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Bishop McGuinness Catholic High School is not a school of affluence, but rather a school of inclusion, where a diverse student population assembles each day to help others better understand the world around them. This diverse population would not exist without a robust financial assistance program.

Since 1977, financial aid has been available for students wishing to attend Bishop McGuinness; however, in 1980 Principal Steve Parsons initiated an aggressive work grant program designed to help families manage the rising cost of Catholic education. A \$100,000 endowment was established to support the program. Since that time, other endowments and named scholarships coupled with our annual Forever McGuinness Campaign have helped sustain the program.

Seventy-five students participated in the program during that year. Our school's population has grown by 96 students since 1980, and the number of students participating in the scholarship program has also increased. Today, over 200 students help around the school to defray a portion of their tuition costs for their families.

As our population grows and tuition expenses rise, the need for financial support is greater than ever. Over 27% of our students currently benefit from our financial assistance program. The Forever McGuinness Annual Support Campaign serves to support those families with verified financial needs. Because of your support last school year, we were able to award \$925,000 in financial aid. Without your generosity, many of these students would not have been able to continue their education at our school or take advantage of the many opportunities a Bishop McGuinness education provides. In the words of our Patron Saint Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati, Charity is pure and perfect love extended toward others.

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# PROGRAM SUCCESS STORIES

This program gave my family the aid needed to keep me at McGuinness when financial stress came to our family. It also gave me the very real understanding of the value of my place at McGuinness.

### MEGAN'II

My initial years I worked with Brenda. She taught me how to be efficient and become a hard worker. I learned to appreciate things we take for granted. My last few years at BMHS, I worked with Mrs. McGannon in the front office. This helped me succeed with communication skills and interpersonal relationships.

#### KIMBERLY 'OI

The work-study program, combined with part-time and summer jobs, allowed me the privilege of holding a personal stake in my education decisions. I learned the value of hard work and focused determination from my program sponsors, Mr. Gaeton English and Mr Lorne Thomas. I have never forgotten those lessons that shaped my work ethic and my gratitude for opportunity. That guidance has proven invaluable in my adult life and in the way I brought up my own child.

#### TOSEPH 83

One summer, I was a part of a team who painted each and every classroom in the building. It was before the school was air conditioned so it was a hot, sweaty, paintsplattered summer, but the team got each other through! To this day, I do not enjoy painting (except on canvas!) but it was gratifying completing each room every day with a fresh coat of paint. The work grant program allowed me the resources to receive a BMHS education which, in my opinion, is priceless.

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