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JOHN PAUL II CATHOLIC SCHOOL

2024-25 | **ANNUAL REPORT**



mission statement

John Paul II Catholic School educates students of all faiths in a caring, Christ-centered environment. We prepare students to be scholars with a soul in accordance with the traditions of the Catholic faith and through the intentional commitment to our core values of service, holiness, integrity, excellence, leadership, and discipleship.

An Artist's Garden at Giverny, Claude Monet, recreated by Toni Clotti, Class of 2028



SCHOOL LEADERSHIP

David Lima *President*
Heather Rembold *Principal*
Tabatha Reeves *HS Assistant Principal*
Stephen Gaylets *MS Assistant Principal*
Tom Smith *Athletic Director*
Cara Buckland *Director of Counseling & Student Support Services*
Alan Lewis *Dean of Students*
Deacon Brent Heathcott *Campus Minister*
Fr. Daniel Perry *Chaplain*

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Edward Nelson
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Fr. Daniel Perry
Monsignor Ronald Cellini



A letter *from* the President

DAVID LIMA

It is with great joy and deep gratitude that I write to you in my first year as President of John Paul II Catholic School. From the very first day, I have been inspired by the spirit of this community—our students, faculty, and families truly embody what it means to live as a community of faith. The energy, generosity, and commitment I have experienced at JPII have been nothing short of extraordinary.

Throughout the 2024-2025 Annual Report, you'll notice woven into our story the vibrant spirit of the fine arts at JPII. We've highlighted and intertwined photos and news from our students' artistic achievements in music, theater, and visual arts. These moments beautifully showcase how creativity and expression are integral to our mission. The fine arts are not just a program—they are a powerful way our students bring faith, joy, and community to life.

This year, we have taken meaningful steps to renew and revitalize our identity as Warriors. Central to this effort has been the revitalization of our SHIELD values—Service, Holiness, Integrity, Excellence, Leadership, and Discipleship—which guide us in forming young people ready to lead with courage, serve with compassion, and live with faith at the center of their lives.

Our growth has been remarkable. With the largest enrollment in our school's history, we stand as a beacon in the Lowcountry, dedicated to academic excellence and faith formation. We continue to be recognized as a Project Lead the Way School of Distinction, an honor reserved for only 1% of schools nationwide. We were also named a Gold Level AP Honor Roll School by the College Board, a distinction earned by just 6% of schools—clear evidence of our students' and teachers' exceptional work.

Even as we celebrate these successes, we look ahead with hope and determination. We are making tremendous progress in our Capital Campaign for the new Innovation Center and are just a few million dollars from breaking ground. This transformative facility will open new opportunities to learn, create, and grow. I invite you to prayerfully consider joining us in this effort to build a bright future for JPII.

As St. John Paul II reminded us, *"Catholic education is above all a question of communicating Christ, of helping to form Christ in the lives of others."* At John Paul II Catholic School, this is our mission, our calling, and our joy. Thank you for your faith, generosity, and partnership as we continue to strengthen our legacy of faith and excellence.





Our Mission in Life

My connection to John Paul II Catholic School began long before the first foundation was poured. My wife, Nancy, and I joined St. Andrew Church on Pinckney Colony Road before St. Gregory the Great was even built. When Fr. Gregory West became pastor, he asked me to serve on the Diocesan Building Commission (BRAC) as a regional representative—a role I still proudly hold more than twenty years later.

When Helen Ryan and her team began serious plans to establish a Catholic high school on Diocesan property along Highway 170, she asked me to join the effort. Together, we helped negotiate the land trade that made possible the current JPII campus. What started in the religious education building of a Baptist church in 2013 soon moved into a permanent home in early 2014. Since then, it's been a joy to watch the campus grow—first with the Athletic Center in 2017, then the sports fields, and most recently the new maintenance building and student parking lot. Each milestone has been a testament to the faith, persistence, and generosity of this community.

Now my focus is on the next chapter: the Innovation Center. With God's blessing, we plan to begin construction next spring. I'm fully committed to helping make it a reality because I believe deeply in the mission of JPII—to form students who are not only academically strong but grounded in faith and values.

