

Strength for the Journey 2022 - 2023

"They that hope in the LORD will renew their strength, they will soar on eagles' wings;

They will run and not grow weary, walk and not grow faint."

Isaiah 40:31



The theme for the 2022 - 2023 J.E. Cosgriff Memorial Catholic School year is *Strength for the Journey*. This year we are celebrating the strength we find in faith, our work, and how we care for one another. We are also recognizing and nurturing where each of us may find strength for our individual journeys.



The J.E. Cosgriff community gives us strength. Our Cosgriff Family of learners, parents, educators and support staff, along with extended families, volunteers and parishioners collaborate to support our mission of quality academic instruction grounded in Catholic teachings and traditions. As we journey together we continue to grow and respond to identified needs.



One of those identified needs is the social, emotional and mental health of our faculty, staff, students and families. Thanks to a generous matching donation from the Pitcher and Sandor-Pitcher Families of \$10,000, we are excited to incorporate an expanded MindUP Tigers Program as one aspect of supporting the development of the whole person, striving to be our best selves and the people God wants us to be. This includes an onsite MindUP trainer working with our part-time school counselor to effectively develop tools for self-management, resiliency and a positive learning community.

## ANNUAL APPEAL LETTER

Tuition income is the primary source of the school's budget, however, it falls short of the actual cost to educate a student. Tuition is set at the diocesan level, based on average cost to educate a diocesan student.

In addition to teacher salaries and core academic curriculum, Annual Appeal donations support professional development for teachers, tuition assistance, and extracurricular scholarships as needed. Cosgriff offers a broad range of programs, support, and staffing which exceeds tuition income. This includes the student to faculty ratio in our Preschool programs, split classes for Kindergarten - 2nd Grade, the Power Hour Team and Literacy Coach, aides for 3rd, 4th and 5th grades, a Learning Resource Team to support students and teachers, a part-time Counselor, excellent maintenance, technology, office and administrative teams. Our short core offerings of: Latin, Spanish, Music, Choir, Violin, Art, Computers, PE, and Library, plus stipends and expenses for extracurricular activities such as Athletics, Drama, and Mock Trial are all above and beyond what the diocesan tuition covers.

Our community humbly asks for your generous support. Donations may be made for general use or earmarked for specific areas:

- Tuition Assistance Fund: tuition assistance and extracurricular scholarships
- MindUP Tigers Matching Fund Campaign: We need your help in matching the \$10,000 donation
- Fine Arts Fund: including extracurricular programs, and updates to our live production stage and performance equipment
- Linda Paoletti Library Fund: for ongoing updates to our library including books, furniture, and technology updates

Thank you for your interest and generous support of J.E. Cosgriff Memorial Catholic School. Our fundraising efforts are critical to maintaining and strengthening the work that we do and what we provide for each student. The Annual Appeal is one important component of that fundraising as we continue to provide tuition assistance, a strong liberal arts education, maintain staffing, and our facilities.

With gratitude and respect,

Principal Lisa Romero

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For questions about the school or donating please contact Kassi Mancini at kmancini@cosgriff.org

O God, we thank you for your many gifts to us. Bless everyone who has been part of our school community since its beginning in 1957. We especially pray for the Daughters of Charity whose faithful work inspires all who follow. May this school always be the home of truth and wisdom, faith, and good will toward all, helping to build up our community and your kingdom. We ask this in the name of Jesus.

Amen

Thank you for your continued and generous support of our school and community.

Click here to donate to the general fund

Chick here to donate to specific areas

We know there are many great causes to support, we are honored you have chosen J.E. Cosgriff Memorial Catholic School.

We thank you for your consideration and generosity.