

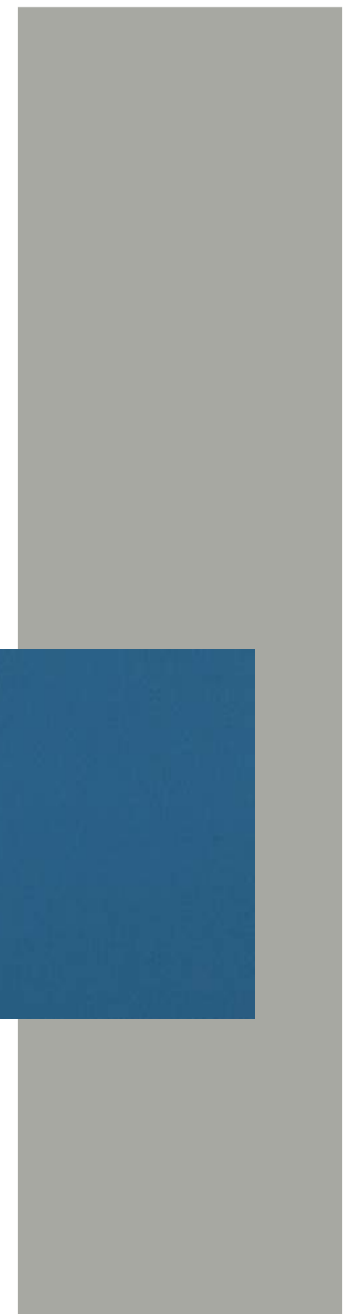
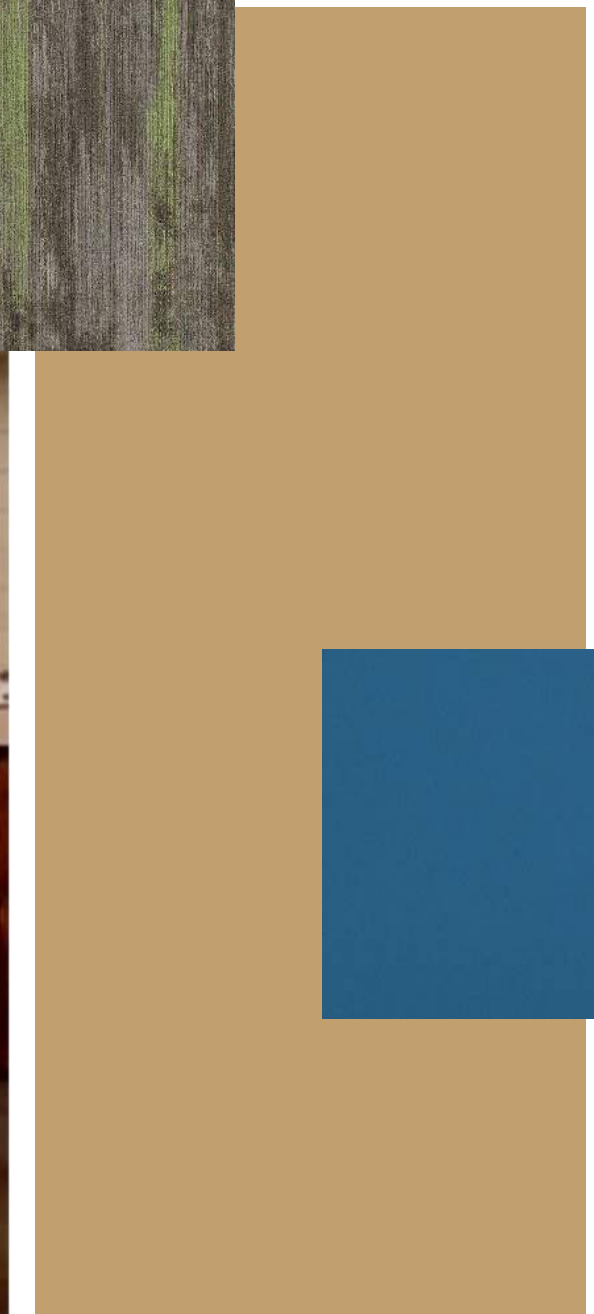
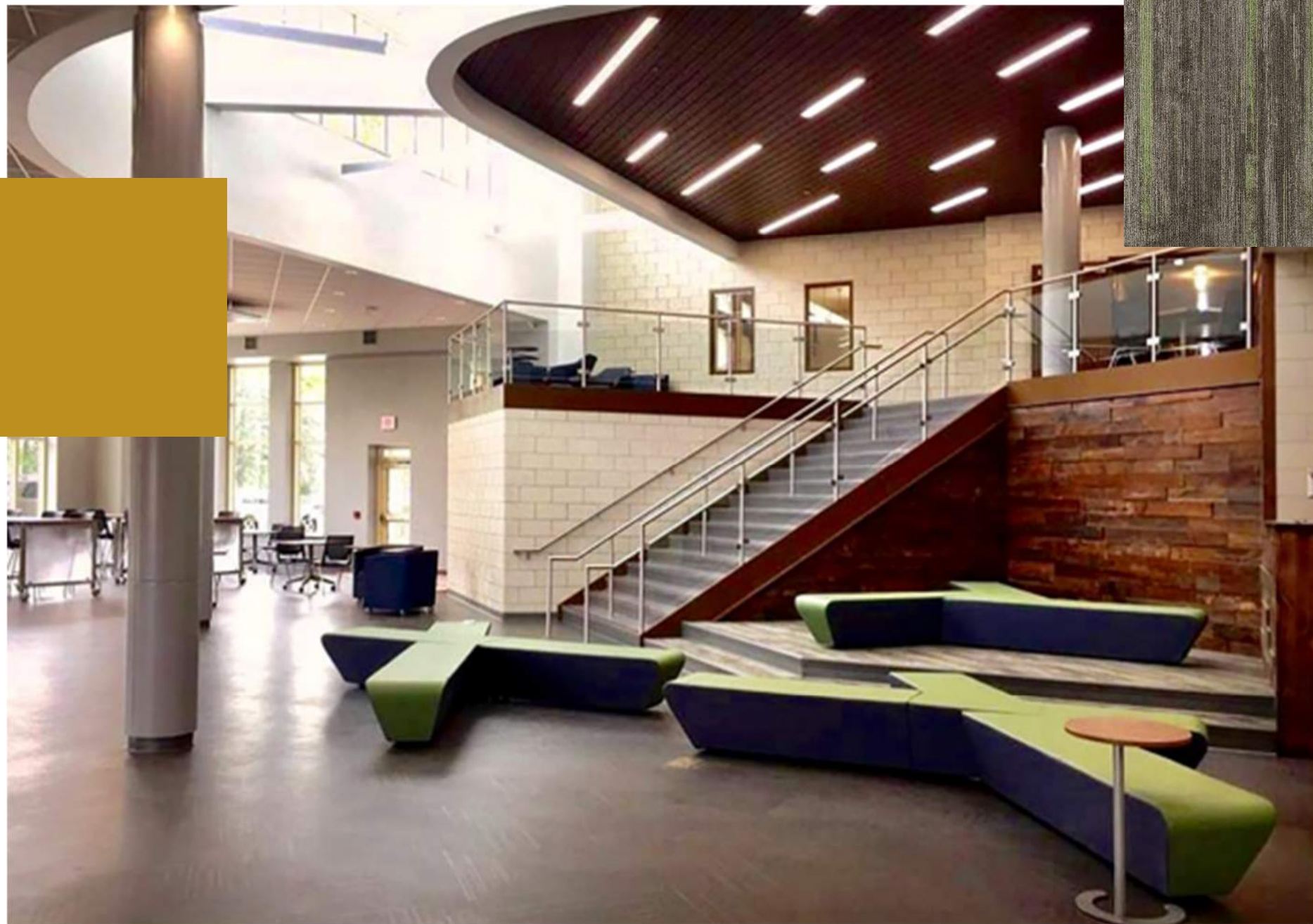
