



# ST. LOUIS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

## 2018-19 ANNUAL FUND FAQS

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### **What is the difference between the Annual Fund and PTO fundraisers?**

*Annual Fund monies are for significant capital expenses and scholarship; ensuring the long-term stability of the school and its facilities. Monies raised specifically through PTO events such as the Silent Auction, Hawks 5K, etc. fund many items in the PTO budget including field trip subsidies, room parents, graduation, cultural arts, retreats, and hospitality to name just a few.*

### **Is 100% participation by parents important?**

*Yes! One-hundred percent participation in the Annual Fund shows our commitment to the school, its faculty and staff, and our children.*

### **How do I know how much to give?**

*Each family has its own obligations and expenses. We only ask that each family give the best donation they can to the Annual Fund. While gifts differ in size, each gift has the same impact on participation.*

### **I can't give very much. Should I still make a donation?**

*Yes. All financial donations to the Annual Fund make a difference. Consider being a Hawk's Hero with a \$5 gift. The only gift that is too small is no gift at all.*

### **Is my donation tax deductible?**

*Yes. St. Louis Catholic School is a 501(c)(3) organization.*

### **Does my donation qualify for Corporate Matching Gifts?**

*Many companies have matching gift programs for their employees, retirees and board members that will double or even triple your gift. This extra support is very much appreciated. Contact your employer to determine if they will match your financial gift and to find out the guidelines for obtaining matching funds.*

### **What are Annual Fund Angels?**

*Annual Fund Angels direct their gifts to the full-price purchase of specific items. This year, donors may elect to direct their donation toward the purchase of a Chromebook (\$300).*

### **Will a monetary donation count toward my PTO service hours?**

*No. Money donated to the Annual Fund is not considered PTO funds.*