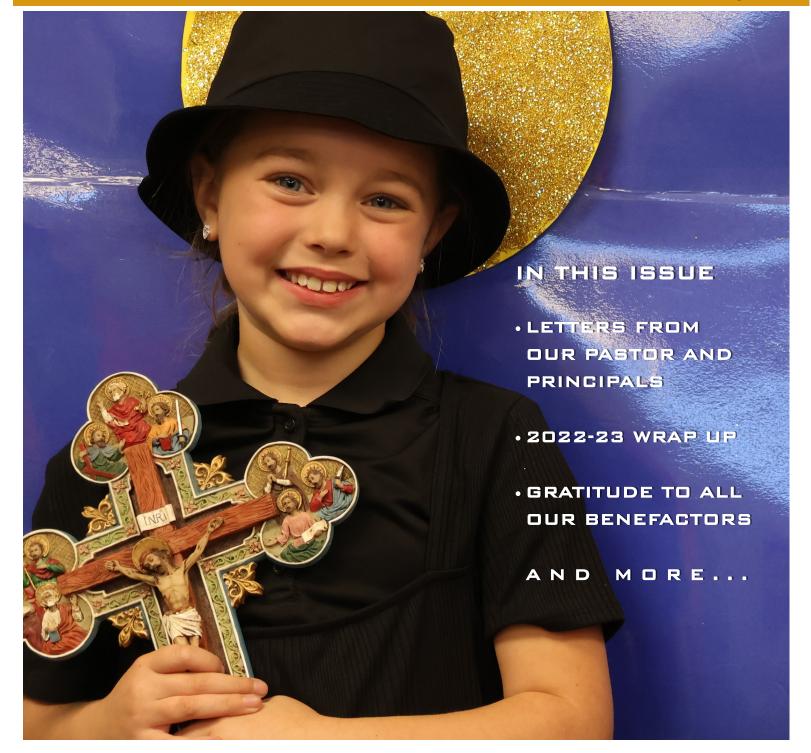


Annual Report 2023



WORDS FROM OUR SETON CATHOLIC SCHOOL'S' PASTOR/ADMINISTRATOR

Dear School Family,

I hope everyone is enjoying this Advent season. I am in Rome, Italy on a five month sabbatical. I truly miss seeing all of you. But we are be together in prayer. I am praying for all of you in Rome!

The whole purpose of Catholic education is to impart to our students an attitude of faith - faith in Christ and faith in the goodness God creates in them through his Spirit. Only faith can raise us to a higher lever of being human. We would not know what it means to be human unless we gaze on the human face of Christ to be touched by His divinity. Here at Seton Catholic, we also teach our children the true meaning friendship, again transformed by friendship with Christ. The Spirit enables us to relate to Christ as friends and Christ reveals to us His abounding love through His abiding presence. May His grace radiate in our lives and in each classroom of our students.

I am grateful for the sacrifices of our teachers and principals. I am sure each of our teachers are a great friend to our students. May they and their families be blessed now and always!

With prayers and blessings

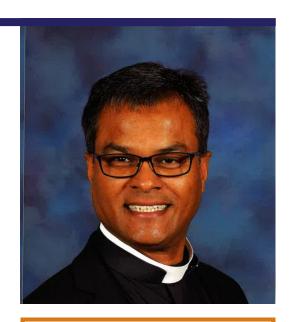
Fr. Sengole Gnanaraj, STL Pastor/Administrator Seton Catholic School

Seton Catholic School is extremely blessed to have an outstanding school commission.* All seven commission members generously give of their time, talent, and treasure on behalf of our schools. We thank each member of the commission for answering this call to serve the young people of the greater Richmond community.

The role of the school commission is to advise our pastor and principals on the development of policies and long-range plans for the operation of the school. Commission members are appointed by the pastor.

The commission meets the fourth Wednesday of each month beginning at 6:30 p.m. in Father Hillman Hall at Seton Catholic High School. All are welcome to attend. Please notify the commission at least two weeks in advance if you wish to be added to the agenda.

