



# Annual Report

2024-2025

CELEBRATING 80 YEARS OF  
FAITH, LEARNING, AND  
INNOVATION

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## MISSION STATEMENT

St. Mary-Basha Catholic School is dedicated to promoting academic achievement while preparing the student for a life that will positively impact the community through principles rooted in the Gospel and the teachings of the Catholic Church.

## PRAYER FOR PEACE

Mary, Queen of Peace, save us all, who have so much trust in you, from wars, hatred, and oppression. Make us all learn to live in peace, and educate ourselves for peace, do what is demanded by justice and respect the rights of every person, so that peace may be firmly established.

*Amen*

# Annual Report 2024-2025

What an incredible year of growth and grace it has been at St. Mary-Basha Catholic School. As we share our 2024-25 Annual Report, we do so with deep gratitude for the faith, dedication, and generosity that continue to shape our community. From our students and teachers to our families, parish, and benefactors, each plays a vital role in helping our mission thrive. It is a blessing to serve as Principal alongside Fr. Dan McBride and a devoted team committed to inspiring minds, nurturing faith, and building community.

Through your generosity and support of the Annual Fund Eaglethon Campaign, along with grants and additional funding, we have continued to enhance the student experience, strengthen academic programs, and provide meaningful opportunities for every child.

This year's milestones include:

- Recognition as an Apple Distinguished School, celebrating innovation, leadership, and educational excellence in technology integration
- Completion of a successful WCEA Accreditation Visit, earning a full six year accreditation that affirms our commitment to Catholic education
- Expansion of student support services with full time Reading and Math Interventionists, including the conversion of an office into a dedicated Math Intervention classroom
- Implementation of spiritual retreats at half of our grade levels, deepening faith formation and strengthening our Catholic identity
- Introduction of a new Social Studies curriculum, enriching learning through faith, inquiry, and discovery
- Creation of a Green Screen Room to expand student creativity and media production opportunities
- PreK playground upgrades, including new toys and equipment to support active play and early childhood development
- Receipt of a \$15,000 grant from the Catholic Community Foundation to support our ongoing playground renovation project
- Plumbing upgrades beneath the road between the rectory and library to ensure long term facility integrity
- Implementation of GiveButter CRM and Double the Donation, streamlining fundraising and donor engagement

These accomplishments reflect the dedication of our faculty, staff, families, and parish community. From the classroom to the playground, every moment at St. Mary-Basha is rooted in faith, excellence, and love.

Thank you for your continued partnership and support. Together, we are honoring our traditions, embracing innovation, and building a strong foundation for future generations of Eagles.

Many blessings,

*Katie Lyon*

Katie Lyon  
Principal

*Fr. Dan McBride*

Fr. Dan McBride  
Pastor



# Our Philosophy

St. Mary-Basha Catholic School is dedicated to the education of the whole child as a Catholic and as a citizen. The mutual cooperation of the home, Church, school, and community, ensures an atmosphere in which each student is provided the opportunity to develop unique gifts in order to build a life based on the Gospel of Jesus Christ.



## The St. Mary-Basha Experience

Established in 1944, St. Mary-Basha is a WCEA accredited school that provides an outstanding, accelerated curriculum with Catholic faith at the core and a long-standing tradition of academic excellence.

- A supportive Catholic community
- Excellent academics
- Small class sizes
- Daily morning prayer
- Weekly Mass
- Sacrament preparation
- Numerous specials and electives classes
- Student service opportunities
- Community building events
- After school activities, clubs, and extended day care for all grades



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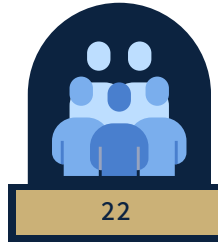


