

# Saint Hilary School

Where faith, family, and academics thrive!

January 16, 2019

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Catholic Schools Week begins on Sunday, January 27<sup>th</sup>. This is an important week when we celebrate the unique opportunities of choosing Catholic education for your child. Sunday will be filled with ways to celebrate our faith, family, and academics.

- We will celebrate our faith with a 10:00 Family Mass. We are honored to welcome Bishop Bartosik to our kick off of Catholic Schools Week.
- We will celebrate our families with a Pancake breakfast hosted by the Family School Association.
- We will celebrate our academics with an Open House from 11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. Activities will be held in each of our classrooms.
- Registration kicks off for the 2019-2020 school year.
  - Two families will be chosen to receive free registration when you register on this day. A raffle will be held and the two winners will be chosen at the end of the day.
  - Each child who registers on Sunday will receive a special gift.

Remember to assure a seat for your child next year and register early. Take advantage of the Registration Raffle on Jan. 28<sup>th</sup> for a chance to win free registration fees. Families who register on Jan. 27<sup>th</sup> will receive a 50% discount on the registration fees. If you know any families who are looking for a quality, caring Catholic school for their child invite them to all of our activities on Sun. Jan. 27<sup>th</sup> and please share their contact information with me so that I am able to extend the invitation as well. Thank you for your assistance in growing St. Hilary School.

Your registration packet for the 2019-2020 school year will be sent home next Wednesday. These forms will be sent home early so that you are able to fill them out and speed up the registration process for you on Sun. Jan. 27<sup>th</sup>.

## **Invest in Kids Act/Tax Credit Scholarship Update:**

We are starting year 2 of the Illinois Tax Credit Scholarship. The two SGOs we partner with will open their applications for the 2019-2020 school year in January. Please have your 2018 tax return, proof of residence, and your child's birth certificate ready to be uploaded to the application. For more information please visit the websites for each

SGO or go to the Archdiocese website at <https://schools.archchicago.org/tax-credit-scholarships> It is so important to remember that these scholarships are first come, first serve – each application is time stamped so please make sure to apply as soon as the application opens.

- Empower Illinois – will have a two part application process. Part 1 opens on January 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm, Part 2 opens on January 18<sup>th</sup> and should be completed by Jan. 28<sup>th</sup>. <https://empowerillinois.org/>
- Big Shoulders Fund SGO - the application will open on January 22<sup>nd</sup> at 8:00 am. <https://www.bigshouldersfundsgo.org/>

### **Thank you:**

We are so grateful for our partnership with The Big Shoulders Fund. Every child in preschool – 6<sup>th</sup> grade received a bag of books donated by Bernie's Books. We loved seeing the smiles on our children's faces as they went through each book in their bag. There is nothing like an actual book in the hands of a child – we are blessed!

### **Catholic Education:**

Catholic Schools Week is a time when we celebrate and focus on the value that Catholic education provides to our young people and its contributions to our church, our communities, and our nation. I personally understand the sacrifices that each of you make while providing your child with a quality Catholic education and I appreciate that you make this a priority. I wanted to share some information with you. Students who receive a Catholic education:

- **Catholic high schools have a 99.2% graduation rate**
- **Average student teacher ratio is 13:1**
- **Have higher attendance rates**
- **Have lower dropout rates**
- **Have a higher retention rate in college**
- **Participate in and attend church more often**
- **Participate more in community service**

Educating your child until 8<sup>th</sup> grade is not our ultimate goal; it is to prepare your child to be successful in high school, college, and beyond in all aspects of their lives. Parents of children in junior high, please be aware of the fact that Catholic high schools are able to provide more financial assistance than an elementary school can. I hope that you are able to take some time to look into this option for your child so that they may continue to receive a Catholic education in their high school years. Please know that if you have any questions I am always here to help in any way I can.

### **Attention All Altar Servers:**

Bishop Bartosik, Fr. Michael Trail, and Fr. Dominic Clemente invite all Vicariate II altar servers to attend a special mass on Jan. 19<sup>th</sup>. This mass is a way to show their

appreciation to all servers for their dedication to the church. Mass begins at 11:30 at Queen of All Saints Basilica. A small pizza reception will follow mass. You must RSVP. We hope that all of our altar servers are able to attend.

### **Important Tax information:**

Tax season is quickly approaching. You are able to print out your tax information directly from your FACTS account. In today's envelope you will find a flyer with detailed instructions. If you do not have access to a computer and printer please let Mrs. Wolf know so that she can print out your tax information.