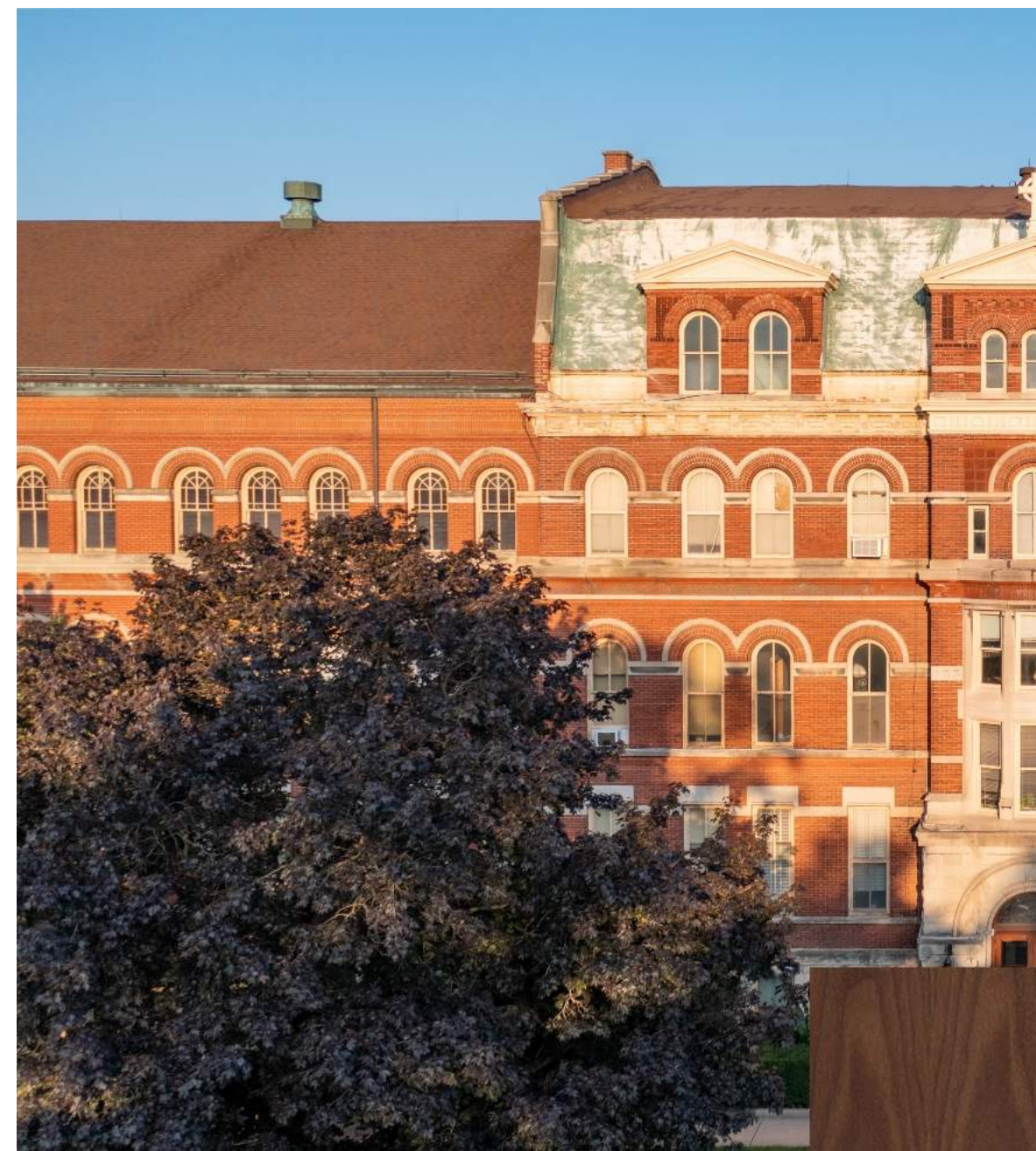
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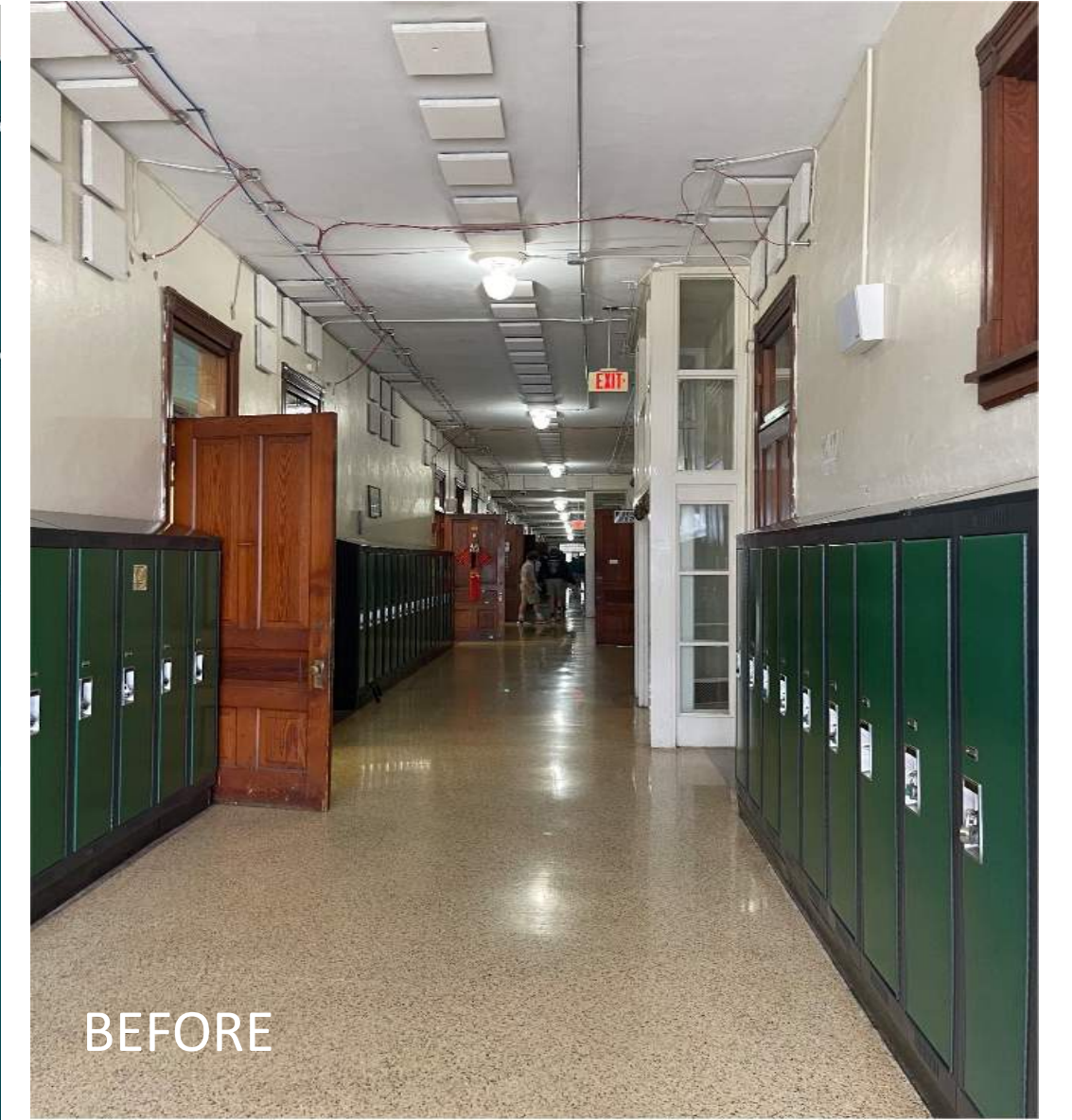




