Sacred Heart Cathedral School
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School Board Meeting Summary

Date: October 21, 2026

Strategic Plan & School Communications

- **Strategic Plan Presentation:** The school is preparing a public presentation of its five-year strategic plan. Administrators will refine the details during the first semester.
- **State of Sacred Heart:** A recorded, webinar-style presentation is planned for December 2026, followed by an in-person town hall and Q&A targeted for spring 2027.
- **Communications Hub:** A centralized hub hosting school updates, academic policies, calendars, sports links, and feedback forms is scheduled to launch on October 30, 2026, accessible via the main website.

Student Service & Community Engagement

- **Service Program Alignment:** Leadership is evaluating the middle school service program to shift toward recognizing meaningful service aligned with the school mission rather than solely tracking mandatory hours.
- **Recognition & Opportunities:** Updates to student recognition programs are planned for next school year, including group service projects and all-school Mass recognitions. Service opportunities will be shared regularly through the new communications hub.

Financial Assistance & Tuition Support

- **Scholarship Grant Organization (SGO):** The Diocese is preparing an SGO launch for early 2027 to expand tuition assistance options for families. Further details on contribution processes will be shared as diocesan guidelines are finalized.
- **Financial Aid Programs:** School leadership continues to coordinate regional assistance funds alongside state tuition scholarship options to optimize financial support across all qualifying families.

Academic & Faculty Updates

- **Learning Labs:** Two new enrichment and intervention specialists joined the elementary faculty this year to provide targeted student instruction and lead staff development initiatives.
- **Faculty Retention:** The school highlighted strong faculty retention rates, driven by a supportive workplace culture, instructional autonomy, and comprehensive benefits.

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Upcoming Events & Admissions

- **70th Anniversary Mass:** An all-alumni Mass and reception marking Sacred Heart's 70th anniversary is planned for this semester in December. More details to come.
- **Admissions Deadlines:** Initial applications for the 2027–28 school year are open, with primary applications due January 8.
- **Key Calendar Dates:**
    - **Eagle for a Day (Prospective Students):** November 3, 2026
    - **Middle School Dance:** November 6, 2026
    - **Join Our Nest Open House:** (27-28 SY for Kinder & Little Eagles)November 10, 2026

Fall Giving Campaign

- **Launch Date:** Mid-November 2026.
- **Focus Areas:** Donors can direct contributions across five key areas, including academic enhancements, campus improvements, the school endowment, and faculty support. Includes a student grade-level participation challenge.