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### **St. Mary Catholic Schools Welcomes all to Elementary School Showcase**

NEENAH, Wisconsin: St. Mary Catholic Schools (SMCS) is pleased to announce the SMCS Elementary Schools Showcase on **January 16, 2018**.

Children and adults are invited to visit SMCS elementary schools and participate in hands-on activities! Each campus will highlight a program that is offered at all three schools, and teachers and staff will be available for questions and school tours.

At the **St. Margaret Mary Campus from 4:30-6:00 p.m.**, *Science, Technology, Engineering and Math* will be highlighted, particularly the engaging Project Lead The Way program, a nationally recognized enhancement of the science curriculum.

The **St. Gabriel Campus, from 5:00-6:30 p.m.**, will focus on *Literacy*, especially the Lucy Calkins Units of Study that focuses on the “workshop” approach to students learning reading.

At the **St. Mary Campus from 5:30-7:00 p.m.**, teachers will highlight *Enrichment & Engaged Learning*, concepts that promote a project-based, interactive focus in learning.

In addition to the opportunity to view each campus and learn about some of the progressive programs at all locations, parents and students will be introduced to our Aquinas Program – an exciting new self-directed, inter-disciplinary model of learning that will be available

beginning in 2018-19. An information session for the Aquinas Program will take place at St. Mary Elementary School on Monday, February 12 at 6:30 p.m. Contact Principal Jill Ahles ([jahles@smcatholicschools.org](mailto:jahles@smcatholicschools.org)) or Aquinas Program Coordinator Stacy Sweetalla ([ssweetalla@smcatholicschools.org](mailto:ssweetalla@smcatholicschools.org)) via email or at 920-725-5351.

**St. Mary Catholic Schools** (SMCS) includes St. Mary Catholic High School and St. Mary Catholic Middle School in the Village of Fox Crossing and St. Mary Elementary Schools (St. Margaret Mary and St. Gabriel in Neenah, and St. Mary in Menasha). SMCS is dedicated to the individual development of each student in grades Pre3-12, by providing the highest quality education focused on faith, academics and service in a rapidly changing world.

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