

# MEAD HALL

## EPISCOPAL SCHOOL

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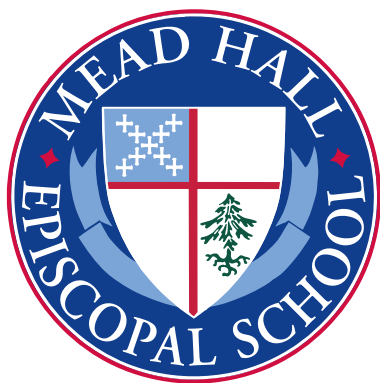


## ANNUAL REPORT

*Academic Excellence • Spiritual Growth • Moral Integrity*







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*Thank you to Larry Johnson and others for providing the enclosed photography.*





**Dr. Sawyer gives his daughter Maggie her diploma**

## FROM THE HEAD OF SCHOOL

The Rev. Dr. Frank D. Sawyer

We also kept up our pace of facilities improvements, restoring and painting the exterior of the Aiken Prep Campus Gymnasium, painting the front and the sides of Harrington Hall, and we replaced floors, painted, and made improvements on both campuses.

The 2022-2023 school year was also a time of preparation for our re-accreditation by the Southern Association of Independent Schools (SAIS). SAIS is the premier accrediting body for independent schools in the Southeast. SAIS sets rigorous standards of institutional excellence for its schools that must be met for accreditation. By meeting the high standards of our SAIS accreditation, we will also have a dual accreditation with Cognia (formerly

We graduated our  
largest ever senior  
class of 18 students.

the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools in the Southeast), which provides us with a nationally recognized accreditation for both public and private schools. In the spring of 2023, the SAIS Accreditation Team Chair affirmed that we have met the Standards and Indicators set by SAIS. The second part of the accreditation process was the submission of the Self-Study this fall that was reviewed by the Accreditation Team during their visit to Mead Hall in early November. This Self-Study is drawn from the Five Year Strategic Plan that we drafted last year through a consultative process. Soon we will receive the Accreditation Report from the team that

will provide us with guidance as we seek to improve our school over the next five years, guided by our strategic plan. Please read the Strategic Plan, 2023-2028, in this Annual Report.

Our Annual Fund rose to over \$216,000 in donations with the participation of 25% of our school families. We hope to increase participation this year since the Annual Fund is essential to increasing the compensation of our teachers, enriching the academic program, and improving facilities each year. Central to our mission as a ministry of St. Thaddeus Church is to provide an affordable education of excellence with a Christian foundation. Therefore, we depend upon the Annual Fund to help us meet an operating budget that goes beyond tuition income to provide what we want our students to have in a Mead Hall education. I appeal to you to support the Annual Fund at any level of support, from a Family level gift up to a Pillars Society gift. Every contribution helps our students and our school.

I would like to especially thank our parent and family volunteers who make such an impact each year. Our PTO and Panther Club do so much to support our students and our athletes in so many ways as well as raising funds to support our programs and our facilities. Whether it is volunteering at Strawberry Festival, managing the gate and concessions at home games, or working at the Book Fair, our parent and family volunteers make a difference to our students.

Enjoy seeing the life of our students at Mead Hall in these pages and thank you for your support of Mead Hall.

I am thankful to God each day for the opportunities our students have to learn and grow at Mead Hall. As the parent of a graduate of the Class of 2023, I am grateful for the preparation our graduates have for the opportunities and challenges of their college education. It is exciting to see our Mead Hall graduates out in the world and around the country succeeding in their chosen professions. At every level of education at Mead Hall, students are being provided the educational, moral, and spiritual foundations for life. This would not be possible without the dedicated and dynamic teaching of our faculty. Amidst nationwide challenges to schools and teachers following the pandemic that have caused the highest ever attrition rates of teachers, our faculty has worked tirelessly to educate our students beyond SC state standards and support them emotionally and spiritually.

I am happy to share with you our 2022-2023 Annual Report. It was an exciting year for us with several firsts. We had our largest ever enrollment of 390 students. We graduated our largest ever senior class of 18 students. We had our first ever graduates sign to college athletics, three in fact! Through the generosity of our community, we transformed the playground on the St. Thaddeus Campus.





# CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2023

The Class of 2023 has departed Mead Hall in all directions to attend colleges near and far. Their path through high school was marked by the onset of the pandemic in their freshman year and the new post-pandemic normal in their senior year, and they are distinguished by their resilience, independence, and determination. A quarter of these graduates have gone to colleges out of state, three were signed for college athletics, three chose the disciplined educational environment of the Citadel, and all have unique gifts to offer the world. They also have the distinction of being the largest class to graduate Mead Hall. We ask God's blessing on them and we look forward to seeing them back to visit Mead Hall and share their adventures with us.

