



ASCENDING -TOGETHER-



CAMPAIGN FOR
LEGACY CHRISTIAN ACADEMY



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I LIFT UP MY EYES
TO THE HILLS.
FROM WHERE
DOES MY HELP
COME? MY HELP
COMES FROM THE
LORD, WHO MADE
HEAVEN AND
EARTH.

PSALM 121:1-2

As we look at culture and see the lies and despair that are being offered to our children, a Christian education at Legacy is needed now more than ever. Today, young people are struggling to stand firm in their faith; it takes courage to be a Christian in the current, shifting culture. Our responsibility as a Christian school, and our steadfast commitment, is to equip students biblically for the journey that is ahead of them. Ultimately, our building and any future expansions are just tools to reach students for Christ and provide quality learning experiences and discipleship opportunities for our children.

I believe God is calling the Legacy community to lift up our eyes and seek the Lord together to meet the current needs of our students and the demands of Christian education. Legacy is launching the *Ascending Together* Campaign, a \$10.5M 2-year campaign that will fund new academic facilities, construct state-of-the-art classrooms, provide enhanced learning opportunities and programs, increase tuition assistance, create capacity for more students, lay stepping stones for the future, and build a strong financial base from which to operate with confidence.

I pray that the *Ascending Together* Campaign is a blessing for students because of the profound educational impact it will have on them, and I pray through this campaign you experience God working in your life and in the community at Legacy. We invite you to join us on the ascent!

To God be the glory as we ascend together,

JAKE MULVIHILL, Head of School

An aerial photograph of the Legacy Christian Academy campus. The main building is a large, modern structure with a white roof and grey walls, featuring several large windows with orange and black frames. To the left of the main building is a large parking lot filled with cars and a yellow school bus. Further left is a green field with a white soccer goal. To the right of the main building is a large, white, rectangular building with a flat roof. In the background, there is a dense forest of green trees and a body of water. The sky is clear and blue.

THE LEGACY COMMITMENT



LEGACY CHRISTIAN
ACADEMY EXISTS TO
EQUIP THE MIND AND
DISCIPLE THE HEART
OF EACH STUDENT FOR
CHRIST-LIKE LIVING.

HISTORY: A CELEBRATION OF OUR JOURNEY

The history of Legacy stands as a testament to what God is capable of when we live out courageous faith and are committed to His Word.



1976

Meadow Creek Christian School (MCCS) was founded as a ministry of Meadow Creek Church by Pastor Charles Shepson. Shepson had a vision to partner with parents to educate children within a biblical worldview and began teaching the hearts and minds of 100 students with a staff of 6. Mr. John Delich was called to be the first administrator.



1988

The first major educational wing was added with 14 additional classrooms and a new science lab.



1989

MCCS became accredited through Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI).



1995

The Meadow Creek Sports Center was built.



2010

Meadow Creek Christian School's name was changed to Legacy Christian Academy. Although the name changed, the mission has remained the same.



**MAY
2022**

Enrollment approaches 800 and wait pools exist at almost every grade level.

2017

Beyond Imagination Strategic Plan was adopted by the School Board.

2019

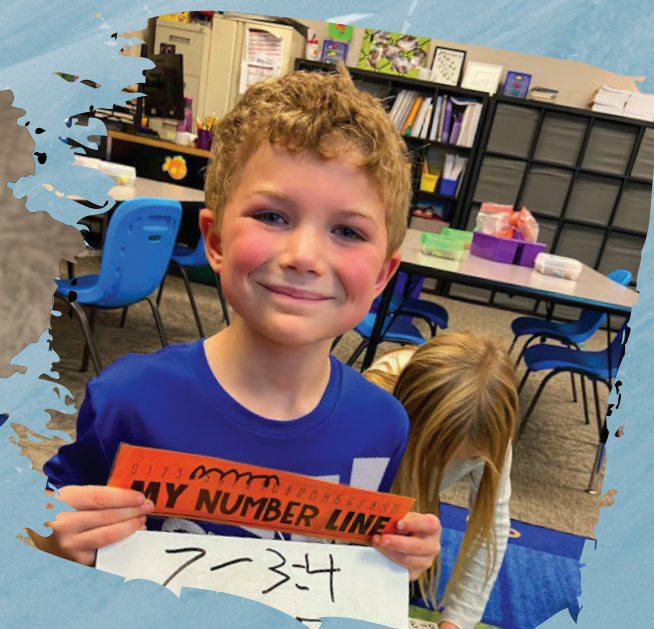
Construction breaks ground on a new education wing.

