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Dear Friends of the Academy:

Sacred Heart Academy is in its 135th academic year and remains dedicated to Catholic education. SHA continues to have the best and brightest students, with very supportive parents, and ideal class sizes for learning. However, paying our teachers a competitive salary and keeping tuition affordable continues to be a challenge with the rising costs of education.

The Sacred Heart Academy Foundation, Inc. is an endowment fund which benefits the mission of Sacred Heart Academy with a focus on teachers' salaries. Teachers' salaries and benefits make up over 80 percent of the annual costs to run the school. When you give to the Foundation, your donation is added to the principal of our endowment and only the earnings are spent, so your gift lives in perpetuity. Our goal is to build the endowment as much as possible to address pay gaps which exist in comparison to local public school teacher salaries.

Please join me in making a gift this year. The Academy is a point of pride for our parish, for our community, and for every alumnus. Your donation will help the current and next generation of graduates realize the hallmarks of a Catholic education: discipline, strong moral values, and academic performance which lead to a lifetime of learning, achievement, and service.

May God bless you and your family.

Sincerely,

Bill Myler, J.

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P.S. There are many gift options—from online giving to IRA gifts, appreciated stock, and more. To discover the best method for your investment, contact Lindsay Ley, our Development Director at (989) 772-1385 or <u>LLey@sha.net</u>.