



Mercy
McAuley

PACK PROGRESS

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OUR PATH
OUR PACK

Welcome to the First Edition of Pack Progress!

We're thrilled to introduce our monthly e-newsletter, designed to keep our valued Mercy McAuley community informed about the exciting progress of our capital campaign.

\$4,768,439!

We've raised \$4,768,439 — that's 87% of our \$5,500,000 goal!

Because of this success, we added a **\$4,500,000** stretch goal to further enhance our campus — **including theater upgrades, an art wing, and a turf field.** Each month, we'll share highlights, milestones, donor impact stories, and ways you can stay involved as we work together to transform our campus and strengthen our future. Your support and enthusiasm have brought us this far, and we look forward to continuing the journey with you — one month, one step, and one success at a time.



Big Announcement! Air Conditioning Equipment Donated

We were thrilled to receive a generous in-kind donation of air conditioning equipment, which will be installed in the wellness wing and 19 classrooms, six of which have been renovated this summer. Air conditioning will ensure a comfortable, year-round learning environment and improve the air quality for our students, staff and visitors. A Fortune 500 company with a presence in Ohio donated the equipment, which marks a significant step forward in our ongoing efforts to create the ideal space for teaching and learning. The in-kind gift is valued at an impressive \$270,102! Even more exciting, the total value of this donation is significantly higher, as we also received additional equipment that will allow us to air condition many of the remaining classrooms and spaces throughout the building as resources and renovations allow.

Summer Construction Completed

This summer, *Our Path. Our Pack.* brought exciting upgrades:

- Renovated three main restrooms with modern fixtures and improved privacy.
- Replaced all exterior doors with reinforced, secure materials.
- Updated six classrooms with new windows, air conditioning, and furniture.



All of these improvements are visible signs of our commitment to enhancing students' daily experience and investing in our school's future.

Alumnae Connections: Be a Class Rep!

Being a class rep is a meaningful way to stay connected and give back. You'll serve as the primary point of contact between your class and the capital campaign. Class reps are already meeting and sharing ideas about how to engage classmates and inspire support.



Reconnect with classmates and be part of the planning that activates the largest alumnae base of any local all-girls Catholic high school! Volunteer by contacting Capital Campaign Coordinator Lori Rochford, rochfordl@mercymcauley.org.

Parent Volunteers Needed!



Follow Your Daughter's Schedule

August 21
7:00 - 9:00pm

Our Path. Our Pack. will host an information table at events at the beginning of this school year. Stop by, say hello and sign up to join the efforts to raise awareness and funds for our campus transformation.

Parent volunteers will be organized by grades and will begin meeting in September. This is a great way to connect and contribute!

Capital Campaign Q&A with Brigitte Foley



Q: Why are we launching a capital campaign now?

A: We've reached a point where key improvements are needed to support our students, faculty, and mission. Now is the right time to invest in our future to ensure our programs and facilities remain competitive and serve our community well.

Q: How was the campaign goal determined?

A: The goal was carefully set based on a combination of facility needs, project costs, and results from a feasibility study that assessed donor interest and capacity.

Q: How can I support the campaign?

A: You can make a one-time gift or pledge over multiple years. Every contribution, no matter the size, makes a difference.

Q: Will my annual gift still be needed?

A: Yes! Annual giving supports day-to-day operations and programs. Capital campaigns are separate and fund major one-time expenses. Both are essential to the school's success.

Q: Can I direct my gift to a specific project?

A: In many cases, yes. We welcome conversations about how your gift can align with both your interests and the school's priorities.

Q: How will campaign progress be communicated?

A: We'll provide regular updates via newsletters, social media, and our website, including milestones reached, donor spotlights, and construction progress.

Q: Can I make my gift online?

A: Yes. To make your gift or pledge online, visit www.mercymcauley.org/ourpathhourpack

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