

Routt Catholic High School

Annual Report: Fiscal Year 2022

Enter to Grow...

CLASS OF 2022



The Class of 2022 led our school through leadership, character, service, and faith, but most impressively they were outstanding examples of academic success. Collectively these 25 students earned over \$1.1 million in college scholarships, they graduated with close to 200 college credits, and over half of the class graduated with a GPA of a 4.0 or better.

Post Graduate Plans

Bradley University Clarke College Columbia College

Florida Gulf Coast University

Hannibal-LaGrange University

Illinois College

Illinois Wesleyan University

Lincoln Land Community College

Marquette University

Maryville University

Missouri Science and Technology University

Monmouth College

Murray State University

Southern Illinois University-Carbondale

St. Ambrose University

United States Air Force

University of Illinois-Springfield

University of Missouri-Columbia

Our Mission

Routt Catholic High School provides a faith-based environment which promotes spiritual growth, academic achievement, physical health, and community service in each student.

Our Vision

Routt Catholic High School will be THE high school of choice in West-Central Illinois.

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Dec 2022 Fine Arts Extravaganza

Jan 3, 2023 Young Alumni Roundtable

Jan 29, 2023 Catholic Schools Week

Kick-Off Mass

Feb 17, 2023 Placement Exam

Feb 25, 2023 Winter Celebration

April 1, 2023 Ultimate Routt Day

May 6, 2023 Prom

May 11, 2023 Honors Night

June 3, 2023 Baccalaureate Mass

June 4, 2023 Graduation

FROM THE PRINCIPAL



God is good! The 2022-23 school year is starting off without masks and COVID restrictions. The Routt Catholic High School staff and students are pressing forward to eliminate any gaps that were caused by the COVID pandemic. We are excited to see our enrollment on the rise; after finishing the '21-22 school year with 120 students, our enrollment currently stands at more than 130 students!

The quality Catholic foundation and academic rigor that the faculty has developed is second to none. Our staff is not only knowledgeable in the subject area of their expertise but are dedicated and willing to do whatever it takes to help our students be successful. The faculty has brought new dual credit and AP classes to encourage our students to expand their knowledge and challenge themselves to achieve higher goals.

A testament to the support from the alumni and community was evident at our Scholarship Ceremony. The number of new and previous scholarships shows the commitment you have to achieve a Routt Catholic High School Diploma. Having this diploma in hand gives you an edge on your future endeavors whether it be continuing your education, vocational, or join the workforce.

The annual report gives us a financial barometer, but cannot begin to show the countless hour's staff, board members, parents and students have clocked to achieve success. We appreciate everyone's help in assisting Routt Catholic High School to grow financially, in our Catholic faith, and academically. I hope that you will visit the campus, so I can personally thank you for your gift to Routt Catholic High School. We cannot not do it alone. We are a family, a big family, that knows the importance of a faith based education, strong academics and service.

For 120 years Routt Catholic has had students ENTER TO GROW and LEAVE TO SERVE. As a new family member I want ALL of us to get excited what God has in store for Routt Catholic High School. Please be a part of the next 120 years by accepting the call to donate your prayers, talent, time, and blessings to continue this great school.

All in Christ, Dan Carie

WHERE IN THE WORLD ARE OUR ROUTT ROCKETS



In July 2021, several members of Rocket Nation gathered at the Morgan County Fair for our annual "Alumni and Friends Happy Hour at the Morgan County Fair," an event co-sponsored by Routt Catholic High School and the KC Hall.



The Class of 1971 gathered in August 2021 for their 50th Reunion. The group was treated to tours of both Routt Catholic High School and the newly renovated, Our Saviour School, before their group dinner at the Elk's Club in Jacksonville.



In May 2022, Marty Kaufmann ('89) was featured in the Jacksonville Journal Courier as an integral part of the Athletic Department at the University of Illinois-Champaign. Marty and his wife, Jennifer, are longtime supporters of RCHS!



Several Routt graduates were present in September 2021 at the wedding of Chad ('11) and Lauren Schone.





In November 2021, these 2009 Routt graduates and friends got together to introduce their daughters: Jay Gross, Jordon Pennell, and Jacob Garde.

PICTURE ON LEFT: At the Winter Celebration this past February, members of Rocket Nation - including all five of their children - gathered to celebrate and honor Jerry ('71) and Cindy (Jennings'74) Johnson who were honored as the 2022 Alumni of the Year.

PICTURE ON RIGHT: If you watched any of the 2021 Notre Dame football season it's likely you caught sight of 2018 Routt graduate, Kalleigh Burke. Kalleigh served as a senior football manager, working with the Irish Defense on their way to a 11-2 season that wrapped up in the Fiesta Bowl.



