



ANNUAL FUND FAQ'S

What is the Annual Fund?

In keeping with our commitment to the vision of St. Ignatius, our school charges a tuition less than the true cost of education to all students. This results in a deficit, which is made up through gifts to the Annual Fund and other fundraising efforts.

The largest source of non-tuition income is the Annual Fund Campaign. This fund drive kicks off in the fall with a direct solicitation. Throughout the school year, Annual Fund money is received from parents, grandparents, alumni, friends, faculty, staff, business and corporations.

The Annual Fund supplements our parent fundraisers and assists in meeting the ordinary and sometimes extraordinary costs of operating our school.

Every child, every family at St. Ignatius Parish School benefits from a successful Annual Fund campaign.

At SI we focus on helping children grow in faith, knowledge, and service. Your gift means we can continue to provide quality education to many children by keeping it affordable for all families. Please help the children of St. Ignatius Parish School by providing a gift to this year's Annual Fund.

Why not just raise the tuition?

If tuition were raised to the actual cost of education, this approach would place too large of a burden on parents, and would make it impossible for many of our children to have the opportunity to receive an education at St. Ignatius.

This charitable contribution to the Annual Fund is 100% tax-deductible.

How is the money used?

Tuition is the primary source of revenue at SI; however, tuition alone does not cover the full cost of providing our outstanding program and retaining our creative and dedicated faculty. Tuition pays for the basics, and the Annual Fund pays for the extras that distinguish a St. Ignatius education. As parents, we have made a commitment to a high-quality, independent education for our children, and that commitment has a cost.

The Annual Fund has helped with the following:

- Hire and retain personnel to provide a comprehensive program for our students
 - Full time Vice Principal
 - 2 Full time Science teachers
 - Retain a staff where half have earned their master's degree and/or have been in the teaching profession for over twenty years
 - Purchase of new textbooks on a regular basis
- Offer instruction in Art, Spanish, P.E., Computers, and Algebra I
- Improve security around campus

These funds also ensure:

- Affordable Jesuit education for all children
- COVID-19 Relief as we endure expenses we could not forecast
- Academic resources for our students
- Tuition assistance for our students who otherwise could not afford a St. Ignatius education
- Resources for the maintenance and sanitation of our facility

Is there a tax advantage if I make a gift?

All contributions are fully tax deductible as charitable gifts to the extent provided by law. Donations to the Annual Fund are tax deductible, tuition is not.

What should I give?

Every gift is greatly appreciated, and every gift matters! Every gift – no matter the amount (\$1000, \$100, \$10) – makes a difference!

Do I have to pay all at once?

No, we will gladly set up a payment plan for you! Your donation payments can be spread out over several months.

In fact, you can even charge your donation on your MasterCard, Visa, or American Express.

What is Pastor's Circle Membership?

Donors whose gifts total \$2,500 or more per fiscal year to St. Ignatius Parish School are recognized by membership in the Pastor's Circle. Members are invited to a reception each fall hosted by Father Tom Lucas, S.J. – Pastor of St. Ignatius Parish School and honored for their generosity to SI!

What are Matching Gifts?

Many companies will match your gift to St. Ignatius Parish School up to a certain level – some as high as triple matches! Matching Gift contributions also count toward your own giving level to SI. Please check with your employer's human resources office for details on their Matching Gift program and matching gift forms.

Complete the donor section of the form and then mail to St. Ignatius Parish School, Attn - Development Office/Matching Gifts, 3245 Arden Way, Sacramento, CA 95825. Our Tax ID number is 45-4177209.

This is a sample list of companies with Matching Gift programs –please check with your employer's human resources office to determine if your company does match!

ADP Inc.	American Express Company	AT&T Foundation	Bank of America
Bristol-Myers Squibb	CIGNA Foundation	Citigroup	ConocoPhillips Company
Direct TV	Ernst and Young	Esurance	Franklin Templeton
Gannett Co.	GenCorp	General Electric	General Mills Foundation
Hewlett Packard	Intel	Johnson & Johnson	JPMorgan Chase & Co.
Kaiser Permanente	McGraw-Hill Companies	Merrill Lynch	New York Life Foundation
Northrop Grumman	Northwestern Mutual	Oracle	Pearson Education
Pfizer Foundation	Progressive Insurance	Quest Diagnostics	State Farm
Verizon Foundation	Washington Mutual	Wellpoint Foundation	Wells Fargo

**** Important Reminders ****

St. Ignatius Parish School receives **NO** State or Federal tax dollars.

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