Nancy and I share the belief that each of us has a mission in life. We've both been blessed with knowledge and skills gained over our working years, and we feel called to put those gifts to good use. For Nancy, that means continuing her active involvement at St. Gregory the Great Church and school. For me, it means helping provide an environment where students can grow intellectually and spiritually, preparing them for the challenges of life.

It's a demanding mission, but one richly rewarded by the sight of happy, smiling students and the gratitude of parents who know their children are being shaped by faith and excellence. To me, there's no better legacy than that.

— Ross Kuykendall

"Beauty is a key to the mystery and a call to transcendence. It is an invitation to savor life and to dream of the future."
— Saint John Paul II

Financials

REVENUE

Tuition and Fees	$ 6,395,613	
Less Financial Aid & Discounts	$(-1,810,227)	
Net Tuition	$ 4,585,386	48%
Parish Subsidies	$ 203,593	2%
Gifts and Grants	$ 4,023,464	42%
Misc Income	$ 717,326	8%
TOTAL REVENUE	$ 9,529,770	100%

EXPENSES

Salaries, Taxes, and Benefits	$ 4,454,617	60%
Instructional	$ 472,900	7%
Administrative	$ 522,755	7%
Extracurricular Activities	$ 664,947	9%
Facilities*	$ 904,496	12%
Debt Service	$ 361,962	5%
TOTAL EXPENSES	**$ 7,381,676**	**100%**

**Includes leases for modular classrooms and buses*

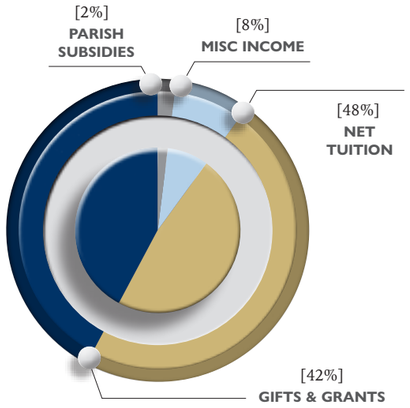
FUNDS RAISED IN FISCAL YEAR 2025

Boosters	$ 116,633
Capital Campaign	$ 2,871,368
Golf Tournament	$ 22,990
Grants	$ 500
Other Restricted	$ 187,590
Scholarships	$ 562,413
Warrior Fund	$ 190,833
TOTAL FUNDS RAISED	**$ 3,952,327**

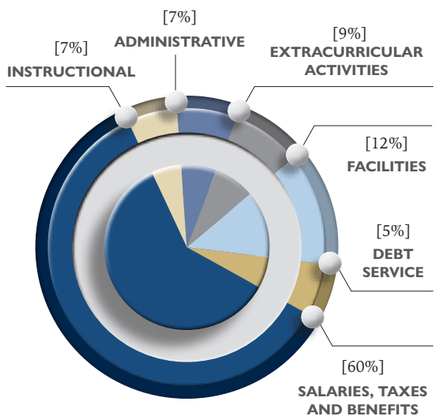
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REVENUE



EXPENSES



Our Stats for 2025-2026

ENROLLMENT REPORT

Total enrollment 415

Current enrollment by grade:

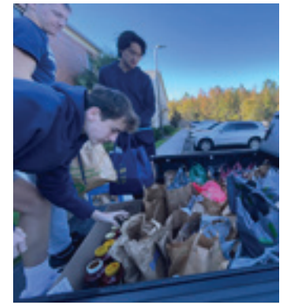
6th	28	10th	51
7th	65	11th	65
8th	62	12th	61
9th	83		





Ways to Give

Scan the QR code for a list of options.





