



# ANNUAL REPORT 2022-2023

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November 15, 2023

Dear Friends,

The Learning Project's 50th anniversary was, by all measures, a tremendous success! Throughout the year, our LPers enjoyed a series of events to mark the school's special birthday. The festivities culminated in our gala last May, with current and alumni LP families, Board members, faculty, staff, and other friends and supporters reunited and united to celebrate this momentous occasion – and to give Michael and Elisabeth McCord their own, long overdue “graduation” ceremony.

Once again, our extended LP community has supported the school at a level that is truly extraordinary. Thanks to your generosity, the school raised (in gifts and pledges) nearly \$1,400,000 this past fiscal year, with \$366,000 contributed to our Annual Fund and donations and pledges of over \$900,000 for the endowment fund.

For those interested in statistics, the list below reflects how significantly The LP outperforms its peers, based on data compiled by the National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS) from all reporting independent elementary schools. In the 2022-2023 fiscal year:

- The LP raised \$3,053 per student, as compared to the \$928 median amount raised per student for all independent elementary schools reporting to NAIS.
- 14% of LP alumni supported the school with financial gifts, as compared to the NAIS average of 4%.
- Current LP parents participated at a rate of 97%, as compared to the NAIS average of 85%.
- Alumni LP parent participation was 30%, as compared to the NAIS average of 11%.

The LP is possible only because of your generous support and the dedicated work of so many, in our classrooms, on the Board, and as volunteers. Our grateful thanks to you all. And with our cherished memories of The LP's “first 50,” we continue on the path ahead with fresh energy and commitment.

Sincerely,



Linda Seeley  
Board Chair



**LINDA SEELEY, P '07**  
Chair, Board of Trustees

## AT A GLANCE



## THE LEARNING PROJECT

*As of 6/30/2023*

Founded in 1973 by Michael McCord

Moved to current location in 1979

Grades K to 6

Number of Students: 120

Number of Active Alumni: 743

2022-2023 Tuition (Average): \$25,670

Financial Assistance Awarded in 2022-2023: \$534,575

Percent of Students Receiving Financial Assistance: 20%

2022-2023 Annual Fund: \$366,328

Faculty and Staff: 30

2022-2023 Operating Budget: \$4,008,500

Endowment: \$7,991,200

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## CLASS COORDINATORS

Class Coordinators answer questions, help organize class and all-school events, collect money for the class fund, and generally make sure communication with their class is flowing smoothly. Thank you to our 2022-2023 Coordinators.

### KINDERGARTEN

Liza Pingree

### GRADE 1

Rachna Krishnan

### GRADE 2

Jamie Perencevich and Katie Laidlaw

### GRADE 3

Cheryl Lu

### GRADE 4

Jania Demoraes

### GRADE 5

Jit Patel

### GRADE 6

Alissa Lew and Adnan Abu-Yousif

# FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023

## FUNDRAISING ACHIEVEMENT

(For period 7/1/22 to 6/30/23)

### BREAKDOWN OF GIVING 2022-2023

Annual Fund	\$366,328
LP 50 Gala (gross)	\$67,583
Community Scholarship	\$20,000
Read-a-thon (gross)	\$16,030
The Prindle Scholarship Fund	\$5,650
Fall Book Fair (net)	\$9,771
The Caroline Schmidt Arts and Inspiration Fund	\$2,329
The Gary Hatton Mental Health and Wellness Fund	\$24,686
Other Restricted Funds	\$6,100
McCord Mission Fund	\$880,470
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,398,947</b>

### CHARITABLE GIVING

#### 6th Grade Philanthropy

ASPCA \$500

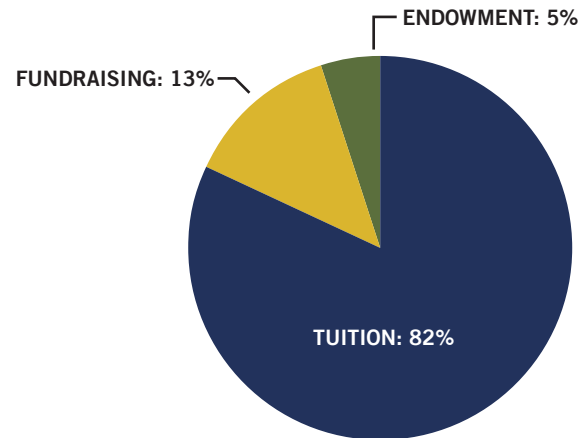
#### Read-a-thon 2023

Proceeds from the Read-a-thon have traditionally been used to buy books for the school, to plant trees and to support literacy programs in the city. Below are the organizations supported from Read-a-thon donations.

