

ENDOWMENT FUND



*A **fund** for the **future** of the **community**,
to sustain the **mission** of **educating** our **youth**,
our **leaders of tomorrow**,
for a prosperous **Santa Barbara** and for the nation,
in light of God's unchanging values.*

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Bishop Garcia Diego High School, Inc. **-Catholic High School-**

Roots, History, and Heritage

Thank you for your interest in “Bishop” and her students! We can trace the earliest roots of our school and every Catholic school in California to the educational system founded by Blessed Junipero Serra, the tireless Apostle of California.

This is a legacy that you are invited to sustain whether you graduated from Catholic High School in the 1940’s and 1950’s, or from Bishop High School in the 1960’s through our most recent graduates in the new millennium. All graduates and those who believe in the mission of our school will want to be part of the community that sustains the legacy of a quality educational program here at Bishop High.

Bishop García Diego High School combines the rich heritage of two predecessor schools, Dolores School, which opened in 1932, and Catholic High School, which opened in 1940. Both schools were on Micheltorena Street and were operated by Our Lady of Sorrows Parish, under the Jesuit Fathers and the Sisters of the Blessed Virgin Mary (B.V.M.). The original campus is now the home to Notre Dame School.

In 1959 the Archdiocese of Los Angeles assumed sponsorship of the school, moving it to the present site on La Colina Road and taking California’s first bishop as its patron: Bishop Garcia Diego High School. The Cardinal is our mascot, and our students are “the Cardinals.”

The School’s Governance Today

On July 1, 2005, the school became an independent Catholic high school serving the needs of the broader community. Bishop Garcia Diego High School, Inc., is a non-profit religious corporation that is tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and Section 23701 of the California Revenue and Taxation Code. A local Board of Trustees governs the school. A copy of the tax-exemption letters and Articles of Incorporation are available upon request.

The present enrollment averages 275 to 320 students. More than 55 percent of our students require financial assistance, but since 2002 **100 percent of our graduates have advanced to college or university studies.**

We have dedicated several school facilities in honor of people who have made an impact on Catholic education at Bishop Garcia Diego High School. In gratitude, we dedicate The Eva Jane MacDonald Memorial Field, The Pier Gherini Video Production Lab (1990), Roberto Najera and Dane Erik Schmitt Memorial Weight Room (1992), The Frances Ward Doolan Patio, The BGDHS Veterans Memorial Flag Pole (1999), and The William P. and Carol Foley, II, Computer Technology Lab (2003).

Our Honored Namesake

Francisco Garcia Diego y Moreno, the first bishop of California, was born in Jalisco, Mexico, in 1785. Educated in Mexico, he was ordained a Franciscan priest and in 1840 became the first bishop of both Upper and Lower California.

Bishop Garcia Diego moved the seat of the new diocese from San Diego to Santa Barbara in 1842 and established an episcopal residence at Mission Santa Barbara. He entered eternal life on April 30, 1846, just one month before California became a territory of the United States. Bishop Garcia Diego's grave rests in the sanctuary of Mission Santa Barbara.

“Bishop’s” Mission Makes Her Unique in Our Area

Bishop Garcia Diego High School is a Catholic co-educational secondary school that welcomes students of all faiths. “Bishop” provides them with the spiritual, personal, and intellectual knowledge to meet the enduring challenge of realizing their God-given potential in a multi-cultural society.

In partnership with the parents, who are the primary educators of their children, and the faculty as facilitators of learning, the administration strives to foster the spiritual, intellectual, emotional, social, physical, and cultural development

of the students. The administration, faculty, support staff, parents and students respond to the challenge of building a Christian educational community with conviction, love, and initiative.

The Bishop Garcia Diego High School community is committed to providing a safe, structured, and caring college preparatory educational environment that is dedicated to the positive personal development of each student. Through promotion of scholarship and Christian service, and by teaching moral virtues in a faith-based tradition, the school community strives to empower its students to do God's will and to excel for the rest of their lives.

We Expect All Students to Meet High Standards

The graduate of Bishop Garcia Diego High School will be able to demonstrate:

- **Faith**—use personal reflection to further experience your faith and respond to the challenge of realizing your God-given potential.
- **Service**—take responsibility for improving the quality of life for yourself and others through Christian service and by assuming productive roles as members of family, church, occupation, civic and global communities.
- **Thought**—employ knowledge related to curriculum content to analyze and evaluate significant and complex problems.
- **Expression**—use oral, written, artistic, and technological forms of expression to convey ideas effectively and to cultivate positive personal and professional relationships.
- **Self-Reliance**—develop self-reliance, independence and moral strength; establish and pursue positive personal and educational goals.
- **Action**—participate take part in recreational, artistic, political and/or cultural activities to enhance your own and others' physical and emotional health and enjoyment throughout life.

