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VISION 2026

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## VISION 2026

Strategic visioning work began for Marianapolis in 2012, as representatives of the community planned deliberately with a long-term future in mind. In the years since this initial framework was established, a fully adopted, community-wide culture of continuous evaluation, improvement, and visioning has yielded robust growth in programs and infrastructure across the School.

Though our momentum paused for the past few years, we are poised and ready for an era of post-pandemic growth. Marianapolis must remain simultaneously centered on its mission and core principles, and competitively responsive to market demands, to both reap the benefits of sound planning done previously and move forward with new and exciting opportunities to invest in its future.

The statements that follow reflect the imagination, innovation, and expansion we believe to be critical in realizing the future for Marianapolis. Our efforts must be more profound than ever before, as we embrace momentum towards the School's centennial anniversary in 2026.



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## MISSION STATEMENT & STRATEGIC VISION

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Successful organizations are guided daily by their mission and values. Marianapolis is no exception, and the articulation of the School's mission has remained the same for over two decades:

*The mission of Marianapolis Preparatory School is to educate students in the Catholic tradition of academic excellence, with a commitment to an active faith in God and a dedication to building character with content, compassion, and integrity.*

Guided by these principles, our strategic visioning statement asserts:

*Marianapolis Preparatory School will become a leader in the Catholic educational community, committed to exploring and adopting innovative educational techniques while remaining traditional in its approach to character development.*







## CORE VALUES

Five key concepts highlight the strengths of Marianapolis Preparatory School:

- Enrichment through Catholicism
- Sustaining community
- Commitment to service
- Imparting academic excellence
- Embracing multiple diversities

## VALUE STATEMENTS

To reshape the future of our community, we must share a common understanding of what Marianapolis represents and believes in. Guests on campus should - and do - find our community practicing these core values on any given day. The core beliefs and behaviors we deem significant in fulfilling our mission are as follows:

*"Marianapolis cultivates a lifelong commitment to engaged, responsible citizenship."*

*"Marianapolis sustains its nurturing*

*community environment with fidelity to tradition, integrity, and advancement."*

*"The Marianapolis population maintains not only international diversity, but also acceptance of all faiths, national or ethnic origin, citizenship, sex, sexual orientation, and socioeconomic backgrounds."*

*"The Marianapolis faculty imparts an intellectual, creative, and interpersonal education; graduates emerge as able contributors to the global frontier."*

*"Fundamental Catholic values enrich all aspects of life at Marianapolis."*



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## STRATEGIC INITIATIVES

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Three key strategic initiatives are vital for advancing the School's external position in the independent school marketplace and perpetuating Catholic education regionally and around the world. These initiatives have been endorsed by the Board of Directors, drive current planning and investment, and will make Vision 2026 a reality.





## STRATEGIC INITIATIVE

**Extend our mission and market position domestically and globally.**

- Achieve a sustainable balance of boarding students in existing and new markets.
- Strengthen enrollment from competitive feeder schools.
- Partner globally to create satellite and online schools.



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## STRATEGIC INITIATIVE

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### Invest in facilities that physically and aesthetically match the quality of our programs and education.

- Enhance athletic facilities to match current unmet needs and future programming potential.
- Create a dedicated space for the fine and performing arts.
- Provide spaces for full community gatherings and multi-purpose functionality.
- Provide new residential accommodations to support the student and faculty experience.

Marianapolis is a vibrant and innovative community whose dynamic capacity and vision for programming beyond the classroom are currently underrealized due to facilities limitations. Furthermore, prospective families and campus visitors see current physical constraints before feeling and experiencing the strength of our community and all we offer. While remaining dedicated to preserving the School's traditions and history, as embodied in our beloved campus spaces, the time has come to enhance and extend these spaces to allow for the growth and development of the School.





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### Grow the endowment to provide resources necessary for funding the School's major strategic priorities.