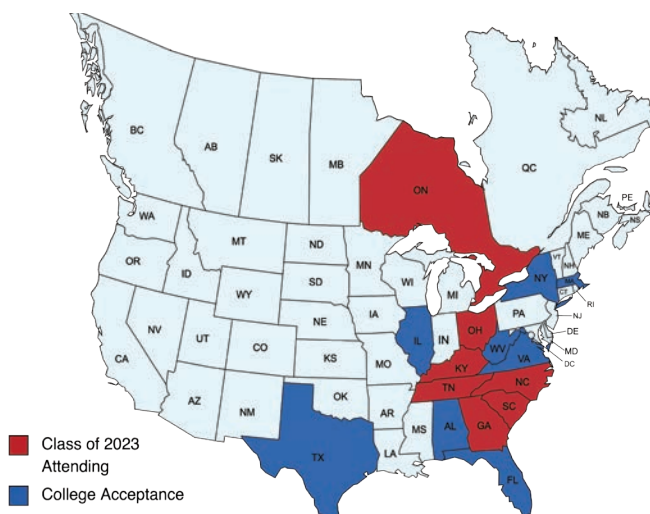


## Mead Hall College Acceptances Include:

Aiken Technical College	Eckerd College	Rollins College
American University	Francis Marion University	Saint Leo University
Anderson University	<b>Franciscan University</b>	St. John's University
Appalachian State University	<b>Gardner-Webb University</b>	Tri-County Technical College
Auburn University	Georgia College	<b>University of Kentucky</b>
Augusta University	Georgia State University	UNC, Asheville
Bard College	High Point University	UNC, Wilmington
Baylor University	Houghton University	<b>USC, Aiken</b>
Belmont Abbey College	Iona University	USC, Beaufort
<b>Berry College</b>	Lake Forest College	<b>USC, Columbia (2)</b>
<b>Catawba College</b>	Lander University	University of Tampa
Catholic University	Loyola University	University of Tennessee
Charleston Southern University	Chicago Marshall University	<b>University of Toronto, Canada</b>
<b>The Citadel (3)</b>	Marymount Manhattan College	Valdosta State University
<b>Clemson</b>	Mass. College of Liberal Arts	Virginia Institute of Technology
Coastal Carolina University	<b>North Greenville University</b>	Western Carolina University
<b>College of Charleston</b>	Presbyterian College	Western University Canada
<b>Converse University</b>	Queen's University, Canada	Wingate University
Denmark Technical College	Queens University of Charlotte	Winthrop University
DePaul University	<b>Rhodes College</b>	<b>Wofford College</b>

**\$3,196,872**  
in scholarships awarded for the Class of 2023

**100 College Acceptances**  
60 Colleges and Universities





# FROM THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I send warm congratulations to the Mead Hall graduates in the Class of 2023. As they continue their education and look forward to their careers, we are confident that they have received a solid foundation for a bright future. Mead Hall provides not only a strong academic curriculum but also reinforces essential skills such as self-discipline, responsibility, and collaboration to fulfill their potential.

When the yearly budget is developed, the Trustees work with Dr. Sawyer and his administration to keep tuition as low as possible without compromising excellent academic, athletic, and arts programs. As you will see in the current Annual Report, the funds generated have been well spent to sustain and enrich quality.

The Trustees make our gifts to the Annual Fund each year and hope you will join us in making a contribution. You can be assured that your gift will help our students and our school.

Dr. Suzanne Ozment







Opening Day Ceremonies



Upper School Field Trip



First Day of School



Field Trip



Science





The Great Wall of Pumpkins

## THE AMAZING LIFE OF OUR STUDENTS

Our students are blessed with a rich and dynamic school life at Mead Hall. Within the classroom and beyond the walls of the school, students are enriched in their learning and growth at Mead Hall. Educational and extracurricular experiences include hands-on learning, school trips, the fine arts, athletics, participation in clubs, service to the community, and memorable events. Through the school life of Mead Hall, our students build character as well as skills in leadership, service, sportsmanship, collaboration, friendship, responsibility, resilience, and goal accomplishment.



Thanksgiving ONE Table



Christmas Performance





Centenarians enjoy the 100th Day of School



Middle & Upper School Chapel



Awards at Closing Exercises



Interactive Visit to Aiken Center for the Arts



Track & Field



English Class



# SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY AND THE WORLD

Every year our students participate in community service, which is a reflection of our Christian and community values. Lower School has a number of class service projects as well as all-campus projects including the “It’s spooky to be hungry” food drive and Pinwheels for Peace. The middle and upper school students participate in several projects mainly through our service clubs. Last year these efforts included Beta Club’s food drives for the St. Thaddeus Soup Kitchen through the Peanut Butter and Jelly Drive in the fall and the Reverse Advent Calendar Bags in December, the cleaning of trash from Barnwell for the Adopt-a-Highway program of Keep Aiken County Beautiful, Interact Club’s work for the Night of 1000 Lights and fundraisers for charities, the Environmental Club’s recycling program, and a dress down to raise money for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. All upper school students must complete a minimum of 20 service hours each year and middle school students are invited to participate in service hours. In 2022-2023 we joined the President’s Service Award Program and we had middle and upper school students recognized at the Bronze and Gold levels, accomplishments that make a difference in the world.



Peanut Butter & Jelly Drive



Night of 1000 Lights



Making Dog Toys for Shelter



Soda Pop Tabs for Ronald McDonald House



Pinwheels for Peace



Barnwell St. Clean Up



# FINE ARTS

## ART

For the school year of 2022-2023, Lower School art students focused on expanding their understanding of the elements of art into specialized themes for each grade. Routines were reinforced and there was an overarching goal to build community and family between the students through creative thinking and the making of art. Again, this was done with a cross-curricular approach that weaves in other subjects such as math, science, social studies, and the English language arts. This was done with the hopes that their creativity can be a tool that will help them be successful in all areas of their life, no matter where their lives take them. At the beginning of the year, all grades started off with learning how to draw self-portraits. This was the first year that kindergarten students were given the opportunity to take art with Ms. Cooke, so these students started with a blank slate. Their specialized focus was on color and later in the year, line and pattern. The students' learning and appreciation only grows through the years of lower school art.

The Studio Art classes on the Aiken Prep Campus are always busy and creating new forms of art. No year has the same projects and this always gives the student an element of surprise. The beginning of the school year is always started with drawing skills by using the pencil to interpret textural and contrasting elements in any image non-objective or objective. This opens the door when adding the use of color through exploring with paint, papers, pencils and various other mediums. Students create Paintings, Sculptures, Two Dimensional Studies and Illustrations.

At the end of the year with the accumulation of a large body of work students are encouraged to enter their art in our yearly Gallery Art Show. This is important to every artist as the exhibition of their art is also an enlightening experience. Mrs. Nowlin believes the art comes to life when it's in a gallery show and this gives any student a feeling of pride and improves confidence.



## DRAMA

The Dramatic & Theatrical Arts in Middle School had a successful and busy year! Students in grades 5th through 8th studied and performed works inspired by literary folklore, and performed six productions including our very well-received collaborative Christmas Show. Our public speaking component became more robust this year, and drama teacher Mrs. Ferguson worked closely with the ELA department to assist the students in preparing exemplary performances for Declamation. Our 7th and 8th grade combined class additionally prepared a competition piece for SCISA's Drama Competition, and they and the rest of our drama students attended the competition in November at the Newberry Opera House. We also attended a Youth Wing performance of The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe at the Aiken Community Playhouse and a performance by folk music artists at the USC-Aiken Etherredge Center.

