

\$1.27 M

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Since 1978, SLHS has maintained its vision of academic excellence with a Christ-centered and student-focused environment, equipping young people to be servant-leaders making a difference in the world.

Our vision has been built on four pillars of academic excellence and spiritual formation: Confidence, Hope, Integrity and Passion. Our strong desire is that our students and our graduates be equipped with all the tools necessary to achieve their highest calling—making the world a better place to live.

We started small, and for 36 years we have remained small. Being small allows us to focus on each student as if they were our only one. We pay attention to them in the classroom, as we strive for academic achievement, with 93% of our students matriculating to post-secondary education; and we pay attention to them on the field and in the gym and in the lab. An astounding 88% of our students are engaged in co-curricular activities, including band, robotics, athletics, drama and community service, where life skills are put into practice.

We've had a wonderful history. We've been here for 36 years. We've sent 1,298 graduates into the world, filled with Confidence, Hope, Integrity and Passion. They have made the world a better place.

Now we're looking forward.

This year we are launching a \$1.27 million initiative entitled, *Fanning the Flame*. Our school logo, a Bible with a flame, is based on a passage found in 2 Timothy 1:6 — "I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God which is in you."

It's the first time we have undertaken a capital campaign, and it's intended to move us forward into a future even more successful than our past.

Fanning the Flame consists of two parts – a FACE LIFT and a FAITH LIFT.

The FACE LIFT portion will focus on our facilities, making them more attractive and efficient. FAITH LIFT will seek to enhance our partnerships with those around us, including our students, our faculty, potential ministry partners, and our lenders.

Here's how *Fanning the Flame* will launch us successfully into the future.

Fanning the Flame



FACE LIFT

\$485,000



Facility Improvements

Reface Exterior Facilities

\$200,000

Our students say that the personal atmosphere of our school is superior. However, we all know that the exterior of our facility is often a barrier for prospective students. Our facility was built in 1964 and SLHS took occupancy of the building in 1978. Refacing the exterior is long overdue. We will give SLHS a distinctive and modern appearance that better reflects on the outside what is experienced on the inside.



Upgrade Heating/Energy System

\$110,000

The life span of our 50-year-old boiler/heating system has been stretched beyond expectation. A replacement of the current system will provide for a more comfortable learning environment for our students and staff, and allow for greater energy efficiency, increasing revenues for student-centered operating expenses.



Replace Roof

\$175,000

The building's current roof is 50 years old and has exceeded its life expectancy. We will replace the roof using new technology which promotes a healthy environment.



FAITH LIFT

\$785,000



Mission Expansion

Mission Field

\$35,000

SLHS attracts students from a cross section of faith backgrounds, as well as students who may not confess any faith. In keeping with our mission of being a Christ-centered school, SLHS facilitates each student's opportunity to build a relationship with Jesus Christ. To that end, SLHS is establishing partnerships with the youth ministry at Chapel on the Ave (University of Washington) and Concordia Lutheran School (North Seattle) in addition to neighboring Hope Lutheran School. This will accomplish two things: it will provide our students opportunities to grow in faith; and it will provide our students a forum in which to hone their skills as servant-leaders.

Financial Assistance Endowment

\$150,000

We want to do everything possible to assist families who want quality academics within a Christ-centered experience. Currently we provide financial assistance to 39% of our students. We will support an endowment fund to help ensure families who qualify for assistance will receive the necessary financial help.

Repay Debt and Compensate Faculty

\$600,000

When the economy created financial challenges for private, tuition-driven schools, two partners came to our assistance. Calvary Lutheran Church, one of our Association Churches, provided a generous loan, covering a portion of our needs, and the Lutheran Church Extension Fund underwrote the remainder. We are current with our lenders, our debt is manageable and we desire to aggressively eliminate our debt. Through God's grace, we are also blessed with a highly gifted and educated staff that has made financial sacrifices to serve at Seattle Lutheran. Many of our staff members hold multiple and/or advanced degrees including doctorate, masters and significant endorsements within curricular areas. Freeing operational resources allows us to increase our faculty and staff compensation to more competitive levels and honor the hard work and dedication of our faculty and staff.

SLHS BY THE NUMBERS

why your support matters

Your support of our capital campaign, *Fanning the Flame*, ensures the continued success of both our students and our school. Numbers tell a story and this is an exceptional one; made possible by the ceaseless effort and mindful legacy of many people.

93 % of graduates matriculate to college or university

14 Average years teaching experience

8:1 Student teacher ratio

30 % of students participate in drama and/or band

26 % are students of color

15 AP and Honor Courses offered

4 Clubs offered: Drama, Robotics, Key Club & Sailing

65 % of faculty hold academic degrees at the masters level or higher

39 % of students receive financial assistance

16 Average class size

1978 Year Seattle Lutheran High School is established

It's Personal.

CONFIDENCE

HOPE

INTEGRITY

PASSION

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