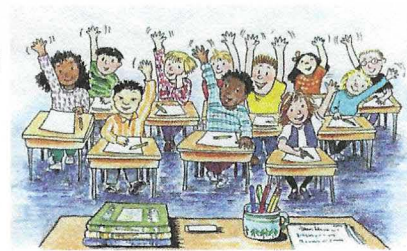


Fr. Connors Endowment Trust Fund

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NEWS FROM SACRED HEART SCHOOL

A Message from the Principal

Dear Supporters,
We are deeply grateful for your generous \$85,000 donation to our endowment fund. Your support allows us to continue providing exceptional education and opportunities for our students. A portion, 20%, will go directly to our scholarship fund, ensuring that more students can pursue their dreams. The remaining amount has been used to enhance our learning environment by purchasing new classroom furniture, creating a more modern and comfortable space for our students.

This year, we are proud to celebrate 22 graduates, and we are excited to welcome 240 K-8 students for the upcoming fall semester. Our community has come together for many memorable events, including the celebration of Founder's Day, March Against Hunger, and the 400th Anniversary of our Vincentians. Additionally, we welcomed our accreditation team in the Fall where our work and growth was greatly affirmed. We also formed retreats for students receiving sacraments, as well as a Lenten retreat for our faculty and staff.

Thank you for being a part of this journey and for your unwavering commitment to our mission. Your donation makes a lasting impact on our students and their futures.

With gratitude,

Mrs. Theresa M. Rothstein
Principal
Sacred Heart Catholic School

Community Service

It has been a busy school year packed with community service and service projects. The students, staff and personnel contributed in various ways.

The school celebrated Founder's Day which included each of the classes working on a service project. The students worked diligently on creating handmade bookmarks & rosary keychains. Some of the younger children decorated bags that were later filled with a lunch that included a peanut butter and jelly sandwich that was hand made by our eighth-grade class. These donations were all loaded up and taken to the HOST House where members of the VMY group hand delivered everything to the HOST volunteers. The school has also donated items such as peanut butter and jelly and toilet paper that was requested by the HOST House.

Students in sixth through eighth grade are required to complete four hours of community service and four hours of Christian service hours. The students participate in setting up the hall for various church events as well as cleaning up around the school and the hall.

Every month the school participates in free dress for a cause. Students are welcome to come to school in free dress if they bring a donation for the charity that is chosen that month. The school has raised and donated over \$4,000 this year. The charities that have benefited from this include, Wreaths across America, LOVE Patterson, Soles for Kids 209, Harvesting Hope, Feeding America, Patterson Gives Back & Knights of Columbus.

Requests for Memorials & Tributes

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An acknowledgement is sent to the family of the intended. The loved one is remembered at the First Friday mass of the students of SHCS.

Message from Student Body President:

Dear Supporters,
For the past four years at Sacred Heart I have been granted the opportunity to grow academically as well as spiritually. This school has offered me a moral and virtuous perspective of life that will prepare me for high school and beyond into my adult life. Other than it being just the school that I know and love, it is a family more than an institution, an environment where my education is nurtured continuously. In the words of St. Vincent Ferrer, "Let devotion accompany all your studies, and study less to make yourself learned than to become a saint." I thoroughly agree with these words as I believe that a Catholic tuition is incomparable, and that its pupils will walk every step of the way *traveling the path of Jesus*.

To all our donors and contributors, you create an atmosphere for us students where we can root ourselves in the Spirit of Christ and persevere to become children of God. You demonstrate the meaning of Vincentianism, as well as the definition of charity and benevolence. In all humility, I personally want to thank you all for letting us experience the privilege of having our faith in our education. It truly means the world to us and our appreciation goes without end. Thank you for letting us take part in this family called Sacred Heart.

Sincerely,

Julian Nunez
Student Council President



"Let the children come to me, and do not prevent them: for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." (Matt 19:14)