VILLA MARIA SCHOOL

CATHOLIC CHARITIES IN ACTION



The 2024-25 school year was a very successful year at Villa Maria School. We focused on increasing the quality of the academic programming and the professional development of our teachers.

We created and implemented a Professional Learning

Community model which has deepened the collaborative relationships between teachers. We continue to receive overwhelmingly positive feedback from our families with nearly 100% satisfaction rate.

Building strong relationships with our families is imperative to our students' success. We had our highest staff retention rate in years and a successful Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) audit.

KEY OUTCOMES



Number of students served throughout the year

109



Percentage of children who were able to step down to less-restrictive schools closer to their homes and communities.

20%



Number of students who matriculated, moving on to high school

12

Percentage of achievement for teachers of student portfolio walk-throughs and curriculum surveys at the MSDE audits (every 5 years)

100%



Percentage of families that would recommend the program

nearly 100%

SERVICES PROVIDED

- Full-day special education services
- Psychiatric services
- · Individual and group therapy
- Speech-language therapy
- Occupational therapy
- Music therapy

- Art
- Physical education/health
- Environmental sciences program (therapeutic gardening)
- Family support/events

KEY GOVERNMENT FUNDERS

Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) and local education agencies fund our program and pay a per diem rate for student enrollment.

In addition to the grant support from key government funders, we extend our deepest gratitude to the individuals, corporations, community partners, and foundations that support our work. Their generosity provides life-changing opportunities for families and individuals



PROGRAM NEEDS

Each of our programs has specific in-kind donation needs, from school supplies to food and more. Villa Maria School specifically and consistantly needs the following items:

Donations of new items, specifically:

- Coloring books and gel pens
- · Craft kits, especially DIY bracelet kits and slime kits
- Gift cards for Walmart, grocery stores, and Amazon
- Graphic novels, especially anime
- Kid-friendly non-perishable food items
- Legos (50-300 pieces)
- Modeling clay
- New clothing (underwear, socks, leggings, t-shirts, jackets) in boys/girls Medium to men/women Large
- Noise-canceling headphones
- Puzzles (40-200 pieces)
- Sports equipment, especially footballs, Nerf footballs, basketballs, and basketball nets
- Squishmellows

- Sticker packs
- Stress balls and fidgets (all types, except spinners)
- Weighted blankets and sensory pillows (seguined ones)

Volunteer needs:

- Career Day participants (annually)
- Special event support (seasonally)
- Club day volunteers: chess, Lego, cooking, sports, hair styling, and many other clubs (monthly)
- Book Buddies, one-to-one reading partners (weekly)
- Classroom assistants: gym, art, ecology (weekly)
- Undergraduate interns pursuing Special Education degree (at least twice weekly)

If you would like to support Villa Maria School or any of our programs with additional in-kind donations, please visit cc-md.org/ways-to-give/in-kind-donations-guide/.

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