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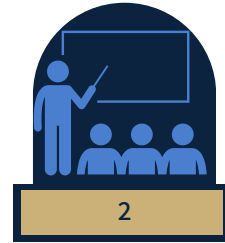
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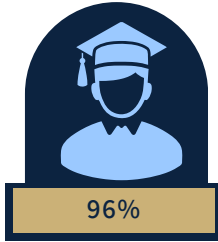
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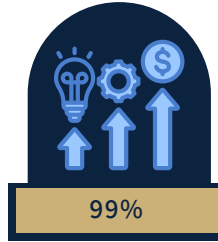
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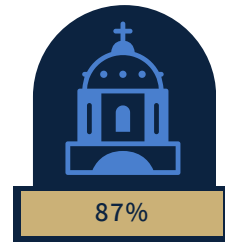
Homerooms per  
Grade Level



8th Graders Attending  
Catholic High Schools



K-8 Students Supported by  
Tuition Awards



Teachers with Advanced  
Education

## STUDENT LEARNING EXPECTATIONS

It is expected that St. Mary-Basha Catholic School students will become:

### ACTIVE CATHOLICS WHO:

- Effectively apply Discipline With Purpose skills
- Have knowledge of Sacred Scripture and Church teachings
- Express belief through prayer, sacraments, and liturgy
- Have knowledge and ability to make good moral choices
- Demonstrate stewardship in Church, family, and community

### RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS WHO:

- Effectively apply Discipline With Purpose skills
- Respect Church and civil authority
- Know the foundation and laws of our nation
- Understand consequences of action and impact on society
- Contribute to the betterment of society

### ACTIVE LEARNERS WHO:

- Effectively apply Discipline With Purpose skills
- Demonstrate mastery of basic skills in reading, writing, and math
- Apply critical thinking skills □ recognize unique gifts of oneself and others
- Use technology to enhance learning
- Develop an appreciation of and participate in Physical Education, Music, and Art

### EFFICIENT COMMUNICATORS WHO:

- Effectively apply Discipline With Purpose skills
- Communicate effectively through the arts
- Communicate effectively through technology
- Communicate ideas in a variety of mediums, including reading, writing, and speaking

# SMB Curriculum Kindergarten–8th Grade

St. Mary-Basha Catholic School has selected rigorous curriculum in core subject areas with consideration for emphasis of reading and conceptual comprehension, engaging and interactive activities, and variety of differentiated instruction materials to help teachers meet the needs of all students in their classroom.

## ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS

### **Kindergarten-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade**

The SuperKids Reading program from Zaner-Bloser is a comprehensive K-2 reading program that is designed to help students develop the essential skills they need to become successful readers. The program is based on the following principles:

Key features of the SuperKids Reading program:

- Explicit instruction in all aspects of reading: The program provides explicit instruction in all aspects of reading, including phonemic awareness, phonics, fluency, comprehension, vocabulary, and grammar.
- Systematic and sequential instruction: The program is organized in a systematic and sequential way, so that students learn new skills in a logical order.
- Engaging and interactive activities: The program uses a variety of engaging and interactive activities to keep students motivated and interested in learning to read.
- Family resources: The program includes a variety of resources for families, such as parent guides and home activities.

### **3<sup>rd</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> Grades**

St. Mary-Basha utilizes the Wonders curriculum for grades 3–5 and StudySync for grades 6–8.

Key Features:

- Focus on Reading Comprehension: Both programs emphasize understanding complex texts through identifying main ideas and supporting details, analyzing context, making inferences, and drawing conclusions.
- Alignment with State Standards: Lessons are designed to ensure students build the literacy and critical-thinking skills necessary for success in high school, college, and beyond.
- Variety of Text Types: Students engage with a diverse range of genres, including fiction, nonfiction, poetry, and drama, fostering an appreciation for literature and informational texts.
- Engaging and Interactive Learning: Through digital and print components, students participate in interactive lessons, collaborative discussions, and writing activities that deepen comprehension and strengthen communication skills.

## SOCIAL STUDIES

The MyWorld Social Studies curriculum at St. Mary-Basha Catholic School offers a well-rounded education in history, civics, geography, and economics for grades 1-8, with integrated faith elements.