Our Students Score High, and 100 Percent Go on to College

Bishop Garcia Diego High School welcomes students of diverse academic abilities and academically challenges each one to meet his or her God-given potential. Since 2002, 100 percent of our graduates have entered college and, as their success demonstrates, they are well prepared to achieve scholastically.

Evidence for the superior performance of Bishop High students comes from the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test (PSAT), the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT), and the ACT. One hundred percent of our freshmen, sophomore, and junior students take the PSAT and an average of 80 percent of our seniors take the SAT/ACT.

Our “Bishop” students consistently score above state and national averages for each test. Compared with the students who report themselves to the College Board as for being in the top ten percentiles of their class, our students’ SAT scores are impressive. Annual scores are readily available at the school.

Bishop Garcia Diego High School offers seven Advanced Placement courses (college-level instruction). We have now placed students at virtually every campus of the UC and CSU system, as well as Stanford, Harvard, Yale, Notre Dame, Catholic University of America, Columbia, Santa Clara, St. Mary’s, Loyola of Chicago, Loyola Marymount of Los Angeles, Brown, Cornell, Radcliff, Georgia Tech, Texas A&M, Occidental, Claremont McKenna, San Francisco Academy of the Arts, Westmont College, Cal Lutheran, Biola, all three U.S. Military Academies, and many more institutions of higher learning.

The faculty at Bishop Garcia Diego High School continually challenge themselves to offer a rigorous college preparatory curriculum. More than 67 percent of the faculty holds advanced degrees in their fields of instruction. We require *all* teachers to obtain a California Teacher Credential within three years of employment.

Students Praise “Bishop” Education and Formation

Being at Bishop has given me the opportunity to get a good education as well as giving me a better understanding of the Catholic Faith. Every teacher has personally cared about my academic achievements. Bishop has a great athletic program and everyone gets the opportunity to represent Bishop. I know that Bishop will prepare me for college and to be successful in the future.
Jamie Graham, Class of 2008

What Bishop means to me is a good education. Bishop is helping me further my faith and study of the Catholic religion. I’m getting one-on-one help and attention from my teachers. Having everlasting memories and friendships that will be with me for the rest of my life. What I’ll get out of Bishop are the skills to prepare me for the real world. Being at Bishop is helping me with my faith, being of service, knowing to how to express myself, having self-reliance, and being able to take action.
Ysidra Valdez, Class of 2005

Bishop is my inspiration of succeeding in life. I love playing sports for Bishop. Bishop is a good way of getting involved with the community. I can be myself around my friends. Bishop is one big family and has a good academic program.
Luis Solis, Class of 2006

The education and strong moral values at Bishop Garcia Diego High School are amazing. There are so many opportunities available for anyone who asks for help. I for one wouldn’t have been able to attend Bishop if it weren’t for their ‘Summer Work Program.’ I was able to work for seven weeks to earn credit toward my tuition. This is just one example of the many ways Bishop supports and cares for its students. Here at Bishop, they use the most advanced and up-to-date technology to help students keep their grades up. Any student at any time can check their current grades, assignments and progress so we can know how we are doing in any subject and get back on track before our grades drop to a bad level. Every teacher cares about every student’s

future and life, and it show through their up-beat teaching methods and the general sense of caring directed at each individual person. Teachers are more than just teachers, they become your friends and have nothing but your best interest in mind. I am thankful that God has blessed me with wonderful opportunity to attend a Catholic college prep high school so I can be successful in life. I can also grow close to my God and learn more about my Faith as well. Through a warm and loving community, great teaching staff and Catholic base, I believe Bishop Garcia Diego High School is the best high school in Santa Barbara.
John Saucedo, Class of 2008

We Help a Diverse Student Body to Grow Spiritually

Whereas Bishop Garcia Diego High Schools is a Catholic high school, our mission is to welcome students of all Christian denominations and other faith traditions and let advance their individual spirituality in a shared ecumenical environment for the benefit our entire South Coast community.

Minority enrollment is approximately 39 percent. In addition, approximately 30 percent of our students are non-Catholic. However, all students are fully formed in the religious education program and take part in a variety of liturgical services for spiritual growth.

