



## MCS Opening New Doors Capital Campaign Frequently Asked Questions

### **Q. Why should I support this project?**

A. Contributing to a school's Capital Campaign is a rewarding experience. It is an opportunity to give back to a school that has nurtured and supported your family while also providing the possibility for future families to enjoy the experience of a Montessori education. Families before you contributed to create this school for your child, and now you have the opportunity to "pay it forward" for those yet to come.

### **Q. Can I tell friends and family about this campaign?**

A. Yes, please! With our ambitious goal of raising \$2.4 million, support from friends and family will be crucial to our success. Please let us know if you'd like us to mail information to your friends and family.

### **Q. How will my donation be acknowledged? Are there levels of giving?**

A. All gifts to the campaign will be acknowledged on the donor wall in the new reception area. In addition, those choosing to participate with a naming opportunity gift will be acknowledged on site with a plaque. All donors will have the opportunity to be acknowledged with courtyard pavers.

### **Q. How can I stay up to date on the project?**

A. Current families and donors will receive quarterly updates through the Thread newsletter. The MCS website also has a page dedicated to the campaign and expansion. It will be regularly updated to include campaign progress as well as photos of the construction.

### **Q. What is the average gift size? Who is giving to this campaign?**

A. Our donor pool includes current families, alumni, friends of the school, and community members. Gifts to date range from \$500 to \$300,000. As a one-time gift for capital improvements, we hope that supporters will stretch to make a gift of personal significance.

### **Q. When will students be in the new classrooms? What is the proposed timeline of this project?**

A. We are currently working with the City of Bainbridge Island for permits and plan approval. Provided that we are able to receive permits prior to November of 2016, we can expect to be in the new classrooms in the fall of 2017.