

To The Saint James School Community,

The Home and School Association (HSA) would like to offer a sincere THANK YOU to everyone who helped make this school year a huge success. We extend a very special thank you to all the volunteers who donated time and talents this year. Each HSA event and fundraiser takes many hours of work and preparation and we are so appreciative of all the help we receive. We also are very grateful for the continued support of Fr. Cavanaugh, Mrs. Zorger, and the members of both the school and church offices.

For the 2017-2018 school year, HSA-sponsored fundraisers profited over **\$48,500!** We are so grateful for your generosity and dedication to fundraising. Often we are asked, **“What is HSA money used for?”** In a nutshell, HSA fundraisers help keep the school running. To help keep tuition down, the school relies on non-tuition sources of funding. The HSA is one of those sources and hence HSA funds are an essential part of the school’s budget. The funds we generate assist in paying for things like classroom supplies, books, field trips and operating costs to name just a few.

HSA funds are also used for fun! By organizing social events throughout the year, we are able to build upon the sense of community that makes our school so special. Over the past several years we have tried to offer more opportunities for families to come together and we hope that your experience has been enriched because of these events.

We are already planning for next year and are excited for all that is to come. Thank you to everyone who responded to the end-of-the-year survey. Your feedback is so important as we plan for next year. We do our best to incorporate as many new ideas as we are able. Many times the biggest hurdle to changing up events or adding new ones is volunteer power. Please consider how you can help out next year. There are always opportunities to fit many different schedules and we really do need all the help we can get.

We welcome your help, ideas, and feedback so please contact us any at anytime at [hsa@saintjameschool.net](mailto:hsa@saintjameschool.net).

Thank you again for a wonderful year!

Sincerely,

The 2017/2018 HSA Board Members  
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