

Dear Bautista Family,

My name is Fatima Vazquez, and I am a senior at Mother McAuley Liberal Arts High School. I am beyond grateful for receiving the Bautista Memorial Scholarship because it has allowed me the opportunity to continue having a remarkable education at McAuley. With unexpected financial problems that have risen due to the pandemic, my family and I are deeply touched by your generosity and enthusiasm for helping young women like myself complete high school while also encouraging us to go onto higher education.

McAuley has such a special place in my heart because it has shown me to not be afraid of taking chances and, most importantly, never surrendering to difficult situations that I may face in life. It has truly become a second home for me. It is where I discovered and furthered my passions for science, music, and community service. McAuley gave me the opportunity to become more involved outside of the classroom as I joined Ecomacs, Competitive Marching Band, and the Ronald McDonald Teen Advisory Board. These clubs and organizations have allowed my voice to be heard and have also helped me understand the importance of working with others to achieve a common goal. The positive environment that a McAuley student is immersed in everyday is ultimately what has allowed me to become more confident about my future ambitions in life.

It is such a blessing to witness your selfless devotion to helping students get ahead in their education. Your contributions have inspired me to continue giving back to my community in any way that I can. My family and I are forever thankful for your support, and I hope you are doing well during these uncertain times.

In Gratitude,

Fatima Vazquez  
12th Grade