*Current commission members are listed on page on 3.



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WORDS FROM OUR SCS' PRINCIPALS

Seton Catholic School's donors are amazing! So many folks give to our schools of their time, talent or treasure. All donations are welcomed and benefit our students.

We have many parents and parishioners who donate funds for

specific causes within our schools. Some donate school supplies for teachers and for those students who come to school without basic materials to learn. Many books are donated and periodicals are ordered to equip our libraries and classrooms with great reading material. New and gently used clothing is donated to our clothing closet. Prayer cards and sacramentals are given to us to share with all students in order to spread the love and protection of Jesus to all.

Time and talent is huge among our families and parishioners. So many donate time to help with field experiences such as learning trips or retreats, to serve lunch to our students daily, and to provide snacks to our fans at athletic events. All of our elementary sports programs are led by folks donating their time and love of that particular sport. Our gyms and fields are taken care of by parents and parishioners. Many guests come to share their hobbies or interests with students during a regular school day, as well as, After School Care and Seton Summer Camp. All of those folks are mentors to our students and their sharing is invaluable.

We also are keenly aware that many, many offer prayer for us. That is felt as we grow and prosper. We are extremely blessed to have so many who offer our students time, treasure, and talent to aid all of us as we build the kingdom of God here in Richmond! Thank you!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Jane Brack SCHS Principal Kymbuly J. Becker Mrs. Kim Becker

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MISSION STATEMENT

Centered in Christ and led by His Spirit, we at Seton Catholic School teach and accompany our students on their journey to become disciples of Christ through virtues, academic excellence, service; all for truth in love.

VISION STATEMENT

Seton Catholic School is a Pre-kindergarten – Grade 12 Catholic school system whose students will serve as beacons of light in the greater community by daily living out the values of the Gospel. Seton Catholic School will exemplify academic excellence, spiritual growth, and community spirit at all levels and will be the school system of choice for families from east-central Indiana and western Ohio.



We recognize our anonymous donors with equal appreciation for their generosity.

Every effort has been made to recognize all Seton Catholic School donors. Should we have omitted your name, we ask for your forgiveness as we are grateful for every contribution. Please contact Emily Murray @ 765-962-5010 with any concerns.





SETON CATHOLIC 2023-24 SCHOOL STATS

STUDENT ENROLLMENT STATS

Total Enrollment

- ◆ 334 students grades PS -12
- ◆ 195 students in PS-6
- ◆ 139 students in 7-12

Special Education Identification

8.7%

Catholicity

- ◆ Catholic 49%
- ◆ Non-Catholic 51%

Financial Assistance

88% of all K-12 students receive Indiana Choice Scholarship, Tax Credit Scholarship, Merit-based assistance or financial aid.



Student Diversity

- ◆ 4.2% African American
- 0.12% Asian/ Pacific Islander
- ♦ 6.0% Hispanic
- ♦ 6.9% Multi-racial
- ♦ 75.2% White