Our School Receives NO Archdiocesan or Government Funds

The student population is economically diverse as well. Approximately 50 percent of the students qualify for financial assistance, which now totals more than \$600,000 annually.

The school receives no subsidies from the government or the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. Bishop High gratefully receives scholarship and capital improvement funds from independent endowments that support multiple schools in the region, but otherwise the school is virtually self-sufficient, and now operates with an annual budget of more than \$2.7 million.

Our students rely on the generosity of our benefactors who continue to support “Bishop.” All students benefit from a tuition rate far below the actual per-pupil cost of education at the school.

A Tradition of Family Spirit

One of the unique characteristics that exemplify Bishop Garcia Diego High School is the small-school atmosphere built on family spirit and the closeness of the school community. This caring spirit starts with the administration and continues through the faculty, support staff, student body, parents, alumni and friends of the school to the family unit itself.

Bishop Students Give Unparalleled Christian Service

We form the Bishop High student to be other-person centered. The Campus Ministry Program and other components of service are well-known in the Santa Barbara area. Each student completes a minimum of 25 hours of community service annually. Throughout the school year students engage in a variety of charitable campaigns unparalleled at any other school in the community.

What the LORD Says about Giving

The needy will never be lacking in your land; that is why I command you open your hand to your poor and needy kinsmen in your country.
Deuteronomy 15:11

He who has compassion on the poor lends to the Lord, and He will repay him for his good deed.
Proverbs 19:17

Give to the Most High as He has given to you, generously, according to your means. For the Lord is One Who always repays, and He will give back to you sevenfold.
Sirach 35:9, 10

If you have much, give abundantly; if you have little, take care even so as to give willingly a little. For thus you store up to yourself a good reward for the day of necessity. For alms deliver

from all sin, and from death, and will not allow the soul to go into darkness. Alms shall be a great confidence before the Most High God to all them that give it. *Tobit 4:9-12*

Let them do good and be rich in good works, giving readily, sharing with others, and thus providing for themselves a good foundation against the time to come... *I Timothy. 6:18, 19*

He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Let each one give as he has determined in his heart, not grudgingly or from compulsion, for 'God loves a cheerful giver.' *II Corinthians 9:6, 7*

Rejoice in hope, endure in affliction, persevere in prayer, contribute to the needs of the holy ones... *Romans 12:13*

...lay up for yourselves treasures in Heaven. *Matthew 19:20*

The Students of Tomorrow Need YOU Today

The **traditions and moral education** of Bishop High must continue. In today's society, young people and the family unit face pressures that did not afflict past generations

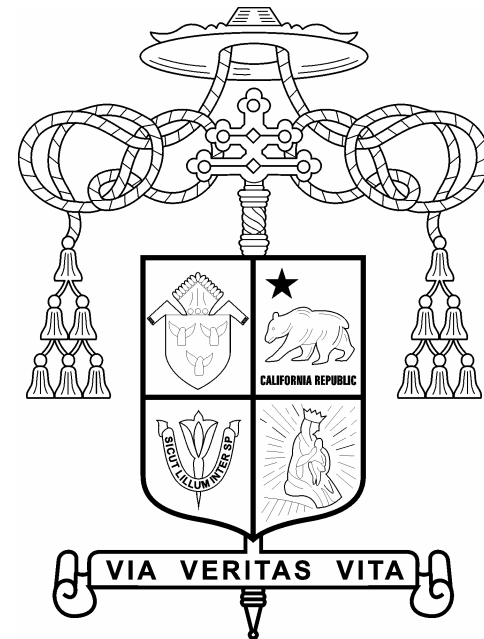
Hope for the future lies in our young people making the right choices. By guiding them with care, love, and discipline, Bishop Garcia Diego High School equips its students to make good life choices that adhere to Christian morals. The experience of being a Bishop student will open doors and enable our young men and women to give back to their communities much more than they receive.

Such preparation for life takes more than commitment on the part of the students. It takes concerned, caring people like you to pass on this centuries-old tradition of a Catholic/Christian education that is a proven advantage for life! It also takes financial support from special people like you.

Because you care about the future of Bishop High and her students, you might want to make a larger charitable gift to support our mission in Catholic/Christian education.

But concerns about your personal and family financial security may make such a gift seem impossible. As you review the ideas outlined in this booklet, you might be surprised to discover ways to fulfill your desire to gift the school and help our present and future students, while actually *enhancing* your security or that of your loved ones.

By contributing to our Endowment Fund, you can partner with the school to leave a legacy of Catholic/Christian education in Santa Barbara that will create homes, families, a work force, business leaders and civic officials with strong moral convictions and ethical values.



