

Villa Maria Academy Parent Association (VMAPA)

2022-2023 Activities and Events

All events and more details can be found on the school website at vmahs.org on the *Calendar*.

REGISTER ONLINE

Registration for many events is required/requested and can be done on the *Calendar*. Please be courteous when registering for an event and be aware of RSVP deadlines.

VOLUNTEER ONLINE

Volunteers are needed to run the wonderful VMAPA events. We encourage you to get involved by donating your time and talent to help enrich your daughters' experience at VMA.

<https://www.vmahs.org/parents/parents-association/vmapa-volunteer-form/>

New Parent Welcome

Thursday, August 25th, 5:45 pm

This event kicks off our school year. All new parents are invited to a light reception and information session held at Villa Maria. New parents get to meet and mingle with the parents of their daughter's classmates. A formal invitation will be sent out with an agenda for the evening.

Attendance is expected. Adult only event. *(Free Event)*

Chairs: MJ Dougherty: mdougherty@oldgloryam.com and Crista Ford: cristaford@effconsulting.com

Father/Daughter Cornhole Tournament

Saturday, September 17th, 1:00 pm

The Father/Daughter Cornhole Tournament is a new tradition at Villa. The event is held on campus and brings together Dads and Daughters for a double elimination tournament. Drinks and snacks included.

Registration online is required. *(Ticketed Event)*

Chairs: MJ Dougherty: mdougherty@oldgloryam.com and Lauren Machita: lauren.machita@verizon.net

Fall Campus Decorating

Week of September 19th

Jen Holdsworth will be decorating the campus for Fall Ball and Homecoming. Consider volunteering your time and talents!

Chair: Jen Holdsworth: holdsworth1231@comcast.net

Back to School

Thursday, September 29th, 6:00 pm. Informational sessions and classroom visits.

Welcome back to school, parents! This is your opportunity to walk in your daughters' shoes, meet teachers, visit classrooms, and learn about the VMA curriculum. Meet new friends and catch up with old.

Attendance is expected. Adult only event. *(Free Event)*

Chairs: Julia Bohnenberger: bohnemberger@verizon.net & Maria Yacovelli: mariay2746@gmail.com

Homecoming 2022

Saturday, October 8th, 10:00 am

A reunion for the entire Villa family—students, alumnae, parents, and past parents! The day's events begin with sporting events—field hockey, soccer, and volleyball. Enjoy a barbecue and beer garden (21 and older), and music. Games and fun-filled activities will be provided for all the kids.

Registration online is required. *(Sponsored Event, tickets sold for beer garden)*

Volunteers needed.

Chair: Monica Meilinger (Advancement): mmeilinger@vmahs.org

Grandparents Day

Wednesday, October 12th, 12:15 pm

All freshman grandparents are invited to campus for a Mass, light refreshments, and a tour of the campus with their granddaughters. It is a fun day to welcome our grandparents to the Villa campus and the Villa family. Our students take pride in showing their grandparents around campus!

Register Grandparents to receive invitations at <https://www.vmahs.org/parents/grandparent-relations/>

Registration online is required. *(Free Event)*

Freshman parent volunteers needed as greeters and to serve refreshments.

Chair: Jenn Oschell (Advancement): joschell@vmahs.org

Fashion Show

Sunday, November 6th, 11:00 am

The Fashion Show is a long-standing tradition at Villa Maria. The event will be held at White Manor Country Club once again and will highlight upcoming fashions modeled by our senior parents and students. There will be an auction and multiple vendors available for a quick shopping spree. Lunch included. Many volunteers are needed to make this event spectacular!

Registration is required. *(Ticketed Event)*

Volunteers needed to gather gifts, model, check in guests, sell raffles, set up, and take down.

Chairs: Stephanie McCollum: stephmccollum@yahoo.com and Jenny Staley: thejennystaley@gmail.com

Sneaker Collection

Week of November 14th, Before School

Donate your new or gently used shoes for a worthy cause! Students are asked to drop off donated shoes in the collection bins the week of November 14th. In exchange, they can wear their sneakers to school on Thursday, November 17th. All styles of shoes, not just sneakers, that are new or gently used will be donated to In Ian's Boots.

Volunteers needed to collect, sort, and distribute the collected sneakers.

*Chair: **Event Chair needed for this event.***

The Shoppes at Villa

Saturday, November 12th, 9:30 am to 2:30 pm

Return to Green Tree for a shopping extravaganza or as a vendor. In its 12th year, the Shoppes offer beautiful gifts for your family and friends. Maybe you'll find a little something for yourself! This year there will be new vendors as well as vendors you have loved in the past. Shoppes is run by our Alumnae. Proceeds benefit the *Sister Mary Kelly Scholarship Fund*.

All are welcome.

Chair: Jenn Oschell (Advancement): joschell@vmahs.org

Christmas Campus Decorating

Week of November 21st

Jen Holdsworth will be decorating the campus for Christmas and will need the help of Christmas elves to transform the school to brighten the halls for the holidays. Consider volunteering your time and talents!

