



ANNUAL REPORT ON GIVING

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Professional Children's School is a vibrant independent school that provides a rigorous college-preparatory education in a supportive environment for young people pursuing careers or pre-professional training in the performing arts, competitive sports, and other endeavors.

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FROM HEAD OF SCHOOL

DR. JAMES DAWSON

If nothing else, schools are about hope: hope for a well-educated, wise, thoughtful, reflective, caring cadre of young people, guided and affirmed in such a way that they can bring their intellect, their discernment and their passions with them out to the broader world - a world seriously in need of even more of each of those virtues and values. Hope in the form of not only tolerant, open-minded future leaders but more in the form of the myriad celebrations that comes from strength, embodying the power and potential that comes from the combination of our differences so as to yield a stronger, more certain, and more robust citizenry. Hope evident through elevating the immense and extraordinary potential of each and every person that results from the concomitant synergy embodied in societal hybrid vigor: we do better together than alone, we add to the vitality and sustainability

of who we each are by celebrating what we each have to offer; we create infinite possibilities through the combination and celebration of finite individual characteristics, aspirations and goals.

Professional Children's School has always been about hope and we have always believed in the affirmation of talent, intellect, and passion that drives our students in their pursuit of academic excellence and professional mastery - in and for whatever profession they focus their talent and their energy.

As we approach our 106th anniversary of our founding on January 6, 1914, we are reminded that the success of each of our cherished young people is the result of a combined effort by the larger community of parents, trustees, alumni, administrators, faculty and staff, so as to ensure that PCS remains committed to our goals of academic and personal support, ranging from the extraordinary teaching, guiding, and caring for our students that takes place on site each and every day to the extraordinary support of our many donors and friends, making it possible for us to fulfill our mission and to welcome students from across the nation and from around the world to our program, including many students who could not otherwise attend without financial aid.

As the 2018-2019 academic year falls behind us, I want to add a special note of thanks to Lee Dieck, our outgoing Chair of the Board of Trustees for her six year commitment as Chair, for promoting, encouraging and elevating the

PCS story both within the Board of Trustees and the broader PCS community. Likewise, I welcome Melanie Harris, a PCS alumna, as our new Chair, with certainty that she will continue to advocate for and promote the stunning story which is PCS, a place of special resonance and relevance to the life of our extraordinary students - students who continue to touch our lives through the power of their intellect and through the stunning, transcendent beauty of their chosen and passion-filled professional interests.

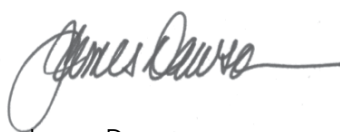
Each of the donors noted herein has made such a difference and empowered such a dream; each of you make possible the foundation of hope that drives us; each of you enable the central themes of education, celebration and affirmation through a multitude of pathways and as discerned through the nearly endless stories that define the lives and the journeys undertaken by the remarkable young people entrusted to our care.

Each young person able to join us through our financial aid program is a testament to the care and belief shared by our supporters, and each of those cherished dollars of support are singularly and alone a testament to the power of hope to make possible that which seemed impossible, to enable a dream to be realized, a wish to be fulfilled, a possibility to move from the “only if” to the truly happening.

You made a difference, you touched a life, you kept alight the beacon of hope that has always been a marker of our dedication to dreams

realized and possibilities without limits. You, each of you, alone and together, make the reality of Professional Children’s School that much richer and that much more sustainable and enduring for our students as we continue our onward journey in this our second century. For your generosity and unwavering support, for your sacrifice and commitment, for your willingness to still believe in that place called hope, for that, and more, we are eternally grateful.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "James Dawson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

James Dawson



**FROM CHAIR OF THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

EILEEN "LEE" MULRY DIECK

When I spoke at this year's PCS Commencement, I shared the story that brought me into this incredible school family. My son was training at the School of American Ballet, and for a variety of reasons, it was time for us to find a school that not only understood his passion, but one that supported him in both his academic and artistic pursuits. Even though that initial visit took place 17 years ago, the memory is a vivid one, and the decision to have our son apply to Professional Children's School was life-altering in the best of ways. This is what brought me to actively support PCS, but it is the stories of so many other students who have kept me involved. While I have now completed my sixth and final year as Board Chair, my commitment to PCS will not wane; this school is unlike any other—it provides a robust college

preparatory education while simultaneously supporting the social and emotional growth of students whose professional commitments present unique challenges and opportunities.

Your support of Professional Children's School enables us to fulfill this mission for our students; for this we are deeply grateful. Currently, almost half of our students receive some amount of financial aid. Our Gala, the Annual Appeal for the Fund for PCS, and special funds like the Dawson Fund, the SAPAR Fund, and the Virginia B. Toulmin Foundation Fund support the needs of these students. Through your participation in these efforts, you make it possible for us to fulfill our mission for all of our students. On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I want to convey our thanks to each of you for your contributions, and ask that you continue to support our mission to the extent that you are able.

