

New strategic plan for SS. Peter & Paul School

SS. Peter & Paul School in Williamsville released “Building A Foundation For Life,” a three-year strategic plan that refines the school’s mission statement and sets specific goals and objectives to be achieved by 2021.

The plan, built with input from school parents, religious education families, faculty and parishioners, was unanimously approved by the school’s board of trustees earlier in November.

“It’s the right plan and the right time,” Principal Deborah Lester said. “The name itself points to our shared, community vision: ‘foundation’ speaks to our dedication to core values, and ‘building’ shows we’re ready to grow.”

The new mission statement references the school’s long, historic tradition.

“Inspired by our founder and first teacher, St. John Neumann, Saints Peter and Paul School educates children of all faiths in a Catholic, Christ-centered tradition. Since 1836, dedication to our core values – academic excellence, living faith, serving God and others – has provided our students a strong foundation for life.”

The plan calls for six goals to be achieved by 2021. These include: celebrate Catholic identity, promote

academic excellence, maintain financial stability, expand enrollment, renew campus and engage faith community.

To celebrate Catholic identity the objective is to foster integration of full school and parish faith community through joint service projects and community events and to increase Mass attendance through collaboration with Lifelong Faith Formation office.

By continually raising the level of academic skills the school plans to promote academic excellence. A task force will be established to drive advancement of core subject curricula and the professional development of faculty at the school. Parents are to be notified of the curriculum development progress.

By prioritizing affordability and accessibility the objective of maintaining financial stability will allow the school to align the cost of education with an individual families’ ability to pay. A budget model to maintain fiscal stability needed to support school’s mission and strategy will be developed.

SS. Peter & Paul plans to increase the net enrollment by 30 kindergarten to eighth-grade students by the 2020-2021 school year. This will be accomplished through retention of pre-K students; growth of middle school enrollment; along with enhance and expand scholarship opportunities.

A master multi-year campus plan will be designed to provide an inspirational setting that supports student learning, health and safety.

To engage the faith community, a director of Mission Advancement will be recruited.

The job of the director will be to drive communications, enrollment, fund development and alumni relationship strategies.

For more information, including the full strategic plan, mission, goals and objectives, visit <http://ssppschool.com/strategicplan/>, follow @SSPPSchool on Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram, and use #SSPPOurTradition to learn about ongoing progress at SS. Peter & Paul.

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