## MUSIC

Our Lower School music classes are where students learn the foundations of instrumental and vocal music each week. The joy of singing is expressed every Wednesday in our chapel services and in 2022-2023 our music teacher, Mrs. Matson, added a choir that wonderfully led and performed at the 1st-4th grade chapel. The other musical highlights of the school year on the St. Thaddeus Campus were the Christmas and spring performances by the students.

Under the direction of our new band director, Dr. Joseph Johnson, our middle and upper band students presented a Christmas Concert that featured the Beginning Band, High School Chamber Ensemble, and the Concert Band (7th/8th and HS students). The program included traditional and contemporary Christmas Carols. In March, the Concert and Beginning Bands presented their Spring Concert with several challenging works to an audience of well over 100. Deserving students were also presented awards sponsored by "The Instrumentalist", which is a scholarly journal highlighting research and teaching involving band and orchestra.

# ATHLETICS 2022 - 2023

Swimming (M,V)  
Cross Country (M,V)  
Volleyball (V)  
Golf (M,V)

Tennis (M,V)  
Pom/Cheer Squad (L)  
Basketball (M,V)  
Bowling (M,V)

Track & Field (M,V)  
Soccer (M,V)  
Softball (M,V)  
Archery (L, M,V)



\*Lower School, Middle School, Varsity Upper School

## CHAMPIONSHIPS & HONORS OF 2022-2023

**Varsity Golf - SCISA Class 2A State Champions**  
**Middle School Girls Tennis - AAMSL Champions**  
**Middle School Bowling - AAMSL Champions**  
**Varsity Girls Swim - SCISA Class 1A/2A/3A State Runner-Up**  
**Varsity Tennis - SCISA Class 2A State Runner-Up**  
**Middle School Co-Ed Soccer - AAMSL Runner-Up**

## INDIVIDUAL STATE CHAMPIONS

**100 Breaststroke: Macy Belle Harper**  
**100 Butterfly: Gabby Blaszcak**  
**200 Freestyle Relay: Gabby Blaszcak, Taylor Houck,  
Macy Belle Harper, Caroline Johnston**  
**200 Individual Medley: Caroline Johnston**



## 3 SENIORS SIGN TO COLLEGE ATHLETICS

**Virginia Gwinn - Cross Country at Berry College**  
**Chuck Stanley - Golf at Gardner-Webb University**  
**Ashton Stroud - Basketball at Catawba College**

Mead Hall Episcopal School offers a full, interscholastic experience through its athletic program. Mead Hall is a member of South Carolina Independent Schools Association (SCISA) which governs our participation in varsity / junior varsity Interscholastic contests. Mead Hall is also a member of Augusta Aiken Middle School League (AAMSL), which governs our middle school interscholastic contests. Athletic activities that allow opportunities for middle and upper school students include: bowling, girls volleyball, tennis, swimming, cross country, golf, basketball, soccer, track and field, and girls softball. Sports/activities such as archery and cheer allow participation to include lower school grades also. This year our softball team began competing and in 2023-2024 our middle and upper school cheer squads will return. Almost 85% of the middle and upper school population participate in the athletic program. Additionally, more than half of the students participate in multiple sports.







## *State Champions in 4 Individual Events*



## *3 Signed College Athletes*





# 1 *Team State Championship*



**PANTHER  
PRIDE**





# PARENT SUPPORT - PTO AND PANTHER CLUB

## PTO

*Courtney Bruckner, President; Alli Simon, Vice-President; Shannon Statkus, Secretary; Dianne Goodson, Treasurer*

The 2022 - 2023 PTO board would like to extend our sincerest gratitude for your support in making this year our best yet. With your support of our fundraising efforts, we have been able to provide over \$30,000 in supplemental needs for both our Lower and Upper campuses including - Accelerated Reader, a new robotics curriculum for our middle school students, updated technology to keep our students safe while online, and numerous other resources needed for our teachers and their classrooms. Additionally, we were able to provide funds to support the playground renovation on the St. Thaddeus Campus, allocate \$3,000 for our arts programs and set aside another portion of funds that will go towards the purchase of a new bus. We are thankful to be able to provide this type of support to our faculty and staff.

## PANTHER CLUB

*Becky Marks, President; Kelley Brown, Vice-President; Claire Johnston, Secretary; Michele Bryce, Treasurer*

### Fundraisers

- Sports physical clinics
- 8th grade and senior athlete banners
- Sponsorships hit new high
- Held two invitational swim meets
- Improved concessions offerings and income, thanks to Judy Shepherd and Raye White
- Various athletic t-shirts sold
- Sold "senior albums", of every photo ever taken by Larry Johnson, delivered to senior parents via thumb drive
- Held Annual Panther Invitational Golf Tournament; most successful year ever
- Dunking booth at Strawberry Festival
- Sold athletic hooded sweatshirts in the school store, along with miscellaneous Panther Spirit gear



### Projects

- APC Gym floor renovations, summer 2022
- APC Gym exterior repair and painting, summer 2023
- Purchased protective floor covering & storage solution for the APC gym
- Held a re-dedication ceremony for the APC Gym and APC tennis courts
- Completed bi-annual refinishing of the STC gym floor
- Replaced 1/2 of the archery team's hay-filled targets, with second 1/2 to be completed in 2023-2024
- Purchased new varsity volleyball uniforms
- Purchased full set of stopwatches and caps for swim team
- Installed new softball practice area at the APC
- Organized and consolidated storage of home game related items at the STC
- Installed and unveiled team championship banners and new individual championship banner; held reception for winning athletes, coaches, and Panther Club sponsors
- Assumed the responsibilities for ticket sales at home basketball and volleyball games, including the costs of officials
- Purchased a new softball pitching machine
- Covered the costs of the athletic banquet expenses, including awards
- Repainted the exterior of the APC gym, including repair of broken windows
- Replaced tennis, cross country/track & field, and varsity girls basketball uniforms





# FINANCIAL REPORT 2022-2023

Offering an excellent and affordable education to our families is central to our mission, so our tuition is priced much lower than other independent schools in the CSRA. Therefore, we cannot fund Mead Hall's budget on tuition alone. We require additional funds to retain and recruit excellent teachers through compensation and benefits, enrich the educational experience of our students, and improve our facilities and technology. We bridge this budget gap with the Annual Fund and other income. **This gap amounts to \$740 for each student at Mead Hall.**

