% of students from local public schools.



alumnae have obtained their college degrees.

A Letter from Our Graduate, CarlyRae Lewis

Because of Marian, I can do anything I set my mind to...

My Marian Journey to Service and Entrepreneurship

My Marian journey started with a phone call from my mother saying that she had enrolled me at Marian. From the very first day I started at Marian, they have extended their love to me. From middle school, to high school, to college I have been a part of the Marian Family... and, Marian is a part of mine!

I came from an all-white school in the county where I was struggling with my identity. Becoming a Marian Girl gave me the time and support I needed to work through that. My sense of self blossomed at Marian and it's fueled my success.

I learned from Marian's inspirational teachers who encouraged me to be a leader. They helped me set my sights on a bright future. Ms. Harris on the Graduate Support Team has mentored me through the college application process, helped me with college essays, and helped me gather letters of recommendation. She helped me sign up for the ACT and SAT, which Marian's Graduate Support Program paid for me to take.

My time at Marian gave me the confidence to step outside my comfort zone. In high school at Incarnate Word, I played lacrosse and was the only Black girl on the team. I took college classes, paid for by Marian, and as a result, I started my college career with 15 credits!

The resilience and strength I acquired at Marian gave me the courage to apply to the St. Louis Internship Program all on my own, where I was accepted and placed at a real pharmacy! It laid the foundation for my interest in the health-care field.



“A good smile is the first thing you notice, and my dream is to help everyone love their smile.”

— CarlyRae Lewis, Marian Class of 2018
Incarnate Word Academy 2022

In addition, the spirit of giving back to the community that started during my time at Marian continues to be a part of who I am. I volunteer at my local food pantry, run camps for the Girl Scouts, and I learned to tuck-point in order to improve housing for low-income families. I recently joined my fellow Marian alum as a recipient of the MLK Model of Justice Award for community service. A Marian Girl's ripple effect in the community is never ending!

Marian instilled a spirit of entrepreneurship in me and I decided in 5th grade that I wanted to be my own boss. Today, I'm on my way to becoming a pediatric dentist. My vision is to volunteer in low-income areas, where I'll provide dental healthcare to people who need it.

Thank You from Our Leadership

From the moment one becomes a Marian Girl, she is encircled with love and unyielding support from the entire Marian Community. We celebrate her unique gifts and talents as a unique creation of God. Through transformational and holistic education, we witness our students grow from young 5th grade girls into powerful, service-oriented leaders, like CarlyRae.

As we walk alongside them through middle school, high school, college, and into their first careers, we're empowering each Marian Girl to bring her dreams to life. During this 12-year journey, their entire family becomes a part of our family.

Over the last year, we've grown to include more internships, greater workforce readiness, and leadership development. Through your continued support, you are helping us make a profound difference — one Marian Girl at a time. Thank you for helping us Light Their Way!