DIVERSITY

55% male

45% female

non-Catholic 27%

23% African American, Hispanic/Latino, Asian & other ethnicity

Testing Profile Class of 2025

ACT	SAT
Top 25% Composite: 28 Median: 23 Mean: 22	Top 25% Composite: 1342 Median: 1100 Mean: 1132

Advanced Placement

AP	AP Scholars
133 Students 281 Exams 56% of 9-12th graders took at least 1 AP Class 80% of the scores were 3 (out of 5) or higher	56 students were named Scholars by College Board: 40 Scholars 6 AP Scholars with Honor 10 AP Scholars with Distinction 14 AP Seminar & Research Certificate 12 AP Capstone Diplomas
AP School Honor Roll Gold Award Designation	

JPII Scholarships

thank you to our scholarship donors who contributed $741,152 in the past year to the JPII Scholarship Fund. More than 50 students were awarded scholarships this year in addition to tuition assistance, ensuring a JPII education remains within the reach of all economic levels. Your generosity will change the trajectory of not only the lives of these students, but of generations to follow.

Msgr. Cellini Scholarship
Daughters of Charity Ministries
Ehmke Scholarship Fund
Fagon Scholarship Fund
Mr. & Mrs. James Flickinger
Folds of Honor
Mr. & Mrs. Martin Gleason
James Sheehan Scholarship
JPII Faculty & Staff Promise Scholarship
Mr. & Mrs. Paul McEvoy
McInerney Endowment
Ms. Mary Moran
Notre Dame Club of Hilton Head
Mr. & Mrs. Steven Parks
Mr. Brian & Dr. Susan Quinty
Mr. John Rohrs
Dr. Helen Ryan
St. Anthony Hardeeville Scholarship Fund
St. Francis Center
Mr. & Mrs. Harry Silletti
Mr. & Mrs. Christopher Tilton
Mr. & Mrs. Al Urbano



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— Saint John Paul II

Piet Mondrian art, recreated by Isaac Leonard, Class of 2028, Siya Patel, Class of 2026, and Katie Zhang, Class of 2028

Testimonials



BENNETT COBB

CLASS OF 2025

My Capstone project opened my eyes to the harsh realities of human trafficking, a clear violation of Catholic Social Teaching. I distributed over 2,000 bars of soap stamped with the hotline number to hotels and motels in Hardeeville and Bluffton, where such outreach can save lives. This experience showed me how close this issue is to our community and deepened my compassion and responsibility as a Catholic. I've learned that service is spiritually healing—it draws us closer to God and honors the dignity of every person.

SERVICE

We know, love, and serve God by loving and serving others.



ANDREW BOYDEN

CLASS OF 2026

Holiness can seem unattainable, but when we embrace it not just as a word but as a calling, its true meaning becomes clear. To me, holiness means being set apart for a divine purpose. This understanding has shaped me as a student, athlete, leader, and disciple. Each day, I strive to choose what God calls me to do—not just what the world expects—so his plan can unfold in my life. My journey has been strengthened by the JPII community, where prayer, academics, athletics, and leadership all point us toward God. Holiness means keeping your eyes on the Lord and striving daily to live for him.

HOLINESS

We strive for the virtue of holiness, seeking to live each day in union with God through prayer, sacrifice, and love of neighbor.



RACHAEL BRENNEMAN

CLASS OF 2026

Integrity has been the value that has guided me most during my time at JPII. To me, it means doing the right thing even when no one is watching—being honest in my work, relationships, and choices. At times, shortcuts seemed easier, but choosing integrity taught me responsibility and built trust with my teachers and friends. It reminds me that character matters more than convenience. Because of this, I've grown not just as a student, but as someone who strives to lead with honesty and purpose.

INTEGRITY

We will live with integrity by aligning our choices with our faith, speaking truthfully, acting justly, and honoring our commitment to the mission and values of JPII.

Testimonials



DANIEL SNYDER

CLASS OF 2025

At JPII, excellence is not just a goal—it is the standard. Teachers, coaches, and peers alike expect us to do ordinary things in extraordinary ways. Over the past four years, I've grown as a student and as a person through AP classes, athletics, DECA competitions, retreats, and service. Mediocrity was never part of our vocabulary. Rooted in Colossians 3:23, we are reminded to 'do our work as for the Lord.' This belief inspires me to pursue excellence in every situation, knowing that all we do is meant to glorify God.

EXCELLENCE

We strive to do our best in the classroom, on the field and stage, and by modeling a Christian lifestyle.