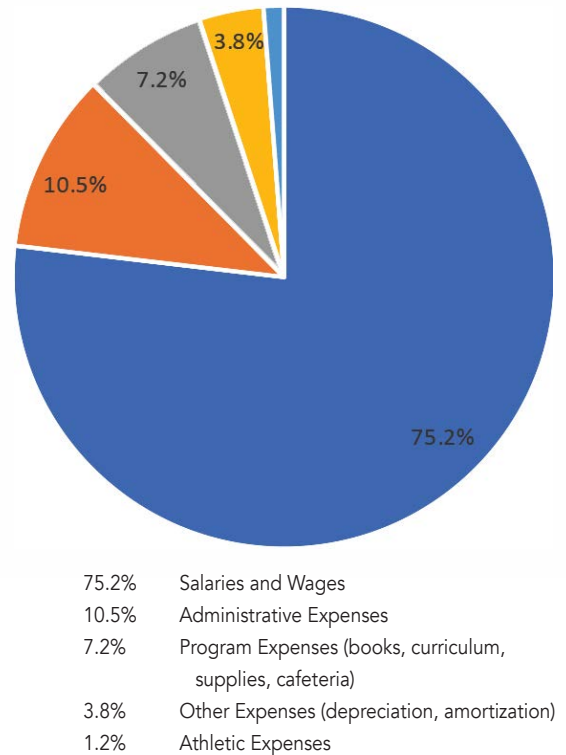
**The 2022-2023 Fiscal Report has a good story to tell.** Due to the increased impact of Annual Fund income in funding the enrichment of the educational program and facilities improvements, our expenses on wages and salaries has dropped to 75%, whereas it has previously been about 80% per year, and that is with a 6% raise in compensation in 2022-2023 for our dedicated faculty and staff. The 7% spent on program expenses is greater than in previous years, highlighting both the increased cost of food, but also the impact that a stronger Annual Fund is having on the investment we are making in the educational experience of our students.

On the income side, the 8.7% in fundraising income increased from the 6% that was attributed to fundraising income in the 2021-2022 school year, and 95% of unrestricted fundraising income in 2022-2023 was from Annual Fund. For two programs that show income - extended day, and learning strategies, this income is reduced from this number by expenses, although summer camp does make a difference each year in contributing to our budget. Although not reflected directly in the charts, the contributions of PTO and Panther Club are also important to funding school needs each year beyond our budget.

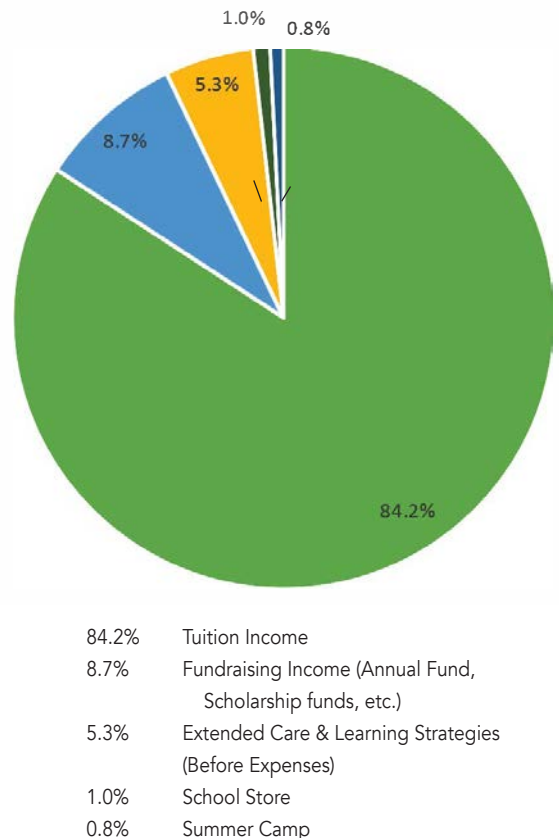
**In order to uphold our mission and keep our school accessible to our families, the Annual Fund is essential to closing the budgetary gap between tuition income and the actual cost of educating each student.** Tuition has traditionally covered approximately 90% of a Mead Hall education, with Annual Fund and income from extracurriculars, summer camps and the school store as the other main sources of funding for our school. However, we have successfully reduced the dependence on tuition over the past couple of years to approximately 84% through increased giving to the Annual Fund, which has gone from only \$43,000 in 2019-2020 to \$216,000 in 2022-2023, thanks to the generous financial support of parents, grandparents, faculty, staff, trustees, alumni, church members, and friends. **Annual Fund donations have allowed us to keep tuition low while prioritizing the retention and recruitment of excellent teachers, enriching the academic program, and making facilities and technology improvements.**

Outside of our annual revenue and operating expenses, we received restricted gifts from three important sources in 2022-2023: PTO, Panther Club, and the St. Thaddeus Playground Major Gifts Initiative. The PTO and the Panther Club have a major impact on our programs and facilities. The St. Thaddeus Playground Major Gifts Initiative has provided the transformation of the large playground at St. Thaddeus Campus for our current and future students. In the next few years we will need to have a full capital campaign to raise funds for major improvements to our facilities and to build an endowment to strengthen our school for the future.