2022

Courageous Faith Strategic Plan announced.

2013

The standing stones were added as a reminder of God's faithfulness, sovereignty, salvation, and provision to our school.



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OUR COUNTRY AND OUR CHILDREN ARE IN CRISIS. LIKE MANY PARENTS, WE LOOKED FOR AN ALTERNATIVE TO THE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM. UNFORTUNATELY, LEGACY WAS AT CAPACITY WITH WAIT POOLS. AFTER TWO YEARS OF WAITING, AND THROUGH THE GRACE OF GOD, BOTH OUR CHILDREN WERE ACCEPTED AT LCA WHICH HAS BEEN NOTHING SHORT OF A MIRACLE FOR OUR FAMILY.

ROCHELLE HENNESSY (PARENT)

OUR CONTINUED COMMITMENT

Every day, Legacy seeks to be rooted in the foundation of Christ and His Word and invest in and transform student lives. Students are being prepared through student experiences and opportunities, both spiritual and academic, to courageously face the emerging challenges of being a Christian in an ever-shifting and secular culture.

Legacy partners with parents to make this happen, and faculty and staff commit to prayer as they invest wholly in each student, pushing them to become biblically grounded disciples of Christ; God-glorifying, Spirit-led worshippers; intellectually prepared, accomplished learners who are morally disciplined students of character; and faithful and courageous servant leaders.





THE CURRENT CHALLENGES FOR OUR COMMITMENT

- FACILITY RESTRICTIONS
- LIMITED LEARNING SPACES
- LIMITED COMMUNITY GATHERING SPACES
- RAPID ENROLLMENT GROWTH
- WAITING POOLS
- MEETING DEMANDS OF 21ST CENTURY EDUCATION
- ENSURING CHRISTIAN EDUCATION FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS



BEGINNING THE ASCENT: THE COMPREHENSIVE CAMPAIGN

Legacy's *Courageous Faith Strategic Plan* intentionally increases student opportunities, expands our Kingdom impact, and lays stepping stones for future generations of Legacy students. *Ascending Together* is the first campaign in the strategic plan that will include adding new facilities while renovating critical existing spaces, enhancing student experiences, and securing financial stability for the future.

Our total campaign goal is **\$10,500,000** and it encompasses three critical areas at Legacy:



NEW ACADEMIC BUILDING FUND \$8,100,000



LEGACY FUND \$900,000



PLANNED (ESTATE) GIVING \$1,500,000

It has become clear during strategic planning that the time is NOW to step forward in courageous faith.



OPPORTUNITY #1

NEW ACADEMIC BUILDING: \$8,100,000

Legacy wishes to immediately begin construction on the New Academic Building as described in the developing Master Site Plan. This expansion will provide:

- A 3-STORY, 29,000 SQUARE-FOOT BUILDING
- 12 STATE-OF-THE-ART CLASSROOMS FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL
- SIX CLASSROOMS ROUGHED-IN FOR FUTURE HIGH SCHOOL USE IN THE LOWER LEVEL
- FUTURE ENGINEERING LAB FOR HIGH SCHOOL
- TWO SCIENCE LABS
- COMMONS AND FLEXIBLE LEARNING SPACES FOR GRADES 5-6 AND 7-8
- ADDITIONAL COLLABORATIVE LEARNING SPACES FOR INSTRUCTIONAL SPECIALTIES ACROSS ALL GRADE LEVELS
- REMODELED ELEMENTARY AND HIGH SCHOOL CLASSROOMS
- A MOVE-IN READY FACILITY FOR STUDENTS AS SOON AS WINTER 2023-24

The developing Master Site Plan could include several other significant additions such as a field house, redesigned athletic fields, a new campus entrance, dedicated student support center, a remodeled performing arts theater, a new lunchroom, and community gathering spaces.

The New Academic Building is the necessary first step toward this plan.

PROGRAM ENHANCEMENT WITH GROWTH

There are already remarkable programs taking place at Legacy during the school year. Students can participate in successful athletic programs, dynamic fine arts programs, and life-preparing academics.

However, additional students and revenue will positively impact our current students by offering new experiences and opportunities like...



