

Dear Parents,

In an attempt to get the work on our multi-purpose athletic complex started and completed, we reach out to all of you with a necessary request for your support.

We believe that we have the benefactors in place to provide the up-front funding that will be associated with completing the final stage of our ongoing campus improvement initiative; however, those benefactors have requested that the community show their collective support by making a contribution towards our voluntary capital assessment campaign.

The campaign has been in place for four years. It began with a Town Hall meeting in Alumni Gymnasium in the spring of 2014. At that meeting nearly 100% of those in attendance signed a letter stating that they would participate and support it financially. The original request was for each family to donate \$40/month per year to help finance the costs associated with completing the Notre Dame campus. It was made clear within that request that families were welcome to give less if the suggested amount was not affordable. **In other words, what was most important was participation from all families, regardless of the amount donated.**

The first year saw less than 25% participation; that has grown to 50% as of 2017. Though we are moving in the right direction, it has become the final obstacle in convincing our benefactors that the school community supports and appreciates the amazing new facilities, both present and future. **It has become the most necessary, important and tangible final piece to ensure that the athletic complex gets completed as soon as possible.**

Though I would not state it as “Do or Die”, I believe it would be realistic to state that it is “Do or Delay”. **If we hope to start and complete the athletic complex in the very near future, it is imperative that our participation numbers related to voluntary capital assessment increase significantly.** We need at least maximum participation from this community as a clear statement of support. The small sacrifice made by our families will, ultimately, result in a multi-million dollar athletic complex being completed for all to enjoy for many, many years to come.

AGAIN, IT IS FAR LESS ABOUT THE AMOUNT PLEDGED THAN IT IS ABOUT THE PARTICIPATION.

Attached you will find the pledge form. We urge you to strongly consider this request for your participation. **Each pledge form completed and returned at the time of registration is basically a yes vote towards completing this needed outdoor facility** that will serve as a playing field, a classroom, a gathering place for special events, and a very aesthetically pleasing addition to our school campus.

It is up to all of us to ensure the completion of our school.

Please vote YES!