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THE TRUE SPIRIT OF LCA'S COMMUNITY

Community. This word is at the heart of Lakewood Catholic Academy. It is essential to our mission and our faith, and it defined our experience in the 2021-2022 school year.

While so many schools across our country remained closed or continued limited operations due to the ongoing pandemic, we at Lakewood Catholic Academy prioritized creating a safe in-person learning environment for our students full of our signature magic and joy. We refined the health protocols we developed during the previous school year and moved forward courageously. We persevered because we remained committed to our mission to help form saints who faithfully serve others in their local and global communities.

We couldn't have experienced the many successes we did without incredible support from our school community. Our superhero teachers, amazing administrative team, generous parents, and our creative student saints have made the LCA community stronger than ever! Inside the pages of this annual report you will find people and stories that embody the true spirit of the LCA community. As you read through it, I hope you are as inspired as I am grateful for the ways they have strengthened our school.

Thank you for being a part of our school community and for the many different ways that you support LCA – your prayers, volunteer hours, and financial support make all the difference. I am deeply appreciative of your ongoing partnership as we work together to enhance Lakewood Catholic Academy and ensure its continued success.

With a grateful heart,

BRIAN SINCHAK, *president*



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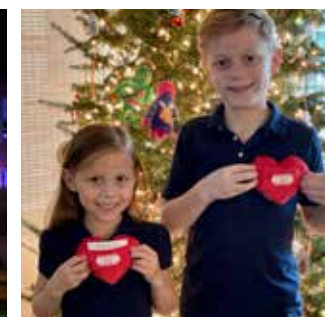
If you are one of LCA's more than **2,000 followers** on our social media channels, there is no doubt you have seen a post including the hashtag, **#iLoveLCA**. These posts typically showcase unexpected moments of joy and excitement during regular (and often special) school days. They are real-time glimpses into life at Lakewood Catholic Academy, and the hard work and dedication of the many teachers who are preparing our students to be tomorrow's global leaders.

But #iLoveLCA is more than just a string of text added to the end of a social media post. It's a feeling that is unmistakable across our 9-acre lakefront campus each day. For those of us who are members of the 100+ person staff, we are lucky enough to see it on the smiles of the students who walk (or get carried) through the doors every morning and afternoon. We hear it in the hallways and in the dining hall, in classrooms and on athletic courts and fields, in office hours and during House meetings, and in the cooing and giggling coming from

our Early Childhood classrooms. There is a pride for LCA that is simply unmatched by other Catholic elementary schools.

We are grateful for our parents who also love LCA. Day after day, they entrust their most precious gifts to the care of our staff. Our parents show their love for LCA by spending countless hours volunteering in all different areas of school life, and coaching our championship athletic teams. We are blessed to have so many parents and friends who show their love of LCA year after year by supporting our fundraising efforts, both large and small. You'll see many of their names in the pages of this Annual Report.

Indeed, there is something special happening at LCA...and if you're not following us on social media yet, we invite you to **come along for the journey**.



AT LCA, WE'RE CREATING SAVVY SAINTS

It's no secret that students experience special traditions and milestones each year during their time at LCA. Whether they're participating in a grade level-specific activity, or marveling at teachers' costumes and creativity during an all-school transformation day, the days at LCA are filled with joy, magic, and unique learning opportunities not found at many other schools.

This is especially true for our middle school students as they work diligently to incorporate components of the **International Baccalaureate Middle Years Program** into projects and assignments in and out of a traditional classroom environment. By exposing students to things like entrepreneurship, public speaking, business skills, teamwork, collaboration, and more, we are helping them to set the foundation for success not only in high school, but well beyond into college and their professional lives.

SAVVY SAINTS



5th grade

Fifth grade marks a student's transition from the primary years to the middle years at LCA. This transition comes with added responsibility and independence but is overseen by LCA's talented and dedicated middle school teaching team. Fifth grade is also a student's first exposure to the **House System**, which fosters teamwork, collaboration, and leadership in grades 5-8.