826 Boston  
 The Garden Club of the Back Bay  
 Beacon Hill Books and Café

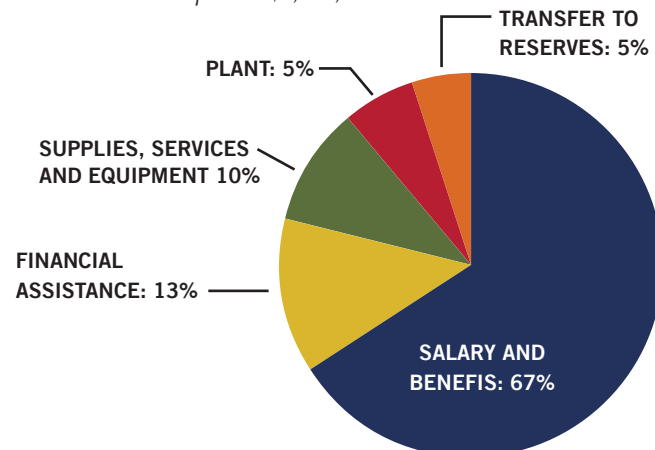
### SOURCES OF OPERATING INCOME

Total Income: \$4,008,500



### OPERATING EXPENSES

Total Expenses: \$4,008,500





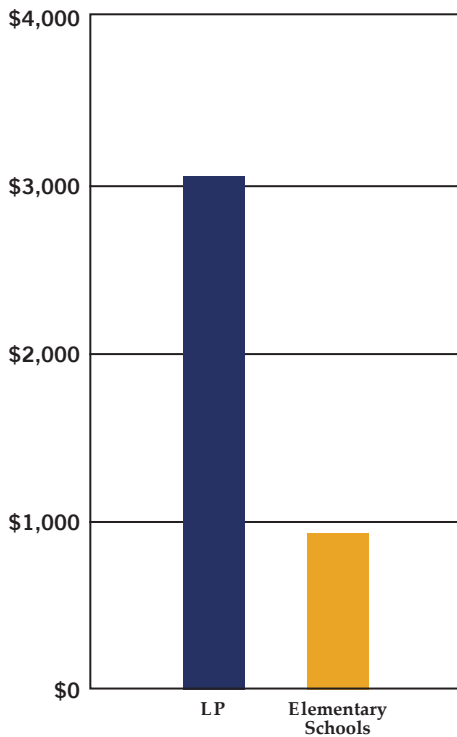
# FUNDRAISING ANALYSIS

(For period 7/1/22 to 6/30/23)

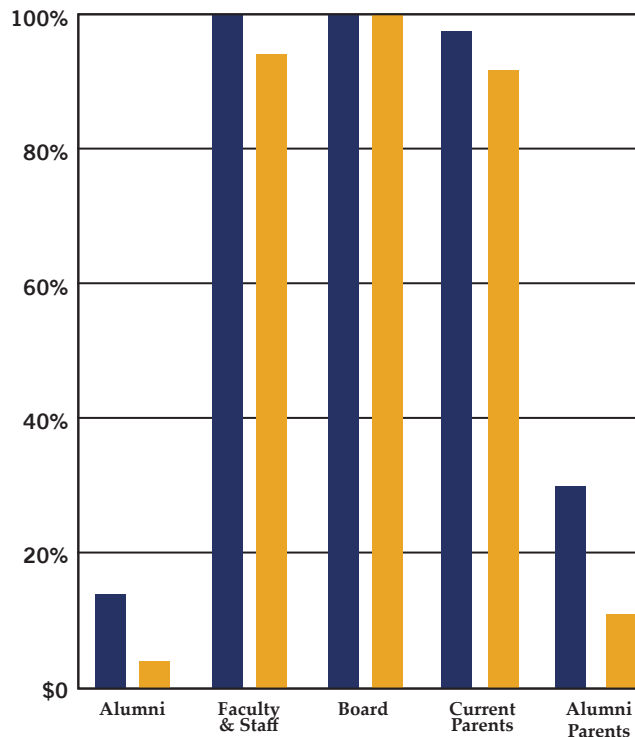
The following graphs compare the performance of The LP's Annual Fund to the average performance at independent elementary schools nationwide. The National Association of Independent Schools compiled these averages for the 2023 fiscal year.