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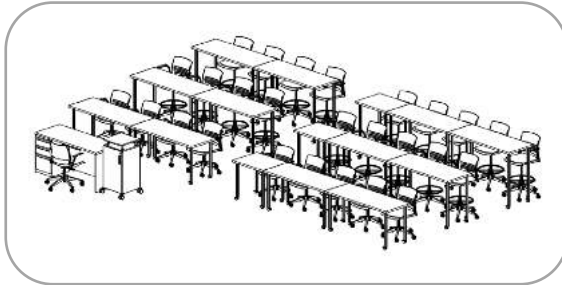
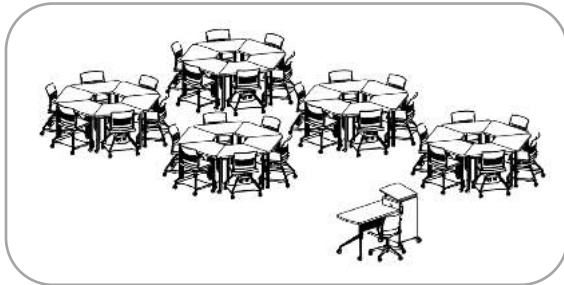
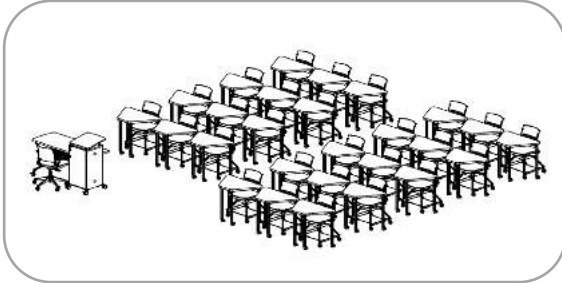
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2023 ST. BEDE ABBEY & ACADEMY QUICK FACTS

2023 Fall Enrollment: 271 students / 60 freshmen, 71 sophomore, 71 juniors, 69 seniors.

Tuition: \$6,800 - Actual cost to educate a St. Bede student \$15,393.

Superintendent: Mrs. Eve Postula '84.

Principal: Mr. Nick McLaughlin - Mrs. Michelle Mershon retired June 30 after 25 years.

Abbot: Abbot Michael Calhoun '89 - Abbot Philip Davey '65 retired in April 2022 after 11 years.

Priests still active at St. Bede

Chaplain: Fr. Ronald Margherio '68.

Religion Department: Fr. Dominic Garramone.

- 8 total monks currently living in the monastery residence they moved to on campus in June of 2022. Fr. Harold Datzman '56 passed away June 24, 2023.
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Boarders in fall of 2023: 37 boarders from: China, Vietnam, Korea, Bangladesh, Turkey, Ukraine, Japan, Portugal, Arkansas, Massachusetts.

21 girls, 16 boys living in St. Scholastica Dorm.

- Boys on 4th floor (renovated summer 2022) St. John's Hall.
 - Girls on 3rd floor (newly renovated summer 2023) St. Anne's Hall.
 - 1st floor common rooms include: St. Benedict Dining Hall, Clubhouse/Rec Room, Music & Arts Room, Exercise Room, Meditation Room.
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Projects recently completed and in progress

Abbey Church renovations completed spring '22—Auction 2021 Fund-A-Need.

Updates to the Gym: completed summer '22, refinishing of floor by Class of '71.

Historic "old main" stairwell restoration summer '22 - basement to 3rd floor by Class of '72.

Legacy Project Academy Renovations:

- Wing 1 - North corridor of the Second Floor completed August 2022.
- Wing 2 - South corridor of the Second Floor completed in December 2022.
- Wing 3 - North corridor of the First Floor completed August 2023.

What's Next: \$1,110,000 needs to be raised to finish Academy renovations on the First Floor.

