

Make Your Donation Count

Each program and service offered to our children, adults, and their families is an opportunity for benefactors to realize their tangible and significant impact on our School. Donations in the amount of \$1,000, \$2,500, \$5,000 or \$10,000 ensure that children and adults with disabilities will continue to receive the critical programs and services they require to live as productively and independently as possible.

As we move forward in our mission, we are grateful to all who came before us, to those who stand with us today, and to those who will support St. Joseph's School for the Blind as we enter the next chapter in our history.

Please consider a donation to underwrite the following services:

Speech Language Therapy

Speech language therapists assist students with learning effective ways to communicate verbally as well as with augmentative and alternative communication systems. In addition, they work with students in the areas of oral-motor development, social language, concentration, memory and information processing.

Physical Therapy

Physical therapists work with students to promote independent functioning and to diminish the impact of physical disabilities on a student's ability to participate in the educational process. Their services focus on a student's functional use of his/her body for mobility, postural alignment, and maintaining/improving endurance.

Occupational Therapy

Occupational therapists work with students to promote their ability to perform tasks in their daily living and school environments. Services include addressing sensory motor challenges, functional limitations, and/or perceptual problems.

Orientation and Mobility

Highly skilled instructors teach students with visual impairments how to travel safely and independently through their environment and increase awareness of their surroundings.

Health and Medical Services

The School's full-time nurse provides medical, first aide, emergency care and additional nursing services to St. Joseph's students as determined by the student's individualized plan.

Braille Instruction

Students who are blind or visually impaired undergo literacy instruction which includes braille training. The School is currently seeking funds to enhance the program with the addition of the new Perkins SMART Brailier which incorporates technology into the classic system.

Music Program

St. Joseph's music program addresses students' cognitive, physical, emotional and social needs. Individual and group instrumental and voice instruction is provided to meet students' interest and ability. Classroom sessions promote music appreciation as well as assist students in enhancing their memory, communication skills, expression of feelings and ability to manage stress.

Social Services/Counseling & Advocacy

St. Joseph's social workers offer an array of services to families and students including counseling, advocacy, resource information and training. In addition, social workers serve as liaisons between St. Joseph's and the student's local school district.

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