

Building for Tomorrow

A campaign to benefit The Learning Project Elementary School

Over five decades ago, The Learning Project began as a dream about the capacity of a small school to have a uniquely large impact. Today, this once imagined school now has a rich and successful history. Our history, rooted in "learning by doing," honoring the whole child, fostering cross-age relationships, and building traditions of character and community, sets the stage for this critical moment in The LP's future. As we step into a new chapter — with an additional permanent building ready for renovations — we have an extraordinary opportunity.

Deepening Our Impact

The Learning Project uses its existing space extraordinarily well. We like our resourcefulness, our frugality, even our 'forced compactness,' but there are times, frankly, when we simply do not have enough room. Whether it is for parent conferences, or meetings of faculty, break-out activities with groups of children, or expanded programming, our current space has reached its maximum capacity. For several years, we have also discussed the importance of securing a permanent home for our kindergarten classroom and aligning our entry point with our peer schools through the addition of a pre-k program to ensure sustainability into the future.

This renovation will allow us to remain uniquely small, while, at the same time, allowing the school to stretch its wings in ways that it simply hasn't been able to do until now. Together, we will strengthen our rich learning environment — one that continues to embrace our Mission, honors our traditions, and supports each child's full development — all while remaining in the heart of the city. Through the renovation of 263 Clarendon and reconfiguring space at the McCord Building, we will soon be able to deepen our impact:

- Academic and personal growth will thrive in classrooms designed for active engagement, creativity, and hands-on exploration through a brand new Music and Movement Studio, an expanded Art Studio and a reimaged, robust STEM lab.
- Our deep sense of community will be strengthened and more students' needs will be met with expanded space for counseling, learning supports, and by introducing new spaces to gather, teach and learn together.
- The kindergarten classroom will have a permanent home, and we plan to welcome students earlier in their elementary journey through the addition of a pre-kindergarten program in 2028!

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This renovation is more than a construction project; it's a longstanding goal that's *finally* coming to fruition. It's about honoring our past, enriching our present, and ensuring a future where every student continues to learn joyfully, think critically, and grow with confidence, and where each member of our community has the space to do so.

The Board has set an ambitious goal for this campaign of raising **\$1,973,000** this fiscal year. Achieving this milestone will transform 263 Clarendon from apartments into a vibrant hub for teaching, learning, and creativity, while also funding vital updates at 107 Marlborough. Together, these permanent spaces will establish a lasting foundation for growth, innovation, and community. The future of The LP is radiant and full of promise — and with your partnership, it will shine even brighter.

It is the generosity of the community past and present that helped to make The Learning Project's original dream become a vibrant reality; it will be through similar generosity that we realize this new dream. Please join with our many community members in *Building for Tomorrow*.