

**Weekly Message from the Principal**  
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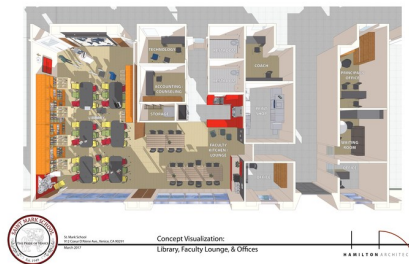
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Dear Parents,

We are excited to share with you some plans for school enhancements. First of all, we are installing new heater/air conditioning units in thirteen classrooms! We have begun the electrical process for this in the past month!

We have plans to reconfigure and enhance the art room, all offices, adult restrooms, the library and faculty meeting and kitchen areas. The benefits of these efforts will be significant to students, faculty and staff. In addition, these enhancements will support all adult groups that meet and volunteer in the building because they include more accessible, new adult restrooms!

Please take a look at the images below! We will continue to send these out to you in the days leading up to the Auction and as a follow-up to the Auction as we prepare to move forward with these very exciting plans/projects!



New adult restrooms and enhancements to student restrooms will further be a benefit to all adults and students of St. Mark. Student restrooms will be reconfigured to provide for dressing stalls that insure greater privacy. This will benefit the students who are participating in the diverse after school activities at St. Mark. New adult restrooms will provide for easier access. This will help the school to be in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and this will model the school's desire to fulfill the inclusivity of our common principles of faith.



The newly located art room will have an enlarged space for the students to engage in their art projects. Students will have access to multiple classroom centers for individual and group projects. The art room will open up to the outside garden and yard. Guiding students in their use of the outdoors as inspiration for artistic expression will maximize their art experience in and beyond the classroom as well as provide rich opportunities to employ all of their senses in the making of art.