Chair: Jen Holdsworth: holdsworth1231@comcast.net

Tree Lighting

Sunday, December 4th, 7:00 pm

Villa Maria opens the school's celebration of the Christmas season with the annual tree lighting. Students, staff, and family meet in the cafeteria with traditional carols. After hanging ornaments on the tree to represent each class, and lighting the first candle on the Advent wreath, the group will process out to the parking lot and gather around the evergreen tree out front. Girls read brief reflections on the meaning of the Christmas tree and its lights before flipping the switch to light the tree for the first time. All adjourn to the cafeteria for refreshments.

All are welcome. This is a free event.

Chair: Jen Bauhaus: Jbretz2001@yahoo.com

Faculty Christmas Party

Wednesday, December 21st, 2:30pm

To show our appreciation for their dedication and commitment to our daughters and Villa Maria Academy, the VMAPA hosts food and refreshments for our faculty and staff.

Volunteers needed.

Chairs: Maria Yacovelli: mariay2746@gmail.com and Lauren Machita: lauren.machita@verizon.net

Sip, Sip, Hooray!

Thursday, February 9th, 7:00 pm

All parents are welcome to attend one of our newest events, a wine tasting, held on Villa Maria's campus. Come out and enjoy a night connecting with other parents, while trying various wines. Charcuterie boards and chocolates will be provided, too.

Registration is required. *(Ticketed Event)*

Chair: Sheila Dugan: sheiladugan@grumpyssandwiches.com

FEST 2023 (Fostering Educational Support Together)

Saturday, March 18th, 6:00 pm to 11:00 pm

FEST is Villa Maria Academy's largest event fundraiser of the year. This is an annual dinner and auction. Many hands are needed to make this a successful event. The FEST committee will be reaching out to local businesses, friends of Villa, and current parents for gifts and sponsorships/ads. Villa Maria Academy thanks you for your support and participation in advance of this event. Come out and join the fun!

Registration required. *(Ticketed Event)*

Volunteers needed.

Chairs: Laurie Falcon: laurie.falcon@gmail.com & co-chair Maria Yacovelli: mariay2746@gmail.com

Mother-Daughter Communion Breakfast

Sunday, May 7th, 10:00 am

Mark your Calendars to attend the Mother Daughter Communion Mass and Breakfast. Mothers, daughters, aunts, sisters, and grandmothers come together to share a lovely tradition, celebrating Mass, and enjoying a bountiful Sunday breakfast together. The event takes place on campus with Mass beginning at 10:00 am, followed by breakfast and festivities. Senior Mothers and their daughters will be honored at the event and wished a fond farewell as the seniors set off on their new adventure in their life's journey.

Registration is required. *(Ticketed Event)*

Chairs: Maria McKinney: mariamckinney@gmail.com and Terri Cappelli: tlcap5513@icloud.com

Class of 2027 Information Night

May 17, 2023, 6:00 pm

The VMAPA welcomes the incoming freshman to Villa Maria Academy and offers them assistance in navigating VMAHS. This is an informational night for the incoming class of freshman students and their parents.

Chair: Jennifer Gentleman Rose (Admissions): jrose@vmahs.org

Uniform Sale

June 2023, Date TBD

All departing seniors are asked to donate their gently used uniforms back to Villa. They are resold to the underclassmen at a discounted price. The sale takes place in the school cafeteria.

Volunteers needed to collect, sort, and distribute the collected uniforms.

Chair: Shannon Nassar: shannonc_t@yahoo.com

OTHER WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

The VMA Book Store

The Villa Maria School Store is open for business in the Marian Center, offering Villa spirit wear, school supplies, balloons, snacks, and other fun Villa items like blankets and bags. Shoppers can also place online orders with the online store.

Monday – Friday mornings: 7:20 am - 8:15 am

Monday – Thursday afternoons: 2:40 pm - 4:00 pm

Friday afternoon: 2:40 pm - 3:30 pm

The store will also be open during special events on campus.

If you would like to volunteer for the Book Store, please contact Debbie Smith: dsmith@vmahs.org.

VMA Class Parent Night Outs

Take advantage of a chance to meet and get to know other parents from your daughter's class in a fun and social setting! These will be advertised over the summer so that you can save the date!

Senior Class, Wednesday, September 7th

Contacts: Cathy Moore: patcathymoore@gmail.com & Gianna Nugent: gianna829@comcast.net

Junior Class, Wednesday, September 14th

Contacts: MJ Dougherty: mdougherty@oldgloryam.com & Heather Trebelev: trebelev@comcast.net

Sophomore Class, Wednesday, September 21st

Contacts: Sheila Dugan: sheiladugan@grumpyssandwiches.com

Freshman Class, Wednesday, October 5th

Contacts: Volunteers needed

Villa Maria Academy Outreach Ministry

VMA has a wonderful program in place to help families that need assistance due to unforeseen circumstances anytime throughout the year. We are here to help with meals, carpools, and above all, prayer. All correspondence is private. Private submissions or requests can be made online. God's Peace. Online requests can be found under *Parents/Outreach Request* on our website.