### **Reminders:**

Thursday we will have our yearbook pictures taken. All athletes should bring their uniform jersey only. They will have the opportunity to change for the picture.

Friday our 8<sup>th</sup> graders will have their graduation pictures taken.

### **Service hours available:**

The Family & School Association will be hosting a Pancake Breakfast to kick off Catholic Schools Week on Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup>. This is an excellent opportunity to earn your family service hours and enjoy a delicious breakfast. See the flyer in today's envelope.

### **Queen of Hearts Raffle:**

This progressive jackpot continues to roll over and the pot is estimated to be \$23,000.00 for this Friday's drawing. If you have a friend, neighbor, or family member who is interested in purchasing tickets, they are always welcome to do so. Tickets are available for purchase in the main school office, after all weekend masses and at The Claddagh Ring Pub at 2306 W. Foster. **Don't forget the drawing is now on Friday at 8:00 pm. Hope you are able to stop by and spend some time with us.**

### **Mark your Calendars:**

- Wed. Jan. 16 – Men's Club meeting 7:30 pm in cafeteria
- Thurs. Jan. 17 – Yearbook pictures
- Fri. Jan. 18 – 8<sup>th</sup> grade Graduation pictures
- Fri. Jan. 18 – halfway point of 2<sup>nd</sup> trimester
- Fri. Jan. 18 - Queen of ♥'s drawing 8:00 pm at the Claddagh Ring Pub
- Sat. Jan. 19 – Altar Server Appreciation Mass
- Mon. Jan. 21 – No School Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
- Thurs. Jan. 24 – exclusion day for any past due financial obligations
- Thurs. Jan. 24 – progress reports go home
- Fri. Jan. 25 – 11:30 dismissal
- Fri. Jan. 25 – Requested Parent Teacher Student Conferences
- Sun. Jan. 27 – Catholic Schools Week kick-off
- Mon. Jan 28 – Fri. Feb. 1 – Catholic Schools Week

- Sat. Feb. 2 – Alumni Quiz Night

### **Contents of this Wednesday's envelope:**

- Tax Credit Scholarship information
- FSA flyers
- Alumni Quiz Night flyer
- FSP lunch flyer
- Tax information instructions

### **Emergency Closing/Cold Weather**

Cold weather: Students will be kept in for indoor recess when the temperature is below 25 degrees (actually or with wind chill) or in wet rainy/snowy conditions. Please make sure your child comes prepared to go outdoors – gloves, scarf, hat or hood. This is especially true of those who are on patrol.

### **Emergency Closing Information**

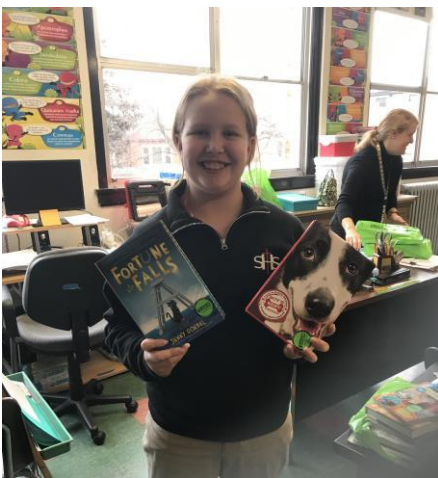
Our School Messenger system will notify you either by phone or email in the event of our school closing due to weather. In addition, emergency closing information will be announced on WBBM Radio Newsradio 780 and WGN Radio 720. The television stations to watch are CBS Channel 2 Chicago, Channel 5, ABC Channel 7 Chicago, WGN Morning News, Fox 32 and CLTV News. On-line you may access information at [www.EmergencyClosings.com](http://www.EmergencyClosings.com). Our website [www.sthilarychicago.org](http://www.sthilarychicago.org) will also have closing information. We will close if the Archdiocese is closed as a system, an extremely rare event. **You should choose, based on your own judgment and situation, whether or not to keep your child(ren) home.**

Please check out the Peek at the Week for a look at the week ahead.

As always, if you have any questions please feel free to contact me at school 773-561-5885 or by email [donovan@sthilarychicago.org](mailto:donovan@sthilarychicago.org).

Gratefully,  
Mrs. Kathie Donovan, Principal

## **Thank you Big Shoulders and Bernie's Books**







**NEXT DRAWING FRI. JAN. 18th**  
**ESTIMATED POT APPROX. \$23,000.00**



# A Peek at the Week

## WEEK OF Jan. 21 - 25



*St. Hilary where faith, family, and academics thrive!*

### MONDAY: January 21<sup>st</sup>

Altar Servers: Aelaika, Sophia C.

