



Benedictine High School Announces \$25 Million Comprehensive Campaign in Celebration of 100 Year Anniversary

March 21, 2026 - Cleveland, OH: Benedictine High School has announced a \$25 million dollar comprehensive campaign in celebration of the school's upcoming centennial milestone which will take place during the 2026-2027 academic year.

The comprehensive campaign is a visionary five-year initiative designed to secure Benedictine's future and honor its enduring legacy. Timed to coincide with the school's historic 100th anniversary, the campaign seeks to raise \$25 million in support of these vital priorities: tuition assistance, innovative academic programming, transformational capital improvements, and endowment expansion.

"The Benedictine monks came here more than a century ago with a simple but powerful mission to form young men in faith, scholarship, and service through a Benedictine education. As we launch this \$25 million Centennial Campaign, we recommit ourselves to that mission and ensure Benedictine High School will continue forming leaders for generations to come," said Chancellor and Abbot, Rt. Rev. Gary Hoover, O.S.B. '74.

Joe Sweeney '98, Board of Trustees Chairman, shares, "Today marks the start of an exciting new chapter in Benedictine's history. With strong momentum behind us, we are ready to usher our nearly 100-year mission and traditions into a new era of innovation for the Benedictine Community."

BHS100! – A Century of Tradition, A Future of Innovation – marks a bold centennial campaign celebrating Benedictine's rich legacy while forging a progressive path for tomorrow's students. At its core is Benedictine Pathways; a transformative academic initiative designed to align with evolving societal needs and broaden college and career readiness. This forward-looking program strengthens the school's rigorous college-prep foundation by offering focused tracks in STEM, Business &



Entrepreneurship, Arts & Media, and Skilled Trades. Beyond academics, the initiative emphasizes real-world readiness through hands-on workshops, life-skill development, and dynamic new electives equipping students not just to succeed, but to lead.

“The jobs of tomorrow are no longer guaranteed by a college degree alone. It is essential that our students are exposed to career-ready skills, coursework that develops critical thinking, and the core values that define a Benedictine education. As we celebrate 100 years of our mission, this is the right moment to launch initiatives like Benedictine Pathways—preparing our students not only for their first job, but for a lifetime of purpose,” said President Dave Schroeder ’90.

The capital portion of the campaign includes the construction of a Student Experience Center, a learning facility located in St. Andrew Abbey, to incorporate an Engineering Makerspace, a Media Center, and space for Technology & Innovation-related offerings. In addition, the school’s cafeteria has been transformed into a state-of-the-art Student Commons. Future phases of the campaign will include facility enhancements related to school infrastructure, the arts, athletics, and campus grounds.

Chris Lorber ’04, Chief Operating Officer, comments, “We have made strong progress at Benedictine thanks to recent support and generous investments received from our alumni and friends. We only get one opportunity to celebrate 100 years and we look forward to our dedicated community participating in this important chapter in our history.”

Construction of Phase 1 involving the Student Experience Center and Student Commons began in May 2025 and concluded in March of 2026.

For more information on BHS100! - *A History of Tradition, A Future of Innovation* -, please contact Mr. Chris Lorber ’04, lorber@cbhs.edu, at 216-421-2080 ext. 246 or visit www.cbhs.edu/BHS100.