Although they missed the "official" 120-year party, Chuck and Diane Savage had a celebration of their own in June 2022 - vacationing with their entire family!



From the Board President



Dear Families and Friends of Routt.

It is hard to believe that we are already into the fall. I do not recollect a time I've witnessed a year slip by so fast. With the pandemic in our rear-view mirror, it seems that our lives are on fast forward as we charge ahead, almost as if we are trying to make up for lost time. On one hand, I am heartened; simply because I believe COVID-19 has given us all a renewed appreciation for the things that we most often take for granted. On the other hand, it feels that there has been an overcorrection to get "back to normal", putting us on our toes, struggling to keep pace.

The past year has been one of constant CHANGE, driven largely by a shifting socio-economic landscape amidst a backdrop of a turbulent political climate. Locally, these changes have presented numerous challenges for the school and the community it serves. Unfortunately, change is apathetic to our convenience, having no regard for our situation or best-laid plans. All of this change has

promoted uncertainty and calls us to question our every move. For example, inflation rates have impacted most every aspect of our everyday lives and required each of us to re-evaluate how we approach the future. The same can be said for the operations of the school. The rising cost of goods and services has been a major point of discussion in every decision. From a social standpoint, our student body has gone through so much that most of us adults have never had to navigate. At the heart of it all, it is important we consider the impact of the past few years has made on our youth.

Despite these challenges, I am encouraged by our adaptation and willingness to embrace change as we head into the future. In the middle of it all, there have been so many good things happen at RCHS, and it can be easy to lose sight of that. We have faculty, staff, and whole host of volunteers that are extremely passionate about ensuring success for the students and the school. I see this in individuals who strive every day to be better, calling all to do the same by leading through positive example. Appropriately, the theme of our Long Range Plan (LRP) is "Be Extraordinary". The objectives identified in that document will serve as our playbook to navigate obstacles that lay before us now and on down the road, setting us up to thrive, perhaps grow through the next decade. Given the current environment, I feel good about the alignment of the LRP with current opportunities and the prioritization of the strategies proposed to capitalize on them. This energizes and instills confidence for me, as I hope it does for you.

While I am on the topic of extraordinary, I would like to announce some great developments at the school. Recently, Rocket Nation was thrilled to bring on a new faculty member, Dr. Christopher Oldenburg who is the newest addition to our English Department. Mr. Dan Carie finished his first year as Principal, and we welcomed new Board Members Stacy Bradshaw and Dustin Weiss for what will be the first of their 3-year terms. As we closed the books on the 2021-2022 fiscal year, the school found itself in a strong position, primarily due to a very conservative approach to spending and cost management. We anticipate that this will help set us up to effectively manage through expected challenges in 2022-2023. As part of this strategy, we have been holding funds back to execute on a few Capital improvement projects that will be announced over the year as well as making some updates to outdated mechanical equipment.

Great things are on the horizon, and I am very thankful of the opportunity to serve with you all.

Respectfully,

Sean Evans '92

2022-23 FACULTY AND STAFF

Title/Department Name **Years of Service** Kevin Aldrich English, Theology 7 years Dee Arendt Health, Phys. Ed., Study Skills 17 years Dan Callihan Science 2 years Dan Carie Principal 2 years English, General Studies Tutor Janet Chipman 10 years **Barry Creviston** Dean of Students, Athletic Director, Transportation Director, Phys. Ed. 5 years Holly Dawson Administrative Assistant 7 years Colleen Doyle '06 Development/Enrollment Director 5 years Kyle Graham Custodian 5 years **Brian Hall** Freshman Skills, General Studies Tutor 2 years Lisa Hall **Social Studies** 31 years Paul Herring Mathematics 9 years Jenny Rawe Food Services Director 3 years Eugene Link **Guidance Counselor** 6 years Matt Martin '12 **Technology Director** 7 years Scott Maruna Science, Theatre, Mathematics 27 years Jeff Miller Art 3 years Amy Nickel '04 Bookkeeper 14 years Dr. Christopher Oldenburg English 1 year Computer Science, Business Tracy Ptacek 10 years Sean Rose Band, Choir 5 years

Theology, Campus Ministry

Mathematics

English

English, Spanish

2022-23 Board of Directors

President: Sean Evans '92 **Vice-President:** Maggie (Ryan) Peterson '02 Secretary: Rita (Flynn '83) Rossi **Treasurer:** Chad Schone '11 **Members:** Mike Bartlett Stacy Bradshaw Joe Horabik Michelle May Robb Mudd Sara Plunk Reverend Joseph Ring Devin Vaughn '08 Gina Walker **Dustin Weiss Ex-Officio:** Brandi Borries, Bishop's Representative