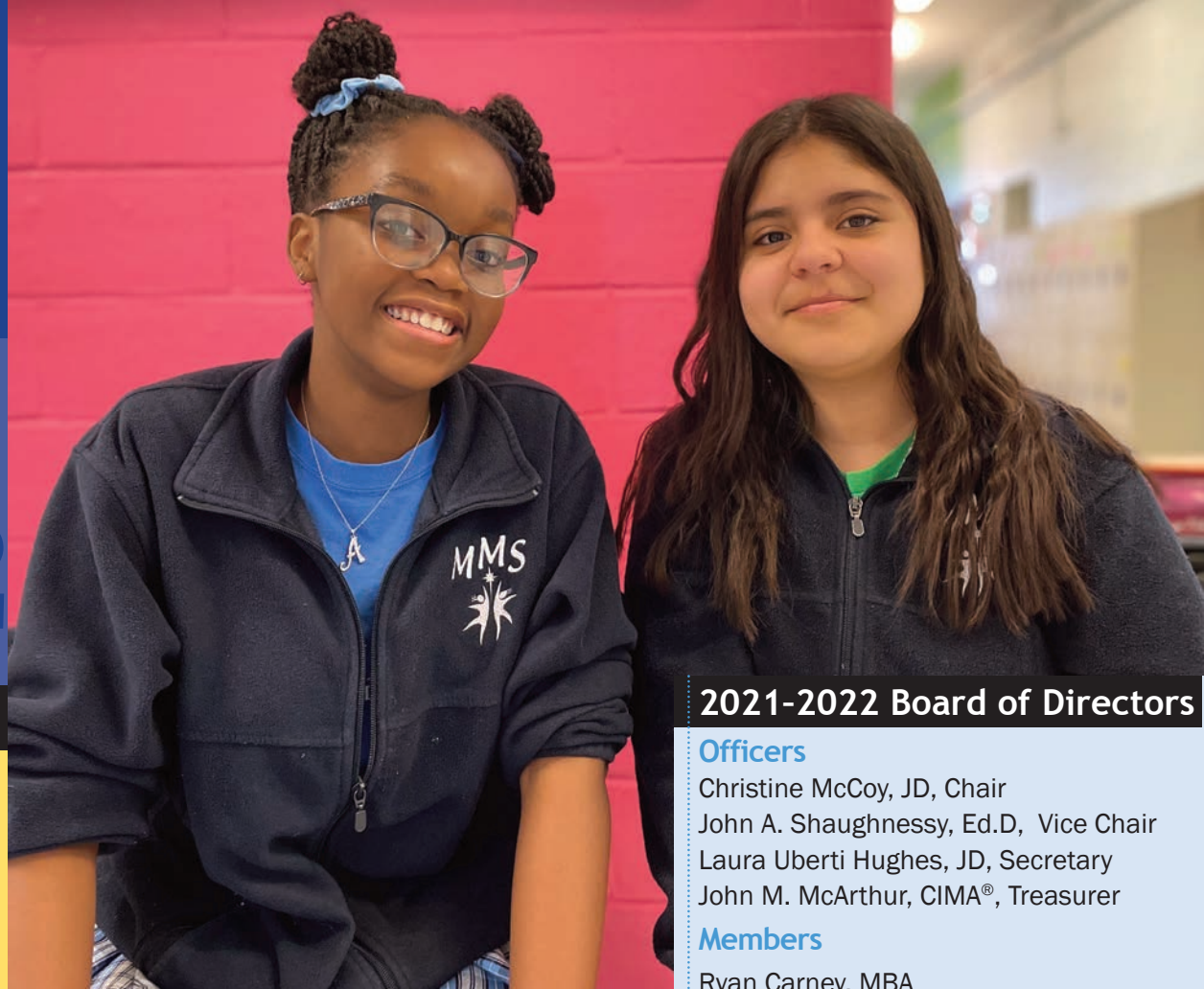
With gratitude,

Mary Elizabeth Grimes
President

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OUR VISION

Marian Middle School is a leader in providing life-altering education. Marian graduates are accomplished young women equipped to make informed decisions and create enduring, positive change.



OUR FOUNDRESSES

Marian Middle School was founded in 1999 by seven communities of Catholic sisters. We are grateful they shared their dream and vision to establish hope for the future of the St. Louis area. We thank them for their continued guidance and support throughout our history.

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** Deceased.

45+
VOLUNTEERS GAVE
3,500+
HOURS OF SERVICE
TO MARIAN



ACADEMIC PROGRAM



Marian returned to a full in-person school year!

Marian Middle School began the year with a fresh start and a revived spirit! On August 11, teachers and staff eagerly welcomed students back to school for full in-person learning.

From sourcing new desks to ensure there was a safe distance between students – to doubling up on math classes since math was challenging to learn virtually – to adding smartboards to allow for instruction in larger spaces, Marian was eager to support students in every way.

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STUDENTS TRAVELED AND LOGGED IN FROM
27 ZIP CODES

...to receive a life-altering education.
68% from Saint Louis City
31% from Saint Louis County
1% from Illinois

CORE SUBJECTS:

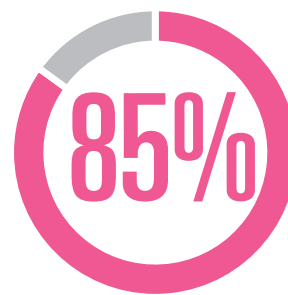
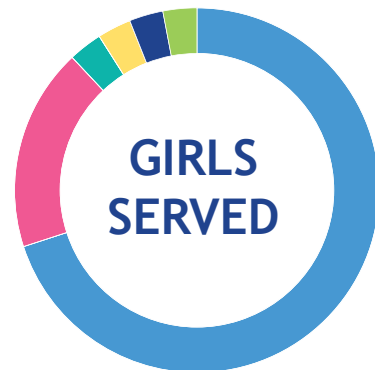


