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THE FRIENDS OF FATHER JUDGE HIGH SCHOOL, INC. ANNOUNCES \$1.5 MILLION GIFT TO FUND NEW BIOLOGY LABORATORY AND NEW SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM NAMED IN MEMORY OF FRANCIS AND CATHERINE BRADY

The Friends of Father Judge High School, Inc. (The Friends) announces the receipt of a multi-year \$1.5 million commitment to renovate the Biology Laboratory at Father Judge High School and establish a new scholarship fund. Both will be named in memory of Francis and Catherine Brady, who prioritized Catholic education for their children. All their children attended Saint Timothy Parish School in Mayfair. Their sons attended Father Judge High School, and their daughters attended Saint Hubert High School. The gift was made by Mr. James Brady '80 and Mr. Stephen Stines in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Brady's lifelong commitment to Catholic education.

Mr. Brady, a retired biopharmaceutical professional, commented, "It is a privilege to give back to Father Judge High School. Throughout my career, I have seen firsthand the extraordinary impact biotechnology can have—from curing disease to addressing environmental challenges. Through this investment in Father Judge, we hope to spark a lifelong passion for science—inviting students to explore early, dream boldly, and realize their full potential, especially within the transformative field of biology. Father Judge High School has long been a cornerstone of opportunity in Philadelphia and strengthening it for future generations has never been more important. The Brady Scholarships will help expand access to this state-of-the-art facility for deserving students regardless of financial circumstances. In the Salesian tradition, this effort supports the next generation of 'Judge Guys' in living the vision of Saint Francis de Sales to 'Be who you are and be that well.'" Mr. Stines added, "Supporting Father Judge is deeply meaningful to me as a way to honor the Brady family's enduring commitment to faith, education, and opportunity, and to help carry those values forward for future generations."

The Catherine and Francis Brady Scholarship Fund will provide tuition assistance through two designations: the Catherine Brady Scholarship for Tomorrow's STEM Innovators, supporting students with a demonstrated passion for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics, and the Francis Brady Scholarship for Building Bright Futures, supporting students who show leadership, service, and commitment in fields beyond STEM. Any student, regardless of their field of academic study, will be able to apply for a scholarship under one or the other program.

Reverend Joseph G. Campellone, OSFS, President Emeritus, shared the following sentiment about the gift, "The vision of our 3301 Capital Campaign is to create a school environment to give our students options that fit their diverse talents. Mr. Brady and Mr. Stines' generous leadership gift will expand the many other options that already exist because of this successful campaign. More importantly, the new Biology Laboratory and the new Scholarship Fund will truly give our students the opportunity to make a difference in our world. Father Campellone continues, "On behalf of the entire Judge Community, we are truly grateful to Jim and Steve for their

belief in our school and for their kindness. Now, Mr. and Mrs. Brady's legacy will live on forever and make a positive impact on our students."

Inside the newly renovated laboratory an inscription on the wall reads: "Enter with curiosity, and in awe of all that God has created, stay to learn and experiment, go forth to solve and cure." It is a dedication to scientific curiosity and problem-solving meant to inspire all who enter.

This investment advances the academic mission of Father Judge High School by strengthening the learning environments that enable students to pursue rigorous, college-level study. Father Judge offers a strong college-preparatory program that includes Advanced Placement and dual-enrollment coursework, allowing students to engage in demanding academic work while still in high school.

The renovation of the Biology Laboratory directly supports the continued expansion of the Advanced Placement and upper-level science offerings. The new laboratory will feature updated equipment, collaborative workspaces, and technology that allows students to engage directly in advanced biological experimentation, preparing them for advanced study in science, engineering, and health-related fields.

Through collegiate partnerships, Father Judge students may earn college credits before graduation and even complete an Associate Degree in Business alongside their high school diploma. These opportunities provide a meaningful academic advantage as students transition to higher education, demonstrating both achievement and readiness.

Together, these academic pathways—strengthened by updated laboratory facilities—ensure that Father Judge graduates leave not only well-formed in faith and character, but academically prepared, credentialed, and confident as they pursue college, careers, and lives of leadership.

Established in May 2002, The Friends is a Pennsylvania nonprofit corporation that fundraises exclusively for Father Judge High School, with all funds securely managed for the school's benefit. To date, The Friends have invested more than \$17 million in campus improvements, financial aid, and academic programs that strengthen the school's mission. In fall 2023, Father Judge launched *The Campaign for 3301: Securing the Future of Father Judge*, a capital campaign advancing strategic initiatives to serve a diverse student body. Including this commitment, the school has secured \$21.5 million toward its \$20 million campaign goal.

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Editor's Note: Father Judge High School was founded in 1954. The all-boys school is dedicated to educating its students' minds and souls in the spirit of Saint Francis de Sales. For more information, visit www.fatherjudge.com/.

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