Father Flanagan founded Boys Town on the belief that all children, no matter their backgrounds or circumstances, deserve the chance to learn, grow and build better futures. More than 100 years later, we continue Father Flanagan’s mission to change the way America cares for children and families. We remain committed to ensuring that our young people receive fair and equal opportunities in their education so they can change their lives, the lives of their families and the futures of their communities.

At Boys Town, we provide compassionate, effective care to some of America’s most traumatized and vulnerable children. Our comprehensive approach to education is one critical way we achieve our mission.

We know how to teach students to be successful in the classroom and help them catch up to their grade level and peer groups. Boys Town’s schools are the proving ground where we carry out our education research and development. Our schools are powered by the Boys Town Education Model®, which provides research-proven teaching methods that help our students learn new skills that allow them to grow and thrive in school. We have also invested in trade-occupation learning so our young men and women can be successful in whatever path they take after high school.

Our impact stretches beyond our own classrooms. Boys Town carries forward what it learns in its schools through its Educator Training Services and the Boys Town Education Model. For more than 20 years, our education experts have trained, consulted and coached teachers and schools in positive, effective strategies for classroom management and many other aspects of school and academic life.

Today, we seek to make investments in our facilities and services to ensure that all youth can access the same opportunities to succeed, in their education and throughout their whole lives.

80% of students arrive at Boys Town with significant academic deficiencies or behavioral challenges.

97% graduate or continue their education after leaving Boys Town.
OUR VISION FOR THE FUTURE

At Boys Town, we are changing the way America cares for children and families. Education is an essential component of our work. We have an obligation to expand our reach and impact across the country and enhance our capabilities on our own campus to serve youth residing with us.

The Boys Town Education Center

Our work starts with our youth living right here on campus. Our students have persevered through tremendous adversity before arriving in our care. The current high school, now more than 70 years old, is not able to adequately meet the challenges our students face today. We have a responsibility to provide our students with the very best educational support possible that will empower them to learn the skills necessary to become successful, productive adults. We also want to empower our teachers to continue to be creative in new, modern classrooms.

The Education Center will be tailored to the unique needs of our students. This innovative complex, which will house all Boys Town students grades 4 – 12, will provide the setting for the transformative work our students and teachers do each day. The new Education Center will nearly double in size, creating space for all our students to learn and grow under one roof. This will allow us to make better use of our resources. Each aspect of the school has been carefully considered to best serve our students.

The new Boys Town Education Center will include:

- Cutting-edge science laboratories to strengthen our curriculum and cultivate our students’ curiosity
- Modern-day technology to equip our teachers and students with the latest tools
- Adaptive classroom environments, both indoor and outdoor for flexible, small group learning
- Maker’s Space for hands-on projects
- Multilevel media center to enhance and expand engagement
- Common spaces to foster community
- A dedicated gathering space for prayer, reflection, meditation and contemplation
- Centralized administrative and behavioral intervention team offices

With new, innovative learning spaces, we can ensure we support our students and our educators with the tools and environment they need to be most successful.

After more than 100 years of serving America’s youth, we know we must continue to strengthen and expand our reach into communities across the country as well as on our historic campus.

With the support of our loyal donors who care deeply about the children and families we serve, Boys Town is launching a bold campaign initiative to **raise $30,000,000 to create the Boys Town Education Center.**