HOUSE
SYSTEM

MIDDLE SCHOOL *milestones*



HOUSE
SYSTEM



GREAT LAKE
SHAKE



ARGUABLY
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SAINTS
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Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of information in this report. We hold all our donors in the highest regard and apologize for any errors or omissions. Please contact the Office of Advancement to request a change to your listing.

6th grade

In sixth grade, students participate in LCA's **Great Lake Shake**, an interpersonal skills competition that connects students to business, school, and community leaders from across Northeast Ohio in an expanded network of learning. Students are judged on their handshakes, eye contact, table manners, and conversation styles and skills as they vie for one of two top spots in the competition.



GREAT LAKE
SHAKE

Later in the year, **Arguably the Best** introduces students to the use of propaganda and persuasion, in addition to the art of debate. Students work with a partner to research the affirmative or negative side of an assigned topic, then take to the stage and compete against each other in a debate. Arguably the Best encourages students to use their voice, formulate their ideas, and speak persuasively to an audience.



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7th
grade

By the time students enter seventh grade, they are prepared to explore entrepreneurship for nearly an entire semester. Working closely with LCA's Design Teacher and a group of esteemed professionals from the wider LCA community, students work through the ideation process, create a product or service, brand it, then pitch it to a panel of judges at our annual **Saints Startup** competition. Not only is prize money up for grabs, but so is the opportunity to move on to local and regional competitions for those students with the best and brightest ideas.



SAINTS
STARTUP

In both their theology and communications classes, our seventh grade saints learn about the powerful influence of persuasive rhetoric and the ability for an individual voice to change the world. They research a notable speaker of their choice, then learn a portion of one of their public speeches. The students memorize the speech and work on communication skills such as articulation, clarity, inflection, and body language all in preparation of taking to the Foster Theater stage at the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame to deliver the speech for our **Prophetic Voices** presentation.



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Each fall, eighth grade students take to the streets of downtown Cleveland for the Amazing Race — an academically enriching, physically challenging, and all-out fun academic scavenger hunt. Small groups of students, led by a faculty member, work together to solve up to 50 clues in a race that gives them the opportunity explore our beautiful city from Public Square to Playhouse Square, from Progressive Field to FirstEnergy Stadium, and everywhere in between. Throughout this experience, our students learn resiliency, problem-solving, as well as teamwork and the importance of communication.

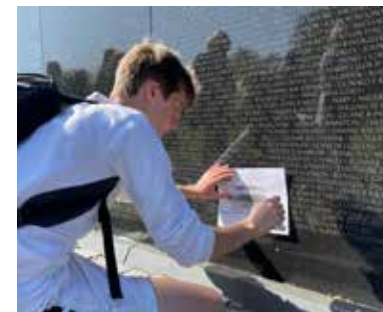
To cap off their eighth grade year and time at LCA, students embark on an educational adventure to Washington, DC. What makes the trip different from those at other schools is that LCA takes a unique approach by incorporating interactive experiences throughout the trip. Our students learn about the government of our country, important figures who changed the course of history, and the men and women who sacrificed their lives for our freedoms. More importantly, our students actively participate in meaningful experiences at some of the most significant landmarks in our nation's capital.



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MATCHING GIFTS

2021-2022

In addition to the generosity of our closest friends, Lakewood Catholic Academy was blessed to secure significant fundraising dollars thanks to corporate matching gift programs and the individuals who took the extra step to request a match.

Find out if your employer will match your gift to LCA by visiting lakewoodcatholicacademy.com/GiftMatch.

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20/20 VISION

FAITH + VISION + COURAGE

These are the virtues at the heart of the Lakewood Catholic Academy story and our school's mission. As a school family, we rely on these same virtues as we strategically chart the future direction of LCA. Remaining committed to our Catholic Faith, we will continue to develop new ways to form our young boys and girls into men and women inspired to serve the Church and the world.