FOUNDATION SUBJECTS:

- Art
- Computer Science and Technology
- Foreign languages
- STEM Lab
- Independent Reading
- Humanities: Including Women in History
- High School Readiness



Students in fifth grade12
Students in sixth grade18
Students in seventh grade21
Students in eighth grade20



of our students qualified for free and reduced-price meals, a national indicator of poverty

- 70% African American
- 18% Hispanic
- 3% Caucasian
- 3% Multiracial
- 3% American Indian or Alaska Native
- 3% Asian



FACT:

Marian Girls sometimes enter performing two or more years below grade level, but they leave Marian on or above grade level, prepared to succeed in high-performing high schools.

Great Gains:

Marian now uses the NWEA standardized test to assess each student's learning potential and customize classroom curriculum to meet their evolving needs.



Hannah went from the 19th to 50th percentile in reading.



Alanna went from the 9th to 33rd percentile in math.



8th grade GPAs raised an average of .44 points from last year to this year.
Noelle went from a 1.72 to a 3.14!



8th grader **Eliha** started our Independent Reading Program in 5th grade with 78% comprehension. She ended her 8th grade year with 100% comprehension!

88%

of students scored at grade level or higher on standards-based assessments provided by their teachers.

Academic Saturdays

Students participate in Academic Saturdays throughout the school year, which are field trips or events that relate to topics covered in the classroom. Marian Girls learned about opera from Opera Theatre of St. Louis. The 5th grade class was inspired to develop its own rock opera – “Back Then, Right Now, In the Future” – where students created their own choreography, lyrics, and music composition!



Social-Emotional Support

Many Marian students face traumatic experiences associated with poverty. The Academic Program is coupled with a focus on social and emotional wellness to ensure Marian Girls develop important tools to thrive.

Marian provided students with more than 700 total counseling sessions and made 110 high school visits to provide our alumnae with caring, consistent, and culturally-responsive therapy.

80% of Marian Girls said they could tell the difference between normal stress and feelings they needed help with, and 76% said they now know about resources outside of school that can help them.

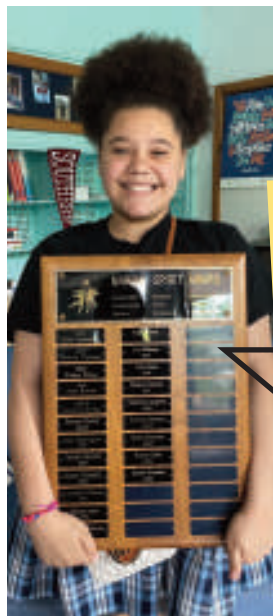
Smiley Scholarship Award

Jahleah, Jazmia, and Sayana won this year's Smiley Scholarship Awards. They are pictured here with scholarship representatives Nina Smiley Wilkins and her husband, Milton. This generous award honors the legacy of Mrs. Wilkin's parents, Dr. William and Mrs. Adella Smiley, who were great leaders in the Saint Louis community as advocates for women, children, and education. Each year the Smiley family awards three \$1,000 scholarships to Marian Girls. Among the qualifications are grade point, citizenship, and work habits.



The Marian Girl Scholarship

8th Grader Jazmia won the annual Marian Girl award for her academic performance, citizenship, and leadership at Marian.



“ I am the fifth member of my family to come to Marian! After witnessing how the school empowered my four older cousins to be successful through middle school, high school and college, I knew Marian was the place for me.”

— Jazmia, Marian Class of 2022

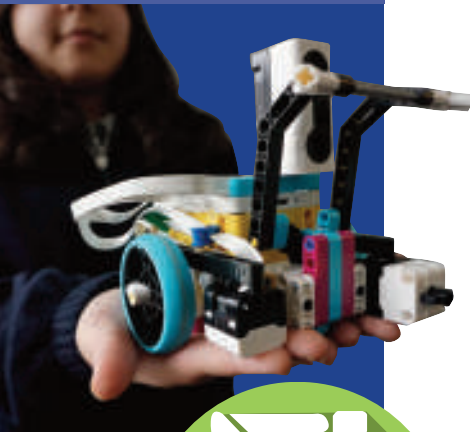
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SCIENCE TECHNOLOGY ENGINEERING MATH



Since 2011, Marian has been preparing students for 21st century careers through multidisciplinary and hands-on learning. Marian gives students the tools they need to become workforce ready critical thinkers, creative problem solvers, and bold innovators.

