

Our Lady of the Hamptons Regional Catholic School

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Dear

During the past year, we have all been tested in ways we could never have imagined. Life lessons, personal and community priorities have been scrutinized, and necessary changes have been made on several levels. For many families, the one constant at Our Lady of the Hamptons School has been the total commitment to all day in-person learning since September. This has been a help in stabilizing the family unit and the mental development of the children. Indeed, Catholic education is alive and well on North Main Street!

For those in our school and parish communities, the journey of OLH has been a long and very productive one, leading to its current full enrollment in a very diverse community. Keeping the school competitive with regard to faculty, facilities, programs and technology even in this time of economic difficulty has been possible through family tuition, supplemented by parish subsidies and fund raising. (During this past year, many of the events that provide funding have been curtailed to fit within social protocols.)

This is the perfect time for the schools and the supporting parishes to reach out to people like you in the hope that you may be willing and able to offer a special gift to the school in celebration of Catholic Schools Week. **IF** we were able to raise a total of one hundred thousand dollars between now and mid-March, that would complete the fund-raising goal for this year...AND...would result in a matching grant of one hundred thousand dollars sent directly to the Tomorrow's Hope Foundation!

Many of our school families have benefitted directly from the Tomorrow's Hope grants of tuition assistance. The benefactor who will match our hundred thousand dollars has pledged a total of one million dollars to **Tomorrow's Hope** as part of the new diocesan **Morningstar Initiative**. We have a chance to be part of that monumental achievement!

To simplify this:

- The goal from among the three supporting parishes is one hundred thousand dollars
- The total gift will remain at OLH

(There have been gifts totaling fifteen thousand dollars as of this date)

- A gift to Our Lady of the Hamptons will be matched for Tomorrow's Hope and added to the overall impact of the Morningstar Initiative.
- This is a "trifecta"...a win for our children and for all who believe in the importance and future of Catholic education! In this troubled time, it is an invitation to reach out and make a difference!

We would be happy to meet with you to discuss your possible partnership in this project that may well be the turning point in the future of Our Lady of the Hamptons! Can we count on your involvement and support?

Thanks in advance for your presence, your participation...and your prayers!

Gratefully in Christ,

Reverend Michael Vetrano

Pastor

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