

# **School of St. Elizabeth**

## **The Annual Report 2004-2005 School Year**



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## Letter from the Principal



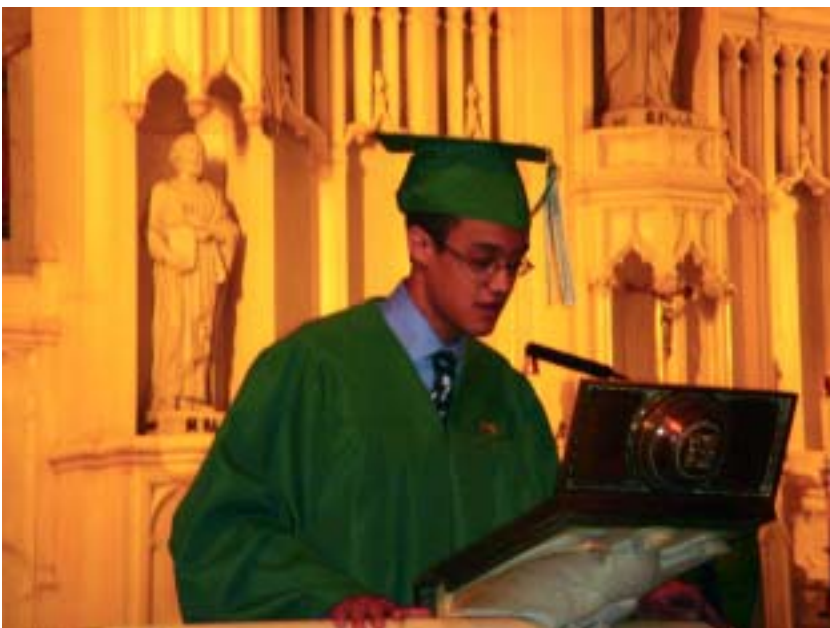
Dear Friends,

As I write this letter, the final touches are being made on our new Science Center, as the entire school community looks on in excitement. It is fitting that the Center will be dedicated during Catholic Schools Week in January, a time when we celebrate excellence in Catholic Education.

The construction of the Science Center is a visual reminder of how St. Elizabeth School has continued to grow and meet the needs of our students. Our new science program will boast laptop computers, distance learning technology, telerobotics, and a weather station. As we provide resources for the study of and respect for life and the environment, we will remain true to our mission of "Educating the Whole Child for a Full Life" within our Catholic Tradition. In this and other disciplines, we continue to infuse Catholic values into the daily lives of our students.



In addition to the new Science Center, the 2004-2005 school year was one of remarkable growth and success. The school has been awarded reaccreditation by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools. We also introduced several new programs focusing on literacy, technology and health.



In the name of the entire school community of St. Elizabeth, I thank you for your prayers, commitment and support. It is through your generosity that we are able to continue the work begun in 1936 by the Sisters of the Holy Child Jesus. Be assured of our continued prayers.

May God bless you in all that you do.

With Gratitude,  
Sr. Noreen Nolan, OP

# HIGHLIGHTS OF THE

- ❑ This summer, a **new Science Center** was constructed on the third floor, thanks to grants from the Endowment for Inner-City Education of the Archdiocese of New York, the Charles Hayden Foundation, and The Betty Barrett and Juanita Bateman Foundation, where trustee Fr. Joseph Sanches '53 was instrumental in securing the gift.
- ❑ Through their foundation, Alexandra Garcia Cohen '78, along with her husband Steven, generously gave the school its largest single gift ever, **to use for tuition assistance and capital improvements**, including the new Science Center.
- ❑ Classrooms received **new desks, chairs and shades, and refinished blackboards**, thanks to a gift from Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Bottom, a grant from The Hackett Foundation, and a gift from Sandra Varona '79.
- ❑ The school was awarded reaccreditation by the **Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools**, by meeting Association Standards for a quality school.
- ❑ The Pastor of St. Elizabeth Parish, Bishop Gerald T. Walsh, was **ordained an Auxiliary Bishop** for the Archdiocese of New York by John Cardinal Egan.



- ❑ The school's **Title IID Technology Grant** was renewed, continuing a long-standing program with video conferencing opportunities and work with Young McDonald's Farm, a telerobotic aqua-culture farm in New Jersey, affiliated with Rutgers University.
- ❑ A **weather technology station, WeatherBug Achieve**, was established, thanks to a gift from an anonymous alum. Students monitor readings from the station installed on the west side of the roof, and participate in online interactive lessons.
- ❑ The Beaumont Foundation of America provided the school with **new wireless laptops** and peripheral equipment, thanks to the assistance of William Cullen '70.
- ❑ An anonymous alum gave the school almost \$19,000 for **additional technology supplies and upgrades**.
- ❑ This school year, the library will initiate an **After-School Book Discussion Program**, thanks to a \$1,000 grant from the Gilder Foundation.
- ❑ The school participated in **three federally-funded technology-based literacy programs**, Read 180, the Orchard-Lexia Reading Program, and Earobics Literacy Launch, which provided 18 new computers.

# 2004-05 SCHOOL YEAR

- ❑ A grant from the Neighborhood Fund of Columbia University Medical Center, New York Presbyterian Hospital, and New York State Psychiatric Institute will fund a **Wellness Program** to encourage physical fitness and healthy attitudes toward eating and nutrition.
- ❑ The **CYO Basketball Program** was supported by many alumni and friends who provided funding for a **new backboard** to replace the old broken one and **new uniforms**.
- ❑ An **Early Childhood Literacy Grant** from Inner-City Scholarship Fund sponsored



the project, "Reading: A Bridge Between You and Me," providing students in grades pre-k through one with literary experiences highlighting the cultures of the world.

