

Queen of Peace High School has received a boost into the future!

Queen of Peace High School announced plans to launch a \$400,000 Tech 4 Learning Initiative that will result in providing students access to a totally wireless campus. This exciting endeavor will ultimately provide the services needed for Peace to offer a one-to-one student laptop program, allowing students 24/7 accessibility for the necessary learning tools at school and at home. The Tech 4 Learning project was to be completed by 2010, but one anonymous alumna, in particular, feels Peace should move ahead now!

This alumna has stepped up to offer a matching grant challenge, dollar for dollar, up to \$100,000. "Queen of Peace's vision of an academic environment that will enhance the skill sets and future career opportunities of our students was very inspiring to me. I am proud to support Queen of Peace in this exciting area. I ask you to join me in providing the resources needed so we can capitalize on this opportunity as soon as possible in order to give our students every opportunity for success!" If the Peace community raises \$100,000 by December 31, 2006, this alumna will give \$100,000 to Queen of Peace, the largest single contribution in its history.

The Peace Community is working passionately to reach its goal to kick off this program as early as next school year. 100% of the Queen of Peace Board of Directors has generously contributed to this initiative.



Peace Administrator Dr. Kathleen Hanlon accepts a \$10,000 check from Board Member and 1976 Peace alumna Ellen Jordan Reidy for Peace's Tech 4 Learning Initiative.

Contributions continue to come in daily from Peace's faculty and staff, and the Peace Parent Association just announced plans to organize a Tech 4 Learning raffle. Peace's alumnae and friends recently received letters encouraging their participation. We need help from everyone to harness these benefits now!

Queen of Peace has been on the cutting edge of computer technology for many years, infusing technology in all discipline areas. Peace currently features school-wide Internet access, nine wireless rooms, several computer centers and a video broadcasting/graphic

design lab. In 2002, Peace faculty received laptops and is now utilizing the second generation of mobile technology... the tablet. With such technologies in place and the generosity of supportive donors, Peace is well prepared and in a strong position to move ahead.

"Undoubtedly, the single most powerful educational shift is the use and integration of computer technologies for instruction and application, which demands reorganizing the culture of learning. Technology provides opportunities for teachers to empower students to learn in many different ways: critical thinking, problem solving, mastering information and communications literacies, and promoting global awareness and interaction," states Peace Administrator Dr. Kathleen Hanlon. This Tech 4 Learning initiative will allow Peace to maintain its leadership.

Once this laptop program is implemented, Peace's Technology Team will develop a Tech 4 Learning Repair Lab and institute a "self-maintainer" program, providing students with a course option that teaches laptop repair. This entrepreneurial program will also teach students to manage the lab facility, order parts and supplies, and repair other technology equipment, as well as hone customer service skills. Peace's Tech 4 Learning Initiative is a reflection of the institution's commitment to provide the best possible learning environment for its students. **For more information or to find how you can participate, visit www.queenofpeacehs.org.**