FOUNDATIONS FOR GROWTH

The example of generosity set forth by the individuals listed below have made LCA's first-ever capital campaign possible. Their bold leadership has set the **foundation for growth in three key areas:**



INSPIRING STUDENTS:

Support the saints of Lakewood Catholic Academy as they learn and grow into faith-filled leaders.



THANKING TEACHERS:

Contributing to more competitive salaries for our faculty and making world-class professional development available to our outstanding educators.




BUILDING THE FUTURE:

Investing in our ongoing work to update our campus and reimagining learning spaces for our student scholars.














If you would like to be a part of this important project, please contact **Brian Sinchak, President, at 216-521-0559.**

**Donor has included Lakewood Catholic Academy in their estate planning.*






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Once Upon a Time...

2022 Spring Gala

Guests were treated to an enchanted experience the moment they walked through the doors of LCA on April 9. After toasting with a glass of champagne, they walked the red carpet and entered the gymnasium through the pages of *Once Upon a Tree: The Story of Lakewood Catholic Academy* – our very own children’s book. While enjoying a decadent dinner and drinks, Gala Sponsors and their guests watched LCA’s version of *Saturday Night Live* starring some favorite teachers and staff members, directed by Brian Sinchak. By the time the cast said goodnight to their guests, **over \$270,000 was raised** to benefit the students and staff of Lakewood Catholic Academy.

We extend our deepest gratitude to our Gala volunteers, those who attended in person and joined us virtually from home, as well as the following Sponsors and Fund the Mission Donors who all helped make our Once Upon a Time Gala the most successful in LCA’s history!

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Once Upon a Time...

2022 Spring Gala

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save the date!

for the 2023
Spring Gala:

**SATURDAY,
APRIL 1**



GUARDIANS VOLUNTEERS

2021-2022

Lakewood Catholic Academy has partnered with the Cleveland Guardians to provide volunteer help at the stadium gates, passing out giveaways during home games. For our efforts, the Guardians contribute to our Annual Fund, which supports all aspects of our school's operating budget, including student scholarships. We are grateful for the leadership of our Technology and Design teacher, **Mrs. Laura Crabb**, for coordinating this remarkable partnership where moms and dads, aunts and uncles, grandparents, friends, parishioners, LCA teachers...saints of all ages come together to not only support LCA, but to also cheer on the team!

*Thank you to the following **individuals who volunteered** at one or more games between July 1, 2021 and June 30, 2022.*

Michelle Behar	Jennifer Garretson	Linda McCafferty	Brian Sinchak
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GOLF OUTING FOR THE SAINTS

2021 SPONSORS

In September 2021, friends of LCA participated in the 12th Annual LCA Golf Classic. The outing raises important funds to support our athletic program for uniforms, participation in tournaments, equipment, and coach development. Thank you to our sponsors and all those who hit the links with us last year!



Saint Edward High School | \$1500

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Rogozinski Family | \$850

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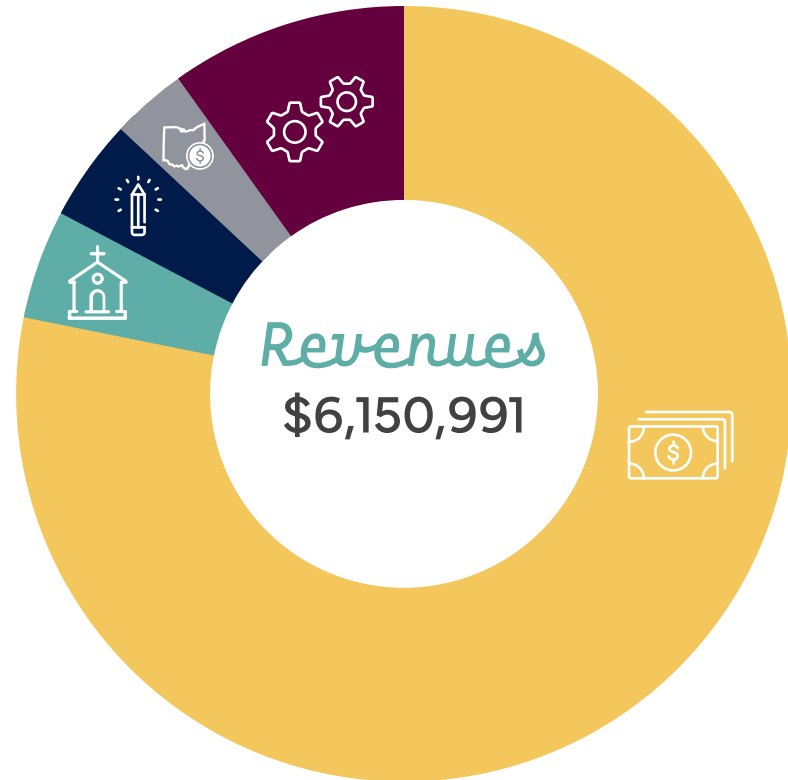
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FINANCIAL SUMMARY