## AVERAGE RAISED PER STUDENT



## PARTICIPATION



# 2022-2023 GIVING TO THE LP

*The generosity of The Learning Project community is truly astounding. We are grateful for each and every gift we receive throughout the year. Please note, gifts and pledges made to the McCord Mission Fund can be found separately on page 18.*

*While we have made every effort to ensure the accuracy of this list, it is possible that our records are not complete. If your name is not listed, or is listed incorrectly, we apologize. Please notify the school's Advancement Office so we can correct any errors.*



## GIVING CIRCLES

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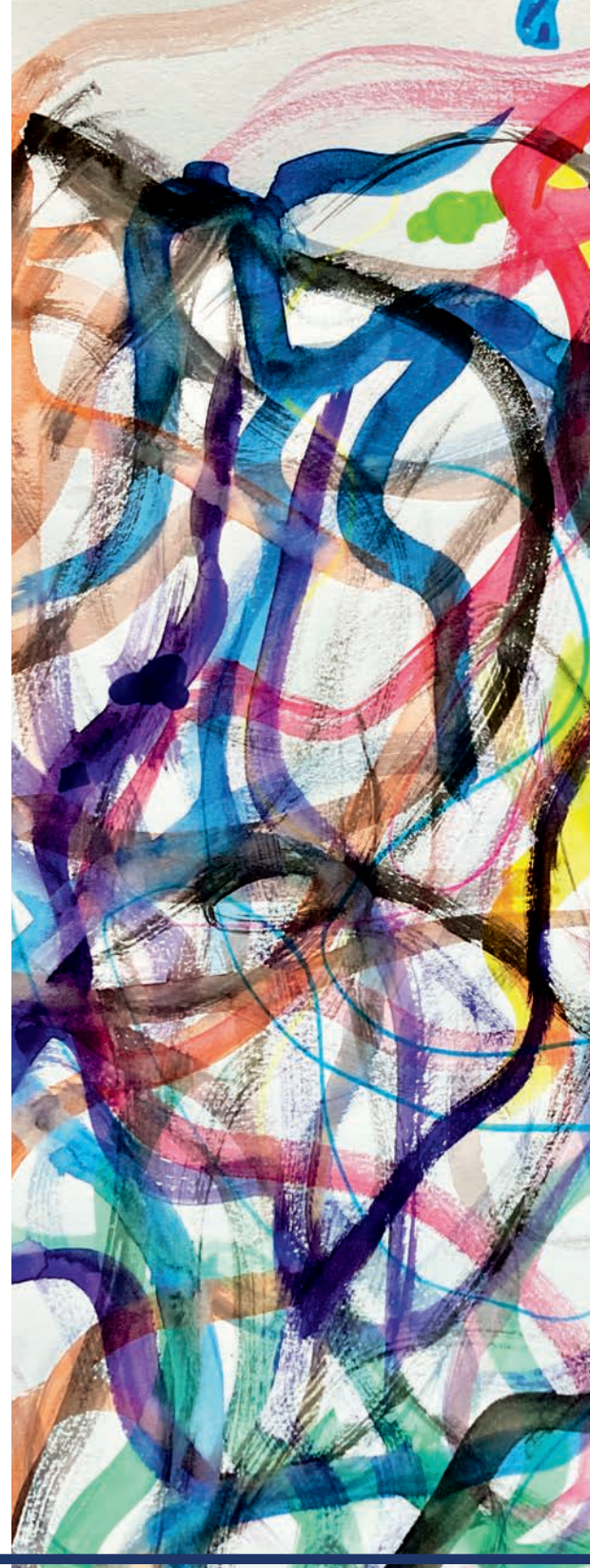


