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OUR MISSION

Founded in 1983, Woodinville Montessori School is a diverse community of lifelong learners dedicated to the optimal intellectual, emotional, social, physical, ethical and spiritual development of each child using Montessori and contemporary methods.

OUR VISION

Our community exists to nurture creative, conscientious and productive individuals committed to caring for themselves, one another and the environment in an ever-changing, global society.
Dear WMS Families,

I feel so privileged to be a part of this wonderful community. When I took over as Head of School from Mary, I was aware that this position is one that carries with it great responsibility. Along with it also comes trust. This community trusts me to keep the school moving forward.

**Opening Hawthorn:** In the 2018-2019 school year we opened a new classroom, Hawthorn. Opening this Lower Elementary classroom allowed us to retain a number of our kindergartners who were staying for 1st grade. We also replaced the flooring in the lobby and corridors of Building One. This made for a lighter, brighter and more welcoming reception area.

**Expanding the High School:** Knowing that the High School (HS) needed its own space to further cement its identity as a separate program from the Middle School (MS), we moved the HS from its original space of one room to the space we had been leasing to commercial tenants. This has had a big impact on retention as many of those 8th-graders stayed for 9th grade when they saw that the school was invested in growing its HS program.

**Caring for Woodinville:** In Woodinville, the West playground received an upgraded sandbox, and we replaced the fence. We continue to work hard to connect the two campuses, with kindergartners from Woodinville visiting North Creek to get books from the library, and to attend festivals and celebrations.

**Integrating the ID Lab:** The Innovation and Design Lab (ID Lab), created through previous donations from this community, is now integrated into our programs. When students start using the lab to further their learning in an organic manner, we know that it has become part of their WMS experience. Over the past year, teachers used the ID lab to create new materials for students, and students used it to design and create what they were interested in making. These creations included bracelets, leather journal covers, Island Project topographical maps and geodesic domes. For those students who are too young to go to the ID Lab, the lab comes to them. ID Lab Coordinator Bryce Aktepy takes material to the Early Childhood classrooms so that students may augment their Montessori experience with more hands-on STEM learning.

**WMS is what it is, because of the faculty, staff, students and families:** We would not be this wonderful family, a home away from home, without your support. I personally appreciate you all and know that together we will continue to support students to achieve their potential. We know that our work here is done if we have students who care for themselves, others and the environment.

With appreciation,

*Sunita Pailoor*
The WMS Board of Trustees is committed to building and maintaining a diverse socioeconomic student body, as evidenced in part by the funds made available for tuition assistance. The WMS Tuition Assistance Committee offers aid to qualified students based on school policies and demonstrated financial need.

A total of $797,652 (11.1% of gross tuition) was awarded to 84 students (21% of enrollment) in 2018-2019 aided by the generosity of our community in support of the Mary J. Schneider Fund.

**FINANCIAL REVIEW 2018-2019**

**Revenue — $7,879,178**
- Tuition & fees, net: $7,036,884
- Contributions, net: $312,617
- Tenant income: $479,564
- Other income: $50,113

**Contributions, net — $312,617**
- Auction net: $141,936
- Annual Giving: $131,715
- In-kind donations: $31,481
- Other: $7,485

**Expenses — $7,509,781**
- Program: $5,440,607
- Administration: $1,408,307
- Fundraising: $231,331
- Property operations: $429,536

**Annual Giving**
- Raised: $95,936
- Matched: $30,402
- MJS Fund: $5,377
- Total raised: $131,175

**Auction**
- Raised: $164,501
- Matched: $24,185
- Auction expense: $46,750
- Net: $141,936

**Numbers are for the fiscal year of July 1, 2018-June 30, 2019, and are accurate as of June 30.**
Thanks to the time and talents of our families, the number of reported hours contributed for the 2018-2019 school year was over 3,200.
Your contributions support the integral curriculum that includes experiences in the Innovation and Design Lab, giving students the opportunity to spark creativity and collaboration and create new materials, from Bluetooth speakers to Island topographical maps for the 6th-grade Island Night.

Thanks to the remarkable generosity of our community, the 2019 WMS Gala generated over $76,000 in support of outdoor education—a critical component of the student’s learning experience that Dr. Maria Montessori believed should be a natural extension of the classroom. Your donations sustain a thriving outdoor education program from High School backpacking trips to upgraded outdoor play structures for our Toddler and Early Childhood programs. Through outdoor education, students may learn new skills, gain self-confidence and reflect on their responsibility to the natural world.

Combined with their passion for educating our children, WMS students are taught by faculty with certified Montessori credentials and continuous training to be the most up-to-date in their fields. Thanks to you, our students are holistically supported with the excellence and compassion that our faculty brings, and have access to learning specialists for those who need extra support.
Music has been an engaging program for our enthusiastic performers and musicians of every age. Thanks to you, every student is provided with the tools and resources to continue their musical development at home with Music Together, which provides the highest quality music and movement experiences for our students.

At every program level, special leadership opportunities are provided to our culminating year students in kindergarten, 3rd, 6th, 8th and 12th grades. Program support allowed our kindergarteners to attend The Nutcracker ballet for their first big field trip. It also provided support for the 6th graders during their year-long Island study project, concluding in the annual Island Night event that includes a portfolio presentation of their work to WMS families.
We are honored to recognize and thank the following individuals and companies who contributed to Woodinville Montessori School between July 1, 2018-June 30, 2019. We deeply appreciate your loyalty, generosity and commitment.

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