Co-educational Numbers

♦ Male students: 50.3%

◆ Female students: 49.7%

Teacher to student ratio

◆ PS -grade 6: 15:1

◆ Grade 7-12: 8:1

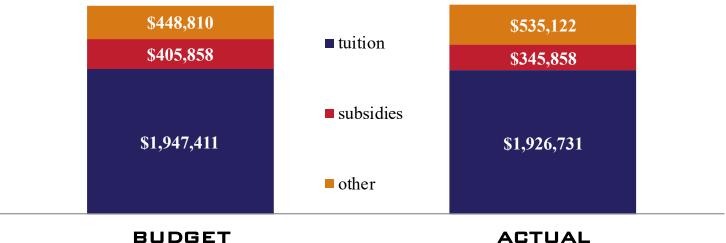
Qualify for Free/Reduced Lunch

43%

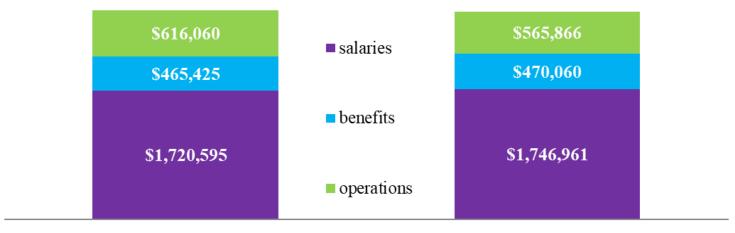
SETON CATHOLIC SCHOOL'S BUDGET 2022-23

We are blessed to have committed families, parishioners and community members who are willing to share their time, talent and treasure with us. As you look at the bar graphs below, you will see that tuition alone does not cover salary and benefits for our faculty and staff, let alone all remaining expenses. It takes a village and without your prayers and financial gifts we would not be able to carry out the ministry of Seton Catholic School. Jesus is the reason for this school. Thank you for your support!

REVENUE:



EXPENSE:



BUDGET ACTUAL

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Your gift matters to our students. Thanks to your support of our Annual Fund we are able to provide a premier Catholic school education to students in Wayne County.

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Our heartfelt thanks to all who remembered Seton Catholic School in a very special way this past year. Through memorial contributions we have been blessed by the generosity of those who have gone before us and their loved ones. We have also been blessed by those wishing to honor others within our community by making a special donation to Seton Catholic School in their name.

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We are very blessed at Seton Catholic to have great support from members of our community both past and present. Thanks to the generosity of many, we are able to offer scholarships, and financial aid to many of the students that currently attend Seton Catholic. Without that support, many of our families would struggle to make the dream of a Seton Catholic education a reality. The following funds have established scholarships and financial assistance designated for students to use toward the cost of attending Seton Catholic:

Bob and Fabbie Bane Memorial Scholarship

The Ramona J. Benson Memorial Scholarship

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The Deacon Frank Roberts Memorial Scholarship

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Endowment Fund

The Seton High School

Scholarship Fund

The YMI Scholarship

These funds are managed by the Wayne County Foundation and Catholic Foundation. We would like to extend our gratitude to them for taking such good care of these resources for us, so that we may continue to offer this type of assistance to our students.

Our students also receive tuition support through The Institute for Quality Education, a Scholarship Granting Organization (SGO) which manages funds from individual and business donors who make the donation to the organization and designate Seton Catholic School as the beneficiary school. We thank Dr. & Mrs. Jacques R. Daoud, M.D., Ms. Camille R. Gatzek, Mr. & Mrs. Brett Guiley, Rev. John H. Luerman, Ms. Patricia A. Mayer and Ms. Barbara Pipkin (In Memory of Barbara Norris) for choosing to support Seton Catholic through their donations to this SGO during the 2022-2023 fiscal year.

We are deeply grateful for the generosity of those that have shared their treasures with our students, so that they can pursue an education that allows them to prepare themselves academically for life after high school, while at the same time provides them with an environment in which they can nurture their spiritual life and continue to grow closer to God. Thank you to all of our generous donors.



GRANTS & ENDOWMENTS

ISMA (Indiana State Medical Association)

With this grant we were able to procure several items for our junior high and high school science classrooms that were not in the school budget. The junior high general science class was able to purchase a full-size human skeleton, a Benchtop pH Meter Education Set and a digital bird incubator and egg turner. Our high school biology and ACP biology classes requested and received an Electrophoreses Equipment Kit which is being used in separating DNA molecules to study genetics and disease. We are grateful to Dr. Daoud for bringing this opportunity to our attention.

John Charles and Gertrude Pardieck Hubbard Fund for Continuing Catholic Education

Seton Catholic School, along with St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, have been blessed for many years by grant dollars supporting catholic education in the form of assistance with purchasing theology textbooks and curriculum along with special programs, retreats and tuition assistance. This fund is managed by the Wayne County Foundation and disbursed by the Hubbard Fund Committee consisting of volunteers Mr. Dave Rokosz, Mrs. Evelyn Miller and Mr. Steve Moore. Thank you all for saying "yes" and helping our students and parishioners in this essential way.