Each year when I write this letter, I share the comings and goings on the Board of Trustees. I'd like to extend my gratitude to Rachel Curry '05 who has completed her term as an Alumna Trustee; we are fortunate that she will continue as a member of our Alumni Council which works to strengthen ties with this important constituent group. I'm pleased to welcome William Villafranco (Co-Trustee of the Virginia B. Toulmin Foundation and Founder and President of Villafranco Wealth Management) and Darice Fadeyi (Parent of Christian '20) who join the Board as Trustees this year. In addition, I'm

pleased to share the news that PCS alumna and NYCB dancer Silas Farley '12 will start his first year as an Alumni Trustee this year. Finally, I am thrilled to announce that Melanie Harris '91, a PCS alumna who has served on the Board since 2015 and as Vice Chair during the 2018-2019 school year, has taken the helm as Chair as of July 1, 2019. Melanie brings her experience in Marketing and Investor Relations to this role, as well as her own experience as a student at PCS. I'm delighted to have the opportunity to work with her as she assumes leadership of the Board.

Thank you once again for your support over these last six years. The unique mission of PCS is one that I never take for granted; I hope you will join me in ensuring that the future of PCS is secured for students for many years to come. I look forward to seeing you at school events!

Sincerely,



Lee Dieck



WELCOME TO MELANIE HARRIS!

Melanie was elected Vice Chair in 2018. She has served on the board since May 2015 when she was elected as an Alumna Trustee. Melanie joined Centerview Capital in 2013 as Head of Marketing and Investor Relations. Prior to joining Centerview, she was Vice President of Marketing and Investor Relations at Tailwind Capital, a middle-market private equity firm focused on healthcare and business and communications services. Prior to Tailwind, Melanie was Director of Marketing and Investor Relations at MTS Health Partners, a merchant bank that provides advisory and capital raising services as well as private equity capital to companies in the healthcare industry. Melanie graduated with a BS in Marketing and Organizational Communications from Emerson College in 1995. She was a student at the School of American Ballet when she entered PCS in her junior year.



**FROM DIRECTOR OF
INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT**

**CHRIS
HALEY**

On behalf of the Office of Institutional Advancement, I convey our deepest gratitude to the 415 members of the PCS community — made up of parents and other family members, alumni, trustees, faculty, staff, administrators, and friends — who generously contributed toward the 2018-2019 Fund for Professional Children's School. We hope that you enjoy this year's Annual Report on Giving.

In 2018-2019, 37% of our student body received financial assistance, without which most of whom would not have been to attend PCS. Your generous donations enabled all of our incredibly talented students to pursue their dreams without sacrificing their education.

We kicked off the 2018-2019 school year with our annual boat cruise around Manhattan. An unprecedented 290 members of the PCS community registered for this beloved annual event. Thanks to the generosity of our Board of Trustees, this year's boat cruise was underwritten in full, which enabled the entire PCS student body and their immediate families to attend free of charge.

We held our 2nd annual holiday event this past December for everyone in the alumni community. Alumni from several generations stopped by to catch up and spread festive greetings with their fellow classmates. Ticket sales from the event went toward the Alumni Financial Aid Fund.

We thank PCS trustee and parent Kristin Kennedy Clark (Colby '20 and Christina '16) and trustee and alumna Melanie Harris '91 for hosting a special Concert and Cocktails gathering featuring virtuoso pianist and composer Thomas Nickell '16. The lovely evening was well attended by individuals interested in learning more about PCS.

Our Spring Gala was again held at The Edison Ballroom. Thanks to the generous support of this year's Host Committee, underwriters, and ticket purchasers, this year's Spring Gala was our most successful to date, raising nearly \$250,000 in support of the Financial Aid Fund! We especially thank our entire Host Committee and Honorary Chairs Michele and Tim Barakett.

The school held an Appreciation Reception reception for Leadership Circle supporters and other volunteer leaders. The evening featured a wonderful performance by pianist Christian Fadeyi '20.

Before the close of the school year, PCS hosted a farewell reception for our longtime Business Manager Victoria Mancuso who is retiring and our longtime chef Debi Alago who relocated to San Diego.

We are grateful to Senior Class parents and trustees Amy Crate '89 (Emma '19) and Raushan Sapor (Aisha Abuova '19 and Yerke Abuova '19) for chairing this year's Senior Class Gift appeal, which will be used to create new banners to adorn the front of the school. The banners will provide a more beautiful exterior and greater visibility for the school, as well as leave a lasting legacy for the Class of 2019.

Thank you again for your continued generous support of the Fund for Professional Children's School! We hope to see you in 2019-2020.

With much gratitude,


Chris Haley

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JULY 1, 2018–JUNE 30, 2019

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| Fund for Professional Children’s School (Unrestricted). | \$247,531 |
| Financial Aid Funds. | \$344,788 |
| Includes Gifts to: PCS Financial Aid Fund, Dr. James Dawson Fund for Broadway Scholars, Class of 2018 - Roberta Kosse Financial Aid Fund for Musicians, Carol Kleban Financial Aid Fund, SAPAR Contemporary Art Scholarship Fund, and Virginia B. Toulmin Scholarship Fund | |
| Other Restricted Gifts. | \$68,501 |
| Special Events | \$265,838 |
| TOTAL GIVING TO PCS. | \$926,658 |

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| Trustees | \$262,040 |
| Parents. | \$341,905 |
| Alumni | \$130,010 |
| Parents of Alumni | \$200,291 |
| Faculty and Staff | \$9,591 |
| Foundations, Corporations, and Grants | \$427,552 |

*For reporting purposes, individuals in multiple categories have been counted more than once.



