



**Catholic Schools of Broome County  
Office of Alumni and Development**

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**On behalf of the CSBC community, we thank you! This past year has been a whirlwind and we wanted to share how your support has helped us continue to pursue our mission.**

The Mission of the Catholic Schools of Broome County is: to provide a comprehensive education to every student in a faith based environment; fostering a culture of academic excellence, moral integrity and a sense of community.

Over the last year we have celebrated many successes, in the classroom, on the stage, on the field, and in the gym. This was accomplished by the dedication of our students, the commitment of our faculty and staff, and by the generosity shown by all of you. To recognize this, I am pleased to present our 2024/2025 Donor Impact Report.

First the boring part...the numbers! In the past year we saw an increase of 67% in total donations, a 27% increase in active donors, a 12% increase in donor retention year over year, and a 57% increase in special event income. This support is seen widespread throughout CSBC. We see generous support in all areas, athletics, performing arts, technology, science, facility improvements, tuition assistance, and many more.

Moving on to the notables. The class of 2024 graduated in June, heading to destinations such as: Stanford, University of Miami, University of Notre Dame, Rutgers, Binghamton University, Michigan State, University of Tennessee just to name a few. A true testament to the high level of education they received, the class of 2024 was offered over \$3 million in college scholarships. Cannot wait to see where the Class of 2025 will be heading!

We had students compete in the Lockheed Martin CodeQuest challenge, with SCC student Ben McFiggins bringing home the 2nd place trophy in the novice division. The St. John's Odyssey of the Mind Team is heading back to the World Competition for the 2nd year in a row! The SCC swing choir brought home silver and bronze awards in several divisions from the WorldStride Competition in Williamsburg.

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In athletics, we saw 3 sectional championships-Girls Tennis, Cheer (also made a state competition appearance), and Boys Basketball (also made a regional appearance). Boys soccer was a sectional runner-up. We had several all-conference and all division all stars from Girls Tennis, Boys Soccer, Girls Varsity Soccer, Boys Varsity Golf and Boys Varsity Basketball. SCC Athletes who qualified for state appearance or recognition include: Will Pipher, Boys Varsity Golf and Boys Hockey, John Redmore, Boys Varsity Golf, Gracie Williamson, Cross Country, Allan Eagles, Boys Basketball, and Brian Dempsey, Boys Basketball. Allan Eagles was also Noted as Class A Player of the Year. In Boys Lacrosse, we have seen school records broken by Julian Montalvo (most saves) and Rory Callahan (most goals). In Girls Softball, Oliva Nazarenus has thrown her 200th strikeout (p.s. she is only a Freshman!) As a result of a generous donation from the Ahearn Foundation (the Cahill and Ahearn Families, 8 graduates of Catholic Schools) we welcomed back the Boys Tennis team this spring. In the Fall will also be offering for the first time, Girls Volleyball!

The Vitkus Center for Excellence (VCE), was brought to life by the generosity of Dr. Robert Vitkus from the Seton Catholic Class of 1970. With Dr. Vitkus' passing came a gift that has been facilitated by his brother Mr. James Vitkus, Seton Catholic Class of 1969. The Vitkus Center has been under renovation since early 2024 and recently welcomed students in January of 2025. There are dance classes, theatre and choir rehearsals, and business classes held throughout the week. We also welcomed the SCC Branch of Visions Federal Credit Union. A fully-functioning branch for CSBC families and students.

Annually we award close to \$1 million in tuition assistance with the help of parish support, diocesan support, and the generosity of donors. Just this year, we have added 4 new named scholarships to our long list of tuition assistance opportunities and have seen an increase in a 5th scholarship. We received generous bequests from 2 separate estates, enabling us to offer memorial awards from both. We received a \$25,000 donation that provides 3-\$3000 awards at SCC and 8-\$2000 awards at St. James. The James and Christine Corgel award provides \$5000 a year for 4 years, originally for 2 students. A third beneficiary was added this year and there is discussion of funding more students in the future!

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In terms of technology, through the assistance of the Catholic Schools of Broome County Foundation and donations received on the 2024 Giving Tuesday, we are able to provide promethean boards to every classroom in the elementary schools and SCC. We are also upgrading the security camera systems at each school. Both of these updates will occur during the summer break!

Finally, I have the pleasure of announcing 2 major gifts that we have received in the last 2 weeks. The newest addition to the VCE, donated by the generous folks at SaveAround, is a new work-based learning opportunity focused on producing custom merchandise. This will be a hands-on learning experience with student interns learning all aspects of running a business. We also thank the Ahearn Foundation again...they are making a \$20k donation to our band department to renovate the SCC Music Room over the summer. As evidenced by everything I've shared, we are so incredibly blessed by our supporters. Your contributions continue to create impact everyday throughout CSBC.

**Thank you all and God Bless.**

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