Through our STEM Program, Marian prepares our students to diversify the STEM industry, close the gender and racial gap, and meet the demand for more STEM-ready leaders. Because STEM careers typically pay higher wages, Marian Girls are then catapulted into successful, sustainable careers that allow them to break the cycle of poverty in which they live.



In any given year, our STEM courses include:

- Automotive Engineering
- Digital Storytelling
- Financial Literacy
- Gardening and Beekeeping
- Mapping
- Media
- Music
- Robotics
- STEM Club



To better prepare students for advanced high school curriculum, Marian provides 8th grade students with Algebra (rather than just pre-Algebra).



RoNiyah • After a summer internship with Bayer in 2021, RoNiyah was invited back for her second consecutive internship given her success and dedication. She was then selected as one of three interns to attend the highly prestigious Agriculture Future of America Conference in Sacramento. This amazing opportunity allows young leaders with potential to excel in the agricultural industry an opportunity to gain vital exposure to the field. RoNiyah has demonstrated the brilliance of Marian Girls, and as a result, Bayer is ensuring that there will be an internship opportunity to a Marian alumna each summer!

During the 2021-2022 school year:

Seventh and eighth graders went on a field trip to Bayer, where they enjoyed a motivational speaker, listened to a panel of diverse leaders sharing their career journeys, toured the facility, and participated in activities demonstrating how crops are produced.

Marian Girls participated in a STEM activity rotation led by Boeing volunteers that included a flight simulator, science experiments, robotics activities, and more.

Washington University computer science majors visited our 5th grade class and taught them about the basics of coding and robotic functioning.

91% of 7th and 8th graders named at least one STEM career in their list of career aspirations, whereas only 63% of 5th and 6th graders did. This demonstrates the dramatic impact our STEM program has on Marian Girls' interests and passions, as well as their ability to envision themselves in highly academic and competitive fields.

Careers of Interest Include:

Marian students are interested in a variety of careers, especially in STEM. In 2021-2022, professions of interest included:

- Actuary
- Aerospace engineer
- Anesthesiologist
- Architect
- Audiologist
- Biomedical engineer
- Immunologist
- Sports medicine physician

Marian Girls Win Top Honors at Clavius Competition A Record Four Years In A Row

The Robotics team won the highest award level, the Platinum Award, at SLUH's Clavius Project Robotics Jamboree. The Girls also won the Janet Knobbe-Viox Judges Award, which recognizes one school that excels at Spirit, Engagement, Sportsmanship and Performance.



Faith graduated from the University of Missouri – St. Louis with a Bachelor of Science in Information Systems and Technology. She attended the highly prestigious and competitive Diversity Cyber Academy and secured a position working at Mandiant, a Google-owned cyber security consulting company.



PLANNED GIVING

Consider sustaining Marian's mission by including us in your will or trust. Contact us to learn more.

Ways to Give

- ✓ Bequest by will
- ✓ Beneficiary designations
- ✓ Appreciated property
- ✓ Retirement plans
- ✓ Gifts of life insurance

Bushell Legacy Society Members

**Evelyn Bushell provided the first bequest to Marian in 2004.*

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Craig and Toni Hunt
Eileen Pfeifer
Bernard and Rosalyn Purcell
Barbara and Michael Richter
Pearl Scheve
Sandra Stearns
Kathleen Valenta
Linda and Bob Waugh

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Marian offers a variety of opportunities each trimester to provide Marian Girls with empowering experiences for learning, skill building, character growth, and leadership development.

Marian's innovative Enrichment Program allows students to access the type of programming that is usually only available to those who can afford it. It helps students develop lifelong passions, prepares them for high school and college, and brings learning to life through hands-on experiences. For instance, set design is a great way to put math skills to use.

In order to safely provide Enrichment programming throughout the pandemic:

- Marian increased the number of classes offered and decreased the number of students in each class.
- Marian also creatively shifted to recorded performances rather than large in-person showcases.
- In other instances, field trips became walking/outdoor events.
- Students also planned an ArtWalk to maintain social distancing while still being immersed in the creative experience.