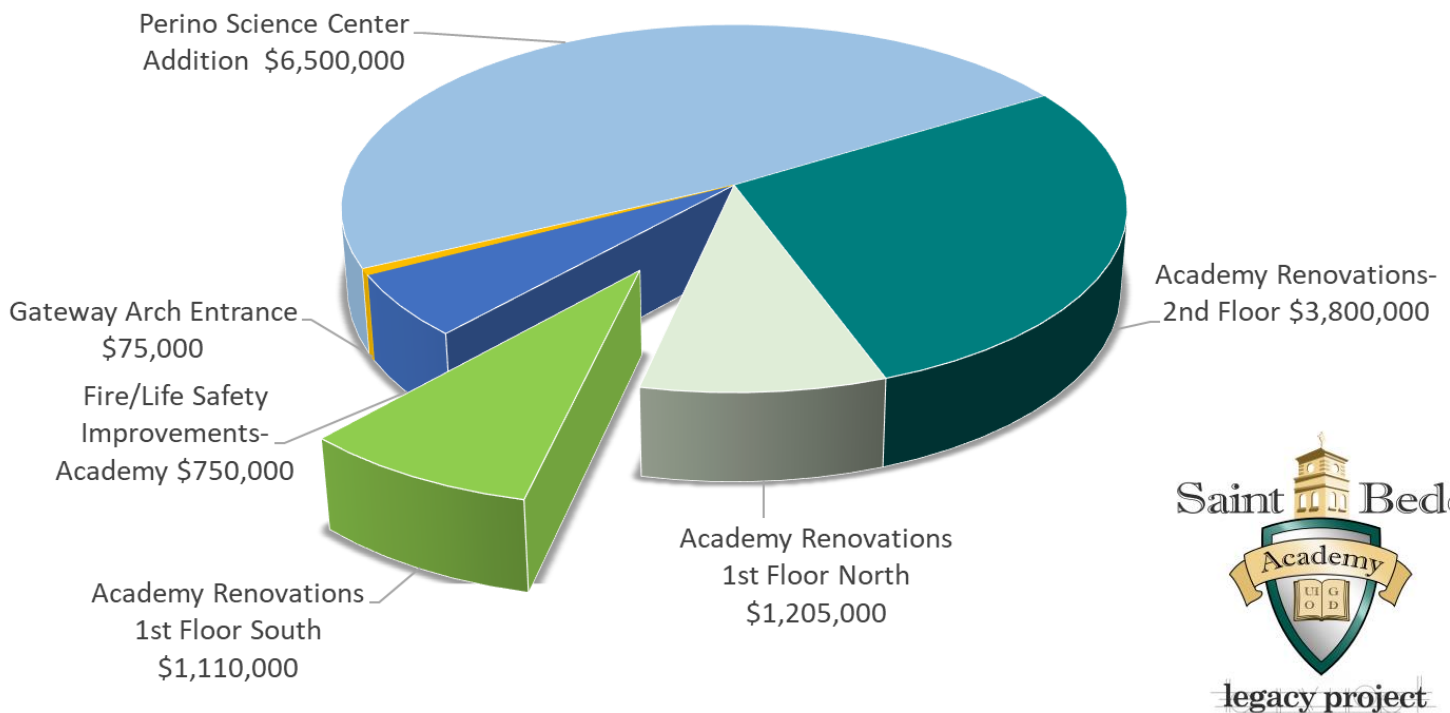
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Legacy Project Campaign Overview 2014-2023

91.5% or \$12,330,000 funded and work complete



\$1,110,000 needed to finish Academy renovations on the 1st Floor to complete Phase 3 of the Legacy Project Capital Campaign

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The Legacy Project – Phase 3 – Academy Renovations

Since the beginning of the capital campaign in 2014, more than \$12.3 million, has been raised and has fully funded Phase 1: Fire/Life Safety Academy Improvements/Gateway Arch, Phase 2: Perino Science Center, Phase 3: Wings 1, 2 and 3

Quick Facts about Wing 1, 2 and 3 of Phase 3

Wing 1 (north corridor, 1st floor) renovated & opened fall of 2022:

- 6 Classrooms for English and History
- Computer Science Center
- Teacher Collaboration Room

Wing 2 (south corridor 2nd floor) renovated & opened spring of 2023:

- 4 Classrooms for Math
- Bruins Learning Center
- Teacher Collaboration Room
- Chaplain's Office
- 2 Offices

State of the art Improvements in Wings 1 & 2:

- Improved Lighting
- Climate Controlled Classrooms
- New windows
- Modern desks
- Lockers and benches in hallway
- New Flooring
- Viewsonic boards in Classrooms
- Woodwork restored

Wing 3 (north corridor, 1st floor) renovated and opened fall of 2023:

- 3 Classrooms for Foreign Language and Religion
- Teacher Collaboration Room
- Blessed Sacrament Chapel
- The Loft
- 7 Offices

Thanks to the Auction Fund-A-Need: Furniture and Fixtures. Goal:\$160,000, Raised: \$135,000. All classroom and teacher collaboration room furnishings were purchased for Wings 3 and 4.

What's Next?

Wing 4 (south end, 1st floor): 2 classrooms, teacher collaboration room, and all 88 windows for the first floor estimated at \$1.1 million.

Thank you! We are grateful for every gift and every investment made is meaningful.



Academy renovations Incorporate the look of the Perino Science Center (PSC) to provide continuity.

Architects – Studio K, specialize in historic preservations and has preserved our historic look. Contractors: Vissering Construction & JB Contracting (both worked on the PSC). Same team returned to do the work for all 3 wings.

The Legacy Project

The homestretch is within our grasp



We tend to think of quiet, sleepy buildings over summer break when the students are away. But that was not the case here this summer at St. Bede.

Crews were busily working at renovations in the main corridor of the first floor. They were given a mission to preserve the character of the 1890s building while incorporating much-needed modern efficiencies to better the student-learning experience ... and that they did!

It was a lofty task, but it was accomplished on time and within budget. And when we welcomed back students and teachers from summer break, they walked over the threshold of the Perino Science Center and were amazed to experience, for the first time, the continuity of the new 2019 construction of the science center and the historic preservation of the 1890 academy building. What a blended transformation it is.

We are so proud and excited of how far the Academy renovations have come since they began in January 2022. In just a year and a half, the entire second floor and one corridor of the first floor of the Academy have been restored with a careful design that preserves the character of the woodwork and architectural elements of an 1890s building, such as the arched windows and functional door transoms, yet incorporates modern efficiencies with lighting and classroom technology that enhance the learning spaces.



Katherine Zeller '24 said the bright hallways and classrooms help her focus better and stay awake in class.

“The classrooms have improved by more comfortable desks and seating because the desks and chairs move. Our school also has improved with the newest classroom technology.”

Reagan Stoudt '24 is also very appreciative of the renovations.

“The improvements in the classrooms help students focus on their learning in a comfortable atmosphere.”

Milana Gayan '24 was very grateful for the climate-controlled classrooms that now have air conditioning, which provided for comfortable spaces during the hot summer days the Illinois Valley experienced this past August.

Religion and History Teacher Kevin Pullara said when students feel comfortable, they are set up for success.

“The renovations give students and faculty a feeling of comfort, which in turn gives them a great place to learn and teach.”

Following the work this summer, only one additional corridor of the main hallway is yet to be renovated and then we can proudly say the academy renovations of the capital campaign have been completed. We are almost there!

