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"Quality Education Since 1851"



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Dear

I would like to thank you for your past contribution to the Catholic School Scholarship Appeal. Last year your contribution and that of others provided tuition support to 48 students attending Catholic schools across the diocese with awards ranging from \$1,000 to \$500 per family.

In a letter to the Office of Catholic Schools, a mother wrote: "There was no way my kids would have been able to attend this school without the financial aid provided to us. I've been the head of our household for the last two years, so this financial aid is a blessing for us. They love the school, the teachers, their friends, the priests, the church, and the activities they do every day. With all the struggles we have been through the past two years, for my kids to be able to attend this wonderful school has really made a difference in the way they are facing life at their young ages. I thank God in the first place for everything. And I thank you for helping us with the financial aid for my kids and for the wonderful job you all are doing in educating our future generations with high standards in values and morals."

This school year there is a calculated need of \$3 million for the 765 students who qualified for scholarship assistance. Parish subsidies and school scholarship funds are providing approximately \$1.6 million for scholarship assistance for the 2019-20 school year. This leaves a gap of approximately \$1.4 million. Please help us once again by donating to the Catholic Schools Scholarship Appeal. Every dollar received from donations will be used to aid those in need of financial assistance.

Catholic schools are an integral part of the teaching mission of the Church because they assist parents in the important obligation of educating and forming their children through faith development. It is more important than ever that we continue to provide an academically rigorous education, rooted in the Gospel, and rich in the cherished traditions and liturgical practices of our faith. In doing so, we ensure that students will have the foundation to live a moral and upright life to face the challenges brought on by cultural and moral changes in the world today.

Sincerely In Christ,

Most Reverend Anthony B. Taylor

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