



St. John the Evangelist Catholic School

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Dear St. John Catholic School Friend and Supporter,

With the COVID-19 pandemic that continues to impact everyday life, we thank you for your continued support and wish you and yours health and peace. This year, like everyone else in our community and across the country, St. John Catholic School faces new challenges in addition to the yearly trials that face our small parochial school.

Earlier this month, our small Catholic school was blessed to open its doors for the 79th year, and to welcome our 123 students currently enrolled in our Pre-K thru 8th grade. At least 100 Catholic schools across the country are closing forever this fall as a result of the added hardships caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. But our small St. John Catholic School, with support such as yours, continue to serve not only the Catholic community of South Georgia, but also students from all backgrounds.

We are proud of the way our school has handled these challenging times. Most of our students are back in person, but our classrooms provide 100% synchronous online learning at all times to those students learning from home. And we are confident that no St. John School student lost academic time this past spring when the school was able in a 3-day period to completely convert to a truly online educational experience.

Right now, we continue to do everything possible to sustain daily operations and provide services to our community. We have taken extra precautions and implemented safety measures to provide a safe and healthy environment for our children and teachers. While there's a lot of uncertainty, we continue to adapt to our changing reality, and we are proud of our school community and for the remarkable support from Valdosta and the Lowndes area.

While we recognize that this year presents unusual hardships to everyone, including you our partner and supporter, if you are able to, will you consider becoming a featured partner of St. John Catholic School for the current school year 2020-2021?

Typically, about 80% of the school budget depends on tuition revenue and the remaining 20% is made up from fundraisers and donations, including support from our St. John Catholic Church and the Valdosta-Lowndes community and contributions from our supporters and partners like you.

St. John the Evangelist Catholic School empowers all students to reach their full potential and to follow the model of Christ.

This year, we continue to offer sponsorship opportunities that span the entire school year, which include all our major events and fundraisers and with year-long recognition and promotional material as a show of gratitude. For your convenience, we have enclosed a brochure containing information of our sponsorship opportunities for this current scholastic year. We have also included a sponsorship form, which includes available sponsorship packages.

Your sponsorship will make a huge difference in our Eagles community and we hope you consider becoming a sponsoring partner of St. John Catholic School. If you're unable to make a contribution at this time, please consider advocating for our small school by sharing our mission with a family member or friend. Even a quick mention on your social media would mean the world to us.

In times like this, we're reminded of how interconnected we all are. Thank you for being part of our community. Without you, none of it is possible.

Sequitur Exemplum Christi

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