



Ribbon Cutting *Ceremony*

JANUARY 4, 2024



Topeka Collegiate's mission is to inspire and prepare every student for a successful future through academic excellence, active citizenship, and humanitarian ideals. Our mission statement guides the work of the Sustain Campaign. Together, we lay the foundation for a successful future through strategic investments.



Welcome Mr. Sean Frost, Steering Committee Chair

Greetings Michelle Cuevas-Stubblefield,
Senior Vice President of Strategy for Greater Topeka Partnership

School Song, “Fly Like an Eagle” All
Accompanied by Mrs. Kay Siebert

Founder’s Remarks Mrs. Susan Garlinghouse

Head of School Remarks Dr. Lyn D. Rantz

***Cutting of the Ribbon by
Topeka Collegiate’s Most-tenured faculty***

Mrs. Ruth Bammes, 2nd grade teacher for 33 years

Ms. Mary Kate Baldwin, Lower school science teacher for 32 years

Mr. Ken Park, 4th grade teacher for 28 years

Mrs. Kelley Berryman, Kindergarten teacher for 26 years

Mrs. Kay Siebert, Music teacher for 25 years

**Inaugural first entry by
Topeka Collegiate’s Class of 2024**

Maci Alderson

Megan Alderson

Ivan Beach

Winter Frendle

Noah Harrison

Laurel Sorrenti

Nithya Suravarapu

Jay van Doren

Cooper Wells

Delaney Williams

***Thank you for joining us this morning to celebrate
this significant moment in our school’s history.***

We are well on our way to completing Phase One of the Sustain Campaign. As expected, with any major construction, we have encountered some delays in procurement. For example, you will see that the front aluminum siding panels and some glass panes have been delayed. Within days, those and other final touches will be completed. We are thrilled to open our new main entry for the first time. Here are some highlights:

-  The entire building will soon be complete with a new video surveillance system and controlled access. In total, 57 new doors will be installed.
-  The original building has unique features incorporated into the new architectural design, such as brick masonry and the angled front hallway.
-  The school song was the inspiration for our commissioned steel Eagle of Destiny sculpture, created by Lyman Edwards, parent of **Mina** (2) and **Henry** (K), husband of **Bridget Elmer** ('91).
-  The exposed structural steel beam in the office suite gives a glimpse of the roofline's strength. A new roof has been installed on over 60% of the original building.
-  Take a peek into our Boiler Room, which houses our efficient, modern, and long-lasting HVAC system. The school paired its original tunnels and pipelines with the new system.
-  Classrooms now have user-controlled thermostats and continuous fresh air intake. High-efficiency window replacement has begun and will be complete within eight weeks. Please take a look at the new windows within the new office suite.
-  The Building Addition, with four classrooms, two fine arts classrooms, and multiple collaboration spaces, is on track for completion in mid-April 2024. We invite you to return for its Ribbon Cutting.

The Sustain Campaign's success is made possible by the generosity of over 300 donors. As of January 1, 2024, we are close to our goal of \$7 million for Construction and \$1 million for Endowment.

\$6,484,768

**Total Gifts and Pledges
for Construction**

\$845,000

**Total Gifts and Pledges
for Endowment**

**Check out our
Weekly Updates**



Save the Date

**February 10, 2024 - Pre-K/Kindergarten Round-Up
& STEAM Expo: Registration Now Open**
April 27, 2024 - An Evening on Eveningside:
A Night of Giving in Celebration of Topeka Collegiate
May 16, 2024 - Topeka Collegiate 41st Graduation

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