**Expenses Fiscal Year 2022-2023**

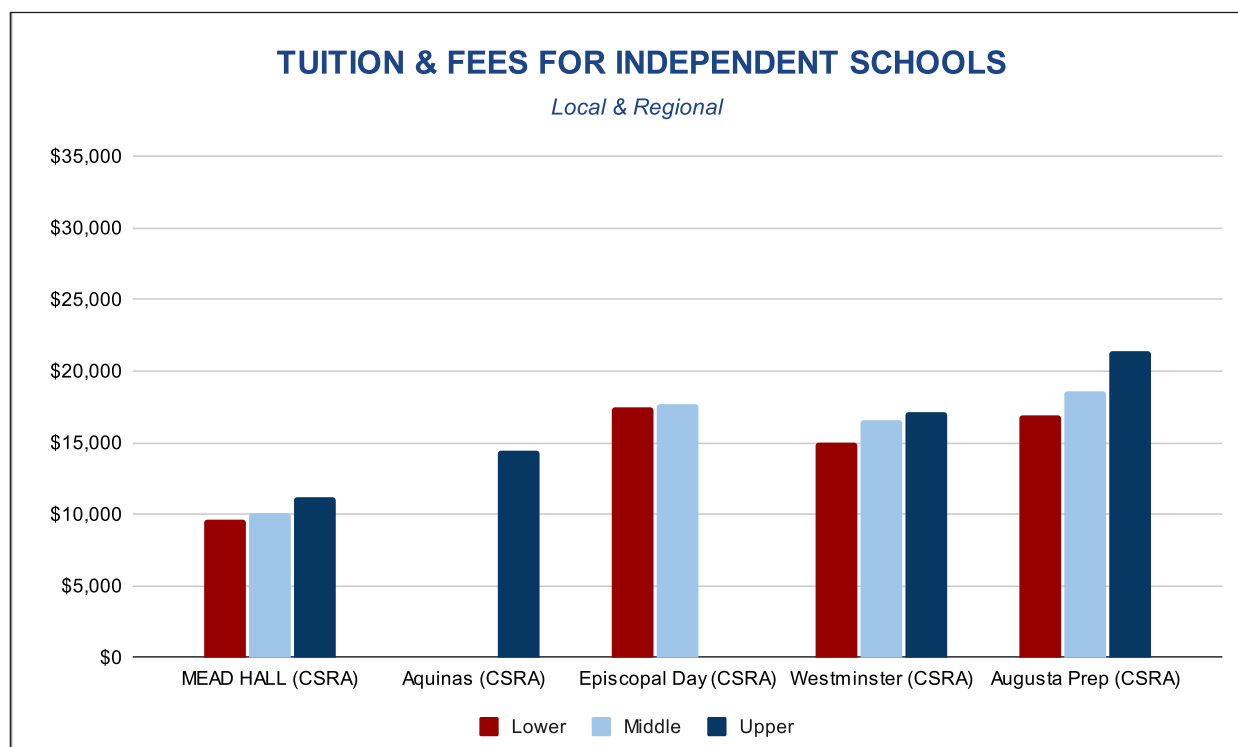
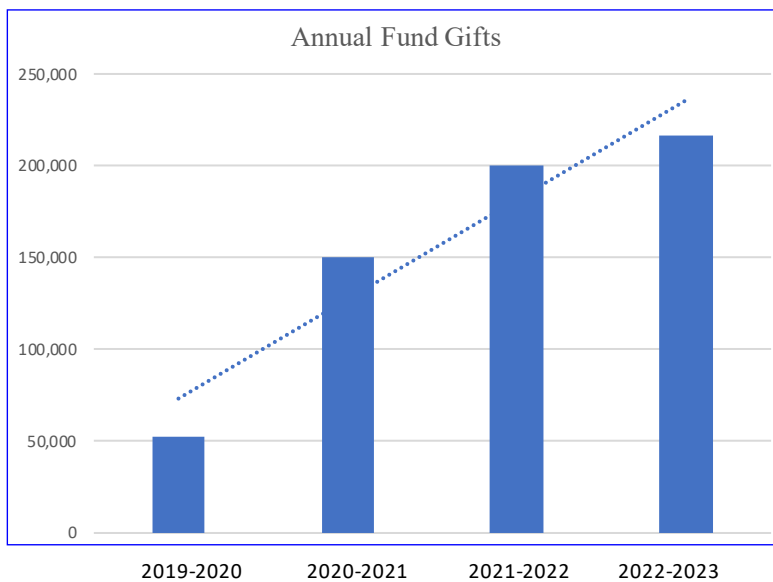
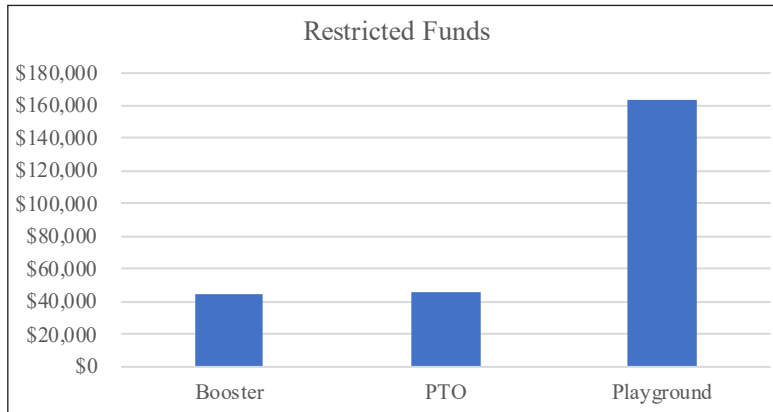


**Income Fiscal Year 2022-2023**





# FINANCIAL REPORT 2022-2023





# Honor Roll of Donors



RECOGNITION OF GIFTS 2022 - 2023



## **ANNUAL FUND**

### **Pillars Society**

**(\$25,000 to \$100,000)**

Aileen S. Andrew Foundation  
Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Wyatt  
Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Wyatt

### **George H. Mead Jr. Society**

**(\$10,000.00 to \$24,999.00)**

Aileen S. Andrew Foundation, on behalf  
of Robert Andrew and Graham Bolen

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**(\$5,000.00 to \$9,999.00)**

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**(\$1,915.00 to \$4,999.00)**

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Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins Meyer  
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Mr. and Mrs. Ryan Reynolds



**Founder's Society continued****(\$1,915.00 to \$4,999.00)**

Rev. Dr. Frank D. Sawyer and  
Mrs. Ginnelle Elliott  
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Mr. and Mrs. Kevin David Wilhelm

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**Mead Hall, Aiken Prep, Aiken Day Family****(\$0.00 to \$499.00)**

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**TRIBUTE GIFTS**

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Akins,  
in memory of Lisbeth Mann  
Mrs. Catherine Beadles,  
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Mrs. Catherine Beadles,  
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Former Chairman of the Board, Rich Waugh, was dedicated to the establishment of a Mead Hall Endowment, to support the long term sustainability and dynamism of the school. When he passed away during his leadership term in October, 2021, his wife, Jan, directed gifts in Rich's memory to the Mead Hall Endowment. As a result, we now have a base endowment of \$10,000 and in the coming years we hope to build up this endowment. This list recognizes those who have given to the endowment since its establishment.

