

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary School Home School Association Board

September 15, 2021

RE: 2021-2022 School Year HSA Welcome Letter

Dear Fellow Nativity Families,

For over sixty years, Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary School has been able to provide students with the intellectual, spiritual, and moral development needed for the future. By providing our children with an excellent Catholic education today, we are paving their way for tomorrow.

The Home School Association (HSA) is an integral part of Nativity School. It is not just a "couple voices" making decisions, but rather the collective unified team effort of Father Ron, Dr. Cluckey, Amy Connolly, the HSA Board, the Nativity teachers & staff, and most importantly.....**all of you the parents of children at Nativity**! The purpose of the HSA is working collectively toward the goal of nurturing the educational and spiritual development of our children and our school family.

One important way we help to accomplish these goals is by securing and allocating resources through fundraising opportunities throughout the school year. <u>Our tuition only covers 60% of the cost of</u> <u>educating our children</u>. The remaining 40% of the cost of educating our children comes from Parish support and HSA fundraising efforts. <u>This year our fundraising goal is \$162,000 or approximately \$750</u> <u>per student</u>.

Over the past three years we have made great progress meeting our fundraising goal. Last year we streamlined our fundraisers and implemented some new initiatives to meet our goal. The enclosed summary details our fundraising goal and plan for this year. In order to maintain the vibrant Catholic education that our children receive at Nativity we need the help of all families to achieve our goal.

We understand how hectic life is and not all families have the time to assist with our fundraising efforts. Successful fundraising is absolutely critical to maintaining the high standard of Catholic education our children enjoy at Nativity. If you don't have time to assist with our fundraising activities we ask that you consider a donation to help fund the 40% of the cost of educating our children that our tuition does not cover.

The sense of a strong and supportive Catholic community is one of the things that makes our children's education at Nativity so special. In support of the furtherance of this goal the HSA is proud to organize and host Nativity family social gatherings. Historically, these events include Blessing of the Backpacks, Trunk or Treat, North Pole Shop, Open House, Trivia Night, Talent Show, Cougar Cub Picnic, and the Year End School Picnic. Due to the uncertainty caused by the pandemic we will hold events when and

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if we are able to. We will communicate the timing of the events we are able to hold as the year progresses.

Please take the time to prayerfully reflect and consider ways that you can actively provide your time and talents to contribute to the success of the fundraising opportunities and HSA sponsored events available here at Nativity this school year. Investing in our children's and Nativity's success is crucial to ensuring that Nativity has the strong sense of community and resources needed to support our children's education.

If you have any questions or would like more information on ways to get involved at Nativity please feel free to contact me or any member of the HAS board, our contact information is available on the school website. I, as well as the entire HSA Board and Nativity community look forward to working with all of you this school year.

Sincerely,

Jill Deck (Nativity HSA President)



Nativity 2021-2022 Fundraising Plan

	Event	2021-2022 Goal		2021 - 2022 Date of Event	Event Description
1	Nativity Gala	\$	100,000	March 2022	Largest fundraising event with dinner, drinks and auctions at Samuel's
2	Golf Outing	\$	30,000	June 27, 2022	Summer Golf Outing at Transit Valley Country Club
3	Apex Fun Run	\$	11,500	Sep 13-24, 2021	Kids fun run and fitness activities with faith based in class learning
4	Gift Cards	\$	10,000	All Year	Sale of gift cards from various retailers
5	Dash's Receipts	\$	5,000	All Year	\$25 per \$1000 of receipts submitted
6	Christmas Chocolate Sale	\$	2,300	Mid Nov 2021	Christmas Chocolate sale from Henry's Candy & Gifts, sales start mid Nov, Chocolate distributed mid Dec
7	United Way	\$	2,000	All Year	Cash donations through payroll deductions
8	Small Events	\$	1,200	All Year	Tops rebates, North Pole Shop, Used Uniform Sale, Life Touch, Lands End, Box Tops
	Total	\$	162,000		