



# Annunciation School

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*“Education cannot be neutral. It is either positive or negative; either it enriches or it impoverishes; either it enables a person to grow or it lessens, even corrupts him. The mission of schools is to develop a sense of truth, of what is good and beautiful.” – Pope Francis 5/10/2014*

Dear Annunciation School Alumnus:

You know first-hand, from your Annunciation School education, that Catholic school education is positive and enriching. It helps a person to grow, not only in their skills of reading and writing, mathematics and science, but also to grow their moral character and their faith. Each of you brings a part of your education at Annunciation School to your lives on a daily basis. We hear you when you tell us that you learned excellent grammar in your English class or increased your understanding of your faith in your religion class. You cannot help but share with others the lessons you learned during your years at Annunciation.

Today, as then, our faculty helps our students learn to develop their educational and spiritual foundation. Last year, your donations to the Annunciation School Annual Fund – donations that broke previous giving records - helped to support accelerated math in grades 6 to 8, as well as the addition of instructional coaching in math and faculty math mentoring for grades 3 to 6. The results of these additional efforts were obvious in improvements in our New York State testing.

It is now time to launch our Annual Fund for the 2016-2017 school year. May we ask you to consider supporting us again this year? Or perhaps you were not able to make a donation last year; might you have the opportunity now? Your support helps us to stand apart from other Catholic schools. We are, without a doubt, one of the premier Catholic schools in Westchester County. This is evident by our continuous growth and improvement with our New York State test scores, by the number of families who choose Annunciation School and by our eighth-grade students' increased high school scholarships. Last year, our students were awarded over \$1,215,000 in merit-based, high school scholarships!

Annunciation is a school of academic excellence, and everything we do is centered on our Catholic faith. Your support helps us to continue doing this. Please consider making as generous a gift as you are able to this year's Annual Fund. Thank you for keeping your legacy as a graduate of this fine school alive for future generations of Annunciation students!

Sincerely,

Rev. Robert Grippo  
Pastor

Maureen Noonan  
Principal

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Alumni Coordinator