- Identify and implement initiatives to support the School's growth. These include endowed faculty chairs, named scholarships, educator recruitment, programmatic support, and more.
- Educate prospective donors in estate planning and other planned giving vehicles, such as outright gifts, charitable remainder trusts, bequests, memorials and endowments.

To bolster the School's endowed resources is to foster opportunities for innovation. At all phases of the Marianapolis experience, new and dynamic strategies for growth can be implemented with appropriate funding.

Planned giving brings with it a number of significant benefits including current income tax deductions; avoiding long-term capital gains taxes; increasing income and the effective rate of return; reducing estate and gift taxes; and leaving a legacy that benefits the Golden Knight community for generations.



Tom Dodge '73  
Planned Giving Society Member



## ATHLETIC & STUDENT CENTER

**THE PLAN:** A new athletic center, connected to the existing athletic facility by a student center.

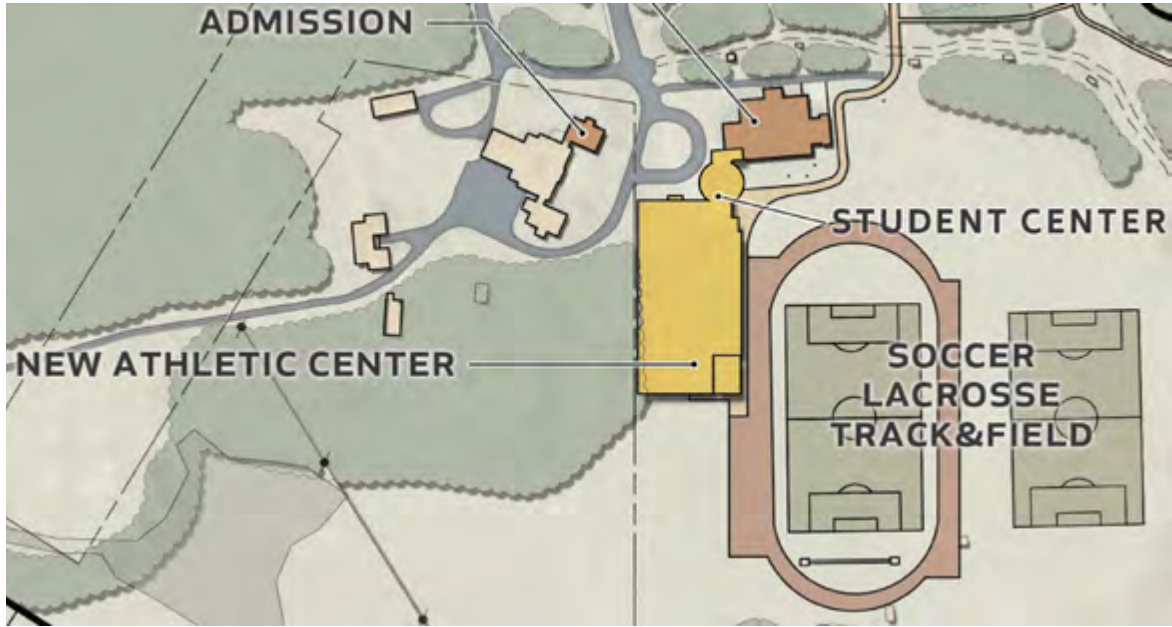
To address current constraints and equip Marianapolis with the facilities needed to meet its untapped potential, a new Athletic and Student Life Center has been conceptualized that will connect to the existing athletic facility on campus and provide ample space for current and future programming.

The facilities housed in the new athletic zone will include at least three dividable courts with flooring options for sports with specific needs such as wrestling and tennis, expanded and innovatively equipped spaces for training, ample space for fitness equipment, locker and weight rooms, storage for general and sport-specific equipment, and spectator capacity.

The Student Center will include a variety of small and large gathering areas, kitchen facilities, and a hub for the Student Activities Director. Linking the two athletic spaces, the Student Center will be a community-owned space for all that fosters bonding of our naturally diverse community. It will also provide spaces that promote health, wellness, nutrition, relaxation, and work-life balance. These enhancements will directly benefit the entire Marianapolis community and contribute to the collective health of mind, body and soul of all who pass through and benefit from Athletic and Student Life opportunities on campus.