- ✓ NO SCHOOL – Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

### TUESDAY: January 22<sup>nd</sup>

Altar Servers: Nicholas, Thao

- ✓ Student Council meeting – council
- ✓ CODAS 7:00 – 7:45 am

### WEDNESDAY: January 23<sup>rd</sup>

Altar Servers: Joy Marie, Crystal

- ✓ 2:00 dismissal
- ✓ 8:30 all school liturgy
- ✓ Cadet Band 7:00 – 7:45 am

### THURSDAY: January 24<sup>th</sup>

Altar Servers: Nora, Josephine

- ✓ Art Studio – 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, & 8<sup>th</sup> graders
- ✓ Concert Band 7:00 – 7:45 am
- ✓ Cardinal Choir 3:00 – 4:00 pm
- ✓ Progress reports go home today

### FRIDAY: January 25<sup>th</sup>

Altar Servers: Tyler, Ariam

- ✓ 11:30 dismissal
- ✓ Parent-Teacher-Student requested conferences 1 – 3 and 4:00 – 6:30 p.m.
- ✓ Queen of **Hearts** drawing at **The Claddagh Ring Pub** 8:00 pm

### SATURDAY: January 26<sup>th</sup>

### SUNDAY: January 27<sup>th</sup>

## Sunday, January 27th Kick-off for Catholic Schools Week – Registration Sunday



- ❖ Registration raffle
- ❖ Family Mass with Bishop Bartosik– 10:00 a.m.
- ❖ Our FSA will host a Pancake Breakfast 9:00 a.m. – 12 noon
- ❖ Open House 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.



**Celebrate  
Catholic Schools  
Week 2019  
Jan. 27 - Feb. 2  
#CSW19**



## **Tomorrow is Yearbook picture day!**

Pictures will be taken of the students who participate in school activities such as art studio, altar server, sports teams etc. If your child plays a sport they may wear their jersey over their uniform for the picture only. Golf club members may wear their golf shirts to school. Band and choir members may wear their band/choir polos.







**January 19, 2019**

**VICARIATE II ALTAR SERVER  
APPRECIATION MASS**

**Bishop Mark Bartosic, presider**

Queen of All Saints Basilica

6280 N. Sauganash Ave,

Chicago, IL 60646

**Mass @ 11:30 AM**

**Pizza to follow**

**RSVP by January 10, 2019**

**Fr. Michael Trail ([mtrail@archchicago.org](mailto:mtrail@archchicago.org))**

**Fr Dominic Clemente ([dclemente@archchicago.org](mailto:dclemente@archchicago.org))**





**Saturday, February 2, 2019**  
**St. Hilary School Vacala Auditorium**  
**5615 North California Avenue**  
**Chicago, Illinois**

**WIN MONEY\*\*TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE\*\*HAVE FUN**

**Doors open at 6:30 PM**  
**Trivia questions begin promptly at 7:00 PM**

**\$20 PER PERSON or \$200 PER TABLE**  
**(Tables of 10)**

**Register with a table or join a team that night \* Bring in your own food and drink**  
**Alcohol permitted \* 21 + age event**

**All money raised goes to St. Hilary School!**

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10 Categories  
10 Questions per  
Category

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Winning Table \$500  
Best Theme Table \$100

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***A Community Event Hosted by***  
***St. Hilary Alumni Association***  
***Contact school at 773-561-5885 to register***

CONTACT PERSON FOR TEAM:

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/STATE/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

TEAM MEMBERS IF KNOWN:

NAMES \_\_\_\_\_

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I AM COMING AS A SINGLE PERSON, PLEASE ADD ME TO A TEAM

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/STATE/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_

***PLEASE MAKE CHECK/S PAYABLE TO ST. HILARY SCHOOL***

# St. Hilary School

2018-19 School Year



**Student Lunch . . . . . \$3.40**

**Adult Lunch . . . . . \$3.90**





**CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK**

# Pancake Breakfast

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 27**

**ST. HILARY CAFETERIA**

**9 A.M. - 12 P.M.**

**\$8 for adults**

**\$5 for kids**

**FREE for children under 2**

Celebrate with us! Enjoy an  
all-you-can-eat hot breakfast  
prepared by the St. Hilary Family  
& School Association

