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Dear Alumni and Friends:

Every 29 seconds a student drops out of high school. But that's just the beginning of the story. Because high school dropouts are more likely to—

Be unemployed, in poor health and living in poverty
Be single parents with children who drop out of high school
Be in jail or prison
Earn \$1 million less than a college graduate over the course of a lifetime

At Bishop Amat, we are fortunate to be able to say we are doing everything in our power to prevent our students from that fate. We have a long tradition of offering an outstanding education in a safe and loving environment. We take pride in over fifty years of providing our students with a place to grow in self-respect, self-discipline and personal responsibility—allowing them to blossom into all that God created them to be.

That's a tradition we must continue. And today we're asking for your help.

By offering scholarships to deserving students who otherwise would not be able to attend Bishop Amat, we can all make a difference not just in the lives of our students and their families, but in our community as a whole. And, it's alumni like you who make it possible.


Maybe you benefited from a scholarship yourself. Maybe you became best friends with a scholarship recipient. Maybe you simply want to give back to the school that gave you so much. Today, you have the opportunity to do just that.

We ask you to support our students in need with a donation to our scholarship fund. Every member of our faculty and staff have already contributed based on their belief in the power of education and their commitment to the students they serve. Now, we are challenging each Graduating Class of Bishop Amat to raise enough to underwrite the annual tuition of one student. That's \$6500 per class.

Please take a moment to fill out the enclosed reply envelope and return it today. You may also visit our website at development.bishopamat.org to make a donation online and listen to current student testimonials.

Whatever you are able to give, know that you will be making a profound difference in the life of a young adult who is now looking toward his or her future with the same anticipation and hope you once felt as a proud student of Bishop Amat.

Thank you,


Steve Hagerty '80
Annual Fund Chair

"In the measure you give you shall receive, and more besides". Mark 4:24