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The Fund for Professional Children's School is the cornerstone of Professional Children's School's fundraising efforts. It is made up of gifts from parents, alumni, foundations, faculty, staff, and friends. We strive to keep tuition as affordable as possible while continuing to provide an excellent academic program, and money raised through the Fund for Professional Children's School helps to bridge the gap between tuition income and the cost of a PCS education. (Tuition alone covers only 86% of the cost of a PCS student's education.)

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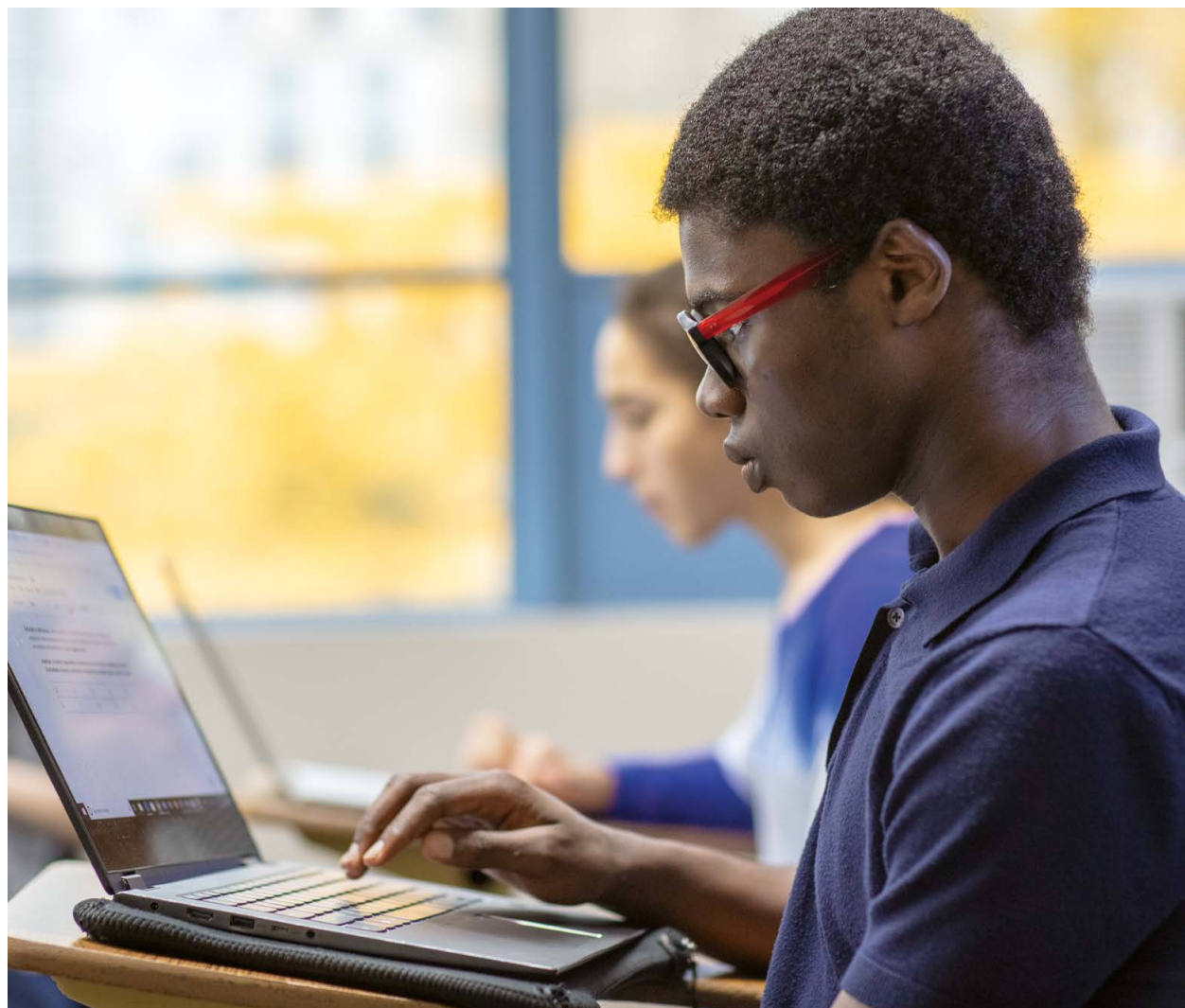
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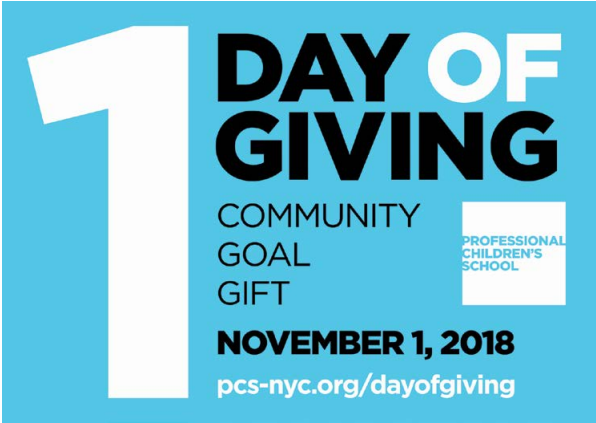
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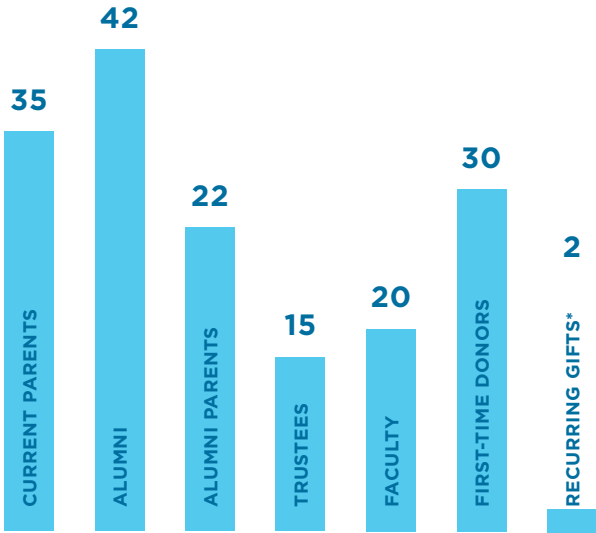