Service Hours Available  
To volunteer, reserve your spot at  
<http://signup.com/go/oDZLcOs>



# SUPER SOCCERSTARS



## Winter Soccer at St Hilary

**Wednesdays**

Jan 23 - Mar 27

*\*no class on 3/20\**

**5 - 7 yr olds**

**2:00 - 2:50 PM**

**\$190**

**Enroll Now!**

**[il.supersoccerstars.com/](http://il.supersoccerstars.com/afterschool)**

**afterschool**

**Username:HLR(AS)**

**Password: sthsoccer**



**(312) 477- 5877**

**[chicago@supersoccerstars.com](mailto:chicago@supersoccerstars.com)**

**SUPERSOCCERSTARS.COM**

**Step 1:** Sign in at <https://online.factsmgt.com>

**Step 2:** Select 'View Details'

Hello

 **Payment Plan & Billing**

[View Details](#)

Current Balance

\$1,111.08

[Make a Payment](#)

**Step 3:** Select 'View Payment Summary'

Activity Details

[View Payment Summary](#)

Term  
All

[FACTS Payment Processing Policies](#)

Schedule

Transactions

Balances

Payments Made


Changes

**\*\*Page will open in another window or tab.\*\***

**Step 4:** Select a year & then select 'Print'.

Payment Summary

[Print](#)

 The Payment Summary report is for informational purposes only. It includes payment activity applied to the balance owed to or services rendered by **School name** during the selected time frame.

Customer:  
Students:  
**School name**  
1234 Main  
Lincoln, NE 68504  
USA  
Federal Tax ID: 12-5555135

School Information and  
Federal Tax ID

2018

**Student 1 - \$2,240.00**

2018-2019	Grade - 4th	\$2,240.00
ACCOUNT	TOTAL	
Book Fees	\$90.00	
Lunch	-\$25.00	
Registration Fee	\$75.00	
Tuition K-6	\$2,100.00	

**Student 2 - \$2,228.00**

2018-2019	Grade - 2nd	\$2,228.00
ACCOUNT	TOTAL	
Book Fees	\$90.00	
Lunch	-\$25.00	
Registration Fee	\$75.00	
Tuition K-6	\$2,088.00	

If you have any questions, please contact a FACTS Customer Care Representative at 866-441-4637.



December 2018

Dear families,

We hope that you and your family are having a terrific holiday season! Over at Big Shoulders Fund, we are feeling particularly festive as we have some very exciting news to share.

You may have heard information about the Tax Credit Scholarship Program in Illinois, which can potentially cover some (or all!) of the cost of tuition for families who meet certain income and residential eligibility requirements. You may have even received a Tax Credit Scholarship from Big Shoulders Fund this year, or from another Scholarship Granting Organization (SGO.) Essentially, the program enables donors to reserve Illinois income tax credits based on contributions made to SGOs. SGOs then provide scholarships to eligible students to attend private schools. As with last year, the number of scholarships awarded for the 2019-2020 school year will depend on available funding.

**We are pleased to announce that the Big Shoulders Fund Tax Credit Scholarship Program application for the 2019-2020 school year will open January 22, 2019 at 8:00 am.**

We encourage you to visit [www.bigshouldersfundsgo.org](http://www.bigshouldersfundsgo.org) to find Frequently Asked Questions and an application checklist.

You can also contact us at [SGOapp@bigshouldersfund.org](mailto:SGOapp@bigshouldersfund.org) or 312.751.8337 with any questions.

Sincerely,

Big Shoulders Fund



*-Josh Hale, President and CEO of Big Shoulders Fund*

It takes Big Shoulders to carry a child's dreams.

# Big Shoulders Fund.®

## ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Households earning less than **300%** of the Federal Poverty Level are eligible (less than \$75,300 for a family of four)

**52%** of Illinois families with children are eligible for a tax credit scholarship

Depending on income, up to **100%** of tuition and eligible fees can be covered by tax credit scholarship



Families are encouraged to apply to more than one SGO to increase their chances of receiving a tax credit scholarship. To learn more about your family's eligibility please visit [www.bigshouldersfundsgo.org](http://www.bigshouldersfundsgo.org).

