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## Are You Interested in *Preserving* *Catholic Education* and *Leaving* *an Enduring Legacy?*

Catholic school attendance is an investment in the Church's future and the continuation of the faith. Children who attend Catholic schools are more likely to attend Mass and to participate in parish activities when they become adults. They are also more likely to have their children attend a Catholic school.

Generation after generation, the Catholic school system has attained a level of excellence UNSURPASSED in American education by combining high academic standards and a disciplined environment with a religious dimension.



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### *Gift Levels:*

**Platinum Level \$5000 and up**  
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## What is St. Mary's School Foundation?

St. Mary's School (SMS) Foundation was established in 1992 by the Diocese of Steubenville to ensure the future financial stability of St. Mary's Catholic School. Funds of the Foundation are invested in income producing assets, and the income from those investments will be used to support the school. The Foundation is governed by a Board of Directors consisting of St. Mary's parishioners with experience in investments, management, law and similar disciplines.

SMS Foundation is a tax exempt, 501(c)(3) nonprofit charitable organization. The foundation is dedicated to meeting Catholic education challenges of today and tomorrow by protecting the financial stability of St. Mary's School for generations to come.



## St. Mary's School Foundation Can Help You Support Catholic Education in the Following Ways:

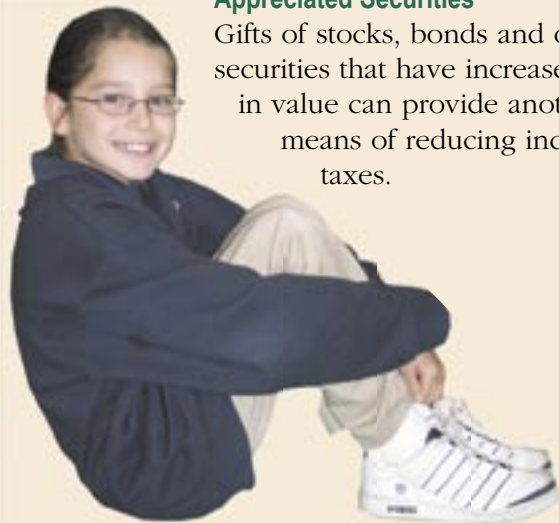
*You can help children receive a Catholic education by supporting the efforts of St. Mary's School Foundation through your financial and estate planning. Talk with your own attorney, tax advisor or estate planner to determine whether one or more of the following gifting vehicles is right for your circumstances:*

### Cash Gifts, Memorials, Honorariums and Other Tributes

May be given in any amount and will usually provide a current income tax deduction.

### Appreciated Securities

Gifts of stocks, bonds and other securities that have increased in value can provide another means of reducing income taxes.



*The challenge today is to maintain the viability of this educational institution through the long-term financial development and planning of the SMS Foundation.*

### Life Insurance

This offers a very special vehicle for charitable gifts because the size of the gift is usually many times the actual amount of the premiums paid. Existing insurance policies, newly purchased policies, or combinations of old and new policies can be integrated into a gift-giving plan.

### Trusts

Various trust forms are available to prospective donors, and each form has its own characteristics and advantages in the donors particular circumstances. Your attorney can help you choose the form that's right for you.

### Bequests

Name St. Mary's School Foundation in your will to receive cash, securities, or other property at the time of death. Consider funding a scholarship in your name or the name of a loved one.



## St. Mary's School

*St. Mary's School provides high quality education for children from preschool through grade eight. Its purpose is to ensure the development of the whole child so as to enhance each child's God-given gifts. We are united in preparing our students to become responsible Christians with a true sense of moral integrity.*

*Many families believe that they cannot afford to provide a Catholic education for one, let alone multiple, children. We believe all children deserve a faith-based Catholic education regardless of the parents' financial abilities. Thanks to the generosity of the parishioners and friends of the school, affordable Catholic education remains an option for the children of our community.*