ISABELLA PEREZ

CLASS OF 2025

True leadership is more than directing others—it's living by example with integrity, courage, and faith. At JPII, I've served as Model UN president, DECA vice president, NHS secretary, FCA leader, and Varsity Soccer captain. These opportunities have shaped me into a more confident and compassionate leader. I am grateful to JPII for encouraging us to lead with purpose, grounded in our Catholic values. The lessons I've learned in leadership will guide me for the rest of my academic journey and personal life.

LEADERSHIP

We empower students to be courageous Christian leaders.



LILY TERMINI

CLASS OF 2026

To me, discipleship means drawing closer to God and striving to live each day with Christ at the center of my life. Through prayer and the Women's Bible Study group, I've been able to build a stronger relationship with him. In Bible Study, my friends and I reflect on Scripture and encourage one another in our faith. Prayer helps me stay grounded and focused on what truly matters. Both have deepened my faith and strengthened my desire to live as an intentional disciple.

DISCIPLESHIP

We form intentional disciples who follow Jesus Christ.

Capital Campaign

WHERE FAITH AND INNOVATION MEET CAPITAL CAMPAIGN GOAL

$12,500,000

We are entering the final stretch of our capital campaign, and the moment to make an impact is now. With $8 million already secured in cash and pledges, we are closer than ever to a historic milestone—the groundbreaking of the Innovation Center. This 48,000-square-foot facility will transform educational excellence in the Lowcountry, replacing ten temporary modular classrooms and creating the capacity for our student body to grow to over 500 students.

To bring this vision to life and open our doors by August 2027, we must begin construction soon. The Diocese has generously committed to providing a construction loan, but reaching our goal requires $12.5 million in cash and pledges by 2026. Together, we can build a lasting legacy for generations of Warriors to come.



TRANSFORM THE FUTURE OF EDUCATION IN THE LOWCOUNTRY

NAMING AND RECOGNITION OPPORTUNITIES

Thank you... golden warriors

Innovation Center	1	$ 5,000,000	
Commons	1	$ 1,000,000	Dr. Helen Ryan
Science and Art Wing	1	$ 1,000,000	Dr. Helen Ryan
The Grand Stair	1	$ 500,000	Mr. & Mrs. Paul McEvoy
Collaboration Café	1	$ 500,000	
Student Work Gallery	1	$ 500,000	
Science Classroom	3	$ 500,000	Mr. & Mrs. Martin Gleason The Freissle Family Anonymous
Makerspace & Art Studio	1	$ 500,000	
Music Classroom	1	$ 500,000	Mr. & Mrs. Paul McEvoy
2nd Floor Classrooms	8	$ 250,000	Mr. & Mrs. Richard Schmaltz Mr. & Mrs. Christopher Tilton Mr. & Mrs. Paul McEvoy (5 Remain)
Outdoor Stair	1	$ 100,000	Mr. & Mrs. John Cooney
Collaboration Studios	4	$ 100,000	Mr. & Mrs. Heath Hill Mr. & Mrs. Ed Mitchell Mr. & Mrs. Tom Veldman Mr. & Mrs. Brian Eidt
Observation Deck	1	$ 100,000	Mr. & Mrs. Joseph McDermott
Conference Room	1	$ 100,000	Mr. & Mrs. George Buckland
Offices/Teacher Workroom	4	$ 100,000	Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Gareau Mr. Douglas Tozur Mr. & Mrs. David Swanson Mr. William Mayhall & Ms. Linda Foell
Reception Area	1	$ 100,000	Mr. & Mrs. John Debrovner
Chapel	1	$ 100,000	Dr. & Mrs. Frederick Weniger

Leadership Gifts of $25,000 - $99,999 will be afforded recognition on the Campaign Wall of Honor that will be prominently and permanently displayed in the Innovation Center Commons along with the named donors above.

Capital Campaign

DONOR GIFTS

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The Masterplan

As the school has grown in enrollment, so has the need to increase parking, provide better traffic flow, address security needs, build out athletic facilities, and provide a dedicated place of worship.

