



Mercy
McAuley

PACK PROGRESS

AUGUST 2026

OUR PATH.
OUR PACK.

Our Back-to-School Issue!

**As of August 10, 2026 we
have received \$6,574,297!**

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We are blessed to have received so many gifts in response to the personalized letter we mailed to alumnae in July. We have received both pledges and one-time gifts of all sizes and designated to the visual arts, the theater, athletics and to the general building efforts. Every gift – no matter how it is designated - helps create opportunities for current and future students to create, inspire, lead and learn.

Mercy Day Match through September 24, 2026

If you give or pledge a gift before September 24 – Mercy Day – it will be matched dollar for dollar, thanks to an anonymous donor who committed \$250,000 to *Our Path. Our Pack*. The donor's generosity has already magnified the impact of 82 gifts (ranging from \$10 to over \$49,000). We've matched over \$123,000.



Send your gift or pledge today and double its impact! Make your gift online at www.mercymcauley.org/ourpathourpack.

Celebration of Generosity

On Wednesday, August 12, we invited our treasured donors to a Celebration of Generosity. The evening of gratitude and celebration began with a **Prayer Service** followed by a **Reception and Tours of our completed renovations.**

It was a fantastic opportunity to celebrate the impact of the campaign while enjoying fellowship with other supporters of Mercy McAuley.



CELEBRATING
YOUR
GENEROSITY!



Kicking off the 2026-2027 School Year!

As we begin a new school year let's celebrate our students and new faculty and staff!

**Total Number
of Students**

394

**Number of
grade schools
represented by
student body**

35

**Percentage of
students whose
mothers attended
Mother of Mercy
or McAuley**

32%

Please join us in welcoming our new faculty and staff members to the Pack! (From L to R):

- Dan Wallace, Assistant Athletic Director & Head Varsity Basketball Coach
- Molly McClarnon, Theology Teacher
- Johanna Richardson, Student Success Coach
- Michelle Nie, Social Studies Teacher
- Nicole Abugoch, Main Office Associate/Attendance & Latino Liaison
- Cathy Statzer, Main Office Associate
- Lindsey Zech Bethel, Spirit Shop Manager
- Gena Bailey, Gala Coordinator



A New Tax Benefit for Your 2026 Giving to Mercy McAuley

We're excited to share an important change that may make your charitable giving even more rewarding in 2026.

Beginning with the 2026 tax year, individuals who do not itemize their federal tax deductions may be eligible to deduct up to \$1,000 in qualifying charitable contributions from their federal taxable income. Married couples filing jointly may be eligible to deduct up to \$2,000. This means that your generosity can make a difference in our mission while potentially providing you with an additional federal tax benefit—even if you normally take the standard deduction.

What you need to know:

- The deduction is available beginning with tax year 2026.
- The maximum is \$1,000 for individual filers and \$2,000 for married couples filing jointly.
- The provision applies to qualifying cash contributions to eligible charitable organizations.
- Be sure to keep records of your charitable gifts, including receipts or written acknowledgments, for your tax records.

We encourage you to consider making your 2026 charitable gift and taking advantage of this new opportunity to support Mercy McAuley and the capital campaign.

Please note: Tax rules and individual circumstances vary. Donors should consult their tax professional regarding their specific eligibility and tax situation.