Welcome
St. Matthias School
Faith, Caring, and Excellence in Education
Home School Association General Meeting
March 12, 2019
2018/2019 HSA Executive Board

Co-Presidents:
  Mary Lynch
  Melissa Miller-Rizzo

Vice President:
  Melissa Garlatti

Co-Treasurers:
  Rajiv Agarwal, Robert Quinn

Corresponding Secretary:
  Yoly McGuire

Recording Secretary:
  Nicole Lewinski
Agenda

● Opening Prayer
● Student Council Update
● HSA Presentation
● Drama/Forensics Update
● Ms. Brett Update
● Gymnasium Proposal
The SMS HSA Needs You!

“There is incredible value in being of service to others.”

Elizabeth Berg (author)

A Special Thank you!

Thank you so much to all of our Committee Chairs and Co-Chairs, and all of you who have taken the time to help out at many events. We appreciate all of your hard work and dedication.
The SMS HSA Needs You to Chair!

Open Committees for 2019-2020:

• **Sunday Scrip**- (1 Person) Organize/Sell Scrip Cards after Masses
• **Scrip**- (1 Person)
• **Publicity**- (1 Person)
• **Halloween Costume** (1-2 People)
• **Mother/Son Bowling Event** (2 People)
• **Parents Night Out** (2 People)
HSA Annual Sources of Funding for the SMS Operating Budget

“Pay Yourself Back” (% of purchases)

$500 Family Commitment + Total Fundraising = SMS Operating Budget

Commitment Fundraisers       Non-Commitment Fundraisers

Scrip (Gift Cards)           Christmas Craft Fair
Charleston Wrap              Marathon
Gertrude Hawk                Merchant Nights
KidStuff                     Pie Sale
19 Kilo Coffee               SpiritWear
Yankee Candle                St. Nick Sale
                                 Trunk or Treat
                                 Various HSA Events
Family Fundraising Commitment

- The fundraising commitment of $500 must be completed by May 16, 2019.
- The 2019/20 fundraising commitment will again be $500
- Families that have NOT achieved the $500 goal as of the date identified in the January update letter:
  - You will have until May 16th to either reach that goal via remaining fundraisers or submit a check for the outstanding amount thereafter. (or add it to your FACTS payment).
  - *(keeping track of your fundraising activity will be key during this period!)*
HSA Financial Activity Summary
Commitment “credits” / “Pay Yourself Back”
Overall Family Progress through December 31, 2018

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Upcoming Commitment Opportunities:

- Shop With Scrip (weekly - % commitment varies)
- Yankee Candle (40%)
- Gertrude Hawk Online through 4/14/2019 (40%)

***Please note that Yankee Candle will be held each Spring. Charleston Wrap will be back late fall in time for Christmas. Thank you!
**Shop with Scrip**

*SCRIP is another word for GIFT CERTIFICATE.* Our school purchases these certificates at a discount, and then we resell them at face value.

The school gets a percentage of the scrip value ranging from 3% to 25% depending on the vendor. The gift cards and gift certificates are used like cash to purchase anything from groceries, clothing, books, toys, and gas to dining and home improvement goods. **Every purchase you make will benefit the school at no extra cost to you AND help you earn back your commitment with money you already spend.**

If you have not already set up your account, it is not too late!!

**Go to our Shop With Scrip link on the SMS website and set up your account today!!**

Once you are on the site, check out all of the GREAT cards that Scrip offers!!
Shop with Scrip

Get your Scrip Cards right to your mobile device!

* Set up Presto Pay by going on www.ShopWithScrip.com – Click on Dashboard, Scroll Down to Presto Pay, and Follow Directions. Once your presto pay is set up, you can now use the ScripWallet.

  • Go to WWW.MyScripWallet.com
  • Sign in with your Scrip Account
  • Follow Directions & Start Your Shopping: Most Stores are on there and the cards show up in about 2 minutes. You can get them while you are in the store! It’s that easy!
  • Best part is you **DO NOT** need to print anything! WooHoo!!!!
Shop with Scrip
Ways to Give Back to SMS

Coca-Cola Give Program

e-Waste Recycling

Shoparoo App

A+ Rewards at Stop & Shop

Education Rewards at ShopRite

AmazonSmiles

BoxTops for Education

SMS is an eligible registered 501(c)3 non-profit for most corporate matching gift programs. Check with your Human Resource Dept. to register.