We are currently working diligently to secure \$1,110,000 to complete the final corridor and replace 49 windows within the first floor. Our goal is to resume the work this spring. It can be done!

This Homecoming, we are excited to welcome home our alumni and let them tour the newly-renovated hallways. Some alumni and friends have already seen it for themselves this summer and shared their thoughts.

Jim Gamache '72 enjoyed seeing a new, modern and bright academy and called it, "21st century classy."

"No more dark hallways and exposed wires. Each room has its own personality. My two visiting grandsons, ages 14 and 16, thought the new computer center was really neat. They have nothing like it at the high school they attend. The refinished stairways bring out the richness of the original design."

Jane Mastrangelo visited in August to see the room she and her family had dedicated to honor the gift from her husband, Jim Wojciechowski '66, and was amazed that a building over 100 years old could look so warm and bright.

"Kudos to your fundraising ability. This says a lot about people's love of this school. The classrooms, halls, floors – everything is sparkling and beautiful with the latest desks and learning tools. I am proud that my late husband has a newly-renovated classroom named in his memory. I wish he could see how beautiful and modern his alma mater is today after all the wonderful renovations are completed."

Dan Cawley '70 was blown away by the transformation.

"The quality of work and dedication of staff to meeting the needs of the current and future students is excellent. Parents can be assured their children will receive the best education available with the latest facilities, equipment and staff professionals. I've always been proud to have graduated from the Academy and find myself doubly proud of what's been done to keep this necessary curriculum alive."

J.A. '01 and Morgan '00 Happ got to see the renovations during a trip to the Illinois Valley this summer. They were both very impressed by the updated look and revitalized feel.

"The overall character remains while providing a more contemporary educational experience."

St. Bede has touched so many lives, in so many ways. Now is the time to consider giving back and investing in the establishment that has provided so much during a pivotal time in one's life. You can help preserve the place we all call home so it can retain the Bruin tradition and continue St. Bede's mission. Please reach out and let's make this happen!



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The Legacy Project At-a-Glance

Since 2014, Bede Academy's Capital Campaign has raised \$12.5 million and fully-funded:

Phase One: Fire/Life Safety Academy Improvements/Gateway Arch

Phase Two: Perino Science Center

Phase Three: Wings 1, 2 & 3 of the Academy

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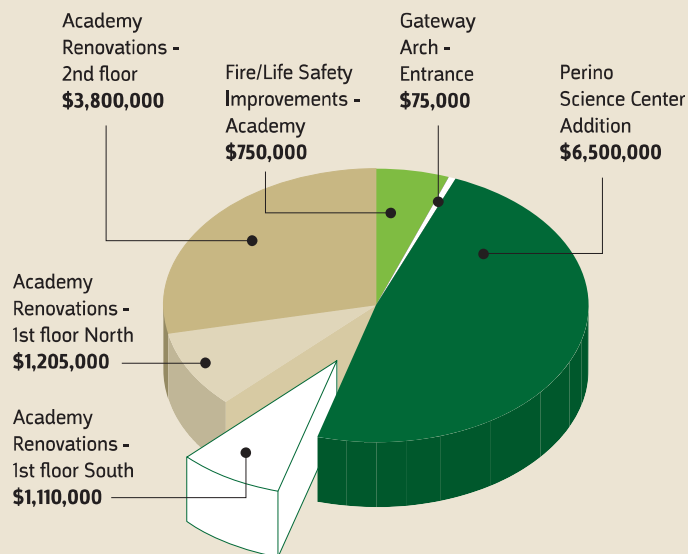
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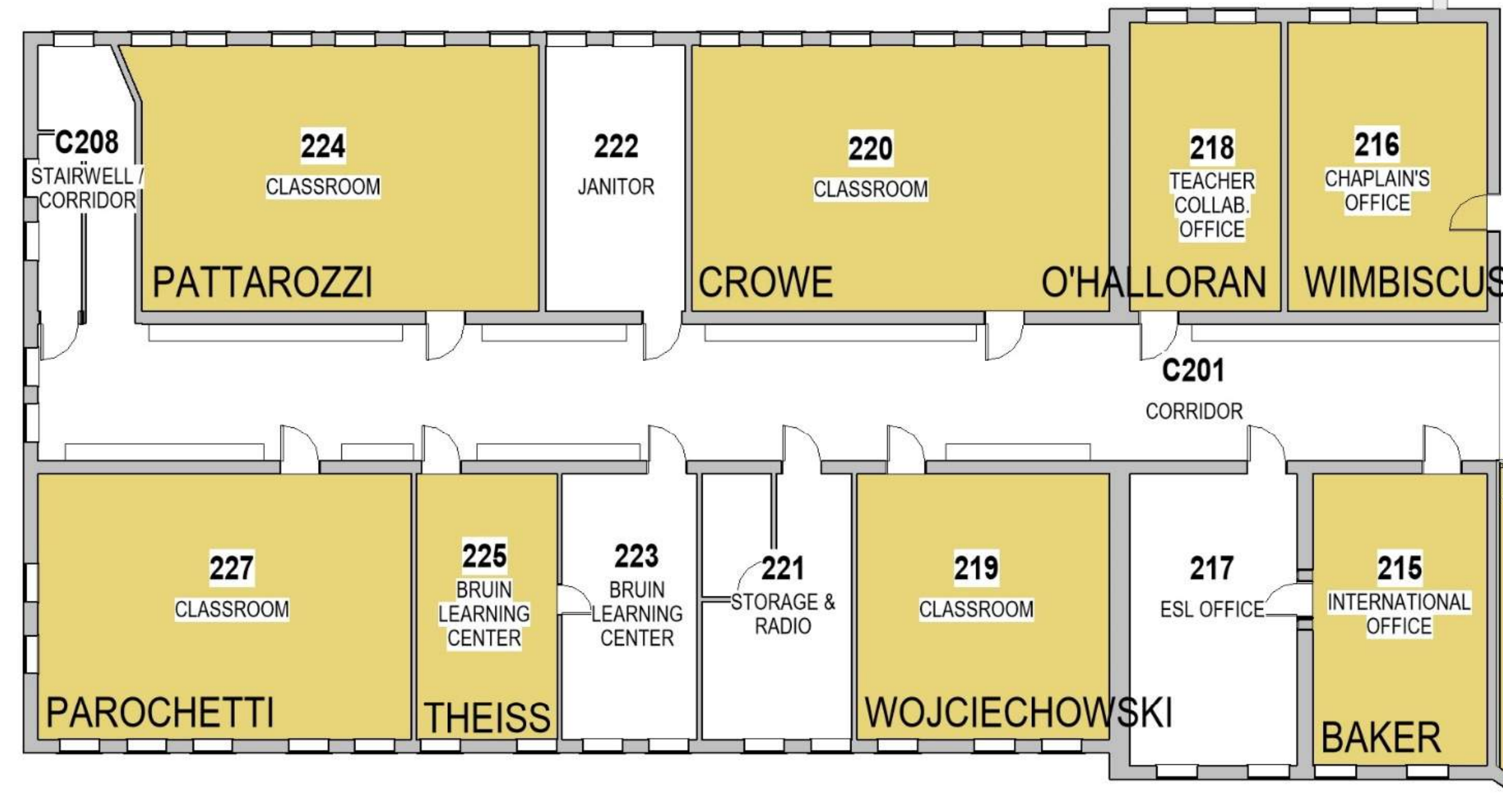