Highlights by grade include:

- Grades 1-3: Community roles, local government, and citizenship basics.
- Grades 4-5: U.S. founding, government principles, and cultural diversity.
- Grades 6-7: In-depth American history, U.S. regions, and current issues.
- Grade 8: World history, global events, and ethical discussions.

This structure ensures a thorough social studies foundation rooted in faith and values.



# SMB Curriculum Kindergarten–8th Grade

## Mathematics

Big Ideas Math is a comprehensive mathematics curriculum designed to help students develop a deep understanding of mathematical concepts based on the following principles: visible learning, conceptual understanding, problem-solving, and student engagement.

Key features of Big Ideas Math:

- Learning Targets and Success Criteria: This helps students to understand what they are expected to learn and how they will be assessed.
- Visual Learning: Engaging visuals and diagrams help students understand complex mathematical concepts.
- Math Practices: Big Ideas Math integrates State Standards for Mathematical Practice into every lesson which helps students to develop their mathematical skills.
- Comprehensive Assessment: A variety of formative and summative assessments help teachers track student progress and identify areas where students need additional support.

## Religion

At St. Mary-Basha Catholic School, we use the following religious education programs:

- Grades K-5: Be My Disciple curriculum, which fosters moral development and spiritual growth through Scripture, prayer, sacraments, and engaging activities.
- Grades 6-8: Christ Our Life curriculum, designed to deepen students' understanding of Catholic doctrine and their personal relationship with Jesus through age-appropriate teachings rooted in Scripture, Tradition, and the Sacraments.
- Grades K-8: Theology of the Body, integrated into our curriculum across all grades, introduces students to the Catholic Church's teachings on the dignity of the human person, relationships, and the value of the body, helping them form a respectful and faith-based understanding of human relationships and personal identity.

These programs together provide a comprehensive foundation in faith, character, and moral development for all students.

## Science

At St. Mary-Basha Catholic School, we use Amplify Science, a proven curriculum enhanced by Mystery Science for added exploration.

Key features:

- Phenomena-based learning: Units organized around intriguing phenomena.
- Hands-on investigations: Active, experiential learning.
- Literacy integration: Reading, writing, and speaking skill-building.
- Interactive tools: Digital simulations and visualizations for deeper understanding.

Amplify and Mystery Science together spark curiosity and deepen students' grasp of scientific concepts.

## ENROLLMENT PROCESS:

1. Online Application Form
  - Upload Birth Certificate, Immunizations, and Baptism Certificate
2. Teacher Recommendation Form
3. Assessment at the school
  - Online Star Assessment for 1st-8th grades
  - In-person Assessment for Kindergarten
4. Meeting with Administration
5. Online Enrollment Form due upon formal acceptance

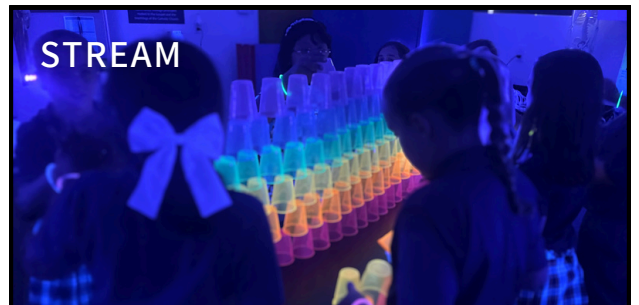




# Enrichment Curriculum Kindergarten–6<sup>th</sup> grade

Enrichment classes are an important part of a holistic Catholic school education. Students have the opportunity to learn about a variety of subjects in addition to the regular core curriculum. Students develop their creativity, problem-solving skills, and critical thinking skills while exploring subjects that may pique new interests and talents. With a hands on approach to enrichment classes, students develop skills that are vital for success in high school, college and beyond.

In addition to these general benefits, enrichment classes are an important part of a Catholic school education because they can help students to develop their spirituality. Students learn to express their faith through the arts, foreign language and culture, as well as develop a sense of teamwork and community.