If you have questions, please contact us at: [SGOapp@bigshouldersfund.org](mailto:SGOapp@bigshouldersfund.org)

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### A Tax Credit Scholarship Could Cover the Full Cost of Tuition for Eligible Families

Illinois' Tax Credit Scholarship Program allows donors to reserve tax credits and direct their money to Scholarship Granting Organizations (SGOs). Big Shoulders Fund is an approved SGO in Illinois serving Regions one and two and **will begin accepting scholarship applications from families on January 22, 2019.**

### Why Big Shoulders Fund?

- Awarded over **\$60 million** to **50,000 scholars**
- The **largest private k-12 scholarship program** in Illinois
- **30 years of impact** raising over **\$300 million**
- Proven track record of **scholar success in high school and beyond**

### How to Apply - January 22 at 8:00 am

Big Shoulders Fund will open its application January 22 at 8:00 am. The following information will be required to apply; the exact questions and information requirements will be contained in the application.

#### Household Information

- Parent/guardian contact information (e.g., address, city, zip, etc.) – note that an email address will be required, along with supporting documentation for the household address (e.g., utility bill, driver's license)
- Number in household
- School district in which household resides
- 2017 or 2018 federal adjusted gross income – with a copy of federal 1040 or signed verification that family was not required to file a 1040 (signed by parent/guardian)

#### Student Information

- Student name and birth date
- Grade for the 2019–20 school year
- Siblings for which the household will apply under the tax credit scholarship program

#### School Information

- Identify the non-public school being selected by the student in the household
- Identify whether the student is already enrolled at the selected school

Awarding of scholarships is subject to availability of funding through this program.



# Big Shoulders Fund.®

## SOBRE EL PROGRAMA

Hogares que ganan menos del **300%** del Nivel Federal de Pobreza son elegibles (menos de \$75,300 para una familia de 4)

**52%** de familias en Illinois con hijos son elegibles para una beca de crédito tributario

Dependiendo de los ingresos, hasta **100%** de la matrícula y las tarifas elegibles pueden ser cubiertas con una beca de crédito tributario



Motivamos a las familias a aplicar a más de una SGO para aumentar sus posibilidades de recibir una beca de crédito tributario. Para obtener más información sobre la elegibilidad de su familia, visite [www.bigshouldersfundsgo.org](http://www.bigshouldersfundsgo.org)

Si tiene alguna pregunta, contáctenos:  
[SGOapp@bigshouldersfund.org](mailto:SGOapp@bigshouldersfund.org)

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Una nueva beca de crédito tributario podría cubrir el costo total de la matrícula para familias elegibles

El Programa de Becas de Crédito Tributario de Illinois permite a donantes reservar créditos impositivos y dirigir su dinero a una Organización que Otorga Becas (SGO en inglés). Big Shoulders Fund es una SGO aprobada en Illinois que presta servicios en las Regiones 1 y 2.

**LAS APLICACIONES PARA LAS FAMILIAS SE ABREN EL 22 DE ENERO DE 2019.**

## ¿POR QUÉ BIG SHOULDERS FUND?

En la última década, más de **\$60 millones** a **50,000 académicos**

El **más grande programa privado de becas k-12** en Illinois

**30 años** de impacto recaudando más de **\$300 millones**

Trayectoria de **éxito académico en la escuela secundaria y más allá**

## CÓMO SOLICITAR - EL 22 DE ENERO A LAS 8 DE LA MAÑANA

Las aplicaciones para las familias se abren el 22 de enero. La siguiente información será requerida para solicitar; las preguntas exactas y los requisitos de información estarán en la aplicación.

### Información del hogar

- Información de contacto del padre/tutor (p. ej, dirección, ciudad, código postal, etc.) – tenga en cuenta que se requerirá un correo electrónico, junto con la documentación de respaldo de la dirección del hogar (p. ej, factura de servicios públicos, licencia de conducir)
- Número de personas en el hogar
- Distrito escolar en que reside el hogar
- Ingresos brutos ajustados federales de 2017 o 2018; con una copia de 1040 federal o verificación firmada de que la familia no estaba obligada a presentar un 1040 (firmado por padre de familia/guardián)

### Información del estudiante

- Nombre y acta de nacimiento del estudiante
- Grado para el año escolar 2019-20
- Hermanos por los cuales el hogar solicitará bajo el programa de becas de crédito tributario

### Información de la escuela

- Identificar la escuela no pública que el estudiante del hogar selecciona
- Identificar si el estudiante ya está inscrito en la escuela seleccionada

La otorgación de becas está sujeta a la disponibilidad de fondos a través de este programa.