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WING II | SECOND FLOOR SOUTH

- 4 CLASSROOMS
- 1 TEACHER COLLABORATION ROOM
- 5 OFFICES
- 1 RADIO STATION & SOUND BOOTH
- 1 STAIRWELL
- 1 CUSTODIAL ROOM
- 43 WINDOWS

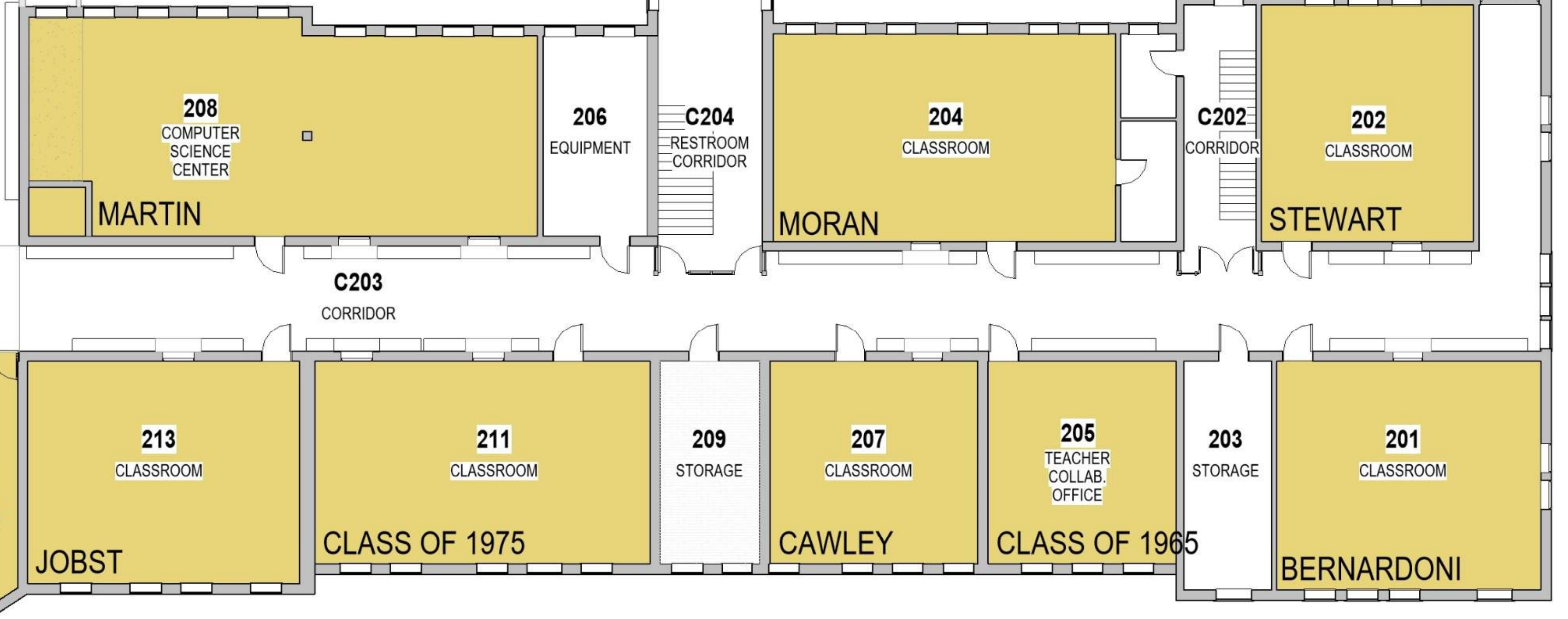
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WING I | SECOND FLOOR NORTH

- 7 CLASSROOMS
- 1 TEACHER COLLABORATION ROOM
- 1 SERVER ROOM
- 2 STORAGE ROOMS
- 2 STAIRWELLS
- 54 WINDOWS

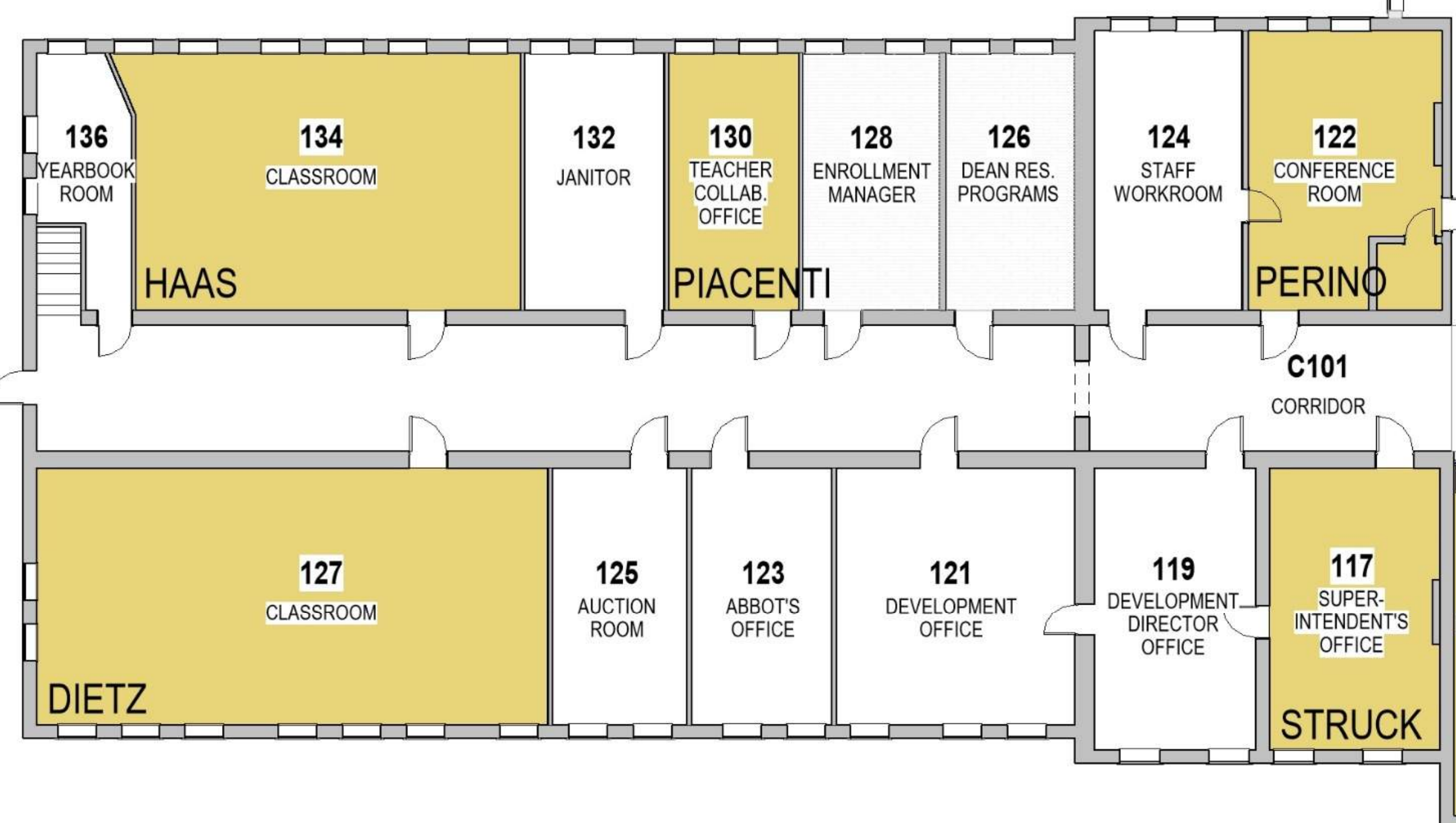
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WING IV | FIRST FLOOR SOUTH