# Junior High Experience

At St. Mary-Basha Catholic School, we prioritize a holistic education, fostering your child's intellectual, spiritual, and social growth through a challenging curriculum aligned with the highest standards. Explore the Junior High benefits below:

- Differentiated math: We offer a variety of math courses to meet the needs of all of our students - both on grade level and advanced mathematics.
- Science Fair: Students “learn science by doing science,” which is exemplified by the Science Project Portfolio that guides students through the process of designing and conducting a science experiment and communicating their results. The project culminates with a science fair where students showcase their work.
- Honors placement in high school: Our students are well-prepared for the rigors of high school. A majority of our students go on to place in honors and AP courses.
- Community and service: We believe in the importance of giving back to our community. Our students build community through service to our parish, school, and local organizations.
- Theology of the Body: We offer a unique course on Theology of the Body, which teaches students about the beauty and dignity of the human person.
- 7th Grade Science Camp: Students spend two days and nights at University of Arizona's Sky School at Steward Observatory atop Mt. Lemmon, where they design and conduct an ecological investigation, explore the geology of southern Arizona, and see stellar nurseries and other astronomical phenomena using the observatory's telescopes.
- A Journey to the Nation's Capital: Each year, our 8th grade students embark on a trip to Washington, DC, immersing themselves in the rich history and government of our nation.
- High school scholarships: We are committed to making Catholic education affordable beyond St. Mary-Basha. Several scholarships assist families in affording Catholic high school.
  - Kathy Campanella Catholic High School Scholarship
  - CCF Christian Service Award
  - Alice C. Hintze Memorial Scholarship
  - NJHS Outstanding Achievement Award
  - Three Principal Scholarships recognizing outstanding achievements in the categories of Catholic Values, Scholastics, and Hard Work/Persistence

Apart from our core courses, we provide a diverse range of elective options enabling students to delve into their passions and skills. Furthermore, a variety of extracurricular engagements, such as sports, clubs, and service projects, are also available.



## JUNIOR HIGH ELECTIVES



# SMB Pre-Kindergarten



St. Mary-Basha Catholic School Pre-K is a Christ-centered, play-based learning environment. Children develop math, science, language, social, spiritual, and emotional skills through a wide variety of activities. Our caring and professionally-trained staff, in partnership with the family, will teach the skills each child needs to be successful in kindergarten. St. Mary-Basha Catholic School Pre-K embraces the developmental philosophy of learning, which respects each child as a unique individual, and supports the knowledge that young children learn best through play and hands-on experiences.



## CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, also known as Atrium, is a worldwide religious formation program for children Pre-K to First Grade at St. Mary-Basha. The goal of Atrium is to fulfill the religious potential of the baptized child.

The Christ-centered catechesis in the Atrium allows children to come closer to God through Christ. Children gather in a room specially prepared for them (an 'atrium') which contains simple yet beautiful materials to grow in their faith and participate in the liturgy.



# Faith & Service at SMB

3,200

St. Vincent de Paul: Canned goods collected to restock the food pantry - September.



500

Collected over 500 Teddy Bears for Heaven's Hummingbirds, Infant Bereavement Support Center at Chandler Regional Medical Center.



46,032

Chandler Police Department: Pieces of candy donated for community events.

82

Soldiers' Angels: Pounds of Halloween candy collected and donated for military care packages.

\$1,500

Seminarian: Collected for Christmas packages, cards, and letters



1,150

Project Christmas Orange: Collected over 400 hats/gloves and decorated 750 Gift bags in partnership with the Order of Malta to fill with necessities for the homeless.

1,000

St. Vincent de Paul: Pounds of canned and non-perishable food donated - February.



886

St. Vincent de Paul: Toys collected for Santa's Workshop outreach to provide gifts to children in need.

Achievement Community Tradition Service  
of  
**FAITH**

Faith is the foundation of all we do at St. Mary-Basha Catholic School. Rooted in the teachings and actions of Christ, our community is committed to living out the Gospel message through acts of faith and service. Our students actively participate in service projects throughout the year. From our school and parish to our community and the world, we strive to make a positive impact. As we prepare our children for the future, we instill in them a strong foundation of faith, knowledge, and service.

