

SAINT MARY'S SCHOOL Celebrating 175 Years of Excellence in Educating Women

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Dear Parents,

As we open the 176th year, we applaud the gift you are giving your daughter—a Saint Mary's education. As a student, she joins a community of women spanning generations and continents, and one that will be a resource for her throughout her life. The legacy of connection is powerful and cherished by thousands of Saint Mary's alumnae, and they join me in welcoming you here for a new school year.

We want to make sure you are aware of the exciting moments during the year when we connect with you moments that are not just fun ways to get to know you, but also critical to our success in communicating about and securing the school's future. Please take a moment to meet our Development team by <u>clicking here</u>.

Grandparents & Grandfriends Day | April 20, 2018

Now is the time to mark your calendars for one of our most popular events: our annual Grandparents & Grandfriends Day. We want to make sure these special people in the life of your daughter receive an invitation to this event and other school activities, so please <u>click here</u> to provide current contact information.

The Annual Fund and What It Means for Your Daughter

Your daughter's education is supported through gifts we ask all parents to make each year to the Saint Mary's Annual Fund. With our new Head of School's goal of 100% parent participation, I know this will be a year to remember. Providing funding for such items as technology, athletic equipment, materials for science labs, art supplies, and much more, the Annual Fund truly impacts Saint Mary's in ways that tuition cannot. Most importantly, every dollar raised through the Annual Fund is used to enrich your daughter's education and experience.

Volunteers

Every year we need volunteers to assist with various areas of development—from events to calling for the Saint Mary's Annual Fund. You will hear soon about our Annual Fund fall kickoff from some of our volunteer parent leaders.

You also will be hearing more from our office in the months to come. We look forward to seeing you often when you are on campus. We are located in West Rock, so feel free to stop by if you are on campus.

With best wishes for a successful and fulfilling school year for you and your daughter, I remain,

Sincerely,

Julie E. Ricciardi Director of Development