



ST. EDWARD CENTRAL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL ANNUAL REPORT



Dear Friends, Parents, and Alumni,

It has been a profound honor to serve the St. Edward High School community alongside Father Blood for the 2023-2024 school year. The year was filled with many special moments each day that reminded me of the crucial role Catholic education plays in shaping the future of our world.

We were blessed to have Most Rev. David J. Malloy, Bishop of the Diocese of Rockford, celebrate Baccalaureate Mass with our 79th graduating class. Bishop Malloy highlighted the remarkable achievements of our students and reminded us of the ultimate gift they possess: God's unwavering love. Please join me in praying for our graduates and all our students, that they may always feel the grace of God and the friendship of Jesus in their daily lives.

I am continually inspired by the blessings God has bestowed upon St. Edward. Our dedicated staff go above and beyond to meet the needs of our students and create new opportunities for their growth. Our school families are deeply involved, partnering with us to build a faith-filled community where each student is fully prepared to face life's challenges. Our alumni and community supporters generously contribute their time, talent, and resources to enhance our school. The Fox Family Performing Arts Center is ready to open on time and within budget. We will celebrate an all-school Mass on the first day of the new school year in the theater, and we eagerly anticipate the many events that will bring our entire school community together in this wonderful new space.

Thank you for your support, your prayers, and your partnership. As you read this report, I hope it reaffirms your beliefs about St. Edward and inspires hope for our future as we work together to promote Catholic education.

Warm regards,



AnnMarie Woj-Dufelmeier ('98) , Principal / Area Superintendent

“Catholic Schools are an essential arm of the Church that have the ability to impact the entire human person. Through intentional evangelization, dedication to the truth academically, and partaking in opportunities to be a loving community each student, staff member, and visitor meets the person of Jesus in our school. St. Edward has continued to be Christ's presence to a world that so deeply longs for Him. We praise the Lord for the gift it is to be a part of His family at St. Edward Central Catholic High School!”



Fr. Robert Blood, Spiritual Director / Assistant Principal

Class of 2024 Valedictorian



Taryn Lemezis

Class of 2024 Co-Salutatorians



Joshua Pottorff



Lauren Menendez

“

[Do good in the world because] we have been given a Catholic education that taught us how to love and serve others. You owe it not to yourselves, but to your family and to God to make something happen. So I ask you to not let your lives remain stagnant, but to take risks, embrace challenges, and go do something good for the world.



”

Joshua Pottorff, Class of 2024 Co-Salutatorian

CLASS OF 2024 BY THE NUMBERS

- 54 Seniors - 100% Graduation Rate
- 93% Enrolled in a 2-year or 4-year University or College
35 different colleges in 9 different states
- 1 National Merit Finalist
- 8 Illinois State Scholars
- 9 National Honor Society Members
- 2 St. Timothy Award Recipients
- 13 Kairos Leaders
- Composite ACT Average 22.4
- Composite SAT Average 1052
- 28 students earned AP credits in 8 AP subject areas;
20 of those students earned college credit

ADMINISTRATION AND STAFF

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 Michael Aydt - Physical Education
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Dear St. Edward Family,

In the 2023-2024 school year, the love and commitment of St. Edward H.S. was demonstrated loud and clear to so many. We are so grateful for the generous support shown by our supporters every day. Your understanding of the importance of a Catholic Education and giving back continues to make a positive impact on the lives of students at St. Edward Central Catholic High School.

Whether you donated to the Annual Appeal, Tidal Wave – *The Experientia*, Guardian Angel Fund and/or even volunteered to help secure a donation, sponsorship or encouraged friends and family to donate, these acts of kindness have a direct impact on the lives of the students - our future leaders. The funds raised

from the above initiatives help to bridge the gap between tuition and what it actually costs to attend St. Edward. They also help those students that otherwise couldn't afford to attend St. Edward and experience a faith-based, college-prep school.

God Bless you and thank you for your love and commitment to this wonderful school St. Edward Central Catholic H.S. - 83 years strong!

With Gratitude,
Siobhan Cottone,
Director of Advancement & Development



2024-25 SCHOOL ACTIVITIES — PLEASE JOIN US!

Oct 4, 2024	Homecoming / Fox Family Performing Arts Center Ribbon Cutting
Sept 27, 2024	Greg True/Jim Biggins Hall of Fame Event
	Elgin Country Club, 5:30pm to 8:30pm
Oct 26, 27, 2024	Fall Play <i>Alice in Wonderland</i>
Oct 27, 2024	Fall Open House 1:00pm to 3:00pm
Nov 1, 2024	Pot of Gold Fall Fest, Moretti's, Elgin
Jan 30, 2025	Grandparent's Day Mass / Celebration
April 11, 12, 13, 2025	Spring Musical
May 15, 2025	Graduation



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THE FOX FAMILY PERFORMING ARTS CENTER
AT ST. EDWARD HIGH SCHOOL has become a reality as the project is nearing completion. This amazing building is the final implementation of the most recent strategic plan. We extend our gratitude to the entire Geoff Fox and Robert Fox families for their support of this project. Generations of students will benefit from their vision and generosity through the realization of The Fox Family Performing Arts Center. A ribbon-cutting ceremony, along with an all school Mass and Blessing of the new building will be held on October 4, 2024.

The Fox Family Performing Arts Center's first performance in the new building will be held this fall, *Alice In Wonderland*, October 25, 26, 27, 2024.

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR MASS AND RIBBON CUTTING ON
OCTOBER 4, 2024 at 10:00am!**



With Grateful Hearts We Acknowledge the Following Who Donated to the Annual Appeal

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My four years at St. Ed's was a most memorable time in my life, which I hold dear to my heart. I am grateful for the education I received and I owe a debt of gratitude, not only to my mother for the strong faith she instilled in her daughters, but to the faculty who helped mold me into the woman I am today.