109

Aris Foundation: Collected used back packs, water bottles and lunch totes for the homeless.



\$2,000

Sisters of Charity and Carmelite Sisters of St. Theresa: Donated from a Lenten collection to support the sisters.

342

Catholic Charities: Blankets donated



\$1,500

Immaculate Heart of Mary Health Center collection to provide medical aid.



1,000

Collected over 1,000 pounds of canned goods to stock the St. Vincent de Paul Pantry for the summer months.

# With Gratitude (2024-25)

This year, countless benefactors, families, parishioners, alumni, business leaders, staff, and friends of St. Mary-Basha have given generously to our Annual Fund Eaglethon Campaign and our school throughout the year. The Annual Fund Eaglethon Campaign is our primary fundraiser and provides the resources needed to invest in curriculum, student programs, instructional technology, campus facilities improvements, and professional development opportunities. We are incredibly grateful for the following levels of support of our Annual Fund from, July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025.

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"We always thank God  
for all of you,  
remembering you  
constantly in our  
prayers."  
1 Thessalonians 1:2

Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of this listing. If you have any questions or require further information, please contact the Advancement Office at [advancement@stmarybashacatholic.org](mailto:advancement@stmarybashacatholic.org)

# With Gratitude<sup>(CONT.)</sup>

Your generous donations, coupled with corporate matching gifts, gifts to our Endowment Fund and redirecting Arizona taxes are instrumental in making our Catholic education possible for many students. These funds directly support our mission of providing a high-quality, faith-based education. We are incredibly grateful to all of our donors, corporations, local businesses and organizations for their commitment to our school.

To further enhance our programs and facilities, we actively seek grant funding. Grants provide vital funding to expedite initiatives and needs that may not be fully budgeted in the current year. These grants allow us to invest in innovative educational initiatives, state-of-the-art technology, and vital resources that enrich the learning experience for our students. By securing grant funding, we can continue to provide an exceptional Catholic education preparing our students for a successful future.

## CORPORATION MATCHING FUNDS

We gratefully acknowledge the following companies for their generous corporate matching gifts, which amplify their employees' contributions to St. Mary-Basha Catholic School:

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Campanella Family Foundation  
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Mesa Hohokams Youth Sports Grant  
The Matthew: 1914 Project Grants

## GIFTS TO THE SCHOOL

Several individuals and companies provided support and services to enhance our faith formation, student programs and services during the school year. Thank you to the following supporters:

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### Tax Credits

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# Capital Campaign

## Campaign Prayer

Lord, We thank You for the vision and grace to grow in faith and mission. As we seek to build a new gymnasium, auditorium, and classrooms. We ask Your blessing upon this endeavor.

Guide our plans with wisdom. Inspire generous hearts to help bring this vision to life. Bless all who labor in this work - those who give, those who build, and those who will one day learn within these walls.

May this new space glorify You, serve our children, and strengthen our Catholic mission. Through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, may this project bear lasting fruit for generations to come.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen

### St. Mary-Basha Catholic School Campaign





## Building on Faith

Our Tradition, Our Future

For over 80 years, St. Mary-Basha Catholic School has been a beacon of faith and learning. Now, we're launching "Building on Faith: Our Tradition, Our Future," an ambitious campaign to construct a new 17,000-square-foot indoor facility that will significantly enhance our students' educational experience. With a transformative \$6 million grant from Shea Homes, we're well on our way to our \$9 million fundraising goal, and we humbly ask for your prayerful support and gifts to help us continue educating the whole child and building a lasting legacy of faith.



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# Iowa Test Results

## Understanding the Iowa Test Results (Spring 2025)

The Iowa Tests of Basic Skills (ITBS) is a nationally-normed achievement test that assesses your child's foundational and higher-order thinking skills in Reading, Language, Mathematics, Social Studies, and Science.

The ITBS is just one type of assessment we use to evaluate academic growth and progress. Growth is also evaluated by quarterly STAR testing, individual student testing, and teacher assessments.

