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## Giving Parents a Choice Giving Children a Chance

### Thanks to You, They Have Scholarships!

Each year we welcome our new scholarship recipients and their families by inviting them to our New Family Event. Held in mid-September, we partner with Metropolitan Community College's Culinary Arts Institute to provide a gourmet mac and cheese buffet dinner and introduce families to our program.

We educate them on our history and program requirements. We provide a printed handbook in English and Spanish with important dates, frequently asked questions and information on how to renew their scholarship. Handbooks are mailed to any new families unable to attend the event.



We also offer them the opportunity to ask questions and share what their scholarship means to them. Here's a few of their responses:

**"My son was in a car accident and had a brain bleed. His new school built a plan completely around him to make him more successful."**

**"It's a relief knowing my son can continue to get the wonderful education All Saints offers."**

**"I work part time while I am going to college, so it gives my daughter the opportunity to stay in the school she loves."**

**"Thank you so much, God Bless you and I hope to return the same favor someday to someone else."**

You can also go to [csfomaha.org](http://csfomaha.org) and experience their messages of gratitude in a three minute video taken at the event.

**If you would like to make a gift to Children's Scholarship Fund,  
please go to [csfomaha.org](http://csfomaha.org) to donate securely online or call us at 402-819-4990.**



## A Note from Executive Director, Joel W. Long

Not long ago I received a note about one of our scholarship recipients. I realized this note wasn't really meant for me – it was meant for YOU. It's a note about making a difference ... providing

opportunity ... changing lives. Thank you for doing all those things for the children we serve.

*Steven graduated from Jesuit Academy in 2018 and moved on to Omaha Creighton Preparatory High School where he is a part of the 2022 class. As a freshman, Steven got off to a great start, and has carried that momentum into his sophomore year. He has earned an outstanding 3.96 grade point average while maintaining an academic work load that consists of all honors classes.*

*Steven plans to major in engineering post-high school in college and has challenged himself to reach 4.0 grade point average status by the end of the school year.*

*Steven has remembered Jesuit Academy as the school who prepared him for self-discipline and academic success. He feels that his education helped him to focus on the right things, and believes the discipline prepared him for high school.*

*Without the help of the Children Scholarship Fund to attend Jesuit Academy, his future would never be as bright. CSF has changed the trajectory of Stevens' life.*

We count on your generosity to help change children's lives for the better. There are so many kids like Steven just waiting for their opportunity to shine – this year, we had to turn away over 300 that wanted the same chance he had. Please give what you can this season to help us say "yes" to more children.

Thank you for your past, present and future support. Wishing you all Happy Holidays!

If you would like to help change a child's life, please go to [csfomaha.org](http://csfomaha.org) to make a gift securely online or call us at 402-819-4990.

## Where There's a Will, There's a Way... to Help Educate Children in Need

Educating children is important to you. Giving children in need the opportunity to find the right school for them is important to you. Would you be interested in an easy and smart way to help them?

You can make a wonderful gift to Children's Scholarship Fund just by planning or updating your will. Did someone make a difference to you in your lifetime by giving you a helping hand, word of encouragement or an opportunity to succeed? Create a legacy by naming a scholarship in honor or memory of someone special to you.

Simply remember us in your will or as a beneficiary designee. Don't forget to let us know of your plans – we want to thank you now and make sure your wishes are carried out exactly as you intend.

Our legal name is Children's Scholarship Fund of Omaha and our tax ID is 47-0822724. Questions? Please call Executive Director Joel Long or Director of Development Brenda Helget at 402-819-4990.



Please use the enclosed envelope to make a donation.

Remember CSF in your estate planning. For more information, please contact the CSF office: 402.819.4990.



## With Gratitude

From the Families and Children You Help



Thank you for such a great opportunity. My children and I have been so blessed to be able to go to the school of our choice. Thanks to the school change my son went from a class of 23 to a class of about 9. This change made all the difference for him and his academics have greatly improved especially reading. Thank you again.

Khadija Smith  
and the Smith family

Thank you C.S.F.!  
Thank you for helping fund my education! Your donations and scholarships are very much appreciated by both me, my family and also Holy Name School.

Sincerely, Jenet David

Dear Children's Scholarship Fund,

THANK YOU for choosing my family as recipients for the Children's Scholarship Fund, we are extremely grateful. This scholarship has had an extremely positive impact on our family finances and has made it possible for my daughter to attend Sts. Peter and Paul. Our overall experience with Sts. Peter and Paul Elementary School has been wonderful; Mr. Bauer, the teachers and all the rest of the staff are always so polite and helpful with questions or concerns. My daughter, JoVee, is eager to attend school daily and is flourishing as a kindergarten student at Sts. Peter and Paul. I look forward to continuing my children's education at Sts. Peter and Paul in the years to come.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Hailey Ghumm'.

Hailey Ghumm

Children's Scholarship Fund of Omaha provides partial tuition assistance scholarships so children from low-income families can access the private or parochial K-8 education of their choice.

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## Meet our New Leaders

Children's Scholarship Fund is honored to announce these new additions to our Board of Directors. Their leadership will provide vision and guidance for the direction of the organization. Welcome!



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