Archindy Home & Mission Grant and the Archindy James P. Scott Grant

Over the last several years, our schools have been able to use these funds to upgrade electrical boxes and door security at our primary building along with upgrading heating and A/C issues at both our primary and our junior/senior high school buildings. Thank you Archindy.

2022-23 High School Teacher of the Year Award funded by the G. Howard and Helen L. Holthouse Memorial Fund was awarded to Ms. Sharon Brochin. Ms. Brochin was able to use her award to purchase a much needed camera, camera bag and memory cards for her yearbook class. She also purchased a new, laminated wall map for your U.S. History classroom. Thank you to G. Howard and Helen L. Holthouse Memorial Fund for this gift to our dedicated high school teachers.

Robert "Bob" Luerman, Carl Luerman, and Father John Luerman Fund for Seton Catholic Athletics

Established to further athletic programs of Seton Catholic School, we received the first distribution in the 2022-23 school year. What a blessing to our students and we are very grateful to the Luerman family for this gift.

Steve and Andrea Mosey Charitable Fund

A portion of this charitable fund was established to benefit Seton Catholic School and St. Elizabeth Ann Seton parish. We received the first fruits of this gift in the 2022-23 school year. It has allowed Seton Schools to expand faculty and staff pay while at the same time reduce subsidies from the parish. We are eternally grateful to Andrea and the late Steve Mosey for their most generous gift to our schools and students.



FUNDRAISING AT A GLANCE

| WHAT | FREQUENCY | WHAT IT DOES | WHAT IT FUNDS |
|---|---|---|---|
| CARDINAL FUND | Annually July 1—June 30 (fiscal year) | Bridges the gap between tuition and the actual cost | of educating a student Tuition, Academics, |
| RESTRICTED SUPPORT | As needed | Funds specific items and programs not covered by the operating budget | Specific needs in any area of the school |
| CARDINAL CLASSIC GOLF OUTING | Fall | Generates gifts from sponsorships and participants | Athletics |
| CARDINAL SPECTACULAR | Winter | Celebrates the gifts of Catholic Education and raises funds through sponsorships and dinner attendees | Discretionary funds to be used as needed |
| FLYING CARDINAL 5K | Spring | Promotes overall health to the community and raises necessary funds for student activities | Athletics and Parent Association |
| CAPITAL CAMPAIGN | As needed | Funds construction and capital improvements | Improves the buildings through growth and renovations |
| ENDOWMENTS & SCHOLARSHIPS | Ongoing | Honors a loved one and helps secure the financial future of Seton Catholic | Ensures a Seton Catholic education is possible by providing need-based tuition assistance to students |
| PLANNED GIVING | Ongoing | Secures the financial future of Seton Catholic | Donor's Intent |
| SGO SCHOLARSHIPS | Ongoing | Provides tuition assistance | Financial assistance to eligible families |
| REWARD PROGRAMS: SCRIP, KROGER, AMAZON SMILES, & BOX TOPS FOR ED. | Ongoing | Generates extra funds for general fund | General fund to be used as needed |

WAYS TO GIVE



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PLANNED GIFT

Planned gifts, such as bequests, charitable gift annuities, charitable remainder trusts, charitable lead trust and life insurance policies are some of the ways to help ensure the future of Seton Catholic. Check with your financial advisor regarding these and other ways to make a planned gift.



GIFTS OF STOCK

When making a gift of appreciated stock, you receive a double tax benefit by avoiding capital gains tax on the profit you've earned and receiving a full tax deduction for the market value of the stock. Talk with your investment broker on how this works.



NAMED ENDOWMENT SCHOLARSHIP GIFT

Establish a named endowment scholarship fund in honor of a loved one with a minimum pledge or gift of \$10,000.



TRIBUTE GIFT

Celebrate the life of a loved one with a gift to memoriam or celebrate a special occasion such as a birthday, anniversary, wedding or graduation of friend or family member with an honorarium gift.