## FINE & PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

**THE PLAN:** A new building that will expand the educational, practice, and performance space required to deliver the caliber of arts programming desired and planned for Marianapolis students. Current facilities constraints render this unfeasible.

To reinforce our commitment to the arts as a critical component of students' development – and attract scholars and guest artists whose influences could shape the identity of art at Marianapolis – we must provide designated spaces with appropriate capacities. A new Fine and Performing Arts center with collaborative workspaces, ample instructional and practice zones, permanent gallery display space, and a 600+ capacity theater for whole-community gatherings and large performances will chart the course forward. Advancing the Arts at Marianapolis and creating a central gathering space for the full community will thus enhance the nurturing of each student's mind, body, and spirit, as well as that of the entire School.







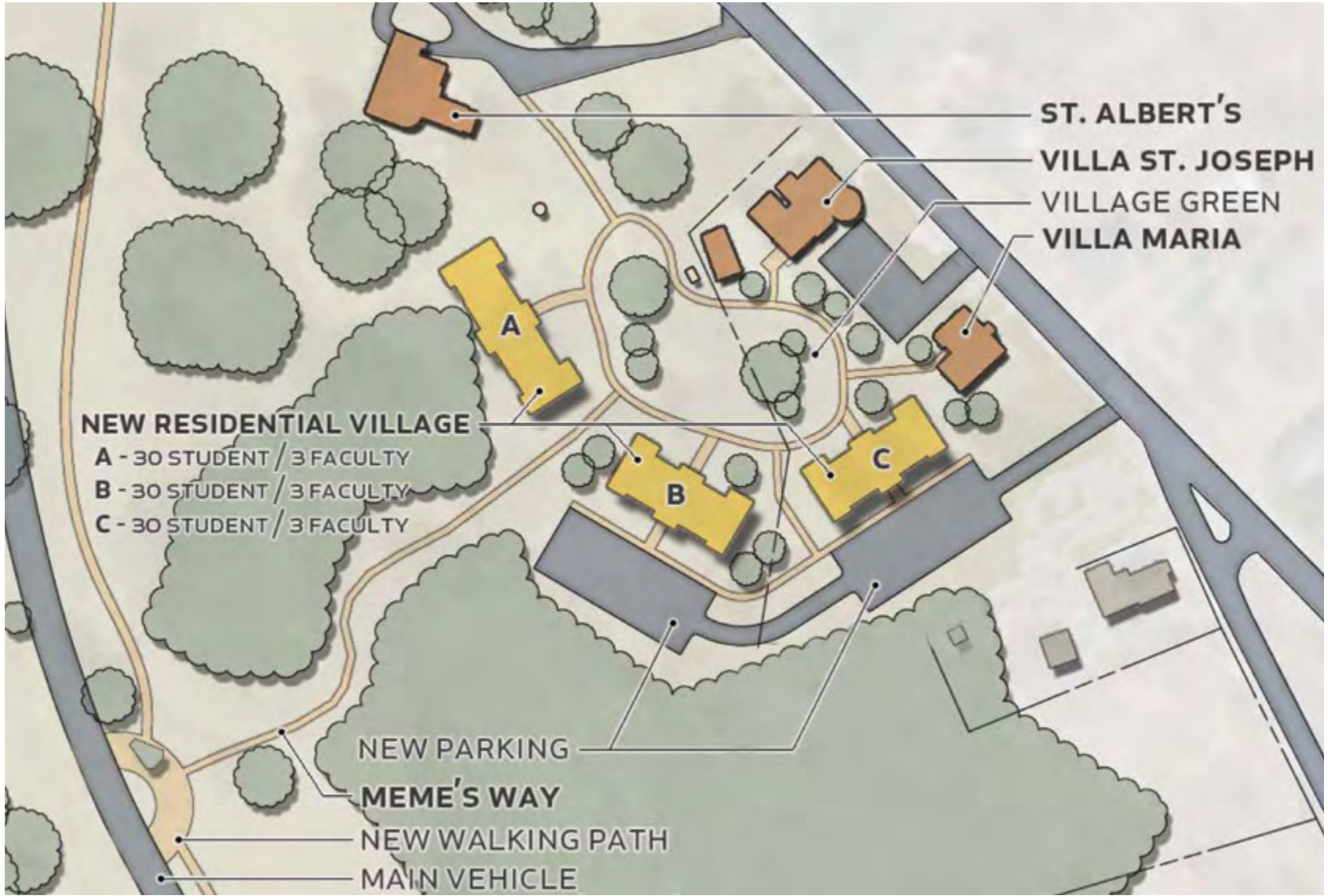


## RESIDENTIAL VILLAGE

**THE PLAN:** The proposed residential zone is designed as a village of small, home-style residences to mirror the existing girls' houses.

The existing primary boys' dorm, St. John's Hall, holds 90 students. The building has four hallways, for which the Residential Life Team has worked hard to assign separate attributes, student leaders, and faculty residents. The new residential village would redistribute students among three separate buildings. This village-style living would foster a greater sense of residential identity and belonging as well as align the quality of male residential housing with the girls' spaces and industry competitors. This model also increases faculty oversight and involvement, creating nine staff residences versus the four currently offered in St. John's. The change will directly impact the quality of life for all.



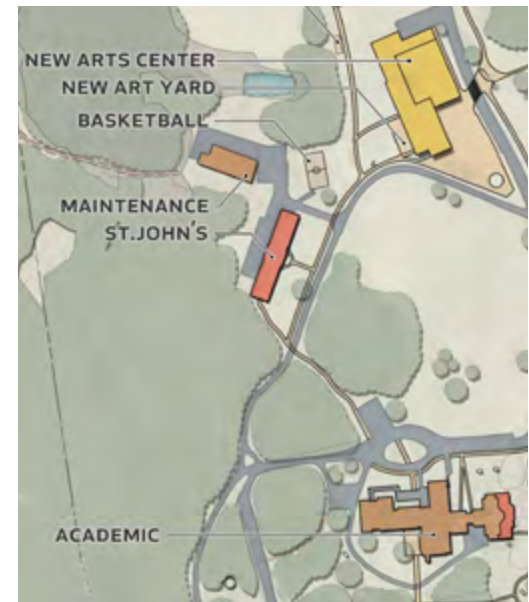




