



October 2007

Dear OCS Family/Friend,

We hope that the school year as gotten off to a great start for you and your family. Our Community School prides itself on creating a rigorous curriculum within a nurturing environment with support from peers, families, teachers, administrators, and friends outside of the school community.

In examining our yearly calendar, we have determined that it would be best to launch our Annual Giving Campaign in the fall. Year-end IRS tax deductions was one reason to make this change. Another motivation came from family members and friends who wished to make their gift in a monthly payments, rather than one lump sum. Please contact our Office Manager, Alma, who will explain the procedures for this option.

Here are a couple of important reminders:

- * Public funding and Average Daily Attendance only covers a portion of what it costs to educate each student. The gap between what we receive and our actual costs is approximately \$150,000 per year.
- * 100% parent/family participation is particularly important when we solicit foundations for grants.

Please join us in making a tax-deductible contribution to the OCS Annual Fund. Annual Giving differs from PTSA fundraising as the PTSA provides programmatic support, while the Annual Fund Campaign will help to cover the gap between public funding received and the real cost of a great education for each child. Your donation will support the high-quality education that Our Community School provides. By giving to the OCS Annual Fund, you are investing in our children's future!

Please complete the form below, make your tax-deductible check payable to Our Community School, and return it to the office. We thank you for participating in the Annual Fund drive for Our Community School and for helping to make OCS a truly special learning community.

With warm regards,

The Development Committee:	Carolina Goodman	Nikki Maxwell	Tracie Jackson
	Valerie Davis	Isotta Poggi	Ken Rickerman
	Harald Kanz	Kim Goldstein	

Our Community School Annual Giving Campaign

Name: _____ Student's Name _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Date: _____
Amount: _____

Relationship to OCS:
(circle one) parent grandparent staff board member friend other _____

*OCS is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization.
All contributions are tax deductible to the full extent of the law. Tax ID# 202776592
We gladly accept PayPal to donation@ourcommunityschool.org*

