

**ST. MARY'S ACADEMY FINE ARTS ELECTIVES
PREFERENCE SHEET 2016-2017**

PLEASE RETURN to the MS Office on or before Friday, May 13.

- ❖ Mark your choices **in order of preference** with 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5. **Number 1 is your most desired choice on the whole page with number 5 being a lower priority choice.** Please, only mark five choices on the whole page!
- ❖ Due to scheduling constraints, **you may be scheduled in a fine arts class that you have not marked with a 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5.**
- ❖ If your choice sheet is not legible or you have chosen more than 5 in total, you will be schedule randomly with the best of intentions.
- ❖ Over the course of three years in the Middle School, each student is strongly encouraged to have taken at least one course in each of the top three areas of Music, Presentation and Movement and Visual and Design Arts.

BAND AND ORCHESTRA

- ❖ Students taking concert band or orchestra **are committed to taking two trimesters, and assign # 1 and # 2 to band or orchestra.** If you choose concert band or orchestra, we will automatically schedule as if you choose it as your first and second choice.
- ❖ The emerging musicians class is for students who have very little or no prior experience with an instrument. A two-trimester commitment is allowed but not required.
- ❖ Please see the description of elective courses that is available in every CAT and posted on the SMA website under the resources, middle school tab.

LABEL YOUR CHOICES **in order of preference** with 1 being your top choice on the whole page. Please, choose only 5 **from the whole page and not 5 in each category**. Please go to stmarys.academy and look for Elective Descriptions under the resources, middle school tab.

MUSIC

Concert Performance:

_____ CONCERT BAND (Tri I & II)
(prior experience required)

_____ ORCHESTRA (Tri II & III)
(prior experience required)

_____ SHOW CHOIR

_____ HANDBELLS

_____ BOYS CHOIR

_____ HONORS SHOW CHOIR
(7th/8th grades only & director's approval)

Informal Performance:

_____ GUITAR ENSEMBLE
(musical experience required)

_____ ROCK BAND
(musical experience required)

No Performance:

_____ EMERGING MUSICIANS
(no prior experience required)

Orchestra _____
or instrument

Concert Band _____
instrument

_____ GUITAR
(no experience required)

_____ ADVANCED GUITAR
(previous experience required)

PRESENTATION AND MOVEMENT

_____ DRAMA _____ MUSICAL THEATRE _____ DANCE (Tri III only)

VISUAL & DESIGN ARTS

_____ EXPLORATIONS IN ART
Option w/wheel throwing option 4th
 w/wheel throwing option 10th

_____ PUBLICATIONS (7th & 8th grades only)

_____ PATTERNS OF THE PAST

_____ 3-D & DIGITAL DESIGN

_____ ROBOTICS DESIGN

_____ EXPLORATIONS IN ART

CULTURE AND WRITING

_____ CREATIVE WRITING

_____ CHINESE CULTURAL EXPLORATIONS

_____ student's name (**printed & legible**)

_____ grade **next year!**