DID YOU KNOW?

Marian also provided:

- 28 eye exams and 31 pairs of glasses
- Christmas presents
- Dental care within the school day
- Depression and suicide awareness and prevention
- Hygiene and personal care items, such as deodorant, laundry detergent, toothbrushes and toothpaste, and menstrual products
- School supplies
- Uniforms, coats, shoes, underwear, and socks
- Weekly grocery delivery

Enrichment Activities During the School Year



Academics

- Creative Writing
- French Club
- Media
- Movie Criticism
- Spanish
- STEM Club
- Yearbook

Fine and Performing Arts

- Art Club
- Choir
- Drums
- Introduction to Theater
- Mindful Crafting
- Movie Making
- Musical Theater
- Painting
- Piano
- Praise Dance
- Set Design
- Sewing and Fashion Design
- Step Dance
- Traditional Dance

Fitness and Wellness

- Baking
- Basketball
- Cooking
- Saint Louis University Running Club
- Soccer
- Track
- Volleyball
- Yoga

Social Awareness

- Etiquette
- Girl Scouts
- Growing and Glowing
- Kindness Club
- Lean-In Club
- Neighborhood Adventure Club
- Service Club

Enrichment Highlights

Kindness Club

Fifth graders in the Kindness Club decided to combat homelessness through a student-led “Blankets of Hope” project. Each student provided a blanket for donation and attached letters of encouragement to people experiencing homelessness. Over Thanksgiving break, they delivered them to St. Patrick Center.

Praise Dance

Seventh graders Amber, Jaedin, and Ka’Mori used their recess and extra study hall time to create a praise dance, which they performed in Chapel. They danced to the song “You Know My Name” by Tasha Cobbs.



The Wiz

Through a partnership with STAGES, Marian students performed their own rendition of the Broadway musical adventure, The Wiz. The 5th grade class designed and created the production’s costumes, and Marian’s art teacher, Ms. Sarah Paulsen, helped students plan and build the set designs during art class.

ART CLASS



8th Grade Graduation Caps



During Marian’s culminating 8th grade art project, students reflected on their years at Marian. In order to design their own graduation caps, they spent weeks researching and designing their plans on paper. They gathered supplies and experimented

with different ways of collaging, painting, and drawing on the surface of the cap. Finally, students showcased their caps during Marian’s graduation ceremony. This ritual prepares students for all of their future graduations by helping them set their sites on college and beyond!

Identity Paintings

To honor the diversity and rich backgrounds of Marian students, Marian Girls created narrative acrylic paintings on canvas. They started by discussing the work of many painters such as Kerry James Marshall, Carmen Lomas Garza, and Faith Ringgold that illustrate identity through story and images. After this presentation, students brainstormed rituals, traditions, and qualities of their families and/or communities. Students developed imagery related to those ideas, sketched on a canvas panel, and painted finishing details with acrylics. Marian Girls shared their masterpieces in class and at many Marian events, including Marian’s Art and Diversity walk.



GRADUATE SUPPORT PROGRAM

“A Life-Altering Journey!”

Our work does not end when a Marian Girl graduates from 8th grade. When we say “*Educating Girls for Life*,” we mean it!

Simply enrolling a student in a high performing high school and providing scholarships is not enough to ensure success. Developed in 2003, Marian’s Graduate Support Program provides long-term high school, college and career preparedness support for Marian Girls so they can continue their journey of success.

It’s always been one of the leading and most unique programs of its kind in the region. Marian has expanded the program to include internships and career connections, as well as social-emotional support and therapy.


The program includes academic, social, and financial support, including:

- One-on-one mentoring
- High school scholarships
- High school readiness courses
- High school selection assistance
- FAFSA/scholarship assistance
- ACT/SAT prep courses
- Student and parent workshops to prepare for high school and college
- Pre-enrollment college visits
- Career exploration programs
- Summer internships and career opportunities
- Counseling support and therapy
- College prep through Saint Louis University, Washington University, University of Missouri-St. Louis, College Bound, and more

FACT:

Last year, Marian awarded \$239,600 in high school scholarships. The average award was \$5,500.