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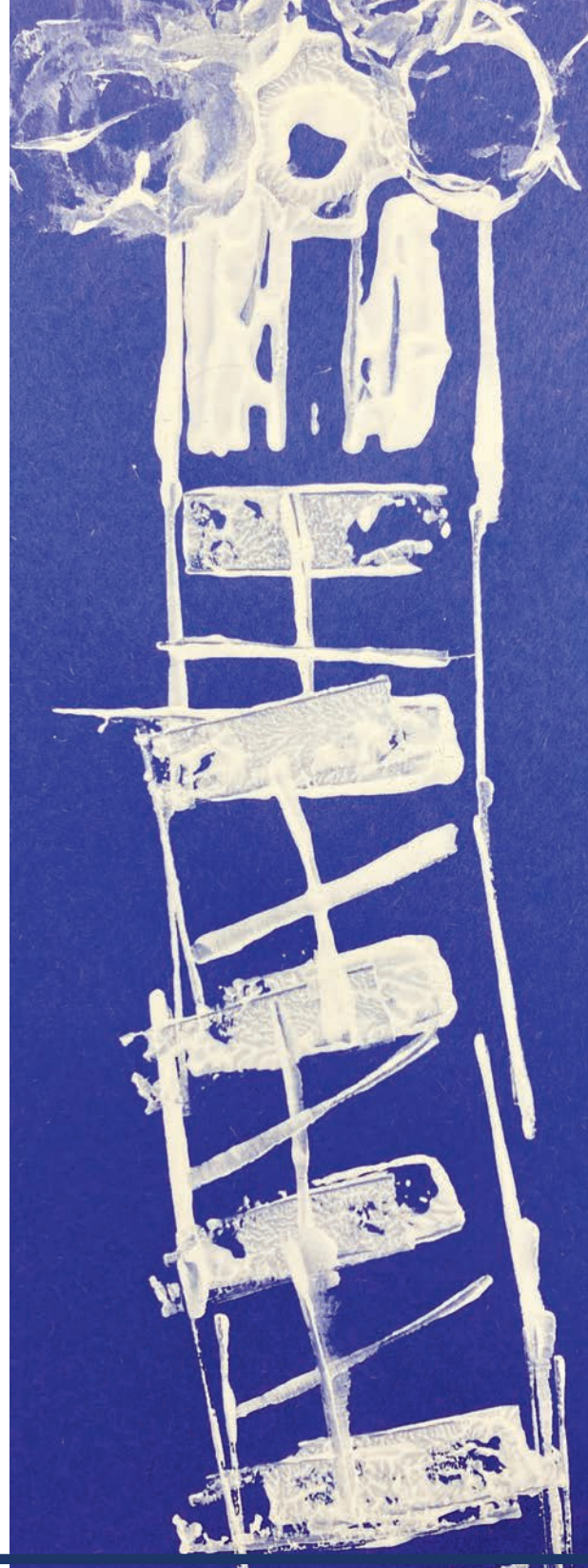
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*The following gifts were made in honor or in memory of members of our community.*

*In Honor of 50 years*

Zack, '99, and Ali Haroon  
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*In Honor of PJ DelGrande, '29*

Lamarr and Jada Phillips

*In Honor of Mr. Hajj*

Karen Torres, '13

*In Honor of Jill Hatton*

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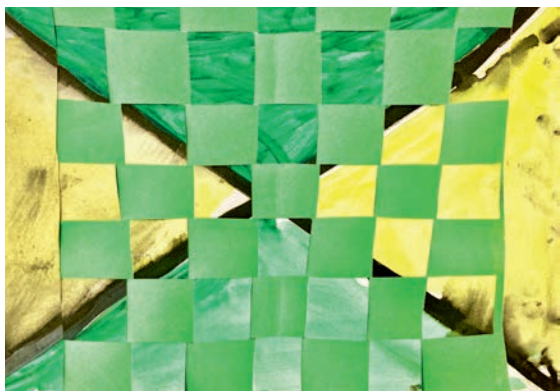
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# 2022-2023 REPORT OF GIVING TO ENDOWMENT

*We are grateful to the following individuals whose gifts to the school's endowment funds provide opportunities for expanded student access, support of financial assistance, and resources for our academic program.*

The 2022-2023 donors to each endowment fund are noted in bold.



## COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

In the 1990's, an anonymous donor provided scholarship funds to support one student for the entirety of a Learning Project education—and the idea of the current Community Scholarship Program was born. Over the years, several students, on a need basis, have been funded by various donors through the Community Scholarship Program for the duration of their LP careers.

The Community Scholarship Program further allows the school to remain accessible to a broad range of families. Interested parties are welcome to contact us about this opportunity.