AN INTERNATIONAL SENIOR MISSION TRIP COVERED BY TUITION



AN ESTABLISHED INTERNSHIP PROGRAM



ADDING ACTIVITIES, PROGRAMS, AND FINE ARTS CLASSES



ELEVATING CURRENT PROGRAMS TO BE MORE EXPERIENTIAL, SOPHISTICATED, AND COMPETITIVE

The last five years of student growth have allowed Legacy to add over twenty new academic classes and launch our engineering/innovation/robotics program as well as our business program across all divisions!

BETTER EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCES

Similar to program enhancement, additional space will inevitably provide better academic experiences. This three-story expansion will allow elementary, middle, and high school to further shift into their uniquely designed areas of the building which fit their developmental needs.

Additional students and revenue have already positively impacted our current students by allowing us to hire...



MATH AND READING ACADEMIC INTERVENTION SPECIALISTS TO SUPPORT K-8 STUDENTS IN MATH AND READING GROWTH



PRINCIPALS AT EVERY DIVISION FOCUSED ON CREATING UNIQUE, AGE-SPECIFIC EXPERIENCES

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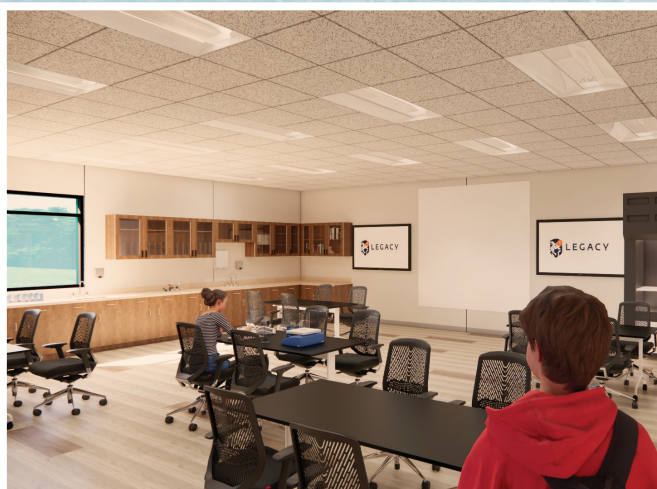
THE LOWER LEVEL will feature roughed-in classrooms for future high school use.



THE NEW ACADEMIC BUILDING



AN ESTABLISHED MIDDLE SCHOOL COMMONS will allow students to interact with and connect relationally with one another on campus.



THE DEDICATED MIDDLE SCHOOL SCIENCE LABS will give our students the cutting-edge spaces they need to understand the world God has created.



A FUTURE ENGINEERING LAB will further elevate the robotics and engineering program and promote an atmosphere of hands-on, technical learning.



THE UPPER TWO STORIES OF THE EXPANSION WILL INCLUDE NATURALLY LIT CLASSROOMS designed for flexible learning spaces with collapsible glass walls to enable more collaboration and team teaching.



REMODELING ONE HIGH SCHOOL AND THREE ELEMENTARY CLASSROOMS with the New Academic Building will create larger classroom spaces to promote a successful learning environment for each student.

OUR GROWTH

The Board has determined, through prayerful consideration and educational research, that Legacy can best meet the relational, academic, and spiritual needs of each student while elevating the mission of the school by growing incrementally to 1,050 students with each grade level three sections wide.

Additional students and revenue have already positively impacted our current students by allowing us to hire...



A STUDENT LIFE COORDINATOR AT EVERY DIVISION THAT IS SPECIFICALLY INVESTING IN LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT AND SPIRITUAL FORMATION AT THAT AGE LEVEL



MORE SCHOOL COUNSELORS TO HELP WITH SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL CHALLENGES FACED BY STUDENTS

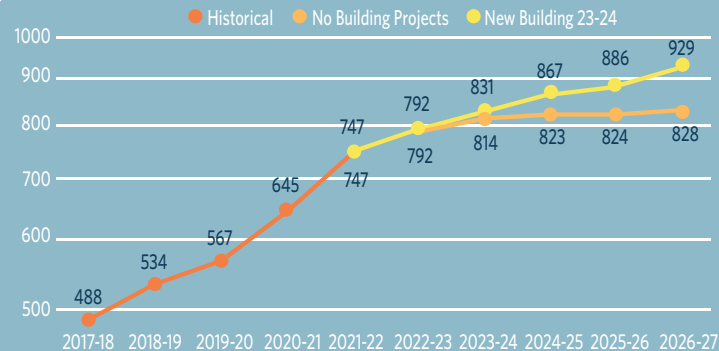
In order to continue our mission, we are committed to further...