- 2 CLASSROOMS
- 1 TEACHER COLLABORATION ROOM
- 1 STAFF LOUNGE AND RESOURCE CENTER
- 7 OFFICES
- 1 STAIRWELL
- 1 STORAGE ROOM
- 42 WINDOWS

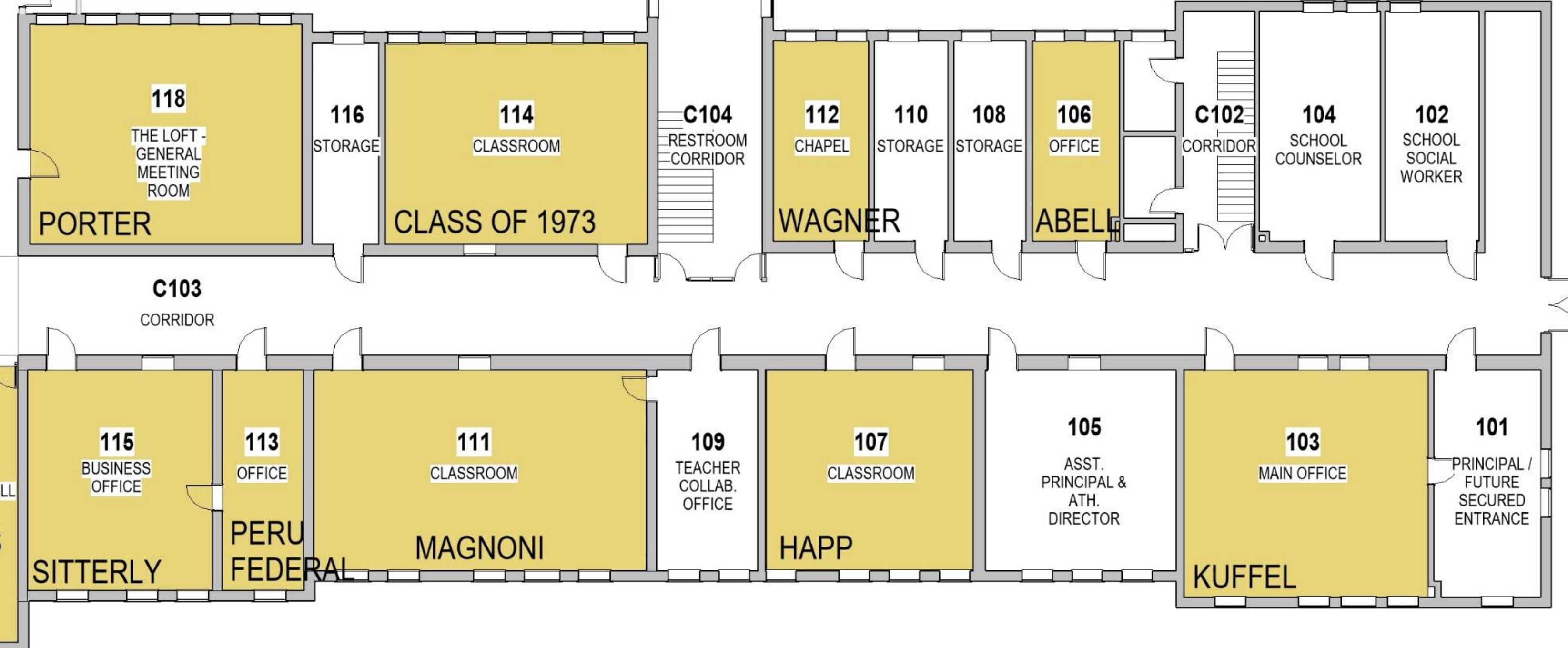
COMING IN 2024



WING III | FIRST FLOOR NORTH

- 3 CLASSROOMS
- 1 TEACHER COLLABORATION ROOM
- 8 OFFICES
- 1 CHAPEL
- 3 STORAGE ROOMS
- 2 STAIRWELLS
- 44 WINDOWS - YET TO BE COMPLETED

COMPLETED AUGUST 2023



Donor Room Signage Examples



Major Gift Donors to *The Academy Renovations- Phase Three* that pledge or make an outright major gift will be acknowledged with a tile on the Phase Three Donor Wall (size of tile will correspond to gift amount) inside the Academy. The donor wall will be similar to Phase Two located in the Perino Science Center (see below)



Capital Campaign

The Academy Renovations

Phase Three



I/We are pleased to support **Phase Three of the Legacy Project –The Academy Renovations.**

Enclosed is \$ _____ as my outright gift.

Saint Bede is a 501c3 and Tax ID # 36-218-2019

Payments: Can be made online, by check, credit card, bank transfer, or transfer of securities or IRA.

Check: Made payable to Saint Bede Abbey & Academy (please note: Legacy Gift)

Credit Card: __ Visa __ MasterCard __ Discover __ AMEX

Card Number _____

Expiration Date _____ CVV# _____

Secure Online Donation at www.st-bede.com and note: The Legacy Project

Bank Transfer:

Receiver ABA: 071902043 Bank Name: LaSalle State Bank Account #: 4502396

Account Name: Saint Bede Academy, 24 W. US Hwy. 6, Peru, IL 61354.

