UPCOMING EVENTS

Connect Life Blood Drive
11/4/21

No School
11/11/21, 11/12/21

FALL PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES
11/22/21, 11/23/21

No School - Thanksgiving
11/24/21, 11/25/21, 11/26/21

Winter Market and Breakfast with Santa
12/11/21
Mercy Day is celebrated on September 24th, the feast day of Our Lady of Mercy. On this day in 1827, the house of Mercy on Baggot Street was opened as a school for young girls and residence for homeless women and girls, marking the formal beginning of Catherine McAuley’s mission of mercy. The main purpose of Mercy Day is to celebrate our place in the Circle of Mercy, reflect with gratitude the gifts we have received, and grow together as a Mercy community.

Mount Mercy Academy started off celebrating Mercy Day with a mass in the Chapel.

Students enjoyed the remainder of Mercy Day with volleyball in the gym, Just Dance, Kareokkee, Bingo, Kahoot and ate pizza! What a great day!
One mother remarked as she was touring with her daughter, "wow a lot has changed since I went here and for the better!" She even went on to say after the tour how wonderful it was to be back. She made a point to mention our current student ambassadors and how professional and genuine they were!

On September 25th and September 27th MMA had their Fall Open House! We had so many families come through to tour and learn about our wonderful school!

Families were able to learn more about our four academies- The Science and Healthcare Academy, Women in Social Sciences Academy, The visual Arts Academy and our new Business Academy!
On September 29th, the students celebrated Catherine McAuley's Birthday. Catherine McAuley was the foundress of Sisters of Mercy!

Sister Jenny's theology students worked together and made cupcakes for the whole school and the students enjoyed their treat during lunches.
The Notre Dame girls started off the day with the student ambassadors in a round table discussion. Our visitors were able to ask any questions they wanted about MMA and the unique high school experience we offer here.

The Notre Dame students continued their day shadowing current students and attending classes such as gym, ceramics, creative writing and lunch!

Shadow days are our favorite days! On Thursday October 14th, MMA had 21 students from Notre Dame Academy visit! WOW!
On October 1st the Freshmen class had their first ever Mount Mercy Retreat! The students spent the day getting to know one another through fun activities like, costume making, making TikToks, roasting marshmallows and eating pizza!

The Freshmen ended their day of bonding by reading letters wrote to them from current Seniors. The letters detailed important advice to "survive" high school.

The Freshmen also got to write letters to their future Senior selves detailing any goals they would like to achieve before graduation.
The Sophomore class had some fun bonding on October 14th! Their class advisor, Erin Ryan, organized an exciting night-

They decorated pumpkins with acrylic paint markers, watched The Nightmare Before Christmas and enjoyed pizza, popcorn, apple cider, donuts, cookies, and candy for snacks!
The Junior Class worked together on September 29th making milkshakes and smoothies for their classmates in honor of Milk Day.

The Juniors sold the tasty drinks for $3 each and by the end of the day they made a total of $330.

In conjunction with the Business Academy, the students will be opening a Cafe. Today was a dry run of the store.
VOLLEYBALL
SENIOR NIGHT

October 7th the Varsity Volleyball team celebrated their four Seniors- Mara Santana, Kyra Soto, Mary Vattes, and Grace Spero.

Madi Serafini did a wonderful job announcing each player along with their family members.

Each Senior received a bouquet of flowers and gifts from their coach.

The Junior Varsity team made posters for each Senior along with shirts with the Senior's faces on them.

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October 19th the Varsity Soccer team celebrated their four Seniors- Mary Bea Lalley, Mya Wood, Amaya Milkowski and Madison Edwards.

Each Senior received a bouquet of flowers and gifts from their coach. After the game the players enjoyed treats with their families and celebrated their last MMA Soccer game.

With the adrenaline from Senior Night and from the huge fan section Mercy beat SEM 2-0.

Rosalie Bandura scored the first goal and Abby Mailloux scored the second!

Way to go girls!
Classmate Addison Barth (Hamburg) finished one stroke behind with a 53, placing eighth and garnering a spot on the Second-Team All-Catholic squad.

The Mount Mercy Golf team ended one of its most successful seasons with both of its sophomore golfers achieving All-Catholic status. Sophomore Lacey Sheehan (Orchard Park) shot a 52 at Harvest Hill, placing sixth overall and earning First Team All-Catholic.
On October 25th, JV and Varsity Volleyball had their first ever Dig Lav game. The lavender ribbon represents all cancers. In the past, the team has done a Dig Pink game but this year they wanted to switch it up.

The team and parents of the athletes made baskets to raffle off and many students made baked goods to sell. Imperial Pizza was extremely generous and donated three sheet pizzas for the event.

Both JV and Varsity ended up losing to Nardin but both teams fought hard.

MMA volleyball ended up raising $1000 to donate to Roswell Park Comprehensive Cancer Center!

What a beautiful way to band together for a great cause. We can’t wait to do it again next year.
On October 22, Mount Mercy Academy had their first ever Haunted House! MMA students spent the whole week prior to the event decorating hallways and doors. The school looked great and everyone who came left with lots of candy and smiles on their faces!

We can't wait to do it again next year!
HALLOWEEN ASSEMBLY

On October 29th, MMA had their annual Halloween assembly! The day consisted of pumpkin painting, karaoke, relay races and capture the flag! The relay races had everyone on the edge of their seats! Some of the challenges in the relay were ‘spider web’ mazes, broom ball, wrapping classmates up as mummies and bobbing for apples!

At the end, the Sophomore class beat the Seniors in capture the flag and were awarded Spirit Week points!
We are expanding our existing academies (The Visual Arts Academy, The Academy of Science and Healthcare are Women in Social Sciences Academy) to fit the new P.B.L. curriculum. This year, with the help of teacher Patrick Govern, MMA has created a new Academy- the Business Academy. The Business Academy will teach our students how to run and operate a business. The students will also be running their own business at MMA- the Smoothie Cafe!

**PBL**

This school year, Mount Mercy Academy has implemented Project Based Learning into their curriculum. What is Project Based Learning (P.B.L.)? Project Based Learning is a student-centered method of teaching that emphasizes collaboration, exploration, real-world problem solving, critical thinking and innovation. P.B.L. allows students to learn real world skills that will better prepare them for their future while having fun!
Seniors visited Canisius College

Juniors & Seniors visited Niagara University
College Representatives visit Mount Mercy Academy
Thank you to everyone who joined us this weekend for the reunion celebration at Buffalo Riverworks. Alumnae were invited to Buffalo Riverworks to catch up with old classmates over happy hour.

Alumnae also got to partake in the unique experience- Ales and Axes! Ales and Axes is a fun activity where participants throw axes at a target.

We loved seeing all of you Mercy Girls!

We can’t wait for the next reunion!
ENTRANCE EXAM REVIEW COURSE
At Mount Mercy on Monday, November 8th, Tuesday, November 9th, Wednesday, November 10th and Friday, November 12th, 2021. Feel more confident for the exam!

ENTRANCE EXAM at MOUNT MERCY
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2021

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EXCITING UPCOMING EVENTS

12/11/21

Winter Holiday Market

CRAFTS/GOODS PERFECT FOR HOLIDAY GIFTS

9am–1pm

Open to Alumae and community members

$25/ TABLE (MUST BRING OWN TABLE)
$35/ TABLE (IF YOU NEED TABLE PROVIDED)

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12/11/21
10am-12pm

Join us for

Breakfast with Santa!

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