THANK YOU FOR MAKING OUR FIRST DAY OF GIVING A SUCCESS

Our very first PCS Day of Giving was a huge success thanks to the generous support of the PCS community! We are grateful to the PCS Board of Trustees for contributing \$38,500 toward a matching gift, which motivated the school community to raise \$120,480 from 142 donations, surpassing our \$100,000 goal.

Funds from this special day supported the Fund for Professional Children's School, which provides for every aspect of the operation of our school, including financial aid for 37% of our students, maintaining our beautiful 100+ year-old building, and so much more.

GIVING BY CONSTITUENCY



(*monthly donation installments continued throughout FY19)

We're so pleased that our first Day of Giving was able to engage so many from the PCS community. 52 gifts were received during premium hours, when we gave away PCS hats and sunglasses. Thank you to everyone who participated in building an even stronger PCS community!



SAVE THE DATE

We hope you will join us again for our next Day of Giving on November 5, 2019.

"AS AN ALUMNUS, I FEEL AS THOUGH **IT IS MY DUTY TO SUPPORT** MY FELLOW STUDENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS THAT ARE IN THE EXACT SAME POSITION THAT I FOUND MYSELF IN."

—MICHAEL '04, TRUSTEE

"PCS IS THE ONLY SCHOOL I KNOW OF WHERE A CHILD CAN **PURSUE THEIR DREAMS** AND STILL HAVE A PLACE THAT THEY CAN CALL HOME."

—MR. SAGONA, PCS DIRECTOR OF PERFORMING ARTS

"**PCS WAS THERE FOR ME** WHEN I NEEDED IT, AND I AM SO HAPPY TO SUPPORT!"

—ALUMNA '08

"PCS WAS A SOLUTION FOR ME — AND **A HAVEN** FOR MY DAUGHTER."

—PARENT OF AN ALUMNA



CLASS OF 2019 GIFT

This year, Professional Children's School invited parents of seniors to make a special gift in honor of their children's time at PCS.

We're excited to announce that the Class of 2019 Senior Class Gift will be used to create new PCS banners to adorn the front of the school, replacing the old ones which were taken down during last year's window replacement project. The banners will provide a more beautiful exterior and greater visibility for the school, as well as leave a lasting legacy for the Class of 2019!

Special thanks to the 2019 Senior Class Gift co-chairs Amy Crate '89 (Emma) and Raushan Sapor (Aisha and Yerke) for their time and support.

WINTER ONLINE AUCTION

In January, PCS partnered with Charitybuzz and Bidding for Good for a two-week online auction to benefit the Fund for Professional Children’s School. With generous donations from trustees, parents, and alumni, PCS auctioned off several items including fine art pieces, Mets tickets, autographed memorabilia, concert tickets and more.



Artwork donated by Sasha Meyerowitz (left) and Tatjana Krizmanic (right)

WINTER ONLINE AUCTION ITEM DONORS

- Jeffrey Paul Bobrick
- Marian Brown and John Glassie
- Megan Seltz and Ian Brandt
- Mr. and Mrs. Harold Burch
- Christopher and Stephanie Clark
- The Robert J. Fraiman, Jr. & Melanie C. Harris Charitable Fund
- Tatjana Krizmanic and Sasha Meyerowitz
- Isabel Magowan ‘06
- Erica Marks Panush and David Panush

We continue to accept select auction items on a rolling basis. For more information, contact us at advancement@pcs-nyc.org or 212-582-3116 x115.

