

ANNUAL REPORT 2022-2023



From the Principal's Desk.....

Dear Family, Friends, and Supporters,

Every year brings change, but this school year our campus saw multiple upgrades! The Shea Homes remodel of the front office, nurses office, and STEM lab was complete. Through a generous grant and private donations, we were able to transform our courtyard into a usable space for work, play, and prayer. We have a beautiful Mary Prayer Alcove surrounded by newly installed turf grass and shade trees.

We all know that the most important part of a school is the people inside and our students and staff have been hard at work this year. Our Pre-K was awarded a 3 Star rating from Quality First, the staff have been participating in blended learning training with Loyola Marymount University all year, and our students have benefited from the addition of some new curriculum. We were able to provide STEM classes to students in all grades, PE began a new First Tee golf program, and we are now able to offer speech services on campus.

Christ the King School wouldn't be where we are without the time, talent, and treasure from so many people. I am grateful for all you have done- your faith, your service, your financial support, and your prayers.

Blessings, Kelsey Kasper

Celebrating our Catholic Identity

Throughout the school year our students participate in various acts of service. All classes participated in our annual food drive for HOPE, blanket drive for HOPE, and toy drive for St. Vincent de Paul. This year our third grade students volunteered at Feed My Starving Children where they made enough boxes of food to feed 72 children for a year. Our seventh and eighth graders carried on the tradition of preparing the palms for the Palm Sunday mass. The second graders continued perhaps our most loved service project, sending birthday cards to aging parishioners.



7th and 8th grade students preparing palms



3rd Graders receiving their sacraments

PENNY WARS

Miss Beers and her third grade class launched Penny Wars during Lent.
The students raced to collect the most pennies. The trick was that you could deduct points from other classes by donating larger denominations (quarters, dollars, etc.) to their buckets. The hope of course was to sabotage the counts of another class by putting larger coins in their bin, hence, our donations were actually larger!

The funds raised would be used to support Father Rolyn's alma mater, St. Augustine's Academy, Patnongon, Antique, Philippines.

The students raised \$1,281.02 with an additional \$130 from grandparents.

Christian Service Award

Since 2001, the Catholic Community
Foundation's Christian Service Awards (CSA)
Program has been funded by generous
members of the Arizona Catholic community.

Students from Catholic schools in Arizona can apply for the award by completing service hours above and beyond what's required during their middle school years.

This year, Julian Chagolla was the recipient of this award from Christ the King School!

Additionally, Julian won first place in the Knight's of Columbus essay contest this year. His essay made it all the way to the national level!



Julian Chagolla



Congratulations to the Class of 2023

On Thursday, May 18th, we celebrated the 8th grade graduating class of 2023! Of our eighteen graduates, five had been at Christ the King School since Pre-K and seven had been here since Kindergarten.

High School	Accepted
Seton College Preparatory	4
Brophy College Preparatory	1
Xavier College Preparatory	2
St. Mary's High School	3

Thank you for a great year!
From,
CTK administration,
teachers, and staff

CTK SCHOOLWIDE LEARNING EXPECTATIONS



Scholarly Student



Responsible Leader



Engaged Learner



Active Catholic



Effective Communicator



The mission of Christ the King
Catholic School community is to
establish a solid Catholic Identity
within each student while engaging
them in academic excellence and
service.



Willie Snihurowych (7th) 1st place CTK Science Fair 3rd place Diocesan Science Fair



Manuel Arce (7th)
1st place CTK Spelling Bee
7th place Diocesan Spelling
Bee

Blended Learning



Christ the King School teachers completed their first year in the Loyola Marymount University (LMU) Blended Learning Program this June. Training kicked off with two very intense training days last August and continued monthly throughout the year. Integrating blended learning into our classrooms allows the opportunity for students to learn at their own pace, utilizes adaptive and assignable software, and allows teachers to obtain immediate data to drive instruction.

This program is a three-year program, meaning teachers will participate in monthly trainings through June of 2025. Additionally, LMU provides one teacher on staff the opportunity to earn a certificate by becoming a Teacher Leader. Mrs. Dearchs applied for and was accepted into the LMU Teacher Leader program. The Teacher Leader participates in additional leadership training and coaches other teachers in the implementation of blended learning.

WHAT IS STEM?

STEM is using science, technology, engineering, and math to innovate, problem solve, and think critically.

In the 2022-2023 school year, CTK started their STEM Program. After a generous remodel by Shea Homes, the former computer lab was transformed into a STEM room, complete with movable furniture and storage, additional electrical ports, and tall counters to explore. The PTO donated two 3-D printers, and title funds purchased STEM kits for many of the grades.

Classes visit the STEM lab 2x per week. One time for a technology focused class and one time for STEM exploration.

As we expand our program, we are looking to add additional kits, coding materials, and consumable items for engineering.

Latino Enrollment Institute

This summer Mrs. Kasper spent a week at the University of Notre Dame participating in the Latino Enrollment Institute (LEI). The institute provides school leaders with marketing strategies and cultural interventions to better attract and serve families. Participation in the LEI includes an intensive start at the University of Notre Dame, and continues throughout the year with monthly meetings for participants and a multi-day retreat in February. This year the Phoenix cohort includes three schools, with the cohort mentor at St. Matthew's School in Phoenix.



A candle was lit and a prayer said at the Grotto for the students, staff, and families at CTK



Mrs. Kasper at Notre Dame





Cougar Run 2023 Meets Its Goal

The Christ the King School Cougar Run was held on November 23, 2023. The weather was perfect and the students enjoyed the event, which was put on with the help of Boosterthon! For a week leading up to the event, Captain Kayla and her team visited classrooms, awarded prizes, and hyped up students and families

Donations and sponsorships came from all over the world and we were able to meet our \$15,000 goal! The funds raised were used to purchase items for the STEM lab, music classroom, and offset some costs for the courtyard remodel. To celebrate meeting our goal, the office staff ran a lap around the field in inflatable costumes.





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2022-2023 Grants Awarded to CTK

Hohokam Sports Grant: \$4,000

new sports uniforms

Catholic Comm. Foundation: \$20,000

*courtyard and Mary Prayer Alcove

Matthew Project: \$4,825

*new desks for 5th grade

Virginia Piper Grant: \$11,614

*Go Guardian and DIBELS subscription

Quality First (PK): \$4,152

*new cabinets, nap mat storage, supplies

2022-2023 Fundraising Efforts







\$245.62



\$862.02



\$783.00



\$258.00



\$472.00

All funds collected from the above efforts was directed to instructional materials, teacher appreciation activities, and general operations.

How to Give

Cash Gifts

Your financial gift to Christ the King School provides operational support for the school's mission, including academic programs, athletics, fine arts, and technology.

Tuition Assistance

Designated donations to Christ the King tuition can be given directly to the parish or school. These donations help families with unforeseen financial needs during the school year.

Matching Gifts

Many corporations offer as a benefit to their employees a Matching Gift Program. Please ask your human resources department for a matching gift to support Catholic education.

Gifts-In-Kind

Please consider donating your experience or services to help Christ the King School. These gifts can include things like food or beverage donations, discount cards, office or classroom supplies, or equipment.