



Q & A



Frequently Asked Questions

What is the Foundation?

The Epiphany School Foundation was established in 1999 by a group of concerned parents together with the School's principal and the Pastor of the parish. The Foundation is a tax-exempt, charitable foundation formed for the purpose of enhancing our children's educational experience and the faculty's teaching environment. This is primarily achieved by funding an array of Programs that the School lacks the financial resources to support. Therefore the Foundation's fundraising activities are central to accomplishing its mission, with the cornerstone being the Annual Fund Campaign.

The Foundation is governed by a Board of Trustees, composed of current and past parents and, in an ex-officio capacity, the Pastor of the Church and the Principal. The Foundation is a distinct and separate entity from the School. A Development Office housed in the 22nd Street location administers the Foundation's work.

What are the programs that are supported by the Foundation?

Teachers Assistant Program for Grades N – 3.

Enables the teacher to break up the class into a small group that provides more individualized instruction.

Curriculum Director for Grades K – 8.

Provides our teachers with curriculum research and advice.

Staff Development Grades K – 8.

Conducts teacher workshops on campus in reading and math trends. Strategies are developed to cope with diverse learning styles and improve writing skills. This program helps our teachers afford graduate studies at major universities to enhance their professional and pedagogical knowledge.

Science Program for Grades 1 – 5.

Provides a science specialist who conducts experiments with grades 1 to 3. Grades 4 and 5 work on experiments in the Science Lab at 28th Street.

Spanish Program for Grades 1 – 8.

Facilitates a second language acquisition by early and consistent exposure to a foreign language.

Guidance Program for Grades 4 – 8.

Weekly classes discuss self-esteem, morality and health to develop the mind, spirit, and values. Students and families in the 7th and 8th grades are offered advisement by the Guidance Counselor in the often confusing high school selection process.

Remediation Programs for Grades 1 – 4.

Addresses developmental differences by offering small group settings to students who need extra time securing reading and math skills.

Enrichment Programs for Grades 3 – 6.

Offers both reading and math enrichment classes to students who display strength in these areas.

Art and Music Programs

Provide enhancements to the regular curriculum, including guided visits to museums, and special music assemblies.

Capital Improvements

Improved lighting, carpeting, bathroom renovations and other improvements, on an ongoing basis, as needed.

How does the foundation support these programs?

The Foundation raises money through the Annual Fund and three Special Events held each year:

11.14–16.08

American Girl
Fashion Show

3.10.09

Spring Auction

5.11.09

Golf Outing

Profits from the three fundraising events, combined with money contributed to the Annual Fund, underwrite academic programs that would be otherwise excluded from The Epiphany School curriculum. Additionally, the events aim to foster a sense of community and a commitment to the goal of providing the very best education possible for the Epiphany student.

What is the annual fund?

The annual fund is the cornerstone of our fundraising efforts. It is money donated by Epiphany trustees, parents, alumni and friends to provide additional resources that enrich the educational experience of our children. All Epiphany parents are asked to support the annual fund since the fund touches every grade.

What are the goals for the annual fund?

While monetary goals will be established each year as a specific benchmark, overall participation will remain the ultimate goal of the annual fund.

Why is participation important?

High participation is a reflection of enthusiasm and involvement by the Epiphany community. In addition, the Foundation raises money from outside the Epiphany Community. Potential donors evaluate our parent's annual participation rate. Therefore, every donation is important regardless of amount.

How can I donate?

Your tax-deductible gift may be paid by check or credit card and mailed or delivered to the Development Office. Gifts may also be paid online at www.epiphanychoolfoundation.org

Just as our students are encouraged to grow to full potential, Epiphany demands the same growth and development from itself. The Foundation has played a major role in helping a great school become even greater. From enhanced curriculum and teacher development, to extracurricular offerings and subsidized tuition, the Foundation ensures that every aspect of the child's education and well-being is a focus.

In conjunction with the support of the Foundation, Epiphany continually provides greater possibilities for every student. Future paths taken remain up to the individual. The choices are many and the outcomes are limitless. But with a solid foundation, Epiphany students can strive for greater dreams, greater journeys and greater successes.

Greatness is a choice. Together, Epiphany and the Foundation are making a great school greater.