ENCORE SOCIETY: INVEST IN THE FUTURE OF PCS

For many alumni, families, and friends, PCS has played a significant role in their growth and development. If you would like to ensure that future students and families have the same opportunities, please consider investing in the future of PCS with a gift from your estate.

In 1994, Betty Ivey Martin inspired the creation of the Encore Society, an honorary group formed to recognize those who have included a provision for PCS in their estate plans. Bequest intentions qualify for membership in this esteemed society. If you would like to become a member of the Encore Society by making a gift to secure PCS's future, please contact the Office of Institutional Advancement at 212-582-3116 x.115.

ENCORE SOCIETY MEMBERS

- Anonymous
- James Dawson and
Shaun Mattivi
- Heidi Elizabeth Bishay '81
- Roger Boxill '46*
- Michael '04 and
Jacyn Gleicher
- James He and Wendy Zang
- Aimee Hepting '29*
- Ellen W. Johnston*
- Murray and Terry Kessler
- Nancy Malone '54*
- Betty Ivey Martin*
- Hidegarde H. Preston '42
- Dolores Quinton*
- Lavinia Reese*
- Frank Streeter*
- Henryette Hunt White*

*Deceased



OVATION SOCIETY

To join the Ovation Society, simply make a gift of any amount to PCS for at least three (3) fiscal years in a row. Donors who have already donated consecutively for three or more years are automatically enrolled. To sustain your membership and reach new recognition milestones, make a gift every year.

Qualifying Levels:

3+ Years of Giving

7+ Years of Giving

15+ Years of Giving

Ovation Society members will be recognized in the school's Annual Report on Giving and in other publications, unless requested otherwise. We are deeply grateful for the generous support of each Ovation Society member.

THE OVATION SOCIETY

We are pleased to recognize this year's Ovation Society members, based on giving through the end of our most recently completed fiscal year, June 30, 2019.

15+ Years of Giving

Anonymous
Karen and Gregory Arenson
Anne Ausubel
Jesse Huntley Ausubel
Toni Benjamin '55 and
Edward Benjamin '54
Donald and Susan Brant
Marvelous Brooks
Carol and Stephen Canter
James Dawson & Shaun Mattivi
Lee and Bill Dieck
Kimberley Fiterman-Duepner and
Gregory Duepner
Ernest and Kay Frank
Susan Kander
Carol and John Lane
Jerry O'Connell '91
Erika Petersen and Eric Rosenthal
Harold S. Spitzer
Denise Jackson Sutherland '69
Irene Strom White '64
Mr. and Mrs. Michael Yanowitch

7-14 Years of Giving

Anonymous
Wendy Wisan Baker '53 and
Sydney Baker
Ivana Baltic

Sena K. Baron
Barbara Bemelmans '54
David R. Bixler '71
W. Scott and Wanda Blanchard
Dylan Brenner '12
Paul Chalmers and Ronnie Kauder
Caplan Family Foundation, Inc.
Mr. and Mrs. Julian Christenberry
Andrew Daly '07
Veronica Dawson
DeLaCour Family Foundation
Mariam Dingilian '10
Christine Dziegielewski
Valerie Feigen and Steven Eisman
Mark and Colleen Finks
Patricia Curley Gannon '58 and
Paul Gannon
Dr. Ellen and Mr. Eric Garland
Edwin Gerard '02
Sumner Gerard Foundation
The Peter Glenville Foundation
Francine (Amdur '62) Goldfarb and
Robert Goldfarb
Marni and Stuart Hersch
Sherrie A. Hinkle
Caroline Holder and Dirk DeLaCour
Joan Hollander
Stephanie Hull
Monty Itzen
Lynn Mizzy Jonas '68 and Phil Jonas
Diane and Bill Kenney
Mimi Klein
Pat and Ronnie '55 Lee
John and Victoria Mancuso
JoAnn Mariano
Joan McCulloch
Yaoyong Meng and Jinglin Jin
Joan Milkson '59
John B. Murray and
Elizabeth Heilman Brooke Murray
The Tony Randall Theatrical Fund

Dr. Anthony Reso '49
 Mr. Jeffrey Rosen and
 Dr. Daphne Hsu
 Dr. Robert Mark Savage
 Rima Vargas-Vetter '64 and
 Paul Ukena
 Caswell Weinbren '05

3-6 Years of Giving

Anonymous (2)
 Dr. Richard & Judy Abraham
 Anabel Adams and Scott Craft
 American Express
 Mr. & Mrs. James V. Annarella
 Robert and Diane Barker
 Elana Barry '82
 Janice Bayer
 Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Beckwith
 Bernardo Beloso
 Heidi Elizabeth Bishay '81
 Anne Blackman
 Julie and Christopher Boehning
 Mary Bolotowsky and
 Andrew Bolotowsky '67
 William Brant '06
 Marian Brown and John Glassie
 Dr. James and Patrice Cahill
 Elizabeth Christenberry
 Kristin and John Clark
 Eléonore and Benoit Cohen
 Darrell and Amy Crate '89
 Pierce Cravens '04
 Dr. Daniel Curry &
 Mrs. Rachel Curry '05
 Rachel de la Torre '12
 Mariam Dingilian '10
 Maja and Nicholas DuBrul
 Lynne and Darryl Edelstein
 Laura Ehrlich '15
 Fay and Manuel Fernandez
 Mr. and Mrs. Nigel Ferrey