PLEDGE

Donors may pledge their annual gift to the Cardinal Fund, payable by June 30th; regular reminders will be sent.



MATCHING GIFT

Double the impact of your gift with matching funds from your/your spouse's employer. Contact your employer's Human Resource Department and ask if your organization participates in Corporate Matching Gift Program.



QUALIFIED CHARITABLE DISTRIBTUON

A QCD is available to IRA owners who turned age 72 or older in 2020. An individual gift up to \$100,000 per year, per person, is excluded from taxable income and counts toward the Required Minimum Distribution (RMD). Check with your IRA custodian for more information



GIFT OF GRAIN

Farmers can donate "gifts of grain" from unsold crop inventory. Any commodity traded such as wheat, corn, cattle, etc. is eligible for donation.



SGO SCHOLARSHIPS

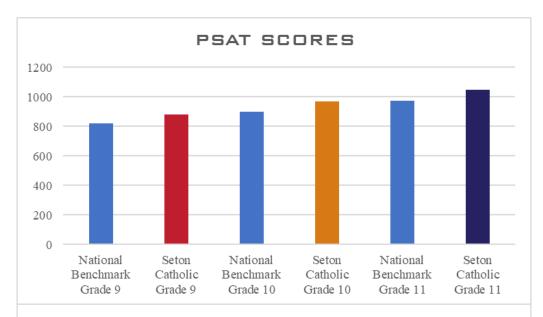
Instead of donating directly to the school give a gift to the Institute for Quality Education (IQE), designating Seton Catholic School as the beneficiary. IQE distributes the money to Seton Catholic Schools to be used for tuition assistance for qualifying families. Donors who are Indiana residents will earn a 50% state tax credit on gifts made through IQE as long as those gifts are received before the tax credits run out. In addition to the Indiana tax credit, your donation is eligible for existing federal tax deductions.

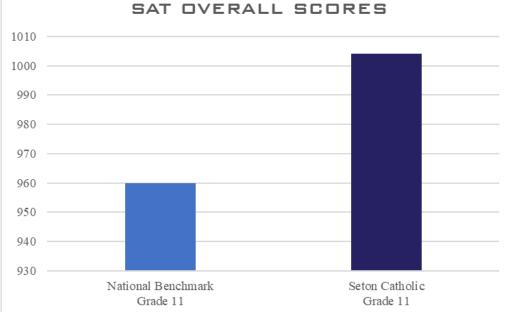
For questions or assistance with gifting by any of these methods, **contact Trinity Semler at 765-962-3902 X 4 or tsemler@setoncatholics.org**. *Note:* Seton Catholic School does not provide legal advice and recommends speaking with an estate planning attorney regarding making a planned gift.

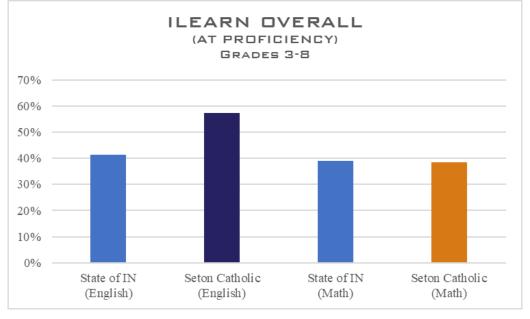
2022-23 STANDARDIZED TESTING

Students in grades 3-8 participate in the statewide ILEARN tests for math and literacy each spring, mandated by the Indiana Department of Education. In an August 2023 Western Wayne News report, all Wayne county school test scores were listed. As we review the results for the last two years, both statewide and at Seton Catholic, results were lower than we normally expect. While we can do little to nothing for statewide scores, we CAN address Seton Catholic's results. We are analyzing and studying the issue in order to improve our overall outcomes. Our teachers have maintained integrity toward instruction in math and literacy. We are currently working with a consultant from "Tools for Success" to better organize and implement curricular plans. We offer additional tutoring for students and will continue to work with parents to provide opportunities for students needing additional support. Pray with us, as we continue to strengthen our students' success!