## ST. JOHN'S RENOVATION

**THE PLAN:** To create an academic triangle alongside the Fine & Performing Arts Center, with the residential spaces moving from St. John's to the new residential village.

The existing architecture of St. John's is most suited to traditional classroom halls. As other campus construction projects facilitate the movement of residents and departments elsewhere, St. John's would come online as a three-floor academic hub. Current course offerings and faculty numbers require that teachers and departments share classroom space during the daily class rotation. Renovation in St. John's allows for not some but all departments (e.g.: Humanities) to have designated classroom areas, thus faculty-designated classrooms, fostering more thoughtful and comprehensive opportunities for collaboration and student support.







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## CONCLUSION

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We are blessed by the dedication of those who have come before us, the hard work and commitment of our faculty, staff, and students, and the ongoing support from those currently investing in Marianapolis: our alumni, current and past parents, and friends. All these individuals, along with many rich traditions and sacred campus spaces, have been instrumental in making our strategic vision a reality as we approach the upcoming centennial anniversary in 2026.

Marianapolis Preparatory School will become a leader in the Catholic educational community, committed to exploring and adopting innovative educational techniques while remaining traditional in its approach to character development.

However, currently several key facilities on campus no longer reflect the Marianapolis mission and vision and pose physical constraints to fully realizing the potential of our programs. We need your help to take the next important steps in securing the School for another 100 years and look forward to partnering with you to honor our past and build the future of Marianapolis together.

### **Interested in supporting the effort?**

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