

“To know, love and serve God in this life and to be happy with Him in the life to come.”



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A Strategic Vision.



**Let's Write the Future.
Together.**

Let the children come to me, and do not prevent them; for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these. – Mt 19:14.

We realize that Jesus taught us not only to remove any obstacles that could stand in the way of children fulfilling their divine calling, but that we ourselves must approach life with a childlike wonder and awe if we are to truly encounter our Lord. Parents should feel confident in choosing Blessed Sacrament School for their child because we strive to combine deep faith formation with excellent academics for the purpose of building up the kingdom of heaven. We believe that God calls each of us, here and now, to create a school, a parish and a community that provides children with all the opportunities and resources they need to flourish and grow, so that they can know, love and serve God in this life, and to be happy with Him in the life to come.

Accomplishing this call and being thoughtful and wise stewards requires us to plan for the future, and therefore I am pleased to present to you this strategic plan for the continued success and growth of Blessed Sacrament School. To develop this plan, a faithful group of parents, parishioners, teachers and administrators have collaborated to identify our strengths and honestly evaluate and address the challenges we face. This strategic plan will be the basis and guide for our continued efforts to improve our school.

Of course having a plan is only the beginning. We will all need to work together to implement this plan. We will need the support of parents, benefactors, parishioners, teachers and staff to realize the goals set forth in this plan. As pastor of Blessed Sacrament, I ask for your prayers most especially, so that guided by the Holy Spirit and assisted by the communion of saints, we will implement this plan with great faith, great hope and great love.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. John Sullivan



Catholic Identity & Faith in Action:

To form disciples of our Lord through service to others, through the celebration of our Catholic faith and through developing a deep, personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

- To foster a love of the liturgy, prayer, the sacraments and a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.
- To live our Catholic faith through works of charity and evangelization in the school and community.
- To provide and encourage faith formation opportunities for faculty and staff.
- To support parents in their role as primary educators and models of the Catholic faith.
- To maintain the involvement of priests and sisters in the school and to encourage priests from our supporting parishes to regularly visit the school.
- To promote the sanctity of the family to our students, parents and community.
- To integrate the love of our Catholic faith in all classes, sports and activities.
- To encourage students to prayerfully discern their life vocation.

Academic Excellence & Leadership:

To provide an inclusive and welcoming environment conducive to academic excellence with a focus on educating the whole child.

- To develop and implement curriculum, technology and broad-based learning opportunities that will enhance each individual student's growth.
- To define, promote and track student progress throughout their academic career, tailored to student's individual talents, gifts, cultural background and needs.
- To track standardized test scores by subject and grade level to ensure continuous improvement at the school.
- To support dedicated, professional educators and to provide them with opportunities for professional growth.
- To provide students with leadership opportunities in the school, parish and community.



Financial Vitality & Stewardship:

To live as good stewards of our Catholic faith by sharing our time, talent and treasure to ensure the vitality and sustainability of our parish and school.

- To establish an equitable and affordable tuition model that ensures the sustainability of the school and parish.
- To explore new preschool, extended care and daycare options to serve our families and to increase enrollment at the school.
- To create and maintain a parish and school facilities plan.
- To promote active stewardship by all of our parishioners, parents, students and community.
- To provide competitive salary and benefits to our faculty.
- To explore new funding opportunities such as grants, scholarships, and other sources of funds, to establish financial sustainability and to increase the Endowment Fund.
- To reinforce and communicate the benefits of Parish Scholarships that help to offset the true costs of student education and help to keep tuition affordable.
- To explore resource sharing with other Catholic schools.



Communications & Community Relationships:

To foster a spirit of unity and mutual support among the school, parish and community for the long-term success of Blessed Sacrament Catholic School and Parish.

- To ensure open communications and engagement with the Blessed Sacrament Catholic School community.
- To administer an annual school survey to define areas of success and areas for improvement.
- To increase marketing and communications between the school, parish and community to enhance a mutually supportive relationship and to increase enrollment and retention at the school.
- To celebrate and embrace the multi-cultural diversity in our school.
- To encourage and integrate service opportunities throughout the school, parish and community.
- To communicate and develop relationships with alumni and benefactors of the school.

