



Where does my money go? *St. Laurence Catholic School Fundraising Efforts*

<i>Fundraiser:</i>	<i>What is it?</i>	<i>Time of Year</i>	<i>Event Date</i>	<i>How it is Used?</i>
<i>Annual Fund and Online Giving</i>	Single handedly the most important fundraiser of the year. All our students benefit from the generosity of our donors. The annual fund assists us in keeping tuition affordable, enhances curriculum, supports fine arts, athletics and maintains our state of the art Catholic learning environment.	August - June 30	Kick Off Wednesday, August 31, 2016	This fund directly supports the tuition gap of \$2,700 annually per student. Our budget includes teacher's salaries, professional development, technology, maintenance, upgrades to facilities and tuition discounts.
<i>Golf Tournament</i>	An event to raise money for tuition assistance. The monies collected will help families that find themselves dealing with an unexpected loss of job, medical crisis, or family emergency.	May- November	October 31, 2016	The funds are raised to support our tuition assistance efforts and are depleted annually.
<i>Steps for Students</i>	Our school joins other schools in the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston for a run/walk in support of Catholic education. This year our PTO is supporting Steps 4 Students as their only fundraiser!	Winter	February 18, 2017	A large portion of the funds raised by SLCS come back to our school and go to support our PTO efforts. PTO impacts our school daily by providing family activities, teacher appreciation, family rosary, volunteer opportunities and many more "extras" in the classroom via the "teacher wish list".
<i>Annual Auction Gala</i>	This is a grand event that provides community fellowship through an auction dinner that also supports our overall budget.	January - April	April 29, 2017	The funds that are raised help to fund the school's expenses for the following school year.
<i>Book Fair</i>	The Library sells books and gift items to raise funds for Library improvements and books!	Fall and Spring Semesters	October 28, 2016	The proceeds help to purchase Library collection updates, enhance technology, as well as, any necessary improvements.
<i>SPICE Luncheon</i>	This event raises money to support families with the high cost of tuition associated with educating students outside of the regular classroom.	Fall	November 11, 2016	Money raised from ticket sales and auction items goes towards offsetting the cost of teacher salaries and resources used for special needs.
<i>Box Tops for Education</i>	The PTO runs this collection of Box Tops on popular brand items!	Year Round		The proceeds that are raised are used to purchase items for the school, fund programs hosted by PTO, and purchase items on the Teacher Wish List.
<i>Service Projects</i>	Each Grade Level performs a service project that benefits the parish, other Catholic schools, or our community at large; students collect goods or money to support their efforts.	Year Round		Projects from 2nd, 4th and 5th grade provide financial support to Queen of Peace Catholic School and 2 refugee families. Every grade level supports service and the needs of others.
<i>Spirit Nights</i>	The Booster Club partners with local restaurants where our community can dine out and a percentage of the sales made are donated to the Athletics program. These are also a great community event.	Year Round		These funds are dispersed by the Booster Club to support Athletics in various ways like, equipment, end of the year banquets, sports bags and team t-shirts.
<i>SLCS Spirit Store</i>	Items are sold through the Booster Club that promote our SLCS spirit. The store is open on both campuses on the first Wednesday of the month during lunch periods.	Year Round		These funds are dispersed by the Booster Club to support Athletics in various ways like: equipment, end of the year banquets, sports bags and team t-shirts.
<i>Teacher Gifts</i>	The PTO gives a gift each year as a service to our faculty and staff.	End of school year		Monetary gifts are given to the faculty and staff during Teacher Appreciation month.