Chelsea File '11
 Phillip and Mary Foote
 The Robert J. Fraiman, Jr. &
 Melanie C. Harris Charitable Fund
 Navah and Robert Frost
 Alon and Michelle Frumer
 Edwin Gerard '02
 Mr. and Mrs. Bob Giuffra
 Michael '04 and Jacyn Gleicher
 Arnold and Martha Graf
 Greg Gropper '17
 Chris Haley and David Knapp
 Francine Le Roux Haskell
 Jessica Heid '90 and Mark Heid
 Cynthia Herbert
 The Rev. Dr. Olivia P. L. Hilton
 Shari Honig '88
 Lizbeth Johnson
 Fred C. and Marion B. Kneip
 Kelsey Fithian Lamond '02 and
 David Lamond
 JoanMarie Land '92
 Stephanie Lee
 Deborah and Gilbert H. Levine
 Bonnie Trompeter Lowe '61 and
 Norm Lowe
 Stephen and Rebecca Madsen
 Patti Mariano
 Michael and Sarah McGhee '96
 Emma and Ed McLoughlin
 The Nadon Family
 Carol Hertling Nickell and
 Frank T. Nickell
 Ms. Renata Nikolayev
 Carol Petersen Oakes '48
 Janet and David Offensend
 Erica Marks Panush and
 David Panush
 Laura Pearle
 Angela Perozo
 Arlene Tarlow Pierce

Craig & Stefanie Pintoff
 Anne and Jim Pugliese
 Leslie R. and Rita M. Pyenson
 Altagracia Ramos
 Kurt and Stephanie Read
 Maria Buck Retartha and
 Anthony Retartha
 Sandra Rivers
 Jean and Kevin Rodd
 Anastasia and Kevin Rotheroe
 Raushan Sapar
 Jean Scales
 Alan J. Segan
 Tina Shafer/Ari Zizzo
 Robert S. and Donna R. Shafir
 Carrie and Alex Shaurette
 Michael W. Shih '89
 Joy Nathan Stern '56 and Carl Stern
 Julie Stevens '87
 Jeffrey Stone and Gail Weiss
 Leslie Sullivan
 The Torchia Family
 Virginia B. Toulmin Foundation
 Elizabeth Drucker Treadwell '92
 Beatrice Tulchin & Family
 Patricia Van Patten
 Hongmei Weng
 Christina Mularczyk Westafer and
 John Westafer
 Christina and Ned Wood
 Hon. & Mr. Bernard Yatauro
 Mary Ellen Cravens Young '01 and
 Chris Young
 Joan Javits Zeeman
 The Zerivitz Family

GRADUATING CLASS OF 2019



**CONGRATS
CLASS OF 2019!**

- Aishazhan Abuova
- Yerkezhan Abuova
- Annie Louise Baltic
- Celine Bassman
- Andrew Beasley
- Amanda Burch
- Dana Carskadden
- Mahika Chawla
- Qiuwen Chen
- Kate Clark
- Aur lio Cohen
- Emma Crate
- Giulio Cuccagna
- Cormac Cullinane
- Phoebe Damsky
- Ava Desiderio
- Tomas Fernandez
- Aviva Frost
- Elena Ozuna Gormley
- Orli Hersch
- Daeun Hong
- Bo Huang
- Jared Klegar
- Julia Levine
- Annie Levy
- Bairun Liu
- Shen Liu
- Cheng Io Lo
- Darcy McLoughlin
- Atiana Monteiro
- Anna Mor
- Yanna Nikitas
- Madeleine Pintoff
- Greg Ferrey
- Jikun Qin
- Isabelle Raphael
- Lindsay Russell
- Giovanni Keawe Schwab
- Elizabeth Sharp
- Kennedy Sheriff
- Chloe Smith
- Gray Sorrenti
- Gemma Starn
- Brandi Steirn
- Joshua Sussman
- Beatrice Tulchin
- Shelby Tzung
- Yiqiao Wang
- JiaBao Wei
- Ximei Xiao

PCS held it's 103rd Commencement Ceremony on Thursday, June 13, 2019 at Merkin Concert Hall at Kaufman Music Center. The ceremony celebrated academic achievement along with several moving performances and speeches from the graduates. Head of School Dr. James Dawson and Board Chair Dr. Lee Dieck also spoke to the crowd of faculty, staff, administrators, family, and loved ones. We're excited to welcome the Class of 2019 to our growing alumni community.

