# **2025-26 MCS CLUBS**

**CHESS CLUB** - will meet every Monday beginning 9/15 at 3:15 - 4:45 pm. This club is available to students in grades 1 - 8th and will cost \$250.00 (for half the year). Our leader, Educardo Loyola is returning from last year to coach the MCS team.

ROBOTICS CLUB - Bulldog Robotics Club (grades 5-8): Click here for Information & Signup!

MINECRAFT CLUB - Wednesdays 3-4:15 p.m., Session 1: 9/24, 10/1, 10/8, 10/15, 10/22, 10/29

Club \$ Fee TBD, will be determined by club size!

DESCRIPTION: Calling Mater Christi students grades 2-5, come and explore the limitless world of Minecraft in the PC Lab. Create and collaborate weekly with fellow Minecraft enthusiasts to design free-form projects and one-of-a-kind worlds. Using Minecraft Education's built-in code editor and an introduction to programming, students will be taught how to identify situations where code can work for us, as well as how to communicate and cooperate effectively with others in a fun, group setting. Goals will be set and problems will be solved in this exciting club! No prior programming experience is necessary, as we will start with the basics and work our way up.

**LEGO CLUB** - Tuesdays 3-4:15 p.m., Session 1: 9/23, 9/30, 10/7, 10/14, 10/21, 10/28

Club \$ Fee TBD, will be determined by club size!

DESCRIPTION: Students Grades 2-5, Are you a LEGO enthusiast? Do you have amazing ideas for new builds or making your builds mobile? Come to the PC Lab on Tuesdays as we discover and explore design and coding through the popular LEGO for Education program. You will apply teamwork and strategy to a series of problems related to a theme; design and create robots that can assist with the problems, and determine coding solutions so robots can save the day and provide resolution to the problems. You will be shocked by what you can achieve with your new coding skills.

MCS DRUMLINE - The MCS Drumline welcomes students grades 6-8. They will meet every Friday afternoon school day from 3:10 - 4:00 pm starting on September 19. No prior experience necessary, and there is no club fee. Performances coincide with MCS Band and choir concerts. The drumline is led by MCS alums and current Rice students, Bret Stoneman and Ben Edardsd, with Mr. Gray providing extra support and instruction every other week.

**GBCC** - The Greater Burlington Children's Chorus is a community chorus welcoming singers in grades 2-6. While not a program of Mater Christi School, GBCC holds their rehearsals on the Mater Christi School campus on Mondays throughout the Fall. GBCC invites singers of every ability in grades 2-6 to apply for their Fall Semester, which begins Monday, September 15th. Please visit their website at greaterburlingtonchildrenschorus.org for information and registration.

**MERCY COMMUNITY SERVICE** - Please reach out to Mr. Moore for monthly service opportunities for this club. 1st mtg TBD - Grades 4-8 + parents (younger students permitted when accompanied by a parent).

#### MATER CHRISTI SCHOOL STUDENT AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

All students at Mater Christi are called to be servant leaders. One formal way in which students are invited to serve as servant leaders is through our Student Ambassador program. As we recite each morning in our Mercy Pledge:

## **The Mercy Pledge**

As a Mater Christi student, today I pledge to do my best, to show respect, to forgive, to listen, and to become a courageous and compassionate leader like Catherine McAuley ready to serve a vulnerable world.

### **Objectives of the Student Ambassador Program:**

- Participate in educational training sessions to build skills, knowledge and resources in the areas of leadership, communication, conflict resolution, team building and community service.
- Become equipped to lead tours for prospective families.
- Serve the school at various community events.

### **Components:**

- Open to students in grades 6-8 (must be at MCS for at least one year)
- Each student must submit an application by September 19. Applications will be distributed during Friday advisory on September 12.

We will meet 4-5 times before the end of January with the primary goal of equipping each ambassador to lead tours, which run primarily in the spring. Stay tuned for the date of our first meeting.