



## LADYWOOD HIGH SCHOOL

### CELEBRATING 60 YEARS OF GUIDING YOUNG WOMEN ON THE PATH TO SUCCESS

Sixty years ago the Felician Sisters recognized the need for an all girls' Catholic high school in Western Wayne County. Accordingly, Ladywood High School was founded on September 11, 1950. Ladywood was named for its beautiful wooded property and dedicated to Our Lady under her title of Our Lady of the Woods.

Over these many years, Ladywood High School has attained a prominent presence in the greater Metro Detroit Area in keeping with a pledge made by the Felician Sisters: to educate young women with a challenging college preparatory program rooted in the Franciscan tradition. The Felician Sisters promised through their sponsorship of Ladywood High School not only to ensure academic excellence but also to provide for the spiritual and personal formation of the young ladies entrusted to their care. Therefore the nationally recognized success of Ladywood as an "Outstanding American High School" can be directly attributed to the devotion and core values of the Felician Sisters.

Mindful of our past Felician commitments, the Administration of Ladywood High School now invites our benefactors and friends to make donations that help us better fulfill our Ladywood educational mission and to continue to offer our ministry to as many young ladies as possible, regardless of their economic background. The proud legacy, traditions and wonderful spirit Ladywood High School now enjoys were made possible through the many sacrifices of those who have embraced and supported the faith community for Catholic Education that is Ladywood. We turn to you again asking you to be generous when considering helping our fine institution. A gift today will have an everlasting effect on future students as well as keeping the spirit, traditions and quality Catholic education at Ladywood alive and well.

### PLANNED GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

There are many options when considering a planned giving donation. Planned giving opportunities can be made through Annual Fund, Capital Fund or Scholarship Fund.

**Annual Fund** - - Monies used for operational purposes.

Examples: Tuition & Scholarship Assistance; Science Equipment

**Capital Fund** - - Monies used for school improvements or additions.

Examples: Monies used for building projects; Landscape Improvements

**Endowment** - - A permanent and perpetual gift. Only the earned income (interest) from the gift will be used for whatever purpose the donor designates.

There are many choices in which a donor can give to Ladywood High School. When considering your gift and the amount, always check with your estate planners, lawyers or accountants to help clarify the tax benefits as well as the proper legal procedures when donating. Know that your gift will pass on the gift of Catholic Education to a new generation of learners and be a faith expression in your belief and commitment to a Felician/Franciscan Catholic Education.

**Securities:** When you give stocks, bonds and mutual funds. Please check with your licensed broker when donating in this manner.

**Life Insurance:** Paid up policies or cash value are methods to allow Ladywood to be a beneficiary or co- beneficiary of the donor's policy.

**Real Estate/Personal Property:** Residences, buildings and farms or any personal property that has sufficient value such as jewelry, art or other collections.

**Bequests:** Wills are the most common planned gifts. Donors can bequeath to Ladywood any percentage of an estate or any percentage of the remainder of the estate.

**Cash/Check:** Donations to Ladywood will always be accepted in either form. When you wish to donate by credit card, please check with the Business Office.

**In Kind Gifts:** Gifts of services or equipment.

**Commemorative Giving:** A memorial gift will remember and honor a loved one for many years to come.

**Living Trusts:** Earnings of a trust can be donated yearly. Upon death, one may want to bequeath all or part of the remaining assets as a charitable gift to Ladywood.