

Capital Campaign FAQ for Parents & Guardians

What is *The Future is Now* campaign?

The Future is Now is a \$2.3 million capital campaign to expand academic and administrative space, enhance school security and safety and to increase ADA access.

Why are we doing this?

We are out of space! Additional space is needed to accommodate current and future growth, as well as provide the facilities needed to prepare our students for profound success in high school, college and in their adult lives as highly engaged leaders in a diverse, democratic society.

What are the benefits of the specific improvements?

Expanded Academic and Administrative Spaces

- Creating three new classrooms, making space to join the lower grades on the lower level and middle school on the upper level.
- Ensuring space to continue to provide a competitive level of high school credit classes.
- Adding a classroom for a self-contained fifth grade.
- Dedicating permanent space for Music and Art classes.
- Ensuring adequate space for teacher workspaces, tutoring, counseling and support offices.

Enhanced Security and Safety

- New clear entrance with secure vestibule
- Direct visual control for all front site areas

Increased ADA Access

- Addition of an elevator for easy access to the second floor.
- ADA toilet accessibility

What is the history of how the campaign came to be?

Ken Soistman, All Saints' past principal and current president, shared the school's space challenges and the longtime dream of building out the carport with Mr. Marcus Weinstein, a local philanthropist and supporter of All Saints, during a visit in late spring of 2018. The school was built with the expansion of the carport in its

future plans. It's been a dream for 52 years. Upon hearing this, Mr. Weinstein offered "the first million" as a match for the project. During the next several months, the school created a planning committee of Board members, parents, teachers and community members and engaged with an architectural firm to address the space needs. The Future is Now capital campaign began the "quiet" phase in the spring of 2019.

How is the campaign going?

Thanks to Weinstein Properties and many other donors, we have raised 80% of the \$2.3 million needed for the project. Another \$400,000+ (the remaining 20%) still needs to be raised. We hope to raise these funds by June 2020.

How can I participate?

We have asked for 100% participation by our Advisory Board members. We will be seeking 100% from our teachers, staff, parents and alumni. Participation levels, not amount given, is really key. A high level of participation signals a strong commitment to other funders, especially foundations. We expect to run a short campaign at the school in early 2020, keeping our other fundraisers – like the jog-a-thon, in mind. We know we have to keep our annual fund strong during this time, but we hope you will be able to also support this special once-in-fifty-years opportunity.

When will construction begin and when is it likely to end?

We will break ground on November 1st – All Saints Day. We expect construction to begin soon thereafter. The contractor and architects have indicated that if all goes as planned, we can expect 10 months of construction with a few more months to prepare the space for occupancy. A schedule is being created to provide for the least amount of disruption as possible. We hope to move into the new space during the 2020-21 academic year.

How will this affect parking/dismissal/fire exit?

Once we break ground, the carport will no longer be available for parking, dismissal or any other regular use. New dismissal plans are being drawn-up and will be shared with everyone before construction begins. Also, we are working with a civil engineer to devise a parking plan for both during construction and afterward. According to fire safety guidelines prepared for the school during construction, the door leading down the back stairs will have a protected exit route for use as a fire exit for some classes on the second floor. Teachers and students will practice using this exit during regular fire drills.

How will this affect my tuition?

The campaign is being funded by donations, not by tuition. If anything, we hope this build-out offers parents more value for their money.

How will this affect enrollment?

The additional space is being added to serve the students we have now. While we are currently under capacity in some grades and have room in those classes to grow, we are not adding any grades or increasing our capacity per grade.

What if I have additional questions?

Please ask us! Mr. Soistman will be overseeing the construction project. Mrs. Alyssa McBride, Director of Development & Marketing oversees the campaign. Staff and teachers can help too—or find someone who can.

Thank you for your support and patience during this process! We look forward to putting every square foot in service to making All Saints a school of high moral expectations and academic rigor for your child.