Father, thank you for the reminder that it's time for us, who aren't regular supporters, to show our appreciation in kind for the excellent Catholic education we received. I gladly enclose my financial support for my beloved Green Wave.

— Patricia Rellihan Tucker '59

One third of our students require financial assistance! We are so grateful to the following for their help in filling the need.

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The **Harvey and Ethel Daeumer Foundation** supported the school with grants in 2022, 2023, and 2024. The grants received from the foundation are the catalyst for a host of opportunities at St. Edward High School. *Thank you!*



The Diocese of Rockford – United in Faith Catholic Schools Endowment Fund—09/2024 \$9,652.00

2021 marked the 20th year that the United in Faith Fund has existed, thanks to a capital campaign held by the Diocese of Rockford over two decades ago.

Since the completion of the United in Faith capital campaign and the inception of its resulting endowment for the Diocese of Rockford, over \$24.9 million has been distributed through United in Faith.

St. Edward High School is very appreciative of the financial support from the United In Faith Fund. These funds were utilized for curriculum enhancements.

- 2022 Project Lead The Way – “Principles of Engineering” \$17,033**
- 2023 Surface Pro laptops for the students \$28,700**
- 2024 Projectors / A/V Equipment \$25,000**

SOURCES of SCHOLARSHIP FY 2023 and 2024

Guardian Angel Fund	\$ 100,000	Michael Angel Memorial	\$ 1,000
Greg True / Jim Biggins Scholarship	\$ 10,000	RBS Planet	\$ 1,000
Fr. Edward Seisser Scholarship	\$ 500	Templeton Memorial	\$ 1,000
Annual Appeal	\$ 40,000	Charlotte Wetzel Memorial	\$ 1,000
Msgr. Mitchell Scholarships	\$ 5,000	Cecelia Baier Memorial	\$ 1,000
J. McKay Memorial	\$ 10,000	Don Fitchie Memorial	\$ 500
R. McKay Memorial	\$ 10,000	Fr. Risley Memorial	\$ 500
Wm. McKay Memorial	\$ 6,000	Marie Griffin Memorial	\$ 500
M. Garofalo Memorial	\$ 1,000	Tidal Wave 2023	\$ 17,000

As the need for financial aid grows each year so does our gratitude and appreciation for those who so generously help fund the need.

Financial Aid applications are carefully analyzed by FACTS to determine a family’s actual need. 68 students were awarded \$249,500.00 in financial aid in 2023 & 2024.

ST. EDWARD CCHS ANNUAL REPORT

ST. EDWARD CCHS FOUNDATION

	FY 2023	FY 2024
Permanently Restricted	\$ 787,143	\$ 787,143
Temporarily Restricted	\$ 109,501	\$ 212,826
Designated Funds	\$ 580,439	\$ 490,856
Total Foundation	\$ 1,477,084	\$ 1,490,825

CHANGES FROM PREVIOUS YEAR

Additions	\$ 50,000	—
Earnings	\$ 87,752	\$ 103,326
General Scholarships	—	\$ (100,000)
Net Change	\$ 137,752	\$ 3,326

FUNDRAISING

NET PROCEEDS & DISPOSITION	FY 2023 & 2024
Tidal Wave 2024– Operations & Guardian Angel	\$ 120,000
Annual Appeal 2023	\$ 72,400
Annual Appeal 2024	\$ 40,000
Booster Club Donation 2023 – Uniforms	\$ 9,000
Booster Club Donation 2024 – Greg True Field Lights Upgrade	\$ 20,000
Total Fundraising	\$ 261,400



ST. EDWARD CCHS ANNUAL REPORT

BALANCE SHEET

	<u>June 30, 2023</u>	<u>June 30, 2024</u>
ASSETS		
Cash & Receivables	\$7,839,221	\$2,478,486
Property Plant & Equipment	\$2,825,962	\$7,987,405
Total Assets	<u>\$10,665,183</u>	<u>\$10,465,891</u>
LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCE		
AP & Accrued Expense	(\$239,491)	(\$231,310)
Note Payable	\$0	\$0
Temporarily Restricted	(\$6,862,925)	(\$1,624,699)
Permanently Restricted	(\$787,143)	(\$787,143)
Fund Balance	<u>(\$2,775,624)</u>	<u>(\$7,822,739)</u>
Total Liabilities & Fund Balances	<u>(\$10,665,183)</u>	<u>(\$10,465,891)</u>

STATEMENT OF REVENUES & EXPENSES

	<u>FY 2023</u>	<u>FY 2024</u>
Total Revenue	\$4,897,072	\$2,942,011
Total Expenses	(\$3,780,020)	(\$3,133,123)
Transfer to Savings	\$1,117,052	(\$191,112)
SOURCES of REVENUE		
Tuition & Fees	\$1,741,043	\$1,814,600
Parish Support	\$837,972	\$945,336
Donations & Fundraising		
Fox Family Performing Arts Center	\$2,000,000	
Other	\$224,505	\$65,200
Miscellaneous	\$93,552	\$116,875
Total Revenue	<u>\$4,897,072</u>	<u>\$2,942,011</u>
EXPENSES		
Administration	(\$1,108,765)	(\$736,393)
Instruction	(\$1,422,632)	(\$1,458,239)
Building/Maintenance	(\$559,040)	(\$502,891)
Depreciation/Building Projects	(\$383,903)	(\$146,709)
Athletics	(\$305,680)	(\$288,891)
Total Expenses	<u>(\$3,780,020)</u>	<u>(\$3,133,123)</u>



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