THE ENDOWMENT FUND

An endowment is a fund that has been set up so that the principal deposit remains intact in perpetuity. Only the income that the principal generates may be expended. This income can be used for budgeted expenses and special needs, or reinvested in the endowment fund so it will generate even greater income.

Bishop High has established a **Fund for the Future** to provide a long-term endowment through estate, gift, or life income programs. The purpose of the endowment is to support, uphold and perpetuate the educational work of Bishop Garcia Diego High School, Inc.

In addition, the Alumni Association established a special Alumni Endowment honoring Father Salvadore Parisi, OFM, Father Alexander Manville, OFM, and Father Alonso De Blas, OFM, who made a tremendous impact on and investment in many of the alumni in Bishop High's formative years. This fund provides the school with tuition assistance.

As a Board of Trustees resolution of August 15, 2005, stated, "distributions from the Endowment shall be **available after January 1, 2006 and shall be limited each year to a maximum of five percent of the fair market value of Endowment assets as of the preceding December 31.**" It is the goal of the Board of Trustees to encourage the growth of the endowment so that it may provide a meaningful source of additional revenue. This fund for the benefit of our youth at the high school perpetually ensures a Catholic/Christian educational system in Santa Barbara.

The Daily Management of the Endowment Fund

In order to maximize the income of the endowment fund, the local Board of Trustees governs the management of the investments and financial professionals manage the funds. The Board of Trustees is made up of local business and educational professionals who review the investment portfolio's yield and decide how best to use the income for the current annual budget or for future needs of the school.

Your Role in the Future of Bishop High and Her Students

We hope you are thinking...

“YES! Bishop Garcia Diego High School must continue to serve our youth by offering a foundation of Christian moral education for tomorrow's leaders...

“YES! Bishop Garcia Diego High School and Catholic High School have made a big difference in the lives of those students and their families who have become the BGDHS alumni family/community...

“YES! I want to help Bishop High to build a solid financial base so that her much-needed educational and formational programs will continue to grow to meet the increasing needs of our community...

“And YES! I want to help. But how?”

As you consider your tax planning, especially at the end of a calendar year, we hope you will consider making good use of the income tax charitable deduction. **The tax laws intentionally encourage charitable giving.** Anyone who makes a gift by December 31 and itemizes his or her deductions can reduce the sting of income taxes for this year.

ELEVEN GREAT WAYS TO HELP BISHOP—AND YOUR ESTATE

Here are some ways you can make a difference, invest in the future of Bishop High, and help sustain its mission of offering a rigorous Catholic college preparatory education to our youth. Remember, no gift is too small and no major investment is too large.

Example: If you make a charitable gift of \$10,000, you could save \$3,100 in taxes if you are in the 31 percent tax bracket. The

higher your tax bracket, the more money you save with a charitable gift.

Giving is, of course, much more than tax brackets and charitable deductions. Your gifts and investments make a huge difference in what the school accomplishes.

Please know that this booklet is only a brief introduction to some of the best tax-advantaged methods of giving. We would be pleased to provide you with further information. Also, we urge you to discuss your tax planning situation with your accountant or other professional advisor.

A GIFT OF CASH

There is no easier way to garner a charitable deduction and at the same time support our work than by simply writing a check! Please make sure your check is dated, and your envelope postmarked, by December 31 if you want to take a tax deduction for the year ending by that date.

Most gifts made to Bishop High are in the form of cash, through a check written by the donor. If you itemize, your outright gifts of cash are fully deductible for federal income tax purposes up to 50 percent of your adjusted gross income. If your total gifts should exceed this limitation, you may carry the excess forward for tax purposes up to five additional years.

A GIFT OF STOCK

Giving long-term appreciated stock offers you a twofold tax saving. First, you avoid paying any capital gains tax on the increase in value of your stock. In addition, you receive a tax deduction for the full fair market value of the stock on the date of the gift.

For income tax purposes, you may deduct the value of such gifts up to 30 percent of your adjusted gross income, with an additional five-year carry-forward. Please contact the school for specific instructions for transferring stock for the benefit of Bishop High.