PROVIDE RESOURCES FOR HIGHER COMPENSATION TO RETAIN AND TRAIN OUR EXCELLENT FACULTY AND STAFF

We treasure our culture, and that is not going to change. Faculty and staff will continue to invest daily in each student's spiritual and academic life while partnering with parents and pointing our community to Christ.

LCA ENROLLMENT HISTORY AND PROJECTIONS





RECOGNIZING THE DEMAND AND HONORING OUR SPLIT FAMILIES

There are an overwhelming number of families in our own community desperately waiting and praying that their children can experience the missional impact of Legacy Christian Academy. Families are flocking to have God's Word and Legacy's life-giving culture as the foundation of their children's educational experience. Sadly, many of the families in the waiting pools are current Legacy families who have one child here with another child attending elsewhere because there is no room. It is time to ensure that our families can wholly attend Legacy together.

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I AM A COMMUNITY PERSON
BUT SINCE WE ARE SPLIT
BETWEEN THREE SCHOOLS
BECAUSE OUR OLDEST AND
YOUNGEST ARE NOT ABLE TO
ATTEND LEGACY, I CAN ONLY
INVEST MINIMALLY IN THIS
WONDERFUL COMMUNITY. IN
SPITE OF OUR SPLIT FAMILY,
I HAVE A PEACE ABOUT
THINGS BECAUSE LEGACY IS
SO CHRIST-CENTERED IN ALL
THAT THEY DO.

JENNY DEPOINT
(LEGACY PARENT)



STEPPING STONES FOR THE FUTURE

FUTURE NEEDS: The New Academic Building is a stepping stone toward the developing Master Site Plan; we can't remodel existing portions of the building until we have adequate space to educate students during that process. This addition will allow us to better meet the learning and developmental needs of our current students while future remodels and construction of new wings are underway.

INFLATION: Legacy has prayerfully considered the timeline for this campaign, and there is clear urgency to step forward in courageous faith right now. With both inflation and building costs on the rise, each day that passes, quite literally, increases the cost of building this addition; if we don't move forward now, it may delay or prohibit doing so in the future. *Now is the time to financially invest in our building; we must capitalize on current costs in an ever-shifting economy.*

INCREASED REVENUE: Increased enrollment ensures increased revenue, which leads to retaining and recruiting high-caliber faculty, adding student enrichment experiences, enhancing academic programs, and increasing the financial stability for our school. The Board will continue to faithfully and courageously steward our money to ensure we have a stable budget and strong financial plans so that a high-quality LCA education remains available for families in our region. This addition will further secure the future of Legacy financially, thus securing our children's ability to know and love the Lord.

OTHER CRITICAL WAYS TO INVEST IN LEGACY



OPPORTUNITY #2 THE LEGACY FUND: \$900,000

The Legacy Fund exists to invest in our students, faculty, and staff. *While tuition covers operational costs, charitable giving toward the Legacy Fund enables us to enhance, expand, and elevate our school programs directly, providing an even better educational experience than what tuition alone can provide.* The Legacy Fund better equips faculty and provides them with enriching pedagogical experiences to bring into their classrooms. Scholarships are also awarded through the Legacy Fund, ensuring that private Christian education is attainable, accessible, and affordable for mission-appropriate families.



OPPORTUNITY #3 PLANNED (ESTATE) GIVING: \$1,500,000

Legacy's Endowment exists to provide financial stability and longevity as we face a culture that stands directly against Legacy's mission. The Board desires to establish and secure LCA's future to serve future generations and impact the Kingdom beyond our time here. *Investing in the Endowment means we are doing the work now for the next generation – leaving a legacy for those to come.*

