

SACRED HEART ACADEMY FOUNDATION, INC.

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Dear Alumni, Parishioners, Sacred Heart Parents, and Friends of the Academy:

Sacred Heart Academy needs your help. In prior years I have written and talked about the pride we have in our school and its 129-year mission. SHA is the only pre-K through 12th school in the Saginaw Diocese, and one of only two pre-K through 12 Catholic schools supported by one parish in the state of Michigan. In today's world, the value of a Catholic education cannot be understated.

The SHA Foundation was established in 1976 to assist the Academy with operational expenses, namely, teachers' salaries. With the state of Michigan and our region experiencing a shortage of teachers, SHA needs to be proactive about teacher recruitment and retention.

Teachers tell us that Sacred Heart Academy is where they want to teach. SHA has the best and brightest students, with the most supportive parents, and ideal class sizes for learning. However, paying our teachers what they deserve and keeping tuition affordable is a constant challenge because of the rising costs of education. **Your support is crucial to helping our teachers.**

In recent years, donations to the SHA Foundation have helped increase our annual contribution to the Academy and we need this trend to continue. If you have donated in the past, please consider increasing your donation this year. If you have not given before, please give this year. All contributions are appreciated and will help keep Sacred Heart Academy vibrant and competitive.

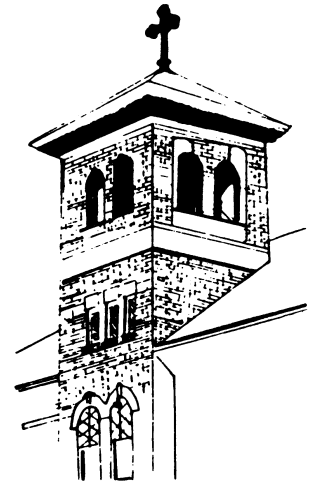
The Academy is a point of pride for our parish, for our community, and for every alumnus. Most graduates say the further they get from SHA, the more they appreciate what they learned and the relationships they formed. Your donation will help the current and next generation of graduates realize the hallmarks of a Catholic education: discipline, strong moral values, and academic performance which lead to a lifetime of learning, achievement, and service. Your donation is also a gift to the teachers.

We need your support and your prayers. Inside this annual report you will find information about the good work of the SHA Foundation, and an envelope for your contribution. Online giving is also available at www.sha.net. *During the upcoming season of giving, thank you for remembering the SHA Foundation.*

Sincerely,



Bill Myler Jr., SHA '76
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