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# FAMILY GIVING BY GRADE

2022-2023 family participation was 19% (63 families out of 328 families)

We hope to increase the participation of our families

## Pre School 38%

Emily and Andrey Murphy  
Joanne and William Doran  
David and Robyn Fallaw  
Kathryn and Richard Hartnett  
Frances and James Lockwood  
Ash and Elina Powers

## Pre K 32%

Kenneth and Hillary Bolen  
Kevin and Brittany Kisner  
Laura and Jason McAlhaney  
Jessica and Jenks Meyer  
Courtney and Joe Sokolik

## Kindergarden 37%

Cassie and Trip Buchanan  
James and April Collins  
Joanne and William Doran  
David and Robyn Fallaw  
Ashby and William Reynolds  
Emily and Andrey Murphy

## Grade 1 26%

Russ and Lynsey Andrew  
Kenneth and Hillary Bolen  
Scott and Allison Brown  
Courtney and Adam Bruckner  
Federica Gercar and Miguel Berdie  
Brien and Margaret Grande  
Breigh and Graham Hall  
Kelly and Kenny Odom  
Thomas and Meredith Parrott  
Ash and Elina Powers

## Grade 2 32%

Nicole and Gordon Ballantyne  
Courtney and Adam Bruckner  
Cassie and Trip Buchanan  
Corey and Angie Doolittle  
Kathryn and Richard Hartnett  
David and Elizabeth Henley  
Katie and Michael Kurcharski  
Laura and Jason McAlhaney  
Jessica and Jenks Meyer  
Vicki Trowell  
Kevin and Keri Wilhelm

## Grade 3 40%

Thomas and Anna Akins  
Chad and Jennifer Alexander  
Russ and Lynsey Andrew  
Chad and Gabby Benton  
Caleb and Faris Connor  
Brien and Margaret Grande  
Breigh and Graham Hall  
Kevin and Brittany Kisner  
Ash and Elina Powers  
Ashby and William Reynolds  
Ryan and Kelly Reynolds

## Grade 4 43%

Chad and Gabby Benton  
Courtney and Adam Bruckner  
Federica Gercar and Miguel Berdie  
David and Elizabeth Henley  
Cory and Darya McMurtrie  
Thomas and Meredith Parrott  
Jim and Brooke Sheehan  
Paul and Mary Helen Simons  
Benjamin and Kathleen Smith  
Leslie and Tom Wyatt

## Grade 5 16%

Scott and Allison Brown  
James and April Collins  
Ryan and Kelly Reynolds  
Hillary and Brent Hardy

## Grade 6 29%

Bobby and Amy Calfee  
Caleb and Faris Connor  
Federica Gercar and Miguel Berdie  
Ron and Judy Shepherd  
Paul and Mary Helen Simons  
Minda and Shannon Statkus  
Mrs. Olga Kuzmenkova-Cline  
Kevin and Keri Wilhelm  
Leslie and Tom Wyatt

## Grade 7 25%

Courtney and Adam Bruckner  
Terry and Thiwapo Carpenter  
Caleb and Faris Connor  
Kathryn and Richard Nowlin  
Minda and Shannon Statkus  
Leah and Talmadge Wilkins

## Grade 8 61%

Craig and Karene Abrams  
Thomas and Anna Akins  
Trey and Kelley Brown  
Frank Sawyer and Ginnelle Elliott  
Thomas and Shelly Farmer  
Clarence Felder  
Naomi and Matthew Gray  
George and Susanna King

## Grade 8 61% continued

Gordon and Lauren Lawson  
Kevin and Rae Leigh Warner  
Jesse and April Waters  
Kevin and Keri Wilhelm

## Grade 9 13%

Ron and Judy Shepherd  
Vicki Trowell

## Grade 10 25%

Tracy and Charles Abraham  
Craig and Karene Abrams  
Kira and Dejan Djolic  
Gordon and Lauren Lawson  
Leah and Talmadge Wilkins

## Grade 11 35%

Trey and Kelley Brown  
Stephen and Beverly Hamrick  
George and Susanna King  
Meg Rue and Vaughn Massie  
Russell and Elizabeth Merritt  
Hillary and Brent Hardy

## Grade 12 0.05%

Frank Sawyer and Ginnelle Elliott

# STRENGTH IN NUMBERS STRENGTHEN OUR SCHOOL

Have you hear that 20% of people do 80% of the work?  
LET'S CHANGE THAT AT MEAD HALL!!!





# Following the Money

*In addition to supporting every aspect of a Mead Hall education through contributing to the annual budget, the Annual Fund made a particular difference in supporting these goals:*

- Retaining and attracting top faculty through a compensation increase of 3% and an increase to our pension and medical benefits
- Teaching resources and materials for all grades
- Middle School science curriculum and lab equipment for hands-on/STEM learning
- New telephone/intercom systems for the St. Thaddeus & Aiken Prep Campuses
- Technology maintenance and network security
- New carpeting and flooring in needed areas on both campuses
- Annual maintenance and improvements to both campuses through our facilities budget
- More support for our Athletic program

## WISH LIST FOR 2023-2024

- Full or Part-time School Counselor
- Continue to retain and attract top faculty through compensation and benefits
- Acquire a third and newer small bus for field trips and athletics
- Text Message Parent Alert System through FACTS
- Network Improvements including the expansion of Fiber Optic Cables
- Painting, flooring (carpet and tile), and window blinds on both campuses
- Improvements to the Aiken Prep Campus playground and fields
- New awnings at the St. Thaddeus Campus
- Greenville Street Building renovations
- Kitchen improvements
- Plumbing improvements



Morning Announcements with Phone System



Seventh Grade Students Learning About Energy



Augusta Canal Museum



# The Annual Fund is an Investment

The GAP between our operating budget and tuition income is \$740 per student, and the Annual Fund bridges most of this. Your Annual Fund gifts are vital to BRIDGE THIS GAP for each student so that we can keep our tuition affordable while maintaining and strengthening our high standards.