The ITBS is a norm-referenced test, meaning it compares your student's performance to peers across the entire United States. The 50th percentile is considered the national average. This is different from the state's AzMERIT test, which is criterion-referenced and only measures performance against specific Arizona state standards.

The chart below highlights our Spring 2025 ITBS results by comparing the St. Mary-Basha Catholic School grade-level averages to the overall average scores of all K-8 Catholic schools in the Diocese of Phoenix. The charts display our Grade Equivalent scores in the core areas of Math, Reading, and Language Skills.

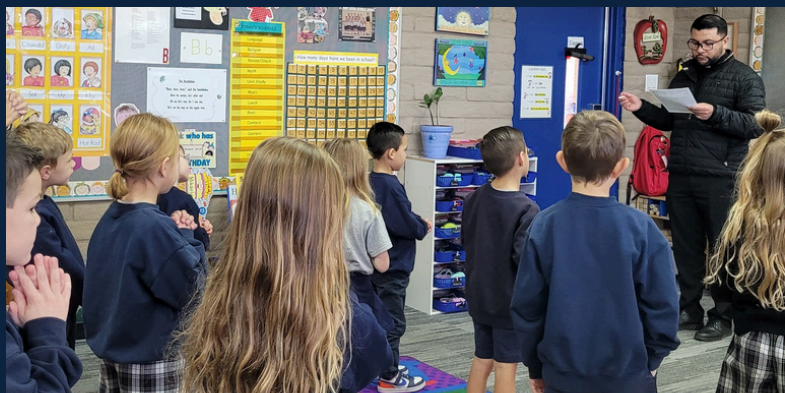
**Grade Equivalent (GE) Score Explained:** A Grade Equivalent score of 3.5, for example, means the student scored similarly to a student in the fifth month of the 3rd grade.

**Key Trend:** We are proud to report a strong, consistent trend: our average grade equivalency scores increase continuously as students progress through each grade. This growth pattern is characteristic of Diocese of Phoenix Catholic Schools and typically contrasts with the flattening achievement trend observed in many public middle school grades.

	GRADE 2024-2025	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th
READING TOTAL	SMB	3.2	4.3	6	6	7.9	9.2	10.2
	DOP	3	4	5	6.1	7.1	9	10
ELA TOTAL	SMB	3	4.4	6.2	6.2	8.5	10.4	12.2
	DOP	2.9	4.3	50	6.1	7.1	9	10
MATH TOTAL	SMB	3.3	4.5	6.1	6.6	7.4	9	11.6
	DOP	3.1	4.2	5.1	6.3	7.1	8.8	9.9
CORE COMPOSITE	SMB	3.1	4.4	6	6.4	7.8	9.6	11.9
	DOP	3	4.2	5.2	6.2	7.3	9.3	10.3

