

"EXCEPTIONAL COMMITMENT, OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT!"

November 15, 2010

Dear Families, Friends, and Alumni,

St. Bonaventure High School has been a leader in Catholic education in Ventura County for over 47 years. During that time, we have witnessed man's first steps on the moon, the fall of the Berlin Wall, the birth of the World Wide Web, the effects of 9-11, and through it all, St. Bonaventure has thrived. We remain deeply rooted in Catholic values, and it is within the context of this indomitable commitment to spiritual growth, Christian service, academic excellence, and creative and athletic achievement that we seek your help.

As we continue to strive to make this opportunity of a Catholic education available to as many families as possible, the actual costs associated with educating our students cannot be realized without the collective efforts of families, friends and alumni working together toward this common goal.

The families who have chosen St. Bonaventure High School over the years have done so knowing that there is no greater advantage in life for their children than a Catholic education. However, the price of a private education requires a broad spectrum of financial resources which tuition alone cannot cover. Like other non-profit institutions, St. Bonaventure must rely on supplementary fund-raising events, development efforts and generous donations in order to keep pace with the rising costs of curriculum improvements, equipment purchases, and tuition assistance.

This year, St. Bonaventure will begin a new tradition of giving through **St. Bonaventure High School's 2010 Annual Appeal** campaign. This year's proceeds will serve the following areas which have the greatest need:

*Advancement of academic programs,
*Equipment upgrades for the chemistry lab, and
* Tuition assistance for families in need.

Before you put this letter down, please take a moment and recall why you chose St. Bonaventure for your son or daughter, or in the case of alumni, the difference this opportunity made in your own life, then ask yourself, "How can I help to keep the dream alive for others?" Know that every *tax deductible gift*, regardless of size, is greatly appreciated and that your generosity will be used towards the advancement of academic possibilities and the opportunity of a strong Catholic education for our students in the near future.

From all of us to all of you, thank you for considering St. Bonaventure during this season of gratitude and generosity.

Gratefully yours,

Mr Marc Groff Principal

Sharon Coughran

Sharon Coughran Director of Development

St. Bonaventure High School's 2010 Annual Appeal

YES, I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

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