# Tax Credit Scholarship Matching Gift Program

## Triple your gift's impact!

### PERSONAL BENEFIT, COMMON GOOD

In its first year the Illinois Tax Credit Scholarship Program, "Invest in Kids", awarded scholarships to more than 3,000 students from low-income families to attend a Catholic school of their choice in Cook and Lake Counties. This was made possible through the generosity of thousands of donors who took advantage of the 75 percent state income tax credit on their donation.

To help their donations have even more impact in 2019, several donors have agreed to pool their resources and offer a 2-for-1 matching gift program to the more than 160 schools run by the Archdiocese of Chicago, up to \$5 million total.

### HOW IT WORKS

- For every dollar designated to a qualifying school through Empower Illinois between Dec. 1, 2018 and Feb. 28, 2019, the school will receive two dollars in matching funds. The donations are capped at \$100,000 per school.
- The program will end when all matching funds have been depleted or on Feb. 28, 2019, whichever comes first.
- After April 1, 2019, any matching gift program funds that are not awarded at a designated school will be reallocated to low-income students at schools with unmet demand.

### EXAMPLE

A donor with about \$75,000 in income could make a donation of \$5,000 to Empower Illinois, in cash or stock, that would...

- Eliminate their Illinois state income tax liability (approximately \$3,750); and
- Provide \$15,000 in scholarship support (after the \$10,000 match)

For a total cost of \$1,250, this donor has now provided three students with \$5,000 in scholarships to use to attend a Catholic school of their choice (donation of \$5,000 minus the \$3,750 in state credit).

## Invest in the Future of Catholic Education

CATHOLIC SCHOOL education is an investment. Many families work hard to cover the cost of tuition because they value faith-filled formation and quality academics for their children. Many of these families rely on financial assistance, scholarship opportunities and development support to bridge the gap. That is why it can sometimes be difficult to understand the difference between (and the importance of) paying tuition and fundraising/donating.

It is important to understand the difference between simply paying tuition and lending a hand by participating in development/fundraising activities for your school. When it comes to understanding the concept of "institutional advancement," there are two key terms which are closely-aligned; fundraising and development.

**Fundraising:** Often related to a specific objective, fundraising typically has a monetary goal to accomplish a task. Fundraising can take place in various forms, such as a capital campaign, annual giving campaign or a specific project. In many instances, a fundraising gift becomes a one-time gift.

**Development:** The practice of giving money to benefit others because of a shared mission, commitment or intentional goal sits at the core of giving. A culture of giving refers to the attitude about giving as one of gratitude, appreciation and investment. Community members in a culture of giving feel a shared investment. Fundraising is important, but development is impactful. Now is the time to develop a culture of giving within your Catholic school community.

At the end of the day, both fundraising and development remain important activities because they help to keep tuition as affordable as possible. At most Catholic schools, tuition does not come close to covering the actual cost of an education. Funds received through fundraising and development help to bridge the gap between tuition revenue and the actual cost of running the school, and also provide the added resources which take the schools from good to great.

A unique way to ignite a culture of giving within a school community is by encouraging participation in Many Gifts, One Nation: A Day of Giving to Catholic Schools.

Countless people in our country have been blessed by the many gifts of Catholic schools, however, many have lost touch with their local Catholic school communities. It is a time for these people to reconnect with Catholic schools and give back.

The day is meant, first and foremost, to support Catholic schools in their already existing development and advancement efforts. Scheduled during National Catholic Schools Week (CSW) for January 29, 2019, 12 PM EST to January 30, 2019, 12 PM EST, this is a time for individuals to give to their local Catholic schools. By leveraging social media, this national day of philanthropy and camaraderie will invite all people, across the country, impacted by Catholic school education in ways big and small, to donate at a local level. This day is made possible with the generous support of FACTS.

Work with your school parent organization to share the news with others about how they can give to your school community.

CSW is a time to celebrate, reflect and show gratitude. Parents are an important part of the Catholic school community. Join a national day of appreciation and recognition by supporting your school's CSW and year-round marketing efforts.

Here are five ways you can help maximize your school's participation in Many Gifts, One Nation:

1. Donate directly to your school;
2. Email friends and family asking them to make a gift;
3. Ask local businesses to post flyers asking people to give;
4. Volunteer at your school's giving booths to help visitors make online donations while at campus;
5. Share your school's giving page on your social media accounts and consider recording a video sharing what makes your school so great.

For more information about Many Gifts, One Nation: A Day of Giving to Catholic Schools, visit [www.NCEA.org/csw/manygifts](http://www.NCEA.org/csw/manygifts).



**Many Gifts, One Nation**  
*A Day of Giving to Catholic Schools*