THANK YOU!
## School Volunteer Hours Commitment
*(Minimum 2 Hours)*

Total Number of Families: 297 *(5/18/18-12/31/18)*

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<td>103</td>
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<td>Met Volunteer Commitment hours (2 hours)</td>
<td>42</td>
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<td>Not Yet Met Volunteer Commitment hours (1 hour)</td>
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Volunteer Hours Commitment

Minimum of 2 hours per school year:
- At least 2 hours participating in SMS Fundraising, Service, and Special Events

-$50 - fine for each hour not worked.

- There is a Sign up Genius for all of our events. Please see the HSA website. All events and activities are also posted in our Wednesday Envelope or e-blasted with the Sign Up Genius link so you can sign up right there.

**This is in addition to the 2 hours volunteering at The St. Matthias Carnival
**Volunteering through the SMS Athletic Association is separate and does not count towards your required hours for the HSA.

Join together to serve others
& enjoy a wonderful sense of Community!
Upcoming HSA Volunteer Opportunities

Upcoming HSA Volunteer Hour Opportunities (2 hour commitment per family):

• Talent Show - Saturday, March 30th
  • Spring Family Movie Night – Friday, May 3rd
  • Teacher Appreciation Luncheon - Tuesday, May 7th
  • SMS Kids Marathon – May 9th

The following goes towards 2019/2020:

• SMS Field Day- June 11th
• Uniform Swap-Last two days of school
• SMS Annual Golf Outing-June 14th
HSA Proposed Budget: (2019/2020)

- Back to School Coffee: $100
- Teacher Appreciation Luncheons (3): $1500
- Book Fair: $150 (set up)
- Catholic School’s Reception: $650 (set up, food, kids popsicles)
- HSA General Meeting: (2): $25
- Chair Committee Party: $500
- Field Day: $1500
- Pajama Day: $200
HSA Proposed Budget: (2019/2020)

- Misc. “Sunshine” Issues- (i.e. flowers, cards, retirement of staff, booster for drama club)- $375
- Assemblies- $2500

- Total: $7500 (Needs to be raised in addition to our $190,000 Operational Budget to School for 2019-2020.)
Treasurer’s Report

Fundraising Last Academic Year (AY) 2017/2018
$11,800

Total Funds Remitted to School Last AY 2017/2018
$181,985

Total Funds To Remit Current AY 2018/2019
$190,000

Total Funds Remitted to School Current AY 2018/2019
$70,000
Treasurer’s Report

Graduating families (with no younger siblings) will be given the option to either:

A. apply any Commitment “credits” to the required HSA school subsidy -OR-

B. request a check reflecting the earned Commitment “credit” for that year. (Not to exceed $500)
SpiritWear on Sale

*New Items for Spring
*Small SMS logo available
*Middle School Section
*Athletic Section
Drama/Forensic Update

Wizard of Oz: April 4, 5, 6
SMS Gymnasium Update

Steering Committee Purpose:

- Create a proposal to present to Father Abraham for approval to place a request with the Diocese to begin a Capital Campaign to fund a new Gymnasium for the School.
SMS Gymnasium Update

Assemble Steering Committee:

A. Solicit School & Parish Community Members

1. 10 Member Committee

2. Experience in the following disciplines:

   a) Accounting
   b) Architecture/Engineering
   c) Business
   d) Construction
   e) Grant Writing/Fundraising
   f) Law
   g) Marketing
SMS Gymnasium Update

● Please Contact our HSA Vice President, Melissa Garlatti if you are interested in joining our Steering Committee:

smsvp@stmatthiasnj.org

● Please include your name, area of expertise, and why you think you would make a good fit for this committee.

● Please Respond By May 1st if you are interested.
The SMS HSA is the link between the school, and us, as parents. We are all sharing our gifts to support each other. Remember, the more active we are, the stronger our school becomes!

Thank you for coming!