Phase I of the plan is now complete with a new 140-vehicle parking lot constructed. To make room for this parking lot a new soccer field was placed to the east of the baseball field. Because JPII is a campus and not just a singular school building, a security gate and guardhouse was added and is now manned by a security guard. A much-needed maintenance storage building and outdoor basketball court are located on the northside of the parking lot. This phase also included the cost of designing the Innovation Center. The cost of Phase I was approximately $4,000,000.

Phase II will see the construction of the Innovation Center on the current practice field to the left as you enter campus. This phase has actually already begun with the renovation of the existing Commons into a grab-n-go style cafeteria allowing JPII to finally have the ability to serve lunch to its growing student and staff population. As part of this phase, we will soon begin building another athletic field to replace the current practice field. The cost of Phase II is estimated to be $22,000,000.

Phase III will enable our athletic campus to expand to meet the needs of our growing population and programs. Likely added in stages, the plan calls for a new multi-sport stadium with track, a concession and restroom building with storage, tennis courts, a new softball field, as well as lights, scoreboards, and bleachers for all fields. An addition to the athletic center is also envisioned that will create a much-needed practice gymnasium, girls and boys locker rooms for high school students, storage space, and a large fitness center. As part of this plan, the frontage road that parallels 170 will eventually be completed adding a second entrance at the east end of the campus. The cost of Phase III will be determined once conceptual design work is completed.

"Not all are called to be artists in the strict sense of the word. Yet, as Genesis has it, all men and women are entrusted with the task of crafting their own life: in a certain sense, they are to make of it a work of art."
— Saint John Paul II





John & Kathleen Cooney

It Takes a Community

My involvement with John Paul II Catholic School began years ago after serving on the finance committee and the campaign to build the grade school at St. Gregory the Great. During the campaign, I discovered I had a gift for fundraising—and I wasn't afraid to ask when I believed in the mission. I also saw the urgent need for strong Catholic education in the Lowcountry. Monsignor helped me realize that my family, who has been greatly blessed, could and should do more for others.

Living in such a charitable community has been a blessing. Before COVID, I knew most of the residents on Spring Island, and at the time, only a few Catholic families were supporting JPII. That changed after I invited several families to tour the new gym some of us had helped fund. We were impressed but noticed the locker room wasn't finished. In the parking lot afterward, five of us agreed to give $100,000 to help complete it.

A few years later, I became concerned that the school's science programs were underfunded. After speaking with the principal, I learned $50,000 could make a real difference. Just as we began planning, John McCarthy arrived with a vision to build a full STEAM program. Once his plan took shape, we rallied more supporters and raised $330,000 to launch it. That was only the beginning—to date, with help from many Spring Island residents, we've raised $1.25 million for the new Innovation Center, and one member donated several acres of adjoining land.

"Catholic education is above all a question of communicating Christ, of helping to form Christ in the lives of others."

My desire to give back comes from my upbringing and education. My father was quietly generous, something I only fully appreciated after his passing. My sixteen years in Catholic schools, especially at Notre Dame, taught me the importance of stewardship and service. In retirement, I've found fulfillment supporting causes that change lives—particularly JPII.

JPII's story speaks for itself: faith-based values, academic excellence, discipline, diversity, and ever-increasing outstanding college placements. Meeting families whose children have received life-changing opportunities affirms why I give.

It's invigorating and deeply rewarding to help shape JPII's future. The Innovation Center and the integration of ethical AI in its STEAM programs ensure our students are prepared—both intellectually and morally—for tomorrow's world.

— John Cooney

Warrior Fund

EVERY DOLLAR TOUCHES THE LIVES OF OUR STUDENTS

The Warrior Fund stands at the heart of John Paul II Catholic School's annual fundraising, fueling programs and opportunities that make a lasting difference in the lives of our students. This unrestricted fund bridges the gap between tuition and the true cost of a JPII education, supporting everything from advanced classroom technology and academic enhancements to vibrant extracurricular and athletic programs. Your generosity helps us deliver a well-rounded educational experience that equips students for success in college and in life.



Gifts to the Warrior Fund also strengthen our campus—keeping facilities safe, welcoming, and inspiring. From upgraded security systems and enhanced athletic fields to modernized classrooms, these contributions ensure an environment where students can thrive. In addition, the Warrior Fund provides crucial tuition assistance, opening the doors of a Catholic education to families who might not otherwise have access.