GRADUATE SUPPORT by the NUMBERS



Marian Middle School Alumnae	316
High school graduates ..	243
High school students	63
Alumnae in college	60
College graduates	65

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Marian Girls are flourishing in their career journeys at top organizations across the region.

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Marian Girls are working toward advanced degrees, such as PhD’s, J.D.s, and Master’s in Social Work.

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Marian girls have secured advanced degrees.

FACT:

Three Marian alumnae, including Marya Jackson-Thomas, Paulette Lymore-Townley, and Chloe Conners, participated in Summer Scholars at Fontbonne University. Rising high school seniors get to stay for an entire week on a college campus to help crystalize their college and career goals.

Marian Girls are attending the following rigorous institutions:

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| Bishop DuBourg High School | Metro Academic and Classical High School |
| Cardinal Ritter College Prep | Nerinx Hall High School |
| Carnahan School of the Future | Normandy High School |
| Cor Jesu Academy | North County Christian School |
| Francis Howell North High School | Notre Dame High School |
| Grand Center Arts Academy | Ritenour High School |
| Hawthorn Leadership School for Girls | Rosati-Kain High School |
| Hazelwood West High School | St. Charles West High School |
| Incarnate Word Academy | St. Joseph’s Academy |
| Jennings/North County Technical High School | University City High School |
| KIPP St. Louis High School | Villa Duchesne High and Oak Hill School |
| Lutheran North High School | Visitation Academy |
| McCluer North High School | Westminster Christian Academy |
| Mehlville High School | |

Alumnae Highlights:



◀ **Adrienne** studied abroad in Kenya through the AFS Organization for Intercultural Education. She is now a Freshman at University of Missouri - Saint Louis majoring in Public Policy.



◀ **Ga'Nea** (Jones) graduated from Missouri State University with a Master of Social Work degree. Ga'Nea moved to Kansas City, MO, to begin her role as a Family Advocate for Ability KC, an organization that provides comprehensive, educational, vocational, and therapeutic services for children and adults with disabilities.



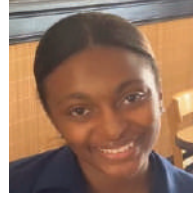
◀ **Nola**, who is majoring in Information Systems and Technology at the University of Missouri St. Louis, completed an internship through NPower, a program that offers skills to those wanting to enter a career in technology.



◀ **Jay** graduated high school with a 4.03 GPA and is double majoring in Media Production and Computer Engineering at Loyola University, Chicago.



◀ **Kayla**, who is pursuing her PhD at Washington University, is a teaching assistant for the College Preparatory Program. She will be helping two Marian alumnae – Amerynn and Arianna – through the program!



◀ **Morgan** participated in an internship through Girls Inc., where she worked with Wesley Bell, St. Louis County Prosecuting Attorney.

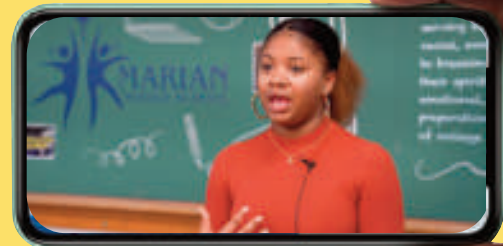


◀ **Joyce**, a Freshman at Visitation Academy, recently returned to Marian to help with our musical The Wiz! She loved being in musicals when she was at Marian and wanted to help the next generation!

FACT:

Through Marian's partnership with the Boniface Foundation, Marian is improving practices related to cultural competency and working with local Catholic high schools to ensure equity continues even when Marian's students graduate.

Watch On
YouTube



The Impact of Marian:

Faith – She is A Marian Girl With a Vision

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4wJaUIPS4iU>

Marian Girls are attending the following colleges and universities:

Alabama A & M University
Arizona State University – Tempe
Boston College
Columbia College – Chicago
DePaul University
Dillard University
Fontbonne University
Georgia State University
Harris-Stowe State University
Howard University
Jackson State University

Lindenwood University
Louisiana State University – Baton Rouge
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Assets

Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$3,283,784
Cash and Cash Equivalents Capital Campaign	\$156,195
Investments	\$1,609,599
Endowment Investments	\$420,760
Grants and Contributions Receivable - Net	\$302,099
Contributions Receivable Capital Campaign	\$455,884
Note Receivable - NMTC	\$3,419,337
Prepaid Expenses	\$12,059
Property and Equipment - Net	\$3,313,124
TOTAL ASSETS	\$12,972,841