*PCS Commencement Ceremony
photos by: Filip Wolak*



CLASS OF 2019 COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES

Professional Children's School College Acceptances and Destinations for 50 Seniors

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| American University (2) | Fashion Institute of Technology | Saint John's University |
| University of the Arts, Philadelphia | Fordham University (6) | College of Saint Rose |
| Bard College (4) | George Mason University | Sarah Lawrence College (5) |
| Barnard College (3) | George Washington University | Shepard School of Music (Rice |
| Bates College | Guildhall | University) |
| Berklee College of Music (5) | Hamilton College | Skidmore College (5) |
| Boston College | University of Hartford | University of Southern California (3) |
| Boston Conservatory | Harvard University | Stanford University |
| Boston University (5) | Hollins University | SUNY-Binghamton (3) |
| Bryn Mawr College | Indiana University (2) | SUNY-Brockport |
| Butler University | The Juilliard School (6) | SUNY-Geneseo |
| California Institute of the Arts | Keiser University | SUNY-Purchase (3) |
| University of California - Berkeley | London Academy of Music & | SUNY-Stony Brook |
| University of California - Davis | Dramatic Arts | Stetson University |
| University of California - Irvine (2) | University of Louisville | Temple University |
| University of California - Los | Manhattan School of Music (6) | Texas Christian University |
| Angeles | Mannes School of Music (2) | Tulane University |
| University of California - Riverside | Marymount Manhattan College (2) | University of Utah |
| University of California - San Diego | McGill University | University of Vermont |
| University of California - Santa | University of Miami | Virginia Commonwealth University |
| Barbara | University of Michigan | University of Washington, Seattle |
| Carnegie Mellon University (2) | Michigan State University | Wentworth Institute of Technology |
| Case Western Reserve University (2) | University of Missouri, Kansas City | Whittier College |
| University of Cincinnati (2) | Montclair State University | |
| City University of NY - Baruch | Mount Holyoke College (2) | |
| City University of NY - Brooklyn (2) | Muhlenberg College | |
| City University of NY - City College | New England Conservatory (7) | |
| (3) | The New School for Drama | |
| City University of NY - Hunter (2) | New York University (3) | |
| City University - Lehman | Northeastern University (3) | |
| Clarkson University | Northwestern University | |
| Cleveland Institute of Music (4) | Orange Coast College | |
| Colgate University | Oberlin Conservatory | |
| Colorado State University | Ohio University | |
| Columbia University (4) | Ohio State University | |
| Columbia University/Sciences Po | Pace University (5) | |
| Concordia University | Peabody Institute of Music | |
| Connecticut College | University of Pennsylvania | |
| Cornell University (2) | Pennsylvania State University (2) | |
| University of Delaware | Pratt Institute of Art | |
| University of Denver | Purdue University | |
| Dominican University | Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute | |
| Duke University | Rhode Island School of Design | |
| Eastman School of Music | Rochester Institute of Technology | |
| Elon University (2) | Rollins College | |
| Emory University (2) | Royal Academy of Music | |
| Eugene Lang College | Royal College of Music (2) | |



MIDDLE SCHOOL CLASS OF 2019



PCS EIGHTH GRADE CLASS OF 2019

Emma Beloserkovsky
Josephine Bommer
Chloé Bryan
Mia Clark
Jamilla Dartley
Lucy Everett
Mia Fernandes
Kobi Frumer
Jack Gore
Elijah Horland
Phoebe Johnson
Celina Jones
Dannilynn King
Ingrid Margrethe Larsen
Darby Lee-Stack
Aaron Plous
Jun Shimada
Anjali Turchiano
Sadie Weintraub
Sonzhe (Nemo) Zhang



SPECIAL EVENTS



BOAT CRUISE SEPTEMBER 6, 2018

We kicked off the 2018-2019 school year with our annual Circle Line Boat Cruise on September 6, 2018, where we welcomed the entire PCS community of current students, their families, faculty, and staff. The PCS boat cruise especially gives our new students joining us from out of state or abroad the opportunity to see New York City from a unique vantage point.

Many thanks to our Board of Trustees for generously underwriting the event. This year, their support made it possible for everyone to ride free of charge.





PROFESSIONAL CHILDREN'S SCHOOL SPRING GALA

A RECORD- BREAKING YEAR!

Thanks to our guests and supporters, this year's Spring Gala was our most successful to date! The PCS community's generosity through ticket sales and sponsorships contributed nearly \$250,000 in support of the Financial Aid Fund, which set a new fundraising record for the school. We especially thank the Host Committee and our Honorary Chairs Michele and Tim Barakett. This year, 37% of PCS students received financial aid enabling them to attend.

This year's Spring Gala was held at The Edison Ballroom in midtown Manhattan on Monday, April 29, 2019. The evening featured presentations of the PCS Legacy Award to Jack Antonoff '02, Anne Ausubel and Tanya Rivero Warren (née Gingerich) '89. Guests also enjoyed a moving student performance piece, *A Place for Us*, which portrayed the history of PCS through spoken word and music. This piece was directed by Vincent Sagona, with musical direction by Luke McGinnis.

