



July 2017

Dear Friends and Families of Saint Rita Parish and School,

The annual Harvest Festival is our biggest Parent Teacher Organization fundraising event of the year. Proceeds from the Festival keep tuition affordable for families who seek a St. Rita Catholic education for their children. It is with great pride that we are able to state that St. Rita Parish School provides a spiritually nurturing and academically challenging education within a safe and loving environment, and is a top-ranking school in our Archdiocese.

Your generosity supports our legacy of excellence in our curricula, legendary sports program and expanding enrichment opportunities. St. Rita students perform above grade level and upon graduation are sought out by our local Catholic high schools, with many receiving honors and advanced placement upon admission.

Just some of the ways your support has assisted include:

- Implementation of Stemoscopes developed by Rice University in grades TK through 8
- Implementation of McGraw-Hill *Wonders* Reading series in grades TK through 8
- Leveled Math classes using Saxon Math as well as Simple Solutions Math
- Ductless heating and air conditioning on both campuses
- Sunshade Structures on the playground

The St. Rita Parish Capital Campaign has our school buildings set for improvement and replacement. In the meantime, our school must continue to meet ongoing needs, upholding our outstanding school standards and expanding our programs. A donation from you for the Harvest Festival will help to keep St. Rita tuition much less than other private schools and still help us to maintain our excellent programs. Our enrollment continues to be strong with waiting lists in many grades due to a highly qualified teaching staff.

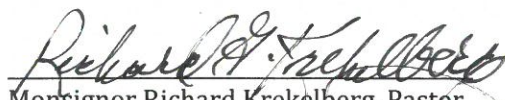
Some of our needs for the future are:

- Upgrade the Science Lab
- Innovative Modular Classrooms
- 1:1 iPads for students in grades 4 through 8

Please join us for the fabulous "Beer, Brats and Bingo" kick-off on Friday, October 13 from 6:00- 9:00 p.m. Then spend Saturday, October 14 from 12:30-9:30 p.m. enjoying a variety of delicious food booths, fun game booths, a plant booth, rides and live music. There will be TVs in our shaded beer garden where sports fans can watch football and bid on great deals in the silent auction. Remember all proceeds from the Harvest Festival directly benefit the school.

Enclosed you will find Sponsorship and Auction forms. Any donation to the Harvest Festival is deeply appreciated.

Sincerely,


Monsignor Richard Krekelberg, Pastor


Mrs. Joanne Harabedian, School Principal

"A Catholic Education is an Advantage for Life."