*Example: If you bought some stock many years ago for \$1,000 and it is now worth \$10,000, an outright gift of that stock to Bishop Garcia Diego High School, Inc., would result in a charitable deduction of \$10,000 and remove that amount from your Federal estate tax. **Federal estate taxes can run as high as 55 percent.** What's more, you permanently avoid paying capital gains tax on the \$9,000 of appreciation.*

***Important Tax Law Update:** Although the 1997 cut in the maximum capital gains tax rate from 28 percent to 20 percent made headlines, that tax can still extract significant dollars from you. Remember, you can **totally** avoid the capital gains tax by making a charitable gift of stock. Please note, too, that you must have held the stock you contribute for more than 12 months (but **not** for more than 18 months) to garner the greatest tax savings.*

A CHARITABLE LEAD TRUST

You may create a trust to provide income to benefit both Bishop and you or your heirs. By providing income to the school for a period of time—say 5, 10, 15, 20 years or more—you can still leave the principal amount to family members. The charitable lead trust makes it possible to transfer assets to your heirs with little or no estate and gift taxes due.

The annual income is tax-free to the extent that it is paid to Bishop High. If you have invested in stock that you do not want to liquidate, but you are willing to donate the income to the school for a specified number of years, this can be a win-win situation for both you and the school. You retain ownership of the stock, but it is placed in a charitable lead trust fund.

A GIFT OF REAL ESTATE

If you have owned your home, a vacation home, acreage, or rental parcels for many years, a charitable gift of that real estate can be especially tax-advantageous to you. The property may have appreciated so much over the years that its sale would cost you a sizeable capital gains tax.

But if you give it outright to Bishop High instead, you avoid the tax and at the same time realize a charitable deduction for the full fair market value of the real estate.

You may also wish to consider making a gift of your personal residence, while reserving the right to continue living in the house for life (and, if applicable, for the lifetime of your surviving spouse). This kind of arrangement would entitle you to receive a current income tax deduction for a portion of the fair market value of the property and to remove the property from your estate for federal estate tax purposes.

A GIFT OF LIFE INSURANCE

If you own a life insurance policy you no longer need, it can be the perfect vehicle for an investment in the future of Bishop High! Or, you can buy a new life insurance policy designating the school as the beneficiary.

To receive a charitable deduction, name “Bishop Garcia Diego High School, Inc.,” as both the owner and beneficiary of that policy. If the policy has a cash value, you can take a charitable deduction approximately equal to the cash value at the time of the gift.

In addition, if annual premiums must still be made and you continue paying them, those premiums will become tax-deductible each year. (It’s easy to contribute a life insurance policy to the school. Just ask your life insurance agent for details on which forms to complete.)

A LIFE INCOME GIFT

With money market rates at about 5 percent and with many stocks paying less than two percent in dividends, your gift of cash or stock to Bishop High, in the form of a “life income gift,” can actually increase your income!

A life income gift allows you to transfer assets over to the school now, yet continue to receive the income from the cash, stock, or other property you contributed. A life income gift can let you: (1) increase your income for life; (2) receive a generous charitable contribution deduction; and (3) if you contribute stock, avoid any capital gains tax on the appreciation, and remove it from your estate for federal estate tax purposes!

A donor often makes a life income gift through a trust arrangement called a “unitrust” or an “annuity trust.” With a unitrust, you and/or your spouse (or another beneficiary) receive annually a fixed percentage of the fair market value of the assets in the trust. The income you receive will vary, depending on how the trust’s investments perform.

With an annuity trust, you and/or your spouse (or another beneficiary) receive a fixed amount from the trust. **This amount is agreed upon when you create the trust; it stays constant, no matter what happens with the stock market or interest rates.**

If you have already considered providing for Bishop in your will, please note that a life income gift can often be better for you. It lets you accomplish your goals during your lifetime and in a tax-advantaged way as well.

A BEQUEST

While you are considering your annual income tax savings, this might be a good time to consider long-term savings, too. The federal estate tax can easily take 37 percent to 55 percent of one’s estate at the time of death. That’s a bigger bite than the income tax takes! It definitely pays to do some planning with your attorney and other professional advisors.

We hope you will consider a charitable bequest in your will to benefit the mission of Bishop High while you save estate dollars at the same time.

You can name the school as a beneficiary in your will in any one of a number of simple ways. In any case, you can easily add the

school to your will through a simple amendment called a codicil; this way, you do not have to re-draft your entire will.

Tax Law Update: Good News! *The unified credit for estate tax purposes is being increased. Bear in mind, though, that this increase is being phased in over ten years, during which time your estate will probably keep growing. Plan now to avoid future estate taxes!*

A GIFT OF RETIREMENT PLAN ASSETS

Through thoughtful retirement planning, you may find you can: (1) help assure a healthy financial future for you and your loved ones; (2) benefit from significant tax savings; (3) enjoy increased income, asset management, and other economic advantages; (4) and arrange what could be your charitable “gift of a lifetime.”