Every dollar invested in the Warrior Fund has a direct and meaningful impact on our students, faculty, and community. Your support empowers JPII to live out its mission of faith, service, and academic excellence while building a bright future for all Warriors.

Pope John Paul
$10,000 and above
Heaven's Treasure Thrift Store
Ms. Sarah Keller
Dr. Helen Ryan

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$5,000 to $9,999
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MUSIC

FINE ARTS HIGHLIGHT

A Landmark Year for the JPII Band Program!

The 2024–2025 school year was a landmark year for the John Paul II Catholic School Band Program—one defined by exciting firsts, remarkable growth, and generous support from our community. The high school and middle school band students joined forces for the school's first-ever live band performance at a football game, filling the night with energy and school spirit. Their music electrified the crowd and marked a milestone moment for Warrior Nation.

Students also formed JPII's first jazz band, Speeding in a School Zone, bringing fresh energy and personality to the stage. Their debut at the Christmas Concert set the tone for a year filled with creativity, rhythm, and fun.

At the SCISA Music Festival, the High School Pop Band proudly represented JPII for the first time and earned a Gold Medal Rating for their outstanding performance and musicianship—a testament to their hard work and growing talent.

Behind these achievements was a wave of community generosity that helped the program grow stronger. A new drum set elevated the rhythm section, band storage cabinets provided essential organization, and additional rock band instruments expanded creative opportunities for every musician.

It was a year of unforgettable performances, new traditions, and a shared passion for music. The JPII Band Program is hitting all the right notes—and the future has never sounded better.





Booster Club

SUPPORTING OUR STUDENTS & ATHLETES
FUND FOR EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

The John Paul II Catholic School Booster Club plays an essential role in advancing the success of our athletic programs and extracurricular activities. By uniting parents, alumni, and local businesses, the Booster Club raises vital funds that empower our students to perform at their best. From purchasing equipment and uniforms to supporting transportation, robotics, and student retreats, the Booster Club strengthens every aspect of the JPII experience—building a foundation for growth, teamwork, and excellence.

Last year, through the remarkable generosity of our community, the Booster Club raised more than **$87,000**. These funds enhanced our sports facilities, expanded coaching resources, and ensured that every team—from varsity to middle school—has the tools needed to thrive both on and off the field. With your continued partnership, the Booster Club will remain a cornerstone of Warrior life, fueling athletic achievement, extracurricular excellence, and the development of leadership and school spirit.

Together, we are forming champions—on the field, in the classroom, and for life. Thank you for your steadfast support of our Warriors.







DRAMA
FINE ARTS HIGHLIGHT

JPII Takes Center Stage with Bye Bye Birdie!

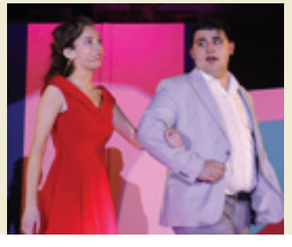
The school musical, Bye Bye Birdie, was a smash hit from the opening curtain to the final bow! With toe-tapping tunes, 1950s flair, and plenty of laughter, our talented cast transported audiences straight to Sweet Apple. From swooning fans to show-stopping dance numbers, every scene kept the crowd cheering for more.

Months of dedication, teamwork, and countless hours of rehearsal paid off in a performance that will be remembered for years to come. The energy on stage was matched only by the incredible support from our JPII community.

A special thank you to our Booster Club for their nostalgic "Birdie Diner" concessions and to our generous sponsors who help make these productions possible. To everyone who clapped, built, painted, promoted, or cheered—your support made this show soar. Bravo to our cast and crew for an unforgettable performance filled with heart, laughter, and Golden Warrior spirit!









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College & University Acceptances 2021-2025

With great pride and gratitude, we present the college acceptances for the past five years — a testament to the extraordinary commitment, resilience, and ambition of our John Paul II Catholic School community. These achievements reflect far more than academic success; they represent the culmination of years of dedicated formation, steadfast support, and hearts set on excellence.

