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★ **BECAUSE WITHOUT YOUR DONATION...**

It is my fourth and last year at BC High! I want to take a moment to thank you for your dedication to the mission of the Catholic Schools Foundation and your support of BC High. These four years, I know, will be extremely rewarding in the end, and I can't wait to someday give back to the CSF and BC High.

As you can remember, I was the quiet guy from St. Columbkille who wrote a speech about his Colombian parents' immigration story. Looking back at when I gave my speech, I now realize that I have grown immensely in confidence, awareness of the world around me. I now realize that I want to work to promote justice and equality for immigrant families like my own thanks to the love that BC High has given me.

Please know how thankful I am for the trust and care you have shown to me. Without your help, I wouldn't be here thinking of all the opportunities I have to make the world better.

Sincerely, Carlos Tamayo '17



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YOUR SUPPORT HELPS STUDENTS. YOUR SUPPORT HELPS SCHOOLS.

WITH YOUR SUPPORT, "STELLAR STUDENTS" BECOME "STELLAR SUPPORTERS"

When Jason Martinez, CSF Scholar Class of 2012 from Central Catholic High School, Lawrence, received his scholarship award from the Catholic Schools Foundation in 2008, he never imagined that a few years down the road he would be gainfully employed at one of Boston's top businesses, never mind in a position to give back to the very organization that had helped him reach such success. He never imagined that he would have an opportunity to raise money that would directly impact students from his hometown in Lawrence so that they too can receive a life-changing education. "I'd have to say that I owe it all to receiving such a great education at Central Catholic," Jason said.



Central Catholic Alumni and Young Leader Dinner Committee members Matthew McDermott, Jason Martinez, Nicole Miller and Fortune Kalala with CSF Executive Director Mike Reardon.

In January, Jason, along with three of his former Central Catholic High School classmates, joined the Inner-City Scholarship Fund's Young Leader Dinner Committee. This group dedicates four months each year to raising \$100K for student scholarships. The committee is comprised of 30 young professionals from 21 Boston area companies. Jason not only joins his former high school classmates, but also six of his State Street colleagues, making up the largest cohort from a single business on the committee.

Growing up in Lawrence without many resources, Jason thought his ticket out would be the NBA. "That changed around the time I realized that I wasn't going to grow passed 5'10," Jason recalls, laughing. "After that, I realized that a good education would be the key to success." Jason attended public school through the eighth grade until staff members at The Boys and Girls Club encouraged him and helped him apply to private schools. Once accepted at Central Catholic High School, his

family worried about covering the cost of tuition. Fortunately for Jason, Central Catholic offered him a substantial financial aid package that included an award from the Catholic Schools Foundation — these scholarships, in combination, made his dream of a great education possible.

After graduation in 2012, Jason went on to Bentley University where he made the Dean's List every semester. He became one of the first people in his family to attend college, saying, "My family members look up to me. To you, I may seem like a very average person, but to my family, I am successful and a role model for many of them." During his junior year, Jason interned at State Street on the Global Finance Team. He returned his senior year to intern for the State Street Global Markets' Finance Division. Hard work paid off once again when Jason was offered a full-time position at State Street upon graduation in May 2016.

Now successfully employed as a member of State Street's Professional Development Program, Jason was ready to give back. When he heard about State Street's involvement with and support of the Inner-City Scholarship Fund — Mike Rogers, President and COO of State Street is on CSF's Board of Trustees, Jay Hooley, CEO of State Street is on CSF's Dinner Committee, and many State Street young professionals are members of CSF's Young Leaders Program — Jason knew it would be a perfect fit. Given his unique connection with the organization, Jason was asked to give closing remarks to the Young Leader Dinner Committee after their kick-off meeting on January 10th at PricewaterhouseCoopers — "If you're wondering how far your dollars will go, look no further. I am living proof that every penny raised for the Catholic Schools Foundation goes a great distance. I can honestly say that I owe all of my success in life to my Catholic education. Let's help more kids like me."

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★ STELLAR STUDENT SPOTLIGHT: ELEANOR SCIMONE

A BISHOP FENWICK CSF SCHOLAR IS PAYING IT FORWARD

CSF Scholar Eleanor Scimone is a senior at Bishop Fenwick High School in Peabody. Her 12 years at Catholic school have been made possible because of the unwavering support she has received from CSF's community of donors.

Eleanor is now paying your generosity forward. At 16 she started her own non-profit called Happy Healthy Humanity. After being involved in a multitude of service projects during her 12 years of Catholic education, it is no surprise that Eleanor is working to help others through her own efforts and non-profit organization.