- ❑ **TEAK Fellowships** were awarded to three seventh grade students participating in this highly competitive personal and academic enrichment program.
- ❑ Four seventh grade students participated in the **PULSE (Partnership for Urban Life Science) Program**, a challenging science enrichment program at Aquinas High School in the Bronx.
- ❑ Two fifth grade students were **Manhattan Borough Winners** in the New York City Department of Environmental Protection's **19th Annual Water Conservation Art and Poetry Contest**. Also, two eighth graders received **Honorable Mention in the Letters for Literature Contest**, sponsored by the New York Center for the Book, in cooperation with the Library of Congress.

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Anonymous Alum  
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UPGRADES

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*in memory of daughter Mary Elizabeth and their parents*

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for a Full Life”**

*from the St. Elizabeth School Philosophy*



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Beaumont Foundation of America (\$32,500)  
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The Endowment for Inner-City Education (\$40,000)  
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The Gilder Foundation (\$1,000)  
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The Medical Center Neighborhood Fund (\$2,000)  
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New York State Education Department (\$65,174)  
**MANDATED SERVICES GRANT**

New York State Education Department (\$30,000)  
**LEARNING TECHNOLOGY  
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Orchard-Lexia Reading Program (\$1,500)  
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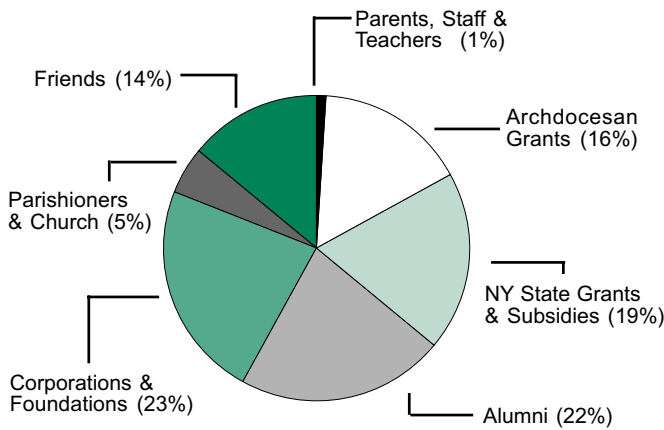
Tuition and Fees	\$1,219,106	58%
Grants	363,514	17%
Donations and Scholarships	257,482	12%
Cafeteria	77,704	4%
New York State	65,174	3%
Inner-City Scholarship Fund	42,200	2%
Parish Support	40,000	2%
Student Fundraising and Events	4,079	1%
Other	22,372	1%
	\$2,091,631	100%

### EXPENSES

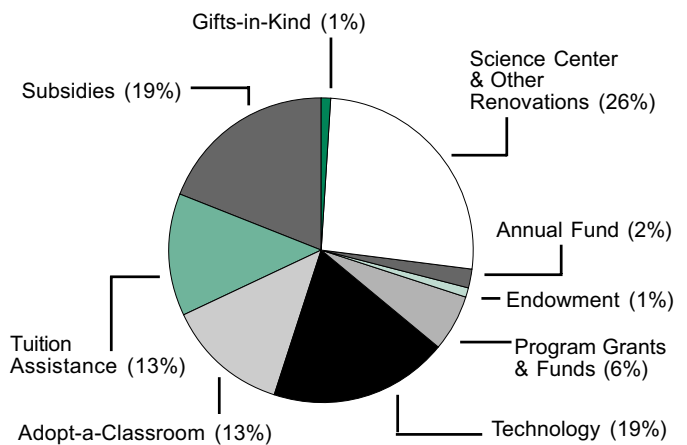
Salaries	\$1,200,055	60%
Taxes and Benefits	330,162	16%
Utilities and Maintenance	217,132	11%
Books and Supplies	146,738	7%
Administrative Expenses	107,112	5%
Other	12,307	1%
	\$2,013,505	100%

*The St. Elizabeth School fiscal year was from September 1, 2003 to August 31, 2004. The school is a qualified organization under Section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code.*

### Donations by Constituency



### Gifts by Type



## Administration, Faculty and Staff

**Sr. Noreen Nolan, OP, M.A.**  
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*Grade 6*

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*Grade 8*

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## Photography

**COVER** - Darisa Alcantara '06 and Mariely Martinez '06 meet in the gym to begin the first day of school.

1. The beginning and end of a St. Elizabeth School career: (top) students gather for the Kindergarten Graduation, and (bottom) Brian Gil delivers the Welcome at the Eighth Grade Graduation for the Class of 2005.
2. Students check on the new WeatherBug Achieve weather technology station on the roof of the school.
3. (Top) Students work on a science experiment. (Bottom) Director of Technology Mr. Ed Fener works with a student in the Reverend Mother Mary Celsus, SHCJ Technology Center.
5. Faculty and staff members and students at the annual faculty-student basketball game
6. Students on Broadway waiting to see the hit musical *Chitty Chitty Bang Bang*
7. Fourth grade students gather in the Church for the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe.
8. (Left) A pre-k student completes an art project. (Right) Kindergarten students show off their Halloween costumes.
9. Fifth grade teacher Mrs. Eileen Ferry directs the Choir in the Church.
10. (Left) Eighth grade students and our pastor, Bishop Gerald Walsh visit with alum Msgr. John Ferry '65 at St. Patrick's Cathedral. (Right) Parochial Vicar Father Eric Cruz and Assistant Principal Sr. Eileen Barrow, OP present awards at a school Honors Assembly.
11. The 2004-2005 faculty and staff gather in front of St. Elizabeth Church before Graduation.
12. Students enjoy Breakfast with Santa and the Christmas Sing-Along.

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