Dan Carie, Principal

Colleen Doyle '06, Development/Enrollment Director

12 years

3 years

11 years

3 years

Mark Rood

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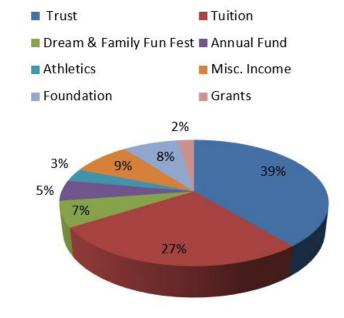
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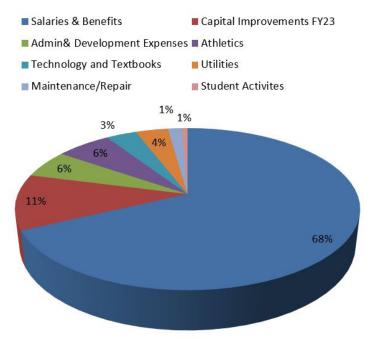
Year Ending June 30, 2022

INCOME	
Trust	\$720,993.28
Tuition	\$499,352.14
Dreams & Family Fun Fest	\$122,500.00
Annual Fund	\$97,172.68
Athletics	\$61,361.18
Misc. Income	\$157,555.75
Foundation	\$149,294.10
Grants	\$41,915.06
	\$1,850,144,19

Income



Expenses



EXPENSES

Salaries & Benefits	\$1,256,016.87
Capital Improvements FY23	\$205,000.00
Adm. & Development Expenses	\$103,505.89
Athletics	\$113,281.45
Technology and Textbooks	\$63,174.69
Utilities	\$67,435.07
Maintenance/Repair	\$27,966.28
Student Activites	<u>\$12,468.97</u>
	\$1.848.849.22

ENROLLMENT AND TUITION

Routt Catholic High School admits students of any race, nationality and religion without discrimination with respect to ability or achievement levels, believing that all have a right to a Christian education. Routt completed the 2021-22 school year with 125 students and began the 2022-23 school year with 132 students. In looking at the '22-23 student population, 67% of students are Catholic and 33% are from other faiths and 19% of students are eligible for a free or reduced lunch.

The tuition at Routt is among the lowest for parochial high schools in the State of Illinois. By using funds from the Routt Family Trust, the Education Foundation, the Annual Fund, and monies from memorial funds, grants, and other fundraisers, the Board has been able to keep tuition affordable. With that said, there was an increase in tuition for the 2022-23 school year to \$4,900 (up from \$4,400). This increase was made primarily to offset the rising cost of goods and services critical to the operation of the school.

ROUTT DONORS

It is with pleasure and gratitude that we acknowledge those who so generously support Routt Catholic High School. Our recognition of donors includes those who made contributions to Routt from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022. If we have omitted your name, misspelled it, or failed to place it in the appropriate category, we sincerely apologize and ask that you bring it to our attention. Thank you for your support!

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Ron ('86) and Meena Flynn
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Rocket Bronze Club
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\$1,000-\$2,499
\$500-\$999
\$250-\$499
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Matthew Cardon-Bystry ('08) Hannah Chumley ('25)

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Johanna Jackson

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'96) Johnson Debra L. Joyce

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Kendall Jumper ('22) Austin Kafer ('21)

Dorothy (Cobb '47) Keller

Jason Kertz

Danny ('70) and Carol Ann (Watts '72)

Kindred

Ben and Amanda (Chumley '94) Kluge

Bill and Mary Beth (Doolin '86) Kruzan Scott and Nancy (Beyers '80) Landes

Frances (Casey '57) Lawless

Billy and Mandy (Lockman '04) Leib

Eric and Jessica (Yording '97) Lightfoot

Jason and Cheryl (Cors '89) Lindsey

Kinzie Little ('24)

Les and Joan (Tholen '71) Lunsmann Charlie and Mary (Beard '08) Mack

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Matthew ('12) and Amanda Martin

Phil and Kimberly Martin David and Keri Mason

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GRANT PROGRAMS

Charlene Vollmer

In addition to the very generous individuals/businesses who have chosen to support RCHS over the past year, we would also like to recognize those organizations who have so generously selected us as a partner through their grant programs.