Happy Healthy Humanity was founded with the goal to make hospital experiences better for children, relieving some of the loneliness and depression that can set in.

A graduate of St. John the Evangelist Elementary School, now The Saints Academy in Beverly, Eleanor said her commitment to service started at a very young age. This

commitment is something she carried with her to Bishop Fenwick High School, where she is involved in many service-based clubs such as Habitat for Humanity, Relay for Life, peer tutoring and Best Buddies.

When she is not studying, volunteering, or applying to college, Eleanor is busy running Happy Healthy Humanity. Eleanor's goal is to bring an end to the dreariness that fills the lives of children in hospitals. Through donations, Happy Healthy Humanity is able to donate toys, games, books, art supplies, and crafts to MassGeneral for Children Hospital in Salem, Massachusetts.

When asked how she got this idea, Eleanor said, "A few years ago, I asked one of my best friends a simple question; how she got so good at make-up. To my surprise, she responded by saying that when she had to stay in the hospital for an extended period of time, she had nothing to do so she would practice applying make-up. She told me it hurt her mental state because there was so little to do in the hospital."

With that, Eleanor got to thinking about how she could bring joy to children experiencing prolonged hospital stays. Happy Healthy Humanity was founded with the goal to make hospital experiences better for children,

relieving some of the loneliness and depression that can set in.

In October, Happy Healthy Humanity donated over \$600 worth of toys, games, puzzles, art supplies and books to MassGeneral for Children Hospital in Salem, MA. This was the first of many donations, as Eleanor hopes to expand to helping other hospitals in Massachusetts in the near future.

Says Eleanor, "It is truly because of the generous supporters of CSF that I was able to attend Bishop Fenwick! If not for the service projects I was exposed to through Catholic school, I probably would have not started Happy Healthy Humanity."



★ STELLAR SCHOOL SPOTLIGHT: SAINT PATRICK SCHOOL, ROXBURY OVER 125 YEARS OF EXCELLENCE

Located in the heart of the inner-city of Boston, Saint Patrick School was started by the Sisters of Charity of Halifax in 1887. For over 129 years Saint Patrick's has been educating students mainly from the Roxbury and Dorchester areas of the city from Pre-K through Grade 8. The school and its faculty reflect the multicultural aspects of the area including members of the Cape Verdean, Hispanic, Black American, African American, and Vietnamese communities. Saint Patrick School is committed to serving generations of students and families, providing Catholic doctrine, Christian values and a strong academic curriculum in a nurturing and peaceful environment.

With funding from CSF, Saint Patrick's 2nd and 3rd graders began a program with the Boston String Academy in September. They take violin or cello lessons each day. The students performed their first concert in the

upper church of Saint Patrick Parish on Wednesday, December 7, 2016. Head of School Mary Lantana said, "It was amazing to see how much the students learned in such a short amount of time."

In early October, another new program called, "Spanish in Motion" was introduced to the students in grades Pre-K through 5. Students take part in Spanish language lessons twice a week. A unique aspect of the program is its incorporation of music and motion to help the students learn the language.

The Catholic Schools Foundation is proud to be able to support this amazing school with the help of our community. Each year, CSF donors make it possible to provide over 100 scholarships for these equally amazing students so that they are able to attend this stellar school.

JOIN CSF AS WE MEET THE STUDENTS OF SAINT PATRICK SCHOOL AT THE ANNUAL BUS TOUR ON MAY 3!



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We are thankful for the support of our donors who make all that we do possible. Every gift provides underserved children with an opportunity for a high-quality, values-based Catholic education.

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There are different options for legacy gifts and such a gift may provide significant tax benefits. Every legacy gift, regardless of the amount, is important and critical to CSF's mission.

If you have already included CSF in your will or other designation and would like to become a founding member of CSF's Legacy Society, please contact Gina Rindfleisch at gina@csfboston.org.

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★ **2017 ICSF CORPORATE TRIVIA CHALLENGE**

Wednesday, March 15 from 6-8pm
State Street Corporation, One Lincoln Street, 36th Floor, Boston

★ **2017 ICSF CORPORATE VOLUNTEER DAY**

Friday, March 24 from 8-10am

★ **27th ANNUAL ICSF DINNER CELEBRATION Honoring Staples, Inc.**

Thursday, April 6 at 6:30pm; Marriott Copley Place
2017 Chair of the Dinner Committee: John Farina of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
For more information please visit csfboston.org/dinner.

★ **2017 ANNUAL BUS TOUR at Saint Patrick School, Roxbury**

Wednesday, May 3 from 11-2pm
Hosted by the CSF Executive Council

For more information please contact Kate Rota at 617.778.5981 or krota@csfboston.org.



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