SMB	St. Mary-Basha Results
DOP	Diocese of Phoenix Results

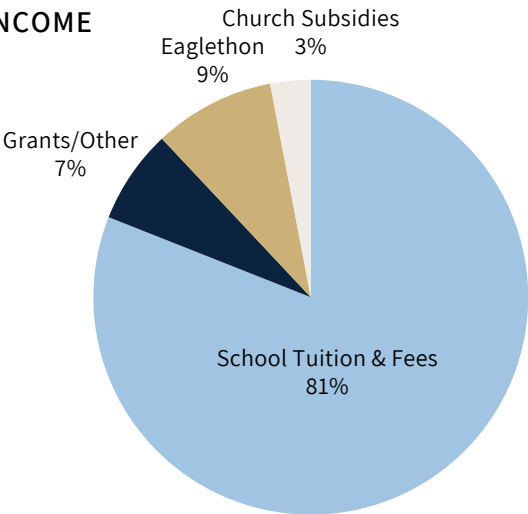
# SMB Events & Celebrations



# Financial Snapshot

## INCOME

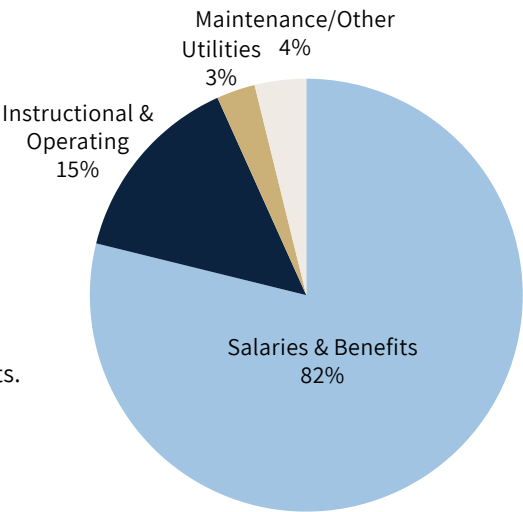
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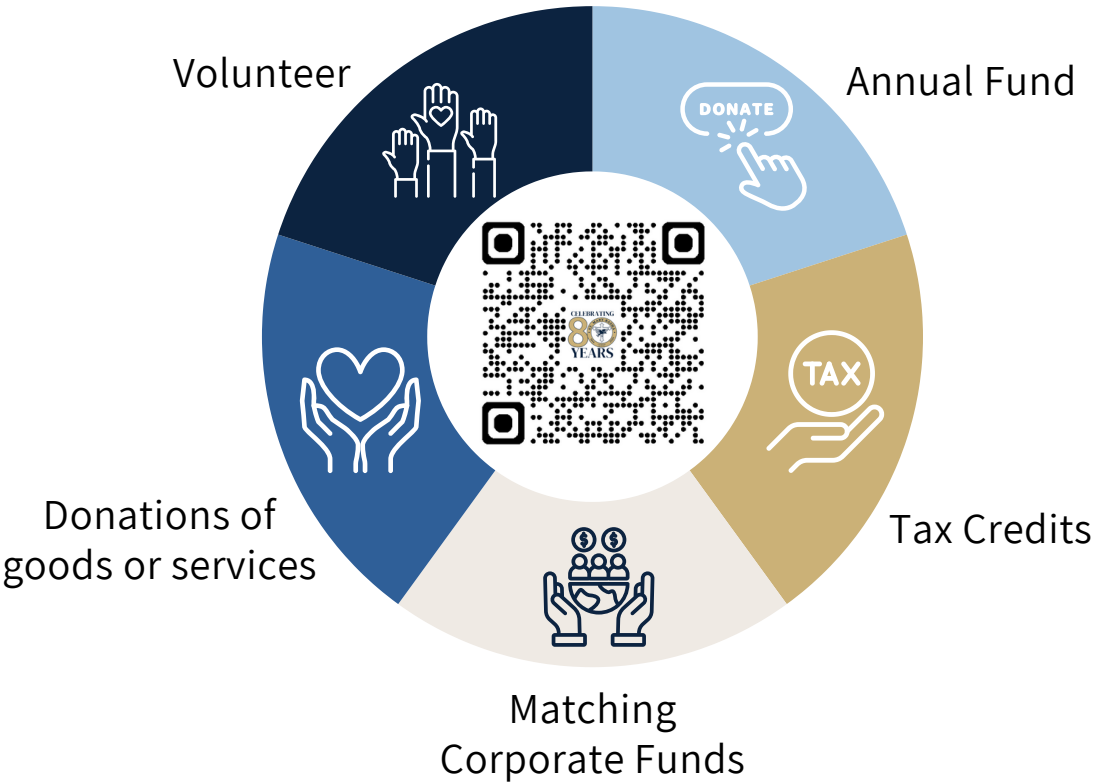
Financial sustainability remains a strategic priority. While tuition revenue contributes significantly, the crucial and growing support from our dedicated community ensures operational integrity. This past year, targeted grants and Eaglethon donations was instrumental in closing the funding gap, directly powering our continued pursuit of academic excellence and innovative programming.

## EXPENSES

Through disciplined, strategic resource allocation, this year's grants and fundraising efforts directly resulted in a significant expansion of future-ready educational opportunities for our students.



# Support SMB



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