### Site Plan



### **Ephrata Mennonite School Mission Statement**

Ephrata Mennonite School partners with parents and churches to challenge students to become Citizens of the Kingdom of God, who are Lifelong Learners and Team Players, through Diligent Work and Academic Excellence.

# **Kingdom Building Teams**

Land Team	\$500K - 1M
Foundation Team	\$250 - 500k
Floor Team	\$100 - 250k
Classroom Team	\$50k - 100k
Office Team	\$0 - 50k

<sup>\* \$100</sup> pays for 1 square foot

#### **Various Giving Options**

Beyond "one time" gifts, team members may commit to giving a specific amount over a five year period. In addition to cash gifts, we have partnered with Anabaptist Foundation and Everence to support other paths for giving that may be financially advisable. We are also willing to meet with you and your financial advisor to review the following giving options:

- 1 Estate planning
- 2 Gifts of real estate
- 3 Other appreciated assets(stocks, bonds, mutual funds)
- 4 General asset gifts (gifts in kind, collections, crops, etc
- 5 Charitable gift annuities



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## **Building God's Kingdom**



# **Ephrata Mennonite School**

### **Our Story**

Since 1946, we have partnered with parents to provide a high-quality. conservative Anabaptist education to children in Lancaster County and the surrounding areas. We nurture, with kindness and love, every child. Our uniquely "Anabaptist" education focuses on following Jesus as the essence of Christianity. Our tagline, "Learning to Serve," captures our desire to equip our students to use their specific gifts to build God's Kingdom on earth as it is in heaven.

It is an exciting time here at EMS! Our vision for discipling children in the way of Jesus has led to a nearly 50% increase in enrollment over the last ten years. Presently we have 290 students and we expect to grow to approximately 325 students (25 students per grade K-12). Though growth is a blessing, our children are obliged to take lessons in garden sheds, closets, and a modular building, while our teachers work in storage rooms and hallways. Our water and sewer systems are causing problems from both age and increased usage. We simply cannot continue as we are.

We explored campus expansion on our present site, but we are surrounded by Agriculture Preserve farmland. Further, we were advised by our construction company that adding onto our old building is not financially or structurally wise. Therefore, after much prayer, we began the search for another site for a new campus. In an amazing story of God's provision, we identified twenty-eight acres of land for sale that would perfectly accompany our school and vision. We also developed a prospective site plan and building print.

The scope of our project is ambitious and we humbly acknowledge that we cannot accomplish it by ourselves. We will only succeed if we have the leadership and help of our larger community. Therefore, we are inviting you to join us in the work of building God's Kingdom. We need your help to raise \$2,000,000 in the next 12-18 months so we can close our agreement on the land. After obtaining the land, we anticipate needing approximately \$8,000,000 to build the school. We are hoping to complete the project by the fall of 2022.

#### **Our Vision**

Though the vision is audacious, it's a privilege to be part of the larger story of building God's Kingdom at EMS. For nearly 75 years, our community has worked to instill in our children the values of the Kingdom of God. Will you consider being part of the work by joining one of our Kingdom Building Teams (noted on the back)? We are praying we will be counted worthy to build God's Kingdom, for another 75 years, from our new location. We envision raising a generation of Kingdom citizens who will be faithful followers of Jesus. May His Kingdom come!

## **Learning to Serve**







### Land

This twenty-eight acre plot of land, situated a quarter mile north of our current location, is under contract for \$2,050,000. It will provide:

- A chapel, permanent classrooms, tutoring centers, a backyard agricultural program, athletic fields, a gymnasium, and teacher workrooms
- Sufficient parking for school events like Christmas programs, Grandparent's Day, Track and Field Day, etc
- Future expansion possibilities that could include a 1,000 seat auditorium, a school-benefitting thrift store/coffee shop, etc





# **Anabaptist Vision**

We envision raising up a generation of leaders who are committed to the Anabaptist vision. This includes:

- Emphasizing simple obedience to lesus Christ, the perfect revelation of God, the
- Building the global Kingdom of God while rejecting the earthly kingdoms of this world
- Accepting the Scriptures as trustworthy and authoritative for our lives
- Participating as active members in local churches





#### **Academic Excellence**

We believe Christians have the best reasons to learn and we see our graduates becoming experts in their fields for the glory of God. Our rigorous educational program includes:

- Full accreditation by the Middle States Association
- Numerous AP and early college courses
- Work-based learning and career development options
- A culminating senior project outlining thoughtful Anabaptist responses to various contemporary issues