



Fund A Need is a Royal Affair campaign that provides **DIRECT** financial support to St Mary Parish School for a **SPECIFIC NEED**. Careful consideration is given to this cause; it must be financially prudent and in alignment with the school mission. Our past Fund A Need campaigns funded new and innovative programs, which keep our school on the cutting edge of education - such as originating Project Lead the Way, Level Up Village, and the Arts. This year's exciting campaign is:

Technology and STEM

THE 2021 CAMPAIGN: Our goal is fully funding our STEM program Project Lead the Way for 5 YEARS and supply students with the technology needed to maintain our status as a PLTW distinguished school, as a community. We are breaking it into two pieces:

First, a full cart of iPads to handle the technological "heavy lifting" required for our curriculum. The iPads will cost \$11,975. Second, we will fund middle school and elementary STEM program needs for 5 YEARS!

- Project Lead the Way (PLTW) Launch and Gateway STEM program licenses: \$400 yearly
- Supplies and materials: \$2500 yearly
- Professional development training and ongoing support: \$2200 yearly
- Total for 5 years: \$25,500

We are incredibly fortunate that our students have access to technology and are also recipients of a fantastic and progressive education. Not only do St. Mary Parish School students attend a Technology Class once a week to build foundational skills in technology, St. Mary is a PROJECT LEAD THE WAY DISTINGUISHED SCHOOL! PLTW is the leading provider of rigorous and innovative STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) education used in schools. The hands-on, project-based program engages students on multiple levels, exposes them to areas of study that they typically do not pursue, and provides them with a foundation and proven path to college and career success.

PLTW Launch taps into students' exploratory nature, engages them in learning that feels like play, and encourages them to keep discovering – now and for years to come. Through PLTW Launch, St. Mary Hales Corners Parish School's students will become problem solvers. Whether designing a paint brush or building digital animations based on their own short stories, students engage in critical and creative thinking, build teamwork skills, and develop a passion for and confidence in STEM subjects.

TOTAL GOAL: \$37,475.00
2020 CAMPAIGN RAISED: \$15,695.00
\$21,780.00 TO GO!

WHO: This is a community fundraiser and is a GROUP GIFT to the school! We encourage EVERYONE to contribute to the 2021 Fund A Need. Please share our campaign and goal with grandparents and friends of St. Mary!

HOW TO: Please make checks payable to St. Mary, with "Fund A Need" in the memo. There are several ways for you to give your gift. 1) Send your donation in backpack mail or drop it off at the school or parish office attn: Royal Affair. 2) Mail to: St. Mary School, 9520 Forest Home Avenue, Hales Corners WI 53130; or 3) Drop in the parish donation receptacles outside the parish office or in the Gathering Space

Together, we can reach this goal and further enable our students to explore and develop the critical thinking skills they will need to reach their future goals and create positive contributions in our community. We ask that you make a gift to Fund A Need. Every gift strengthens our school and is a vote of confidence in a St. Mary education!

