



"In the desert Prepare The Way for the Lord; make straight in the wilderness a highway for God." Isaiah 40:3

Times have changed.

These are familiar words we were raised with these words echo in our minds. Perhaps in simpler times preparing a way for the Lord seemed easier, more natural, more a part of our society. Life preparation is essential in order for us to Prepare The Way for our Lord. The high school years provide the opportunity to get ready for life's challenges and to Prepare The Way. The Lutheran High School of Kansas City is the place to prepare for those challenges.

Faith comes first at LHSKC.

Jesus Christ is the center of all activities for students and faculty. He is reflected in the character and the achievements of our students and He is the reason our faculty and staff serve in this ministry. Today students face a different world than our early graduates confronted. It is indeed a "wilderness" out there. Faced with an enormity of uncertainty regarding the economy, civil unrest and global instability abroad, students of today and tomorrow need the foundation of Christ more than ever before. We build on that foundation.

Preparation is essential.

Graduates of Lutheran High excel in academics, the arts, and in service to their fellow man. Our philosophy is to prepare the whole student – mind, body, and spirit – so each can thrive and contribute to family, community, church, and world. Preparing students for today, tomorrow and eternity is how we will Prepare The Way for our Lord.

"Because of
Lutheran High's
academic excellence,
co-curricular opportunities, and dedication
to spiritual principles,
I have developed into
a balanced, selfmotivated and
spiritual individual
who is devoted to
improving the
community and
serving Christ."
-Zach Klatt (LHS 2011)
Vicar, St. Louis Seminary



Today
"Prepare the Way"
is crucial for
the school's
next 38 years.

Prepare – Our Students

Prepare – Our Campus

Prepare – Our Churches

Prepare – Our Community

Prepare – In His Love and Forgiveness



Dear Friends of Lutheran High School of Kansas City,

The Lutheran High School of Kansas City has a long and rich tradition. Since 1980 LHSKC has been faithful to God's Word and its mission of keeping faith with our youth. LHSKC is in its 38th year and has experienced its own ups and downs, yet always at its core has been Christ-centered education. Located on several different sites, the school has finally settled on a beautiful 29 acre location with room to expand. The student body has slowly and steadily grown over the last four years and appears destined to continue to grow. Now is the time to complete our school and its facilities and make Lutheran High a preferred choice for those seeking a quality Christian secondary education.

Twenty-first century students need a 21st century education and a 21st century facility. While technology's role in education is well-documented, the true difference and the excellence of our education stem from the dedicated faculty and staff who creatively interact each day with the student body.

Science. Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) are key component parts of today's educational landscape. New spaces for science labs, robotics development, digital communications facilities and the fine arts will only inspire greater teaching and greater learning for the next generation of students.

The future of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod (LCMS) and other Christian churches may very well be influenced by the education our students are receiving. Cultivating leaders in our student body means we are preparing leaders not only for business and the community, but more importantly, for Christ's Church on earth. This may inevitably be our most important function.

Flourishing communities demand excellent schools. Lutheran High offers parents and students a clearly distinct educational alternative to public education. Too often, the only obstacle to enrollment is the cost of tuition. A well-funded, sustainable scholarship program opens the door for more families to experience Lutheran High.

These words are the cornerstone of the Christian Life. Teaching and modeling Christ's love and forgiveness means there will be generations of students who understand the Gospel makes a difference. Our Lord has commanded us to lead and live hope-filled lives – to be the lights of this world.

Dr. Cary Stelmachowicz

Executive Director of The Lutheran High School of Kansas City

"Prepare the Way" means we are investing in Lutheran High to ensure generations of excellence in Christian education.

Prepare the Way to meet our mission — The Need

We are growing, nurturing, and preparing students academically, socially, emotionally, and spiritually for the future. This preparation will allow us to mold leaders who will bring strong Christian values and vitality to their churches, communities and families of the future. Our comprehensive campaign will:

- Expand and enhance our current facility as we support educational needs in science, the arts, and athletics (2.5 million)
- **Grow** the Lutheran High School Foundation Endowment to ensure financial stability for the future (.5 million)
- Pay down the debt (1.0 million) in order to free more capital for operations
- Elevate the community's awareness of the Lutheran High School of Kansas City



Prepare the Way for ...

Our Children. Our Campus. Our Churches. Our Community.

Campus Improvements – \$2.5 million Foundation Endowment – \$.5 million

Debt Reduction - \$1.0 million Total - \$4.0 million - over 5 years

Growing Steady

At the end of 2010 academic school year LHSKC had approximately 100 students.

Five years later as we began the 2016-17 school year 140 students filled our campus.



LHSKC MASTER PLANNING









We Are Proud of Our Students

The Lutheran High School of Kansas City has excelled in academics and co-curricular activities throughout its over 35 year history. The past five years our students have averaged over 24 on the ACT. This is nearly 3 points higher than the state average. In fact, in 2016, of all the students who took the ACT test 20% scored 30 or higher.

- In 2016 and 2017 a student has been awarded the honor of National Merit Finalist, a phenomenal achievement for a school our size
- Boys' cross country finished 2nd and girls' cross country finished 4th in the Missouri State meet
- In three of the past four years LHSKC has placed individual champions on the podium at the Missouri State track meet
- Academic team excels each year winning a Scholar Bowl district title in 2017
- Journalism class recognized for its 2016 and 2017 yearbook as a "Program of Excellence" by Jostens
- Students in art classes routinely are honored and have their works displayed in various Kansas City venues
- Students complete 40 hours of community service each year, a total of over 160 hours prior to graduation. Serving your fellow man is part of a spiritual life in Christ.

This is Achieving at the highest level.



An Opportunity for a Legacy

This is not an abstraction, but rather a concrete opportunity to prepare lives that will shape families, communities, and churches of the future. With a gift YOU can make a contribution to academics, the arts, athletics, and the future.

The Lutheran High School of Kansas City provides a firm foundation for students. We prepare students with Christ as that foundation so they can be ready for today, tomorrow, and eternity.

Our graduates' successes are our successes. We are proud of the achievers and believers they have become,

are becoming, and will continue to become. They are changing the world for Christ.

The Lutheran High School of Kansas City is ready to grow, expand, and influence more people as we Prepare The Way for the Lord.

Now is the time to Prepare The Way for our Lord and create the path for Him through the lives of our students. We boldly and confidently ask you to join our ministry.

WE are ready ... please join us.

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