Dear St. Benedict School Community,

Welcome back to the 2025-2026 school year! We are excited to kick-off another year of the SBS PTA, continuing to help parents and teachers work together to provide programs, opportunities, and funds to benefit SBS students. We are proud to continue the many traditions we have established including fundraising, teacher appreciation, hospitality, scholarships, and social events as well as our annual $35,000 contribution back to the school.

We are equally as proud of the new initiatives, contributions, and commitments that we have made since the Spring of 2025 that build off of this great work in an effort to make St. Benedict School the best it can be for our children. These new initiatives, contributions, and commitments that total over $100,000 are listed below for your review and are only possible as a result of your generosity.

Our ability to accomplish this work is directly related to the participation of our school community, whether as volunteers, participants, or donors. We invite you to join us at our first Open PTA meeting of the year on Wednesday, September 10th at 7pm to learn more about the work we do and how you can help contribute.

In partnership,
The SBS PTA

Investment	Cost	Description	Rationale
Capital Improvements to the Multi-Purpose Room/Gym and Three New Outdoor Basketball Hoops	$44,584.91	• Rented scissor lift for curtain and track removal • Purchase of new movable room dividers • Purchase of 4 sets of movable bleachers for 60 additional seats • Refurbishment of existing bleachers • Removal and disposal of old hoops • Installation of new hoops • Painting of court lines forthcoming	• Room was limited in usage due to the ceiling track across the room • Now allows for multiple room and seating configurations for events • Now allows for full ceiling height usage for sports • Adjustable outdoor hoops now allow students across grade levels to use them at recess and during EDP • Trending wishlist item on the parent survey
Contributions to the New Music Room Fund	$27,700.00	• Earmarked funds donated by the PTA for the new music room • *This included $10,000 from our $35,000 annual school contribution*	• This room will create a dedicated space for the SBS music program and create an additional classroom to alleviate space constraints in the school

2025-2026 Teacher Mentoring Program	$10,000	• A cohort of veteran SBS teachers receive a stipend to provide mentorship to new SBS teachers	• Mentorship eases the transition to a new school and supports teacher retention • Veteran teachers have the opportunity to take on more leadership • Teacher retention was a key trend on the parent survey
Curriculum for Teachers	$6,459	• Curriculum and resource requests for our teachers that complement the core curriculum	• Provide the highest quality instruction to students, including differentiation
Classroom Furniture	$3,568	• Fulfilled teacher wishlists for classroom furniture including chairs, bookshelves, portable desks and podiums, tables and chairs for students, and u-shaped tables used for small group instruction.	• Trending request on the faculty survey in order to provide the highest quality instruction to students • U-shaped tables allow for small group, differentiated instruction
BMX Bike Demo	$3,421	• Dialed Action BMX Bike demos with anti-bullying message for PreK3 through 8th grade (two sessions) were held in May 2025	• Continue to strengthen the SBS community of students • Trending request on the parent survey to increase anti-bullying program
Ryan's Story Presentation for Students and Parents	$2,900	• To be held in the 25-26 school year, Ryan's Story's goal is to inspire positive change in the fight against bullying, cyberbullying, and teen suicides for students in grades 5-8	• Continue to strengthen the SBS community of students • Trending request on the parent survey to increase anti-bullying program
Signage (SBS Street Banners and Dismissal Signs)	$981.93	• Two of the four banners on the light poles lining the Bethany Road entrance are forthcoming • Class dismissal signs	• Provide SBS spirit upon entry to the school property while beautifying the property • Increased organization at dismissal with SBS spirit
Playground Supervisor Professional Development	$749.99	• Training session for up to 50 staff members designed to introduce the responsibilities and techniques associated with keeping children safe on a playground including behavior management, supervision, and hazards.	• To proactively create a positive, safe, and fun recess and EDP experience for students