Liabilities and Net Assets

Liabilities:

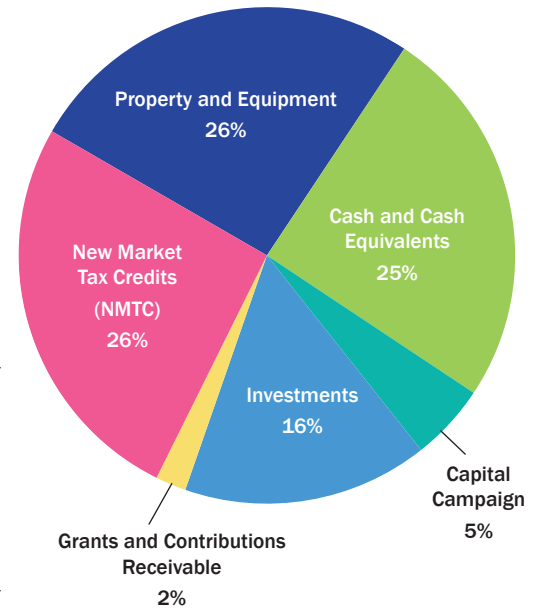
Accounts Payable	\$39,463
Accrued Liabilities	\$9,488
Long-term Debt	\$4,628,594
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$4,677,545

Net Assets:

Without Donor Restrictions	\$7,521,764
With Donor Restrictions	\$773,532

TOTAL NET ASSETS \$8,295,296

TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS \$12,972,841



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Support and Revenue

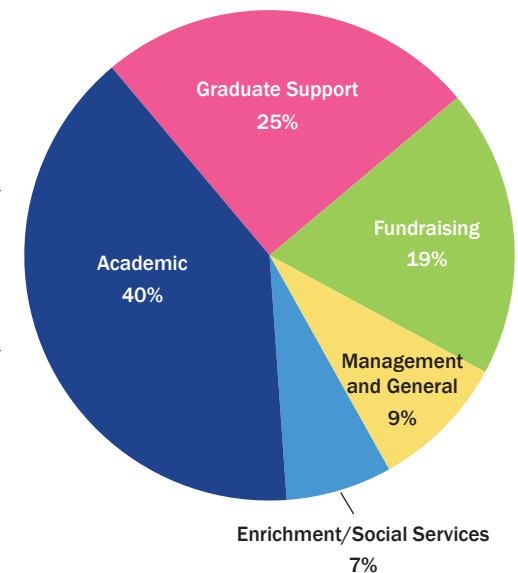
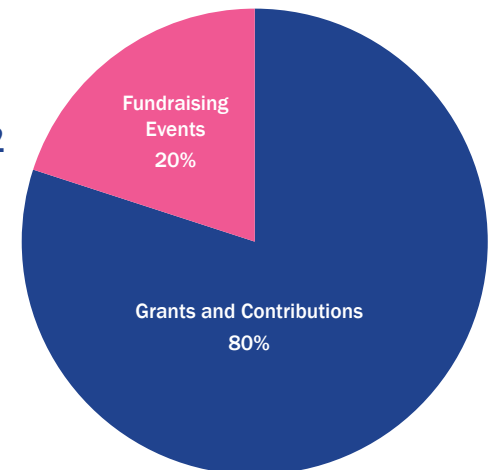
Grants and Contributions Capital Campaign	\$70,673
Other	\$2,386,256
Fundraising Events	\$707,724
Tuition	\$26,797
Lunch Program	\$38,186
Net Investment Income	(\$265,904)
Other	\$31,522
TOTAL SUPPORT AND REVENUE	\$2,995,254

Expenses

Program Services Academic	\$941,856
Social Services	\$163,041
Graduate Support	\$585,848
Total Program Services:	\$1,690,745
Supporting Services Management and General	\$218,976
Fundraising	\$462,204
Total Supporting Services	\$681,180
Total Expenses	\$2,371,925

INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS

Net Assets Beginning of Year	\$7,671,967
Net Assets at End of Year	\$8,295,296





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Join us for a Tour, and Light the Way for Marian Girls!

