



VENANGO REGION CATHOLIC SCHOOL



Faith



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Dear Friends of Venango Region Catholic School,

With the start of a new academic year, the 2022-2023 VRCS Annual Fund campaign has begun. Aligned with our mission, the VRCS Annual Fund supports our overall strategic goals: to continue to provide a rigorous and engaging curriculum that promotes academic excellence and high standards, attract, and maintain quality faculty and staff, and keep tuition affordable for our working families.

Every VRCS Annual Fund contribution directly addresses the school's immediate needs and priorities to ensure academic excellence for today's students. Students at both St. Stephen School and Venango Catholic Jr./Sr. High School directly benefit from each contribution.

Gabrielle Miller, valedictorian of the Class of 2022, is just one of the many students that your contributions have directly impacted. Gabrielle would like to thank you and share what her experience at VRCS has meant to her.

"Attending VRCS provided me with many opportunities and experiences. The small class sizes allow for daily one-on-one work, so you are given the tools to succeed. The teachers truly care for each student, and they never failed to cheer me up when I was down or push me to chase my dreams, even if they were a little crazy. My teachers, especially my science teachers, were the ones who inspired me to pursue a career in healthcare. I was always interested in the processes and diseases of the body and did well in my sciences, but I was always reluctant to look at these careers. The teachers at VCHS taught me that I could do whatever I put my mind to and helped me gain confidence over my four years there. They inspired me not to let my fears hold me back any longer and to work toward my dreams while pursuing my passion for helping others.

Today, I am a part of the Class of 2026 at Saint Francis University in Loretto, PA. I am majoring in Nursing (BSN) with a minor in American Sign Language, and I am also participating in their Honors Program. VRCS and my parents helped me form the solid spiritual and academic foundation I needed to pursue my dreams."

On behalf of VRCS students like Gabrielle, we thank you for your continued commitment to Catholic education. Without your support, students would not have access to Catholic education in the Venango region.

If you believe in Catholic education's life-long benefits and its long-term effects on our community, please consider supporting Venango Region Catholic School with a monetary donation.

Generous donations have ensured our capital improvement plans:

- The Venango Catholic Jr./Sr. High School Campus has undergone a substantial renovation with new windows throughout the building.
- The Venango Catholic Jr./Sr. High School gymnasium will be installing new LED lights and new scoreboards.
- The St. Stephen campus is developing plans for an outdoor playground area.
- Additional capital improvements are on the horizon for both campuses.

This year, VRCS is setting an Annual Fund campaign goal of \$150,000. Any gift, no matter the size, makes an impact. Whether you donate \$5 or \$1,000, every dollar is a gift that makes a difference.

Faithfully in Christ,

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