**The Crawford Foundation**

## THE PRINDLE OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The Prindle Opportunity Scholarship Fund was established by an anonymous donor in 1997 and was named after Sue and Paul Prindle in 2000 in recognition of their commitment to education and to this school. It is approaching its original goal of funding one scholarship, in perpetuity, for a student from an underserved population within the community.

**Mary Bens  
Jed Kelly and Caroline Mullin  
Susan D. Prindle**

## LONG TIME FRIENDS

This Program provides an opportunity for sustained giving when participants include The Learning Project in their estate plans. The program borrows its name from the song "Long Time Friends" that has been sung at graduation for many years.

A robust and constantly expanding bequest program holds enormous promise for the school's long-term future endowment, and we are eager to increase the number of names on this list. Bequests of any size (the amount can be unspecified to us) are welcome. We strongly encourage participation, and invite prospective donors to contact the school for further information, or simply to inform us that your name should be added to the list.

**Philip and Bobbie Boyle  
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(\*indicates deceased)



## THE GARY HATTON MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLNESS FUND

The Gary Hatton Mental Health and Wellness Fund is intended primarily to offer financial support to Learning Project students and faculty for mental health counseling services. These services can be in the form of individual therapy from psychiatrists, psychologists, other mental health/social service professionals, and/or group education or therapy sessions that could benefit LP students and faculty at large.

This fund was established in memory of the late Gary Hatton, a “Long Time Friend” of The Learning Project. Gary had a deep appreciation for the school’s mission, its community, and the education that The LP provided his children. Gary’s four children attended The LP over a 17-year period from 1991 to 2008, and Gary served on the school’s Board of Trustees from 2001 to 2009, serving in the critical role of Treasurer for each of those years. Gary was committed to supporting The LP community and will continue to do so through the establishment of the Gary Hatton Mental Health and Wellness Fund.

**Betsy and James Alvord**  
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**David Lapin**  
**Nancy J. Ludwig**  
**Katherine Isabel McCord, '96**  
**Jill Hatton**  
**Jan Levinson and Stephen Smith**

## THE CAROLINE SCHMIDT ARTS AND INSPIRATION FUND

Caroline Schmidt was The Learning Project’s beloved Art Teacher from 2013 - 2021. The Caroline Schmidt Arts and Inspiration Fund was created to honor Caroline’s artistic legacy and to benefit students, parents, faculty and staff for years to come.

This fund supports our current arts program and, in the spirit of Caroline’s artistic creation and passion, it allows us to evolve into new areas of arts in the future. Her family feels that, while Caroline would be quite embarrassed to have her name attached to anything at all, this would bring her boundless joy.

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# MCCORD MISSION FUND



**JUSTIN HAJJ**

*Michael W. McCord Head of School*

*On May 9, 2023, Justin Hajj announced the renaming of the school's endowment. Below is an abridged version of his words:*

The 50th Anniversary Gala on May 20th marked a very special occasion for our entire community. It was the first opportunity, in person, to celebrate the McCords and their legacy following their retirement. While this gathering was meant to honor the school, it was, simultaneously, our opportunity to celebrate our founders.

There was much discussion regarding how we could send the McCords off in style, and how best to commemorate all of the hard work, dedication, and love that they have poured into The Learning Project. The Gala Committee, in conjunction with the Board of Trustees, decided that the most powerful way to do so is to ensure that the McCords' vision for the school, and its Mission, lives on for generations to come. Therefore, The Learning Project renamed the school's endowment after our founders, and it will, henceforth, be called the 'McCord Mission Fund.'

The McCords envisioned a small city school that maintained accessibility for all. They envisioned a place that offered excellence in academics and character education, and employed dedicated, creative faculty and staff that carried the Mission forward in their hearts. This vision continues to guide us forward, but like all independent schools of our time, The LP is experiencing rising costs, putting pressure on our fundamental goals. It is critical that the school maintain its longstanding commitment to top faculty and staff salaries, maximizing recruiting and retention. The McCord Mission Fund will help to ensure that the school is able to do so, while also upholding the school's longstanding commitment to relatively low tuition and high financial assistance, and continuing to offer an exceptional academic program for its children now and into the future.

We could think of no better way to provide a 'retirement gift' to the McCords than to support their work in the school's first fifty years by creating a solid foundation for the next fifty. Thank you, as always, for your generous support of our special school.

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The Class of 2023 elected to donate to the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

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