Known as “qualified” retirement plans, these options have traditionally featured income tax benefits at the same time contributions are made to such plans. The assets in the plans then build up tax free for future enjoyment.

Amounts in traditional qualified plans usually are not subject to income tax till the owner of the funds actually withdraws them. The “Roth” IRA, an option introduced in 1997 tax legislation, differs in that it features contributions of *after-tax* dollars, with tax-free withdrawals in future years.

Because they are included in the taxable estate at death, the assets in qualified retirement plans, such as Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs), 401(k), Keogh, and others, can also be subject to federal (and perhaps state) estate taxes. Investing in Bishop High now might lower these taxes and benefit your heirs. If you do not plan well, your relatives may only receive 25 cents on the dollar of your estate.

A DESIGNATED GIFT

The endowment fund is a pooled investment to help ensure the present and future financial stability of Bishop High. Our main goal is to fund tuition grant aid so that low-income families can afford to send their children to Bishop. But you might wish to fund a specific program at the school. For example, you might want to set up a scholarship fund to help finance your grandchildren’s education.

Or, you might wish to help renovate/build a specific facility on campus. An academic chair to fund a faculty position could be named in your honor. These and other options are negotiable. Our Development Director, Principal, or Board of Trustees Chairman would welcome meeting with you to discuss these options for a designated gift.

ADOPT A STUDENT

The Adopt-A-Student program is designed to help our youth attend Bishop High. The SAS program seeks benefactors of the school to help ensure that financially deserving students in the Santa Barbara enrollment area receive a Catholic college preparatory education.

The benefactor can receive a tax deduction under federal and state laws regarding tax-deductible donations. By helping adopt a student, you could make it possible for him or her to receive a Bishop García Diego High School education. You could help students afford textbooks, too. You could also help underwrite retreat and other educational expenses.

ART, JEWELRY OR COLLECTIBLES

If you wish to donate fine art, jewelry, high-grade sports memorabilia, or other valuables or collectibles, please let us explain how we can arrange a donation that will benefit both our students and you.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION AND PLANNING

No one publication can tell you everything you need to know about gift investment opportunities and which method would be the most advantageous for you in your particular situation. Remember, too, that recent tax law changes add intricacy as well as opportunity to your tax planning.

We can provide a consultation on a no-fee (pro bono) basis with professional tax planners. We offer this service to you with no obligation whatsoever.

Before you make your will and/or other estate plans, be well prepared. Make a list of the people you want to include: family, special friends, and non-profit organizations such as Bishop High. List the property you wish to distribute, including securities, real estate, life insurance, retirement plans, and personal possessions. Consider ways to match the people/organization with the property.

Finally, note the professional planners you might need to consult: your attorney, banker, accountant, tax advisor, financial planner, investment advisor, or representatives of a charitable interest.

Your gift is tax-deductible to the fullest extent of the law.

LEGAL INFORMATION

For your information, the legal title for contributions is:

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Dear Friend,

Bishop High is a small school, which means every Bishop student receives individual attention, every day. Unlike other schools, Bishop prepares students not just for college but also for life. The program at Bishop emphasizes faith values, family spirit and the close ties of a small community. Bishop High has a rich legacy of educational excellence and tradition dating back to its predecessor, Catholic High School which opened its doors in 1940. Bishop retained Catholic High's red and white colors and its Cardinal mascot and today remains "Home of the Cardinals."

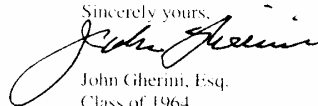
Each Cardinal student has the opportunity to discover hidden talents and to excel not only in the classroom, but also through the school's many activities. What's more, the school's unique community service program enables all students to build upon the character traits they learn at Bishop. The high school also places great emphasis on its spiritual program, helping boys and girls to focus on the moral decisions they'll face in their lives.

Like many independent schools, Bishop faces financial challenges that only the generosity of its benefactors can meet. To safeguard her future, Bishop Garcia Diego High School, Inc. has established an endowment fund. This fund is crucial to assuring the viability and continuation of high-quality Catholic education in our community.

But Bishop's future is far from secure. She and our young people need your support.

Task your usual thoughtful and generous consideration to this need when you are approached for support for this truly special school. "Once a Cardinal, always a Cardinal."

Sincerely yours,



John Gherini, Esq.
Class of 1964
Chairman, Board of Trustees

Again, thank you for your interest in Bishop High and her students! May God bless you and your loved ones!

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