Grants received in FY22 allowed the school to make several technology and safety enhancements throughout the building, including upgrading all of our interior and exterior security cameras, add a buzzer/intercom system to the south doors, and upgrade our WiFi network. Funds were given to help with FY23 capital improvement projects and to purchase marketing materials, including hire a videographer to create two videos to help with enrollment and development. We had one grant that allowed us to purchase "Rocketbooks" - a reusable, interactive notebook that allows students to very easily take notes and then scan an image of those notes into their Google Drive to be referenced at a later time. And finally, there were several grants received that allowed for continued educational opportunities for our Development Office.











We are <u>always</u> looking for new grant programs to participate in so we can continue to offer our students, faculty, and staff the best experience possible. If your family, business, or community has a grant program and you think Routt Catholic High School would be a good fit, please contact Colleen Doyle at cdoyle@routtcatholic.com.

2021-22 Memorials

Teresa (Anderson '77) Adams

Michael and Ruth Anne (Thompson '80) Arnold

Ronald Beyers

Elizabeth "Betty" (Hermes '53) Bourn Dorothy (Rice '63) Fortado Jennay Haarmann Wayne Johnson and Agnes Kindred-Johnson ('82) Philip ('81) and Kathleen (Tobin '81) Langdon Joseph ('52) and Christine (Hermes '54) Lawless Nick ('82) and Eileen Lawless John ('65) and Theresa (Sheehan '66) Lonergan Kris and Amy (Robson '87) Schwiderski Bobby and Julie (Nolan '84) Sellars Linda Terwische David Truesdell and Jean Harlow-

Martin Burke ('54)

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For more information on how you can leave a lasting legacy at Routt Catholic High School by designating us as your memorial, please contact Colleen Doyle at cdoyle@routtcatholic.com.

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ULTIMATE ROUTT DAY

On April 1, 2022 we celebrated our 4th annual Ultimate Routt Day. The school day consisted of a half day schedule, followed by an afternoon full of celebration and fun activities for our students. The afternoon consisted of lunch and a special treat for dessert in the Martha Routt Room, an all-school picture and some other candid shots taken by El Crow Photography, and basketball, volleyball, bags/cornhole, and an all-school kickball tournament at the Midwest Athletic Center (owned and graciously donated to us by the Ryan and Cassie Turner family!). All in all, it was a wonderful day!!

The ultimate day...

To celebrate all that we are.

To learn how you can celebrate with us, visit www.routlcatholic.com/ultimateroutlday

In addition to the celebration at school, for the fourth consecutive year we invited all of Rocket nation to participate in Ultimate Routt Day - Day of Giving - by making a financial gift, with the goal of reaching 200



donors. There was no minimum amount of money required to give, but all those who gave \$25 or more earned a free tshirt. Thanks to the incredible support from generous alumni, parents, and friends, we finished Ultimate Routt Day 2022 with gifts from over 340 donors - a 42% increase from 2021 - with gifts totaling more than \$36,500 - a remarkable 57.7% increase from 2021! Thanks to the generosity of two anonymous donors, matches of \$5,000 and \$2,500 gave us the confidence that we would raise, at the very

least, \$15,000. This was an incredible way to jumpstart this campaign and we'd like to sincerely thank these two individuals!! Another astonishing statistic was that 99% of gifts received were for \$25 or more, meaning all who

participated were incredibly generous.

Words really can't express the gratitude we feel for all of your support and well wishes as we prepared for and celebrated Ultimate Routt Day 2022. We were absolutely blown away by the generous gifts that we received! The contributions that were made went on to support a wide range of opportunities at RCHS, including academic programs, technology, extracurricular activities, and many others. We are so grateful for the enthusiastic responses of so many and we sincerely thank you for making it a success.



From the Development Office



This marks my fifth year in the Development/Enrollment Office here at RCHS and I'm so excited to get another year started! After a slight dip in enrollment last year (121 students) I'm thrilled to announce that our current enrollment stands at 132 and we're getting calls quite frequently from even more families who are interested in learning more about, and possibly joining, our school community. It's exciting where we stand today but even more exciting to think about all that we can be if we continue this positive momentum!

We've used the first several weeks of the 2022-23 school year to introduce our year-long theme of "Be the Difference." We've spoken with our students, faculty, and staff about what it means to "Be the Difference" and one of the main aspects of this mindset is that we can all become doers instead of observers. Our students can put this into action in their classrooms, in their faith, and in the community, and we've encouraged them to do just that. We've reminded them how it can be big things that make a difference but it can also

be the little things, like participating in class, being kind, setting a good example, following in Christ, and giving service to others. Each of these things (and more) allow our students to "Be the Difference", not just here at school but also in the community. We look forward to seeing how this year's theme impacts not only our students but also our faculty and staff, our parents, and our entire school community.

