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Dear OLSS Families,

Maryland State Dept. of Education's BOOST scholarships provide families who have lower incomes with financial assistance to enroll their children in participating nonpublic schools, including our school. Learn more about BOOST and how to apply by visiting www.marylandboost.org. Applications for scholarships for the 2022-2023 school year are being accepted through April 29, 2022.

Last legislative session, citizen advocacy helped secured an extra \$3 million for the BOOST Scholarship Program last year, continuing to grow our Maryland parent choice tuition assistance program. This year, in addition to keeping BOOST funded, we are fighting to pass Governor Hogan's <u>Senate Bill 401</u> to permanently fund the BOOST program.

We need all Maryland school communities to reach out to your Maryland State Senator and let them know that BOOST is making a difference in your community, and they should support this bill. Please take a moment within the next two days to call your state senator and encourage their support. If you're unsure who your senator and delegates are or need their phone number, please visit

https://www.mdcatholic.org/legislatorlookup

Thank you for your advocacy.

Mrs. Jennifer Thompson Principal