Have you been to Marian lately? If you're a new supporter to Marian, or a long-time friend, we invite you to join us to see how you are lighting the way for Marian Girls. Contact us to schedule a tour! We'd be happy to treat you to lunch provided by our in-house chef.

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Our corporate partners play an essential role in exposing our students to a variety of careers. Marian Middle School hosts Women's Professional Career Luncheons, which bring together professionals in the community to discuss careers with our students and spend time getting to know them. Contact us if you're interested in joining us!

Join Our Young Professionals Board

The Young Professionals Board is a group of young professionals who are committed to supporting Marian Middle School and its mission. They raise awareness and money for Marian by hosting fundraising and networking events. The Young Professionals is a wonderful way to support girls of high potential but limited resources and it is also a way to get to know a great group of people from a handful of industries!

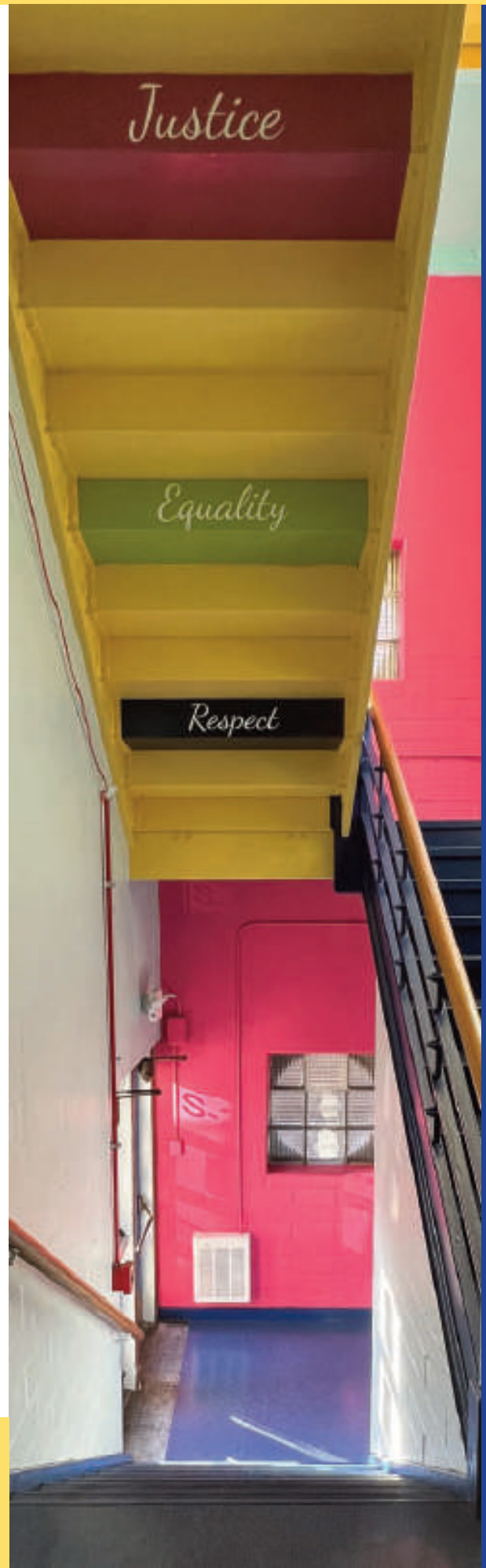
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To learn more, visit

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16TH ANNUAL WOMEN'S EVENT

Girls Night Out 2023

Thursday, September 21, 2023

5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Knight Center at Washington University

23rd Annual Marian Magic

WE'RE BACK IN PERSON

Ferarra Theatre
America's Center Convention Complex

Saturday, April 27, 2024

FEATURING:

- Marian's outstanding students, alum, and faculty
- Fund the Mission
- Teacher Wish List



To learn more, contact Breanna Parker-Gills at bparkergills@mms-stl.org.

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OUR EDUCATION MODEL

- Our **Academic Program** enhances student learning by challenging students to think beyond the boundaries of traditional academia and develop critical thinking, problem solving, leadership, and life skills in preparation for high-performing high schools.
- Our **Enrichment Program** offers students additional opportunities for learning, empowerment, character growth, and leadership development.
- Our **Graduate Support Program** assists alumnae in finding success during their high school and college years by providing academic, social, financial, and career readiness support and by connecting students to internship and job opportunities.

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