Gift of Securities/Stock, Donor Advised Fund and/or IRA Charitable Contribution:

Please contact Julia Yaklich at 815-250-0359 or jyaklich@st-bede.com for instructions and information for gifts of this type.

I (and/or my spouse) work for a matching gift company. Corporation Name: _____

I wish to remain anonymous

Name(s) (please print) _____

Preferred Mailing Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Home # _____ Cell # _____ E-Mail _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Please Mail To: [Saint Bede Academy](#)

ATTN: Julia Yaklich, Director of Mission Advancement - Legacy Project

24 W. US Hwy. 6, Peru, IL 61354

Or scan the completed pledge form and email to: jyaklich@st-bede.com.

Your gift will be kept confidential, but included in the annual report unless requested to be anonymous.

This Declaration of Intent is an expression of my/our present plans and is subject to revocation or modification. 10-19-22

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Wire Transfer Instructions

To make a contribution to St. Bede by a wire transfer please note the information below.

Bank Account Information:

Bank Name: LaSalle State Bank
Bank Address: 654 1st Street
Bank City: LaSalle
Bank State: IL
Bank Zip Code: 61301

Routing Number: 071902043

Account Number: 4502396

Name of Account: Benedictine Society of St. Bede

Please contact Julia Yaklich, Director of Mission Advancement, with information on the amount of the wire transfer, the gift purpose, and the name of the donor.

Contact by email: jyaklich@st-bede.com

Contact by phone: 815-250-0359

St. Bede Academy's Federal Tax Id Number: 36-218-2109

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Gift of Securities Notification Form

To notify Saint Bede of a gift of securities, please contact us with complete donor information (name, address, phone number), the name and type of securities to be gifted, the number of shares, and the date you intend to make the gift.

DTC Transfer of Stock

Name and Address of Donor: _____

Security Description: _____

Date of Transfer: _____ Number of Shares: _____ Approximate value: \$ _____

In order to promptly and accurately credit a security gift to the appropriate donor, it is essential that the transfer instructions include the donor's name and address. Without this information it is difficult to identify the donors of certain securities and the gift designation.

When you provide your broker these instructions to transfer the funds, please also have him/her contact us and confirm the name of the stock and the number of shares being transferred. **The bank does not receive information about who is requesting the transfer, so we want to make sure your gift is credited to you. It is extremely important that the donor's name is noted on the transaction/check so we can properly acknowledge your gift for your records and tax purposes.**

**Deliver Shares to DTC broker #0075, Saint Bede Account#: 6954-7172
LPL Financial Services, Our federal tax-exempt number is 36-218-2109
LPL Financial Advisor Contact: Steve Witek (815) 223-3332**

In accordance with your instructions, once received the securities will be sold and specific proceeds you direct will be applied to the **Phase 3 - Legacy Project - Academy Renovations**

Please confirm the transfer of the above by signing below and return this form by email to: jyaklich@st-bede.com; or fax 815-223-8580 or mail to Saint Bede, 24 W US Hwy 6, Peru, IL 61354

Signature of Donor: _____ Date: _____

Thank you for your support of Saint Bede.

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Dear Alumni and Friends,

Did you know you can avoid paying taxes and decrease your taxable income by making an IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) to benefit St. Bede Abbey and Academy?

For IRA owners over 70 ½ years of age, direct gifts up to \$100,000 made to qualified charities like St. Bede Abbey and Academy are excluded from the donor's taxable income. These distributions also count toward satisfaction of the Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) for those in the RMD status beginning at age 72. It is a tax-saving way to help St. Bede Abbey and Academy and a gift that gives back.

Why consider this gift?

- Your gift will be put to use today, allowing you to see the difference your donation is making.
- You pay no income tax on the gift. The transfer generates neither taxable income nor a tax deduction, so you benefit even if you do not itemize your deductions.
- If you have not yet taken your required minimum distribution for the year, your IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution can satisfy all or part of that requirement.

By transferring a portion (up to \$100,000) of your IRA funds directly to St. Bede, you save money on taxes and support deserving students and monks. To contribute, please instruct your IRA administrator to make a transfer from the IRA directly to St. Bede Abbey and Academy. Many administrators already have forms and procedures in place to make this transfer. For a sample letter of instruction to your IRA administrator requesting a distribution, please see the reserve side of this letter. The contribution will only qualify if the check is made out and mailed/delivered directly to St. Bede Abbey and Academy, 24 US Hwy 6, Peru, IL. Please mark on the outside envelope, Attn: Development Department, Julia Yaklich.

It is extremely important the donor's name and address is noted on the transaction/check so we can properly acknowledge your gift for your records and tax purpose. We cannot stress this enough.

For wire or direct bank transfer of funds, please note the following:

- Receiver ABA: 071902043, bank name: LaSalle State Bank, Account # 4502396.
- Please instruct your financial institution to include your name in the reference.

Please be sure to check with your tax advisor for specifics and for qualifications. Our tax ID # is 36-218-2109.

For more information, contact Julia Yaklich (815) 250-0359 or jyaklich@st-bede.com or visit www.st-bede.com.

Thank you so much for your generosity to St. Bede Abbey and Academy.

**SAMPLE REQUEST FROM PLAN OWNER TO IRA ADMINISTRATOR FOR 2023
CHARITABLE DISTRIBUTION**

[Donor Name]
[Donor Address]

_____, 2023

[Name of IRA Administrator]
[IRA Administrator Address]
[IRA Administrator phone and email]

RE: Request for Charitable Distribution from IRA

Dear Sir or Madam:

Please accept this letter as my request to make a direct charitable distribution from my Individual Retirement Account # _____ as provided in The Protecting Americans from Tax Hikes Act of 2015 and Section 408(d)(8) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

Please issue a check in the amount of \$ _____ payable to St. Bede Academy and mail it to:

St. Bede Academy
Development Department
Attn: Julia Yaklich
24 West US Hwy 6
Peru, IL 61356

For wire or direct bank transfer of funds please note the following:

- Receiver ABA: 071902043, Bank Name: LaSalle State Bank, Account #: 4502396.
- Please include my name as donor in the reference.

St. Bede Academy's tax identification number is 36-218-2109.

In your transmittal to St. Bede, please include my name and address as the donor of record in connection with this distribution. Please copy both me and St. Bede on your transmittal.

It is my intention that this distribution qualify for exclusion from my taxable income during the 2023 tax year. Therefore, it is imperative that this distribution be delivered to St. Bede no later than Dec. 31, 2023.

If you have any questions or need to contact me, I can be reached at _____.
Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,