I continue to feel incredibly blessed when it comes to what I get to do professionally every day. I know it sounds cheesy but as we continue to celebrate 120 years of RCHS, I can't help but think of the Routt family and wonder what they would say if they could see us today. I'm so thankful that they had both the forethought and initiative to start our community. Of course we've had struggles through the years - nobody said what we do is easy! - but over the last 120 years there have been so many individuals who have come before me who have worked so hard to get us where we are today. I must always remember that the sole purpose of why I do what I do is to get more students in our building so we can both grow and continue to educate young minds in a faith-based setting. I must do what I can to "Be the Difference" right here at RCHS. I hope you'll join me in these efforts by doing what you can do to make a difference, as well.

We have a rich history filled with many achievements to remember and celebrate, but if I have anything to say about it? Our future is going to be just as exciting.

Colleen Doyle '06

ROUTT HIGH SCHOOL EDUCATION FOUNDATION

The Routt High School Education Foundation, Inc. was formed in May of 1990 by Sr. Philip Neri Crawford and the members of the Routt High School Alumni Association. These individuals felt it important to create a legal entity controlled locally with the purpose of receiving contributions for the benefit of Routt. Since the 503C's inception, the Education Foundation has received numerous gifts for the support of Routt; over 40 individual and family funds have been established!

The funds in the Education Foundation have many different purposes:

- Several of the named funds are designated for perpetual scholarships to RCHS. Once established, these perpetual scholarships will continue to benefit Routt Catholic families for years to come. To talk about setting up a named scholarship in memory of your family or a loved one, please contact Colleen Doyle at cdoyle@routtcatholic.com.
- Some funds help specific programs or department, like fine arts, biology, athletics, or technology.
- Some funds are specifically used for general tuition assistance to make a Catholic education more affordable for our families.
- Some gifts were given without a designated purpose, allowing the Board to use the funds where they feel the school would most benefit.

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120 Years of Routt Catholic High School

Routt Catholic High School had both the pleasure and the unique opportunity to celebrate 120 years of our school during the weekend of June 10-12, 2022. Various activities were planned throughout the weekend giving us a chance to join with friends, near and far, to celebrate our beloved school.

The activities kicked off on Friday evening where numerous alumni and friends gathered in downtown Jacksonville for music on the square. Following the free outdoor concert the fun continued at both Don's Place and the KC Hall where Danny and Carol Ann Kindred and Pat Gibson and Pat Tobin opened their doors to all who came to town for the special occasion.



Saturday was busy with activities available all day for anyone in town for the celebration. Activities included:

- Tours of the Jacksonville Area Museum: the museum is a great asset to our town but more importantly, our AP History students (led by Lisa Hall) had spent the last 4 weeks of the school year to develop an exhibit based on the history of our school. The exhibit was wonderfully put together and we had numerous individuals comment how great everything looked!
- Tours of Routt Catholic High School and Our Saviour School: more than 50 individuals joined students, faculty, and staff members for tours at both schools. Several individuals commented that they hadn't been inside RCHS since they're time as students and the majority of visitors at OSS had not been in the building since their big construction project in 2018 and 2019!
- Reunion Mass: our reunion Mass was held at 4:30 on Saturday afternoon. Fr. Joseph Ring and Fr. Alan Hunter led the congregation in the beautiful Mass that was said in memory, and in honor, of all members of Rocket Nation.
- Dinner/Dance Reception: following Mass we welcomed nearly 150 individuals for a dinner/dance reception at the old McClelland Dining Hall of MacMurray College. After a brief presentation all attendees were enteratined by The Brat Pack, an 80s/90s cover band out of northern Illinois. (After such great feedback we've already secured The Brat Pack for our 2023 Winter Celebration this February please make plans to attend!!!)

On Sunday we capped the weekend off with a very steamy 18-hole golf scramble at the Links in Jacksonville. We had close to 20 teams participate and we are so thankful to have had Butch Wood, Keith Ward, Mike May, and Jason Bryant do so much to ensure a successful event!!

Everything that took place was due to the help and generosity of so many individuals and businesses. We can't stress enough how much we appreciate all those who continue to go above and beyond for our school.

I hope everyone in attendance that weekend had as much fun as I did. It was a perfect reminder to me that the most valuable things in the Routt Community aren't things at all; they're the people you meet along the way.

Yours in Rocket Spirit, Colleen Doyle '06













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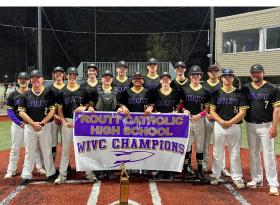


























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