

ST. MARY'S SPRINGS ACADEMY

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HIGH SCHOOL PROFILE

2026 - 2027

COMMUNITY & SCHOOL

Located in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, approximately 64 miles northwest of Milwaukee, St. Mary's Springs Academy is a co-educational Roman Catholic Diocesan school serving students in grades PreK-12. Founded in 1909, SMSA is accredited by *Cognia* and recognized by the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction and the National Catholic Educational Association.

ACADEMIC YEAR

St. Mary's Springs Academy follows a modified block schedule with four 90 minute class periods each day. Classes 1-4 meet on alternating A Days, and Classes 5-8 meet on B Days.

The academic year is divided into two semesters, separated by a three-week January Term (J-Term). J-Term provides students with immersive academic and experiential learning opportunities. Courses are offered as either year-long, with credit earned over both semesters, or semester-long, with credit earned upon successful completion of one semester.

DEMOGRAPHICS

- High School Enrollment: 286 Students (66 Seniors)
- 2.9% of high school students identify as students of color
- Financial Aid Participation: 15% of high school students receive financial assistance

OUR MISSION & VISION

St. Mary's Springs Academy, rooted in Christ's teaching, academic excellence, and service to Church and community, prepares students to meet global challenges and become leaders for tomorrow.

St. Mary's Springs Academy inspires students to live a purpose-filled life through inclusion in the Catholic community, development of God-given strengths, and a commitment to individualized academic achievement.

THE "LEDGER WAY"

The Ledger Way represents the core values that guide the hearts, minds, and actions of our students, faculty, and staff. These values **Faith, Learning, Respect, Leadership, Community, and Responsibility** are woven into the daily experiences of our school community. Students are encouraged to live out these values in the classroom, on the field, on the stage, in the chapel, and through service to the world around them.

PERSONNEL

President: Mrs. Stacey Akey
High School Principal: Mr. Eamonn O'Keeffe
Assistant Principal & Dean of Student Life: Mr. Kyle Krueger ('84)
Director of Curriculum & Instruction: Mrs. Melissa Trepte
Director of Pupil Services: Mrs. Heather Reilley
High School Counselor: Mrs. Mary Cauley
High School Counselor: Mrs. Taylor McCarthy

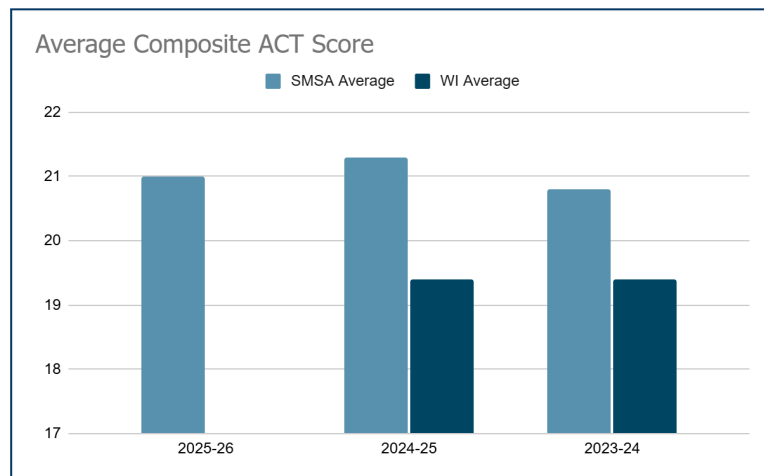
CLASS OF 2026 OUTCOMES

11.1% reported alternative (non-college) post-secondary plans
11.1% attended a 2-year college/university
77.8% attended a 4-year college/university

- 68.8% attended colleges/universities in Wisconsin
- 31.3% attended colleges/universities outside Wisconsin
- 72.9% attended public colleges/universities
- 27.1% attended private colleges/universities
- 12.5% attended Catholic colleges/universities

ACT DATA

The table below shows the average composite ACT scores for juniors and seniors who participated in ACT testing over the past three school years in comparison to the state average. **Please note: the 2026 state average is not available yet.**



CLASS OF '27 GRADE DISTRIBUTION

St. Mary's Springs Academy does not rank its students. The following GPA ranges are provided to give admission officers a sense of grade distribution and rigor at SMSA for the purpose of transcript evaluation.

The Class of 2027 is divided into the following ranges based on their cumulative GPA after the sixth semester:

Top 10% = ≥ 4.398 (6 Students)

Mid 50% = 3.54

- Fourth Quartile = 4.15 - 3.81 (17 Students)
- Third Quartile = 3.88 - 3.65 (16 Students)
- Second Quartile = 3.61 - 3.26 (17 Students)
- First Quartile = ≤ 3.24 (16 Students)

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

St. Mary's Springs Academy currently requires the successful completion of 26.5 credits for graduation in the following departments:

Department	Credits
English	4.0
Theology	4.0
Math	3.0
Science	3.0
Social Studies	3.0
Physical Education / Health	1.5
World Language	1.0
Business / Personal Finance*	0.5
J-Term*	2.0*
Electives	4.5
TOTAL	26.5 Credits

* Indicates courses that are required but may vary depending on the year the student was enrolled at SMSA.

PARTNER COLLEGES

St. Mary's Springs Academy offers students opportunities to earn concurrent high school and college credit by taking dual enrollment courses through any of SMSA's partner colleges: Marian University (Fond du Lac, WI), Moraine Park Technical College (Fond du Lac, WI)

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Students with a weighted cumulative GPA of 3.8 or better are invited to apply for membership in the National Honor Society at the end of their sophomore year. Admission to the NHS is by invitation only and is selective.

YOUTH APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM

The Youth Apprenticeship program facilitated by CESA 6 integrates school and work based learning to instruct students in employability and occupational skills defined by Wisconsin's Department of Workforce Development. Students are simultaneously enrolled in a Youth Apprenticeship related instruction class, and are employed by a participating employer under the supervision of a skilled mentor.

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CURRENT GRADING SCALE

St. Mary's Springs Academy's grading system is based on four 8-week quarters with two semesters per academic year. The lowest passing grade issued is a "D-". All grades that are transferrable from other high schools/programs will be calculated into a transfer student's cumulative SMSA GPA.

Grade	Grade Percent Equivalent	Grade Point Equivalent	Weighted Grade Point Equivalent
A+	98-100	4.30	5.3
A	93-97	4.0	5.0
A-	90-92	3.7	4.7
B+	87-89	3.3	4.3
B	83	3.0	4.0
B-	80-82	2.7	3.7
C+	77-79	2.3	3.3
C	73-76	2.0	3.0
C-	70-72	1.7	2.7
D+	67-69	1.3	2.3
D	63-66	1.0	2.0
D-	60-62	0.7	1.7
F	Below 60	0	0

HONOR ROLL

- From Fall 2021 until Spring 2023 a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.25 - 3.74 is required for the Honor Roll.
- Starting Fall 2023 to current, Honor Roll includes students with a cumulative GPA of 3.5 - 3.89.

HIGH HONOR ROLL

- From Fall 2021 until Spring 2023 a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.75 and above is required for the High Honor Roll.
- Starting Fall 2023 to the current, High Honor Roll includes students with a cumulative GPA of 3.9 or higher.

DIRECT ADMIT

SMSA participates in the Wisconsin Direct Admit program and Wisconsin Guarantee - ACT 95. Participation in this program will be specified on a student's transcript ensuring eligibility for Wisconsin Guarantee.