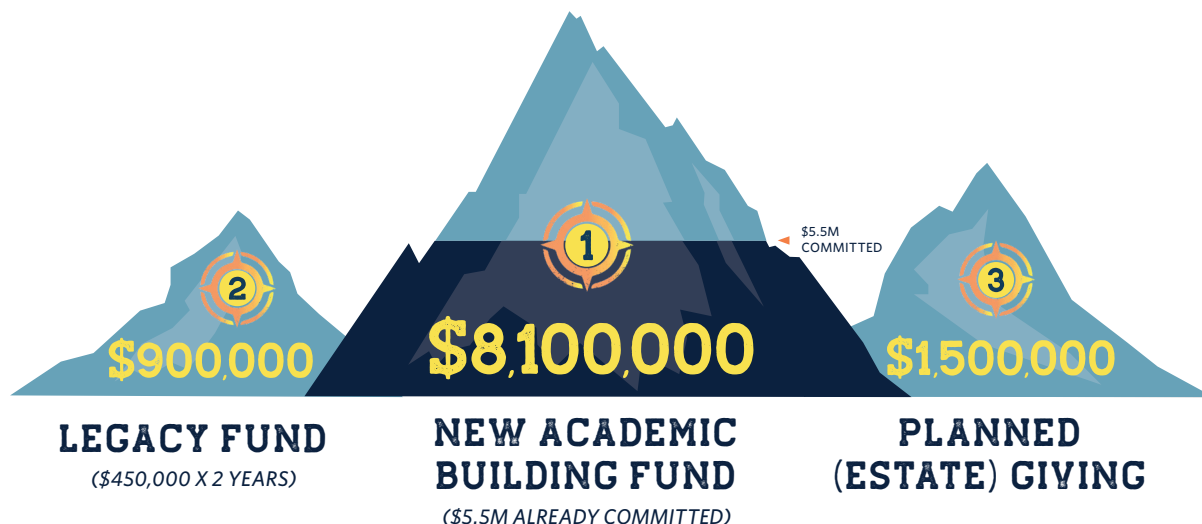
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STUDENTS AND
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ADDITIONAL
INVESTMENT.

JEN NISKA
(LEGACY PARENT AND
SCHOOL BOARD VICE PRESIDENT)

HOW WILL THIS VISION BE ACCOMPLISHED?

Our total campaign goal is **\$10,500,000** and it encompasses three critical areas at Legacy:



THE INVITATION

Will you prayerfully and courageously consider a significant two-year gift for LCA to make this critical Kingdom vision a reality? Let us prayerfully ascend together.

WAYS TO GIVE

There are many ways to make a two-year gift to this campaign, including:

- ONE TIME CASH GIFT** (via check or cash)
- RECURRING GIFT** (set up automatic giving online or return enclosed card)
- APPRECIATED ASSETS** (stocks, securities, IRAs, property)
- PLANNED (ESTATE) GIFTS** (major gifts during donar's lifetime or at death)

Dennis Zwirchitz (*Advancement Director*, 763.316.6247, dzwirchitz@lcamn.org) will be happy to work with you to help you achieve your giving goals in the most tax-efficient way for you.



Scan here to
schedule your
online gift or visit
www.lcamn.org

Thanks to God’s grace, the generosity of a handful of early givers, and the wise stewardship of our board, we are already well on our way to meeting our goal for the academic building.

TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE CAMPAIGN GOAL	\$10,500,000
NEW ACADEMIC BUILDING	\$8,100,000
EARLY COMMITMENTS	— \$5,500,000
1 REMAINING ACADEMIC BUILDING FUND OPPORTUNITY	\$2,600,000
2 LEGACY FUND GIVING OPPORTUNITY* (\$450,000 X 2 YEARS*)	\$900,000

Wisdom and experience tell us that we will need gift commitments like these to be successful. We are aiming for full participation from our community and pray that families will give generously as God inspires them. We aim for *equal sacrifice, not equal giving*. Every gift and every giver makes a difference!

PROJECTED GIFTS REQUIRED TO FUND
ACADEMIC BUILDING (\$2,600,000) AND
LEGACY FUND (\$900,000)

\$3,500,000 GOAL

GIFTS CAN BE FULFILLED OVER A MULTI-YEAR PERIOD
ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2024.

# OF GIFTS	GIFT AMOUNT	SUBTOTAL	CUMULATIVE TOTAL
1	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000
2	\$250,000	\$500,000	\$1,000,000
7	\$100,000	\$700,000	\$1,700,000
14	\$50,000	\$700,000	\$2,400,000
22	\$24,000	\$528,000	\$2,928,000
23	\$10,000	\$230,000	\$3,158,000
30	\$5,000	\$130,000	\$3,288,000
40	\$2,500	\$100,000	\$3,388,000
60	\$1,200	\$72,000	\$3,460,000
Many	< \$1,200	\$40,000	\$3,500,000

3 PLANNED (ESTATE) GIFT OPPORTUNITY \$1,500,000

To support the long-term strength and sustainability of LCA and ensure that future generations of students can receive an outstanding Christian education, we aim to build our endowment through estate/legacy gifts. If you are interested in learning more about providing an estate gift for LCA, please contact our Advancement Director.



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