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Dear Trinity Community:

Planning has begun to celebrate Trinity's 50th anniversary in 2013. Over the past few months, we have developed a master plan that is intended to guide our school into the second 50 years of its life. The purpose of a master plan is to provide a strategic needs assessment – a road map of capital needs that will sustain us for years to come.

The purpose of this letter is to inform you on the status of this land-mark project. The master plan has basically consolidated the work done in the Reserve Study, completed in 2007, and our strategic plan, an ongoing, project-based vision statement which you can access on our [website](#). Recently, Bishop McFadden and his College of Consultors approved our master plan and our request to proceed with planning a capital campaign to bring the projects articulated in the master plan to fruition.

As you read this, requests for proposals (RFP) are being sent to several fund raising consultants. A strategic planning committee has been organized to select one of the competing firms. We intend to select the winner before Thanksgiving. Shortly thereafter, the consulting firm will guide us through what is known as a feasibility study. The purpose of this study will be to determine how much money our broader constituency is likely to donate in support of the campaign.

At this point, we estimate that a campaign goal of \$12 million will allow us to complete all 19 projects identified in the master plan plus \$1 million for an endowment that will be used solely for need-based scholarships. Although over \$3 million has been spent over the past decade on such projects as classroom upgrades and roof replacement, Trinity has never attempted a fund raising project of this magnitude. It is envisioned that the campaign will take 3-5 years to complete.

Over these next months, I will follow up with more detailed information regarding the various projects that have been identified, priorities based on degree of need, and cost estimates for each project. A number of you will also be involved early on as our fund raising consultant conducts the feasibility study. A combination of focus groups, surveys, and interviews will be used to gather data. The foregoing will include samples of board members, alumni, parents, school staff, students, past parents, and other friends of the school.

Trinity is at a point in its history where significant investment is needed throughout our campus and facilities. Our goal is to modernize so that we can continue to compete and remain a respected, preeminent school community throughout south-central Pennsylvania well into the 21st century. With help from the Holy Spirit and a giving spirit throughout the Trinity community, our campaign goals will be realized.

Sincerely,

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