
Annual Report to Stakeholders / June 2023

Family involvement and volunteerism is key in the success of a school. This year brought many parent/grandparent/parish member opportunities and I want to personally thank all of you.

St. Anastasia school is accredited by the Minnesota Nonpublic School Accrediting Association (MNSAA). This is a seven-year accreditation. What this means is that we write a strategic plan to improve our facility and programs over the course of this seven-years. We are moving into our fifth year of accreditation with the upcoming 2023-2024 school year.

Objective 1, Strategy 1 of our strategic plan states that we will develop a plan for recruiting students within Kids' Depot. Every year a large number of students move on to Kindergarten at St. A's from Kids' Depot. Our Kindergarten program includes several visits throughout the year for pre-school students to participate in the life of a kindergartener within the kindergarten classroom. Pre-schooler's come to know the teacher and the students and what's expected in kindergarten. They thoroughly enjoy the visits!

Objective 3, Strategy 2 states that we will add 7th & 8th grades. We are committed to this endeavor for the 2023-2024 school year. Our first annual Gala, "Roots to Wings" promoted the support of this program. We are in the process of recruiting a teacher and students. The initial program is currently coming together. Enrollment numbers will increase as students come up through the ranks and our programs will improve as we work through challenges. One way you can help is to spread the word and encourage others to join our school.

Objective 5 states that we will provide a welcoming environment for new students, staff and school community. Strategy 2 of this objective involves creating a mentor program for our greater school community. I want to acknowledge our Home & School Association for continually connecting families together through our open house picnic and all of the activities they support throughout the year. Our volunteer network has increased in response to these relationships.

Through the many fundraisers so many of you have engaged in we raised over \$93,000 in support of our school. The students raised over \$700 toward outside programs including the L.E.A.S.T (Loving the elderly and satiating his thirst) program and the Heifer Project. The students also collected 302 pounds of food to donate to the McLeod County Food shelf.

St. Anastasia is a community, parish and school together, that encourages family engagement. I have seen an increase in participation in all we do and am sincerely grateful for our St. Anastasia Community.

Blessings,

Betty Jodzio, Principal