Office of Catholic Schools

Dear <First Name>.

An amazing \$750,000 opportunity has been presented to Catholic schools across the Diocese of New Ulm!

Richard Schulze, founder and chairman emeritus of Best Buy Co., Inc., and his foundation, the Richard M. Schulze Family Foundation, has offered the Diocese of New Ulm a "Challenge Matching Grant" to assist our 13 elementary Catholic schools in enhancing educational excellence as well as growing enrollment.

HOW IT WORKS

The diocesan Office of Catholic Schools is being challenged to raise \$50,000. If successful, the Foundation will match the \$50,000 for a total of \$100,000.

In addition, each Catholic elementary school in the diocese is challenged to raise \$25,000. Schools that meet this Challenge would receive an additional \$25,000 from the Foundation for a total of \$50,000 for the school.

This means, combined, Catholic schools in the diocese will receive \$750,000 when both the diocese and the 13 Catholic schools meet their Challenge goal! To access a video introduction about this Amazing Challenge visit www.dnu.org.

DEADLINE

The deadline for the Office of Catholic Schools in meeting the \$50,000 Challenge goal is December 1, 2021.

HOW WILL THE OFFICE OF CATHOLIC SCHOOLS USE THE MONEY?

If the Diocese of New Ulm is successful in this \$50,000 Challenge, the money will be used to provide "local grants" to Catholic schools in the diocese to help support their marketing and enrollment initiatives. Our Catholic schools currently serve just over 1,800 students, and we aim to increase that number by 5% in the coming year.

The grant funding will also be used to provide ongoing training for teachers, particularly in assisting them to adapt instruction to meet the needs of individual students by working with standardized test data and through the use of instructional technology.

We are proud of the great tradition of Catholic education here in the Diocese of New Ulm. With your help, we are also excited about the impact this opportunity will have on our students.

Can you help us strengthen our Catholic schools and meet our \$50,000 Challenge goal with your gift? To make a contribution, please send the form below to the Diocese of New Ulm Office of Catholic Schools <u>before December 1</u>, 2021.

May God bless you for your generosity, and may He help us in the Diocese of New Ulm continue to provide our children with the outstanding education and foundation in faith they deserve.

In Him, Maga. Dougles L. Shame

Monsignor Douglas L. Grams Diocesan Administrator Dr. Michelle Kramer
Director of Catholic Schools

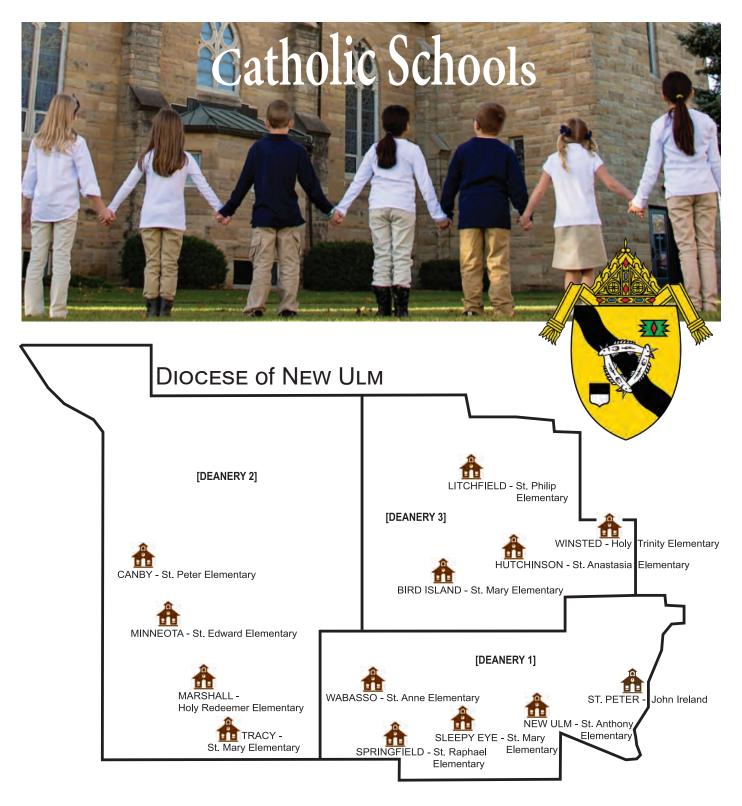
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YES! I/We wish to DOUBLE the impact with a gift to our Catholic elementary schools in our diocese.

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If you would like to contact the diocese with your credit card or checking account information, please contact Sherry at 507-233-5308



"A good school provides a rounded education for the whole person.

And a good Catholic school, over and above this, should help all its students to become saints." — Pope Benedict XVI