2021-2022

Lakewood Catholic Academy is thoughtfully governed and guided by our Board of Directors. Our financial records are reviewed annually by the accounting firm of Maloney + Novotny.

Operating Activity for Fiscal Year July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022

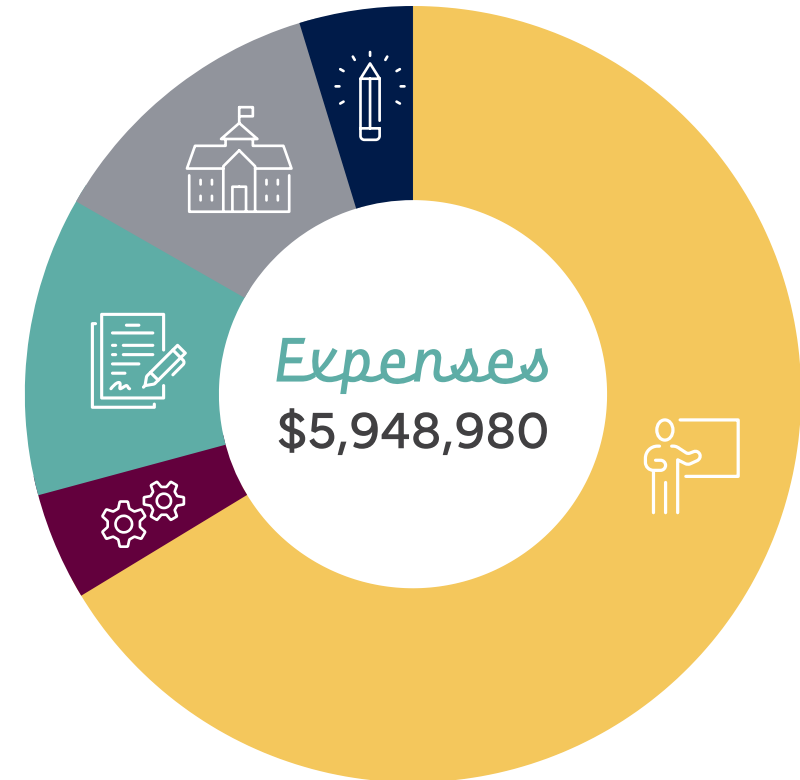


	NET TUITION & FEES:	\$4,807,815
	PARISH SUBSIDIES:	\$279,750
	STUDENT SERVICES:	\$261,438
	STATE FUNDING:	\$193,584
	DEVELOPMENT:	\$608,404
	<i>Special Events:</i>	<i>\$363,054</i>
	<i>Annual Fund:</i>	<i>\$245,350</i>

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

2021-2022

Thanks to strong financial performance, LCA was able to reinvest funds to replace the campus boiler system in August 2022.



	INSTRUCTIONAL:	\$3,944,979
	DEVELOPMENT:	\$267,367
	ADMINISTRATIVE:	\$741,358
	FACILITY OPERATIONS:	\$714,031
	STUDENT SERVICES:	\$281,245



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