*Thank you for your support and your consideration. We will strengthen our school by strengthening our numbers!*

## GAP Goal of \$740 per student

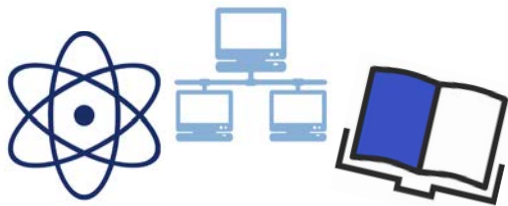
**Our goal is for 100% of MH families to donate!**



Meg Massie & Leslie Wyatt  
Annual Fund Co-Chairs

## Why Donate???

**Further Enrich our  
Education & Programs**



**Retain & Recruit  
our Teachers**

**Improve our Facilities**

If you have not yet donated to the Annual Fund...**WE NEED YOU!** Please consider a gift of any amount... even \$100 makes a difference.

If you have donated to the Annual Fund, **THANK YOU!** Your gifts are vital! Please consider matching or increasing your gift this year.

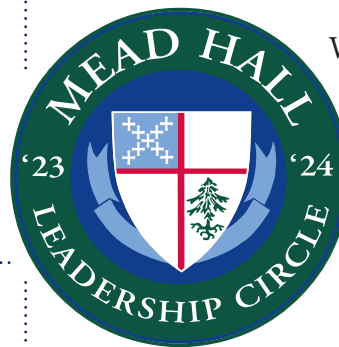
*Another way to look at it...*

**\$225,000 Goal  
÷ 365 students  
= \$616.00 gift per student**

*But every gift counts*

*If you have never given before*

*Consider \$100 or \$50 or anything*



We truly appreciate our Annual Fund donors of \$1,000 or more for going further to bridge the GAP. All of our Annual Fund donors of \$1,000 or more are invited to an annual reception and receive a Leadership Circle decal.

## 2 Easiest Ways to Donate

✉ BY CHECK - in person or by mail

🌐 ONLINE - through our homepage  
<https://www.meadhallschool.org/>  
or with the QR Code





# CELEBRATING CAMPUS IMPROVEMENTS

## ST. THADDEUS CAMPUS PLAYGROUND

Through the generosity of several of our school families, our PTO, and the Brick Campaign, we raised over \$160,000 to transform the large playground at the St. Thaddeus Campus for our preschoolers through fourth graders to enjoy for years to come. Lower School Head, Mrs. Joanne Morton, consulted with the faculty to discern the recess needs of our students and a plan was developed to revitalize this playground and spearheaded the Brick Campaign which has raised over \$10,000 for this project. We are grateful to Mead Hall parent Ryan Reynolds of the H.G. Reynolds Company, who worked with contractors to put our hopes into a design that was constructed this past summer. The playground features an astroturf soccer field, a basketball court, a foursquare court, and a tricycle track. This fall the work was completed with the addition of a large deck under the oak tree and a tricycle shed. We would like to thank the STC Playground Major Gifts Committee - Hillary Bolen, Brittany Kisner, Kathy Reynolds, and Kelly Reynolds, who worked with Dr. Sawyer to seek donations from our families to make this dream a reality.



## PAINTING AND EXTERIOR REPAIR OF THE AIKEN PREP GYMNASIUM

Our Panther Club has made a huge impact on our athletics facilities over the past few years through the golf tournaments and annual fundraising. The past few years the Panther Club has invested in our Aiken Prep Gymnasium. The Panther Club has been pivotal in funding the new weight room, the repair of the foundation and the restoration of the floor, and this past summer the repair and painting of the exterior of this historic building. We would also like to thank board member Charlie Stanley, for providing guidance as well as the repair of the foundation and replacement of the floor along the west wall which was critical to the restoration of the building.



## PARTIAL PAINTING AND EXTERIOR REPAIR OF HARRINGTON HALL

This summer, the front and side walls of Harrington Hall were repaired and painted along with the fire escape on the West Wing. We would like to thank Tom and Leslie Wyatt for their gift of \$25,000 that made this possible. We hope to raise \$55,000 more to complete the repair and painting of the remaining exterior of Harrington Hall, including the rear walls of the building, the windows, and the metalwork. The photo of the corner of the building captures the freshly painted wall on the left and the wall awaiting painting on the right.





# STRATEGIC PLANNING GOALS

## 2023 - 2028

### Facilities

- Establish a Board Facilities Committee that will review the Master Campus Plan on an annual basis
- Increase facilities budget to address maintenance and expansion

### Institutional Advancement

- Develop and implement a comprehensive development plan to include Annual Fund, Capital Campaign Mead Hall Endowment and specific needs
- Advance school community involvement by building stronger relationships with parents and alumni

### Finance and Budget

- Perform a formal annual comparative analysis of financial resources
- Accelerate retirement of Aiken Prep Campus mortgage

### School Community

- Articulate and embody a unified school identity
- Recruit and maintain highly qualified and diverse students with attention to critical grade transitions
- Recruit and maintain highly qualified and diverse faculty and staff through competitive compensation, benefits, support and professional development

### Curricular Programs and Support Services

- Evaluate curriculum annually to ensure excellence in a transforming world
- Offer programs and support services to improve character development and life skills
- Hire a school counselor to implement programs and support services for students

### The Planning Process

- Strategic Planning Committee coordinated the process
- Input gathered from Board members, administrators, faculty, parents and students
- SAIS Satisfaction Survey completed in Fall of 2022
- Full day strategic planning process meeting in January 2023 identified strengths, weakness and proposed goals for future of the school
- Consensus reached on five areas for the vision of the school: facilities, budget/finance, institutional advancement, school community, curricular programs/support services
- Board of Trustees unanimously approved the Mead Hall Strategic Plan 2023-2028 in January 2023

### Looking to the Future

- Action Teams were established in Feb. 2023 to develop specific actions plans and timelines to achieve each of the goals
- Capital and Operational Budgets will be developed to execute the strategic and master facility plans
- Annual Reviews of Progress will be monitored, assessed and maintained by the Strategic Planning Committee
- Revisions will be made to the goals and action plans as needed
- SAIS Reaccreditation scheduled for Fall 2023
- Midpoint Updates of progress will be submitted to SAIS as part of the re-accreditation process