TEACHER OF THE YEAR!



Ms. Brochin (far right) cantors with her students at the All School Mass.

Ms. Sharon Brochin was recognized as the 2022-2023 SCHS Teacher of the Year at the spring SCHS Honors & Awards ceremony. In conjunction with the recognition Ms. Brochin received a donation to her grant-awish account as designated by the G. Howard & Helen L. Holthouse Memorial Fund.

Ms. Brochin knew she wanted to be a teacher from a very young age. She has always wanted to help students learn to love and appreciate learning, to grow as people, and to think critically for themselves.

When Ms. Brochin graduated from college she spent a semester substitute teaching and looking for the right fit. She interviewed in many different places and had job offers, but none of them felt quite right so she turned them all down. She learned that they were opening a Catholic high school here in Richmond and came to interview for a position with the principal at the time, Rick Bayhan. Ms. Brochin recalls, "As soon as I stepped foot in the building I knew this was where I was meant to be. As Rick toured me around the building that was not quite finished, I could see the possibilities and knew that I had to be a part of this family. There was a complete sense of peace and calm that washed over me as I was here for the first time and I knew this is where the Holy Spirit was calling me."

Thankfully, Rick offered Ms. Brochin a job and she have been here ever since. "I have been so fortunate to be a part of Seton's story and to have the opportunity to work with such amazing students and their families every year," she said. Additionally, she feels blessed to be able to share her Catholic faith with her students and incorporate this faith into her lessons. She shared, "This has certainly deepened my own faith and helped me to grow with my students on our shared journey toward Christ. I truly love Seton and am proud to work alongside so many dedicated and talented teachers, staff, and administrators."

Seton Catholic is so blessed to have Ms. Brochin as a part of our family!



Ms. Brochin is all smiles while working together with her peers in a tug-o-war match against their students.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Jan. 27 Seton Cardinal Spectacular, Chuck Mosey Gymnasium 6 p.m.

Jan. 29 - Catholic Schools

Feb. 2 Week

Feb. 1 Elementary
winter program
Richmond
Civic Hall
7 p.m.

Feb. 2 All School Mass St. Andrew Church 8:15 a.m.

Feb. 7 Blood Drive, Chuck Mosey Gymnasium 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Feb. 14 Ash Wednesday

Mar. 18-22 Spring Break

Mar. 31 Easter

T.B.D. Flying Cardinal 5K

June 2 Graduation

SPRING SPORT ROUND-UP

Spring sports athletes are always prepared to be flexible due to weather, but that flexibility was really tested this past spring. Not only did they deal with the elements, but during one of the most beautiful weeks of the spring we had to adjust our schedules due to the local industrial fire. Nevertheless, our spring sports athletes turned in some outstanding performances.

Our varsity track team once again had many strong individual efforts. They set numerous school records, had two conference champions, a sectional champion, and advanced ten athletes to region-On the boys side, Mason Burkhardt capped off an incredible career by winning both the conference and sectional championships in the 300m hurdles for the third consecutive year. He never lost in those two events at those meets during his high school career since the spring sports season was cancelled due to COVID in 2020. On the girls side, Gwynie Falcone was conference champion in the 800m while advancing to regionals in the same event.

The varsity baseball team more than doubled their win total from the

previous year and they finished 4th in the conference. We had several players earn All-Conference honors as Elijah Falcone was named to the 1st Team, Nolan Burkhardt was named to the 2nd Team, and Ryan Murray was named Honorable Mention.

The varsity tennis team saw its largest participation numbers in several years and they gained valuable experience. Without any seniors on the team, we look for them all to return and show great improvement in 2024.

Our junior high golf team had an amazing season. They went undefeated on the season all while having a very young roster. With a roster of only 5th-7th graders, they put up one outstanding team performance after another over much older teams. The future is very bright for this group of golfers and our golf program.