Our students' paths to higher education have been shaped by inspiring teachers and staff who guide, challenge, and nurture their potential; administrators who champion a mission-driven vision for their future; and families whose unwavering partnership makes this journey possible. Most importantly, this list reflects the determination, discipline, and faith of our students who have boldly embraced the call to grow intellectually, spiritually, and personally.

As they take the next step in pursuit of their God-given purpose, we celebrate not only the impressive institutions that have welcomed them, but the character and leadership they carry forward into the world



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Boston University
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Brevard College
Carolina University
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Coastal Carolina University
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College of Charleston
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Duke University
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George Washington University
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Lander University
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University of North Carolina, Wilmington
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CLASS OF 2025 MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS

Palmetto Fellows Scholarship	$146,000
LIFE Scholarship	$380,000
HOPE Scholarship	$391,600
Total Number of Students Earning State Scholarships	46
Total Value of State Scholarships Awarded	**$917,600**
Total Value of OTHER Scholarships Awarded	**$7,513.080**
Total Scholarships	**$8,430,680**

MUSIC

FINE ARTS HIGHLIGHT

JPII Shines at the SCISA Music Festival

The stage was alive with energy, artistry, and pure joy as John Paul II Catholic School's talented musicians took center stage at the **SCISA Music Festival**. From the choir's breathtaking harmonies to the band's powerhouse performance, our Golden Warriors delivered a showcase that reflected months of dedication, discipline, and love of the performing arts.

The **JPII Choir** opened with exceptional blend and tone, earning special praise from their adjudicator. Their first piece, *"O Love"* by Elaine Hagenberg, highlighted the sopranos and altos with stunning clarity and control. They followed with *"Tres Cantos"* (arr. Marcos Leite), a fully memorized and choreographed performance that left the judge delighted and the audience captivated.



Our **vocal soloists** also made their mark, earning top honors across the board:

- **Gold**: Bella del Mazo (11), Hailey Heckert (11), Zach Reardon (10), Clare Jolley (9), Kinzlee Minton (6), and Samantha Justini (7) for her piano solo.
- **Silver**: Abigail Clarke (11), Walker Benson (7), Victoria Mouhalis (8), and Parker Melvin (8).

Making history this year, our **first-ever Jazz Band Ensemble** took home **Gold** with a crowd-pleasing performance of *"Blue Suede Shoes"* and *"Blue Moon,"* featuring guest vocalist Clare Jolley (9). Their smooth sound and confident stage presence were a testament to the strength and growth of JPII's instrumental music program.

Behind every note was a story of early mornings, late rehearsals, and shared passion. We are deeply proud of our student musicians and grateful to our dedicated music faculty for inspiring excellence and joy in every performance.



VISUAL ART

FINE ARTS HIGHLIGHT

Art One

Students in Art One combined learning about art history with the trendy yet handy skill of furniture refurbishing and painted masterworks on items like footstools, dressers and cigar boxes. *"We've done this project almost every year in Art One and many of our JPII alumni tell me that as they move on to their college dorms and first apartments, their painted furniture is one of their favorite items in their new place." —Kefrin Woodham, Chair of JPII Fine Arts Department*



Artwork

Students in Art One explored shape and space with dimensional dioramas. William Clark (Class of 2028), created a dimensional diorama highlighting soccer and other interests.

Art One students continued to explore shape but focused on gaining technical skill with X-Actos as expertly modeled by Nate Miller (Class of 2028) left and Alivia Ogden (Class of 2028) right.



Saint Catherine Art Expo

The Annual Saint Catherine Art Expo was a joyful celebration of youthful creativity and faith. The day was commenced with a Mass presided over by Bishop Jacques Fabre-Jeune, during which our very own Julia Andreoletti (Class of 2030) had the honor of delivering the first reading and was honored as the overall winner of her age group.



PreAP Visual Arts

Our talented and collaborative PreAP Visual Arts class worked on creating a large installation of a modern version of the Virgin Mary, by first choosing a palette and aesthetic that was engaging as well as a format that could be completed by 14 students. Section by section, our students completed this beautiful tribute to Mary that will be hung in the center hallway of the main academic building.



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