## A Message from the Head of School on Strategic Planning and Accreditation

*Mead Hall is the only school in Aiken accredited by Southern Association of Independent Schools (SAIS). Self-reflection is a major component, as the school prepares for re-accreditation in 2023. The Mead Hall Strategic Plan, an outgrowth of the self-study, resulted in the strategic goals for the next five years of the school life. This process is essential in providing a thorough reflection on our mission and areas for improvement. It both confirms our educational and institutional excellence, while guiding us as we strive to improve and thrive. I am excited about the potential of our school Mead Hall, and I am looking forward to our work to move the school from strength to strength in the years to come, so that our students and community may be richly blessed.*



# REMEMBRANCES FROM OUR LEGACY SCHOOLS

## The Aiken Preparatory School - Established 1916

The sport of bicycle polo, for all we know, may have first been tested on the playing field of Eton. But for several generations of APS boys, this exciting and informal game was invented over 60 years ago on a hard, sloping patch of clay, stretching between the school house and the present day tennis court. The precise year doesn't matter. Neither did the rules, at least at the beginning.

Trial and error ultimately dictated that bicycle polo should be played by regular polo rules with two teams of four players to a team. "Riding off", as with horses, was considered part of the game, but despite the mandatory use of helmets, and the optional use of shin and knee guards, falls, resulting in minor injuries often outnumbered goals by a hefty margin.

Two vivid observations of bike polo will always remain: 1) on game days, regardless of which team won, the chief beneficiaries were always the attending medic and a local bicycle repair man with a bag of spare spokes; and 2) no matter what the heights of stardom attained by any biking, budding Tommy Hitchcocks, these fun games on Aiken's red clay were of use only as happy memories once the boys moved on to Northern prep schools.

From page 34 of *Forever Flourishing: The History of Aiken Preparatory School*



## The Aiken Day School - Established 1933

So much is known about Mr. Harrington's connection with APS, but most people don't know about his involvement with Aiken Day School. It all started quite innocently. Mr. Fletcher was on the board of Aiken Day School. He had just attended a meeting in 1961 and found out the French teacher was leaving. He kindly volunteered Mr. Harrington as a new French teacher at Aiken Day School. If that wasn't bad enough, the next year, the head of Aiken Day School resigned, and they needed another. Mr. Fletcher again volunteered Mr. Harrington. You might say to yourself how could he be on both campuses. At that point, Mr. Harrington was actually like the Asst. Headmaster at APS, so there was a little flexibility in the schedule. That is the only way he could have managed both jobs. He was Head of Aiken Day School from 1962 to 1973.



Mr. Harrington became the APS Headmaster in 1971 so for two years he was the head of both schools. He had finally had enough of the "double duty" and left the Aiken day of school after the 1972-73 school year.

From page 27 of *The Life of Bob Harrington and His Memories of Aiken Preparatory School*

## Mead Hall Episcopal School - Established 1955

Mead Hall briefly had a high school in the late 1950s. The social life included dances with a May Queen, which in 1958 was Anna Estelle Giaffis. The students of the high school had several responsibilities, including the staffing of the annual, The Pillars, the Safety Patrol, and a student newspaper called The Echo. In the 1958 annual, Miss Giaffis reports on the work of this newspaper:

The staff of "The Echo" for 1957-58 has its goal to publish a bigger and better newspaper. The paper is written by the students for the students. So, our aim is to cover all school events and publish features of interest to the students. We are very privileged to have as our faculty advisor Mrs. George McMillan, without whose assistance we would not have been able to publish the kind of paper worthy of Mead Hall.







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# GIVING DAY

**Support Mead Hall with a gift to  
the Annual Fund on Giving Day!**

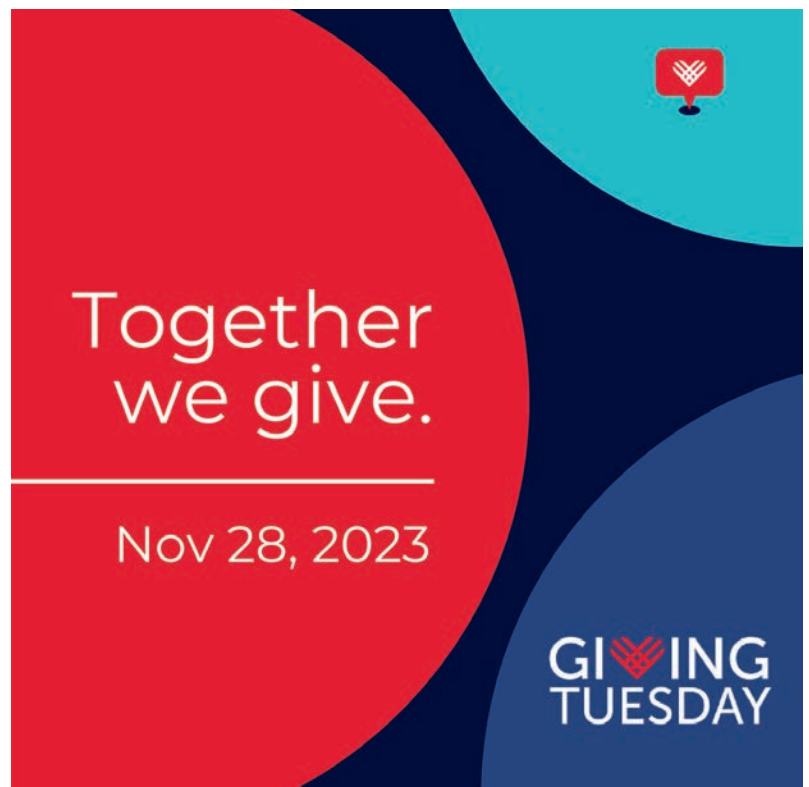
*3 Pathways to Give:*

Scan the QR Code below and give a donation to  
Mead Hall on our website.

Visit the website and give through the Annual Fund  
button on our homepage: [meadhallschool.org](http://meadhallschool.org)

Send a check in the enclosed envelope to Mead  
Hall and mark the envelope with "Giving Day  
donation".

All gifts received up to and including the week of  
Giving Day will be celebrated as part of Giving Day.  
Let's make Giving Day an important step forward to  
our goal of raising \$225,000 this year for the Mead  
Hall Annual Fund!



*Together we make a difference.*