The junior high track teams also performed well last year. The girls team just narrowly missed out on a conference championship as they finished in 2nd place by only 1 point. There will be several athletes that make a huge impact on the varsity team this upcoming year.



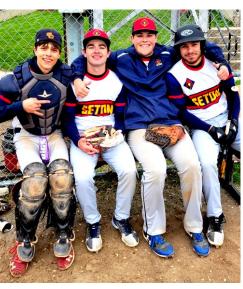












WHAT IS SCRIP?

SCRIP has been around at Seton Catholic for over a decade, but in the last few years involvement has significantly decreased. For our new families, and a refresher for long-time families, here is the Seton Catholic definition of SCRIP:

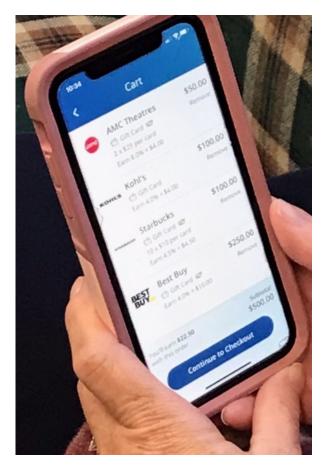
SCRIP is a no-selling program that allows families to raise money for our Seton Catholic School. SCRIP is just another way to pay for your everyday purchases using gift cards in place of cash, checks, and credit cards. You purchase gift cards through the Raise Right Mobile App and a percentage of your purchase automatically comes back to the school (and you!)

SCRIP/'SKRIP/ noun.

- a provisional certificate of money subscribed to a bank or company, entitling the holder to a formal certificate and dividends.
- NORTH AMERICAN -a certificate entitling the holder to acquire possession of certain portions of public land.
- NORTH AMERICAN (historical) -paper money in amounts of less than a dollar.







IT'S AS EASY AS 1, 2, 3...

1. Join the program

- First, download the RaiseRight mobile app from the app store using your smartphone or tablet.
- Then, enter the enrollment code to join: 485D32924415.

2. Buy gift cards and earn for our school

- Browse bonuses, search for a specific brand, shop categories, and more.
- When you're ready to check out, sign up for secure online payments. You can link a bank account, add a credit card, or both.
- The brand gives back to our school the moment you buy a gift card—at no extra cost to you.

3. Get and use your gift cards

- eGift cards are delivered to the app within minutes—view them in your Wallet.
- Physical gift cards are mailed to our school coordinator. Many are reloadable so you can keep earning with the ones you have.
- Use both types in-store and online.

HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT GETTING STARTED?

Contact our volunteer coordinator, Julie, at scrip@setoncatholics.org or 614-296-5724.

INDIANA TAX CREDIT SCHOLARSHIPS

Donors earn a 50% credit on your state tax liability, while still claiming a deduction on federal taxes!

And the best part is, your donation can help students attend Seton Catholic School.

Want to know more?



Individual or business donors contribute to an approved Scholarship Granting Organization. Seton Catholic works with (IQE) Institute for Quality Education. Donors receive a 50% tax credit against their state tax liability.



Donors can carry over unused credits for up to nine years.



\$18.5 million in tax credits available in 2023.

Credits available on a first come first served basis state-wide.
Credits are still available for 2023!

Example

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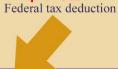
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to SGO for Tax Credit Scholarships.

Donor receives

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That means a \$1000 donation for education at a cost of only \$360 out of your pocket!

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Catholic education costs more than \$70,000 per student from K-12.

IQE distributes scholarship grants to qualified students seeking an education at Seton Catholic to cover a portion of tuition, fees and school expenses.



An IQE scholarship provides needed resources for lower and middle income students to receive significant assistance throughout their catholic education. Together, we can make students dreams a reality.



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Questions? Contact Emily Tremain at etremain@setoncatholics.org



Saturday, January 27, 2024

Cocktail hour begins at 6:00 p.m. Program begins 7:00 p.m.

Chuck Mosey Memorial Gym

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