Spring Gala Photos by: Matthew Sussman

Honorary Chairs Michele and Tim Barakett **Host Committee** Jesse Huntley Ausubel, Michele and Tim Barakett, Donald and Susan Brant, Kristin and John Clark, Darrell and Amy Crate '89, Lee and Bill Dieck, Drs. Jason and Darice Fadeyi, Kimberley Fiterman-Duepner and Gregory Duepner, The Robert J. Fraiman, Jr. & Melanie C. Harris Charitable Fund, Ernest and Kay Frank, Michael '04 and Jacyn Gleicher, Diane and Bill Kenney, John B. Murray and Elizabeth Heilman Brooke Murray, Heidi Nitze, Astrid and Cristian SabellaRosa, Sally Shreeves and Norm Champ



Top: (left to right) Head of School James Dawson with honoree Jack Antonoff '02, Middle: (left to right) Richard and Marie Merullo and Jesse Ausubel, Bottom: (left to right) Jason and Darice Fadeyi.



This page: (top) Christian Fadeyi '20 at the piano with Mary Stewart Sullivan '20, Patrice Cahill '20, Chloé Bryan '23 and Darby Lee-Stack '23, honorees (bottom left) Anne Ausubel and (bottom right) Tanya Rivero Warren (née Gingerich) '89.

Opposite Page: (clockwise left to right) Musical Director Luke McGinnis at the piano with Cormac Cullinane, Michele Barakett with Lee Dieck and Amy Crate, Bill and Cortney Villafranco, Emily Morris, and Michael Gleicher, and Julian SabellaRosa '20.



SAVE THE DATE!

APRIL 27, 2020

Next year's Spring Gala will be held on Monday, April 27, 2020, at which we will celebrate Dr. James Dawson's 25th Anniversary as Head of School.





ALUMNI CORNER

**FROM THE ALUMNI LIAISON
DANIA NAUHOLNYK**

As we continue to educate some of the most talented and creative students of this generation, we must acknowledge the participation of our alumni community. More than ever, we look to you to lead by example through your careers, your accomplishments, your deeds, and your involvement not only in our community but in the larger community as a whole. Our students look to you for guidance and are empowered by your stories. In fact, you inspire them to believe in themselves and to believe that anything is possible. And, that is why it was encouraging to see greater involvement on the part of our alumni community this past year.

I personally am grateful for your generosity and for your willingness to give. You lead by giving back to the school financially to ensure that we are strong moving forward and that our students have the same or even more opportunities than you did while attending Professional Children's School. Your gifts have been the most effective and meaningful ways to support students following in your footsteps, devoting their own resources and hard work to realize their dreams to become competitive athletes, successful actors, accomplished musicians, and scholars in a variety of fields.

I'm often told by our alumni that we played a large part in their positive growth as students, as human beings and as professionals and

SAVE THE DATE DECEMBER 17, 2019

Join us for our 3rd annual Alumni Holiday Gathering at PCS. Stop by this multi-generational party to catch up with friends and fellow classmates. Everyone is welcome to spread the holiday cheer!



without the flexibility and sense of community which we offer, they would not have been able to pursue their passions and dreams. For many, Professional Children's School has served as a springboard to success. Therefore, we encourage all of you to take a moment to donate even a small amount each year to our Alumni Financial Aid Fund. It's never too late (or too early) to give back to the PCS community. No gift is too small to have an impact on a student's future. Giving back means that you have a deep sense of caring for the school you attended, for the teachers who guided you, and for the children who bring us joy each and every day.

We hope that you'll visit us in the coming years or attend one of our special events to reconnect with this special place. I wish to thank our alumni who have served on the Alumni Association Council and on our Board of Trustees. Your involvement has been pivotal to create change and I look forward to working with you during our next school year. It is a selfless way to give back and your commitment is so appreciated.

Respectfully,

Dania Nauholnyk

Dania Nauholnyk

Dean of Middle School Life

Alumni Liaison

THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION COUNCIL

The Alumni Association Council represents the School's Alumni Association, of which every individual who has attended PCS is a member. The mission of the Alumni Association Council is to enhance and advance the relationship between the School and all of its alumni through meaningful engagement, networking, volunteer involvement, and philanthropic commitment.

MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

Justin Abrams '09
Hannah Bomze '07
Mary Ellen Cravens '01
Pierce Cravens '04
Rachel Curry '05
Nilah "Peaches" Davis '85
Jaime Gleicher '03
Clementine Goutal '08
Victoria Grempele '12
Micki Jacobs '85
Ava Conoval Popovich '99
Julie Stevens '87

NAMED & RESTRICTED FUNDS

THE BOB AVIAN SCHOLARSHIP (ESTABLISHED IN 1997)

Sir Cameron Mackintosh established this endowed scholarship fund to honor his friend and colleague, producer/choreographer Bob Avian. The scholarship is awarded to a PCS student with an interest in the field of dance and is based on academic and artistic merit.

CENTENNIAL FUND FOR THE FUTURE (ESTABLISHED IN 2012)

The Centennial Fund for the Future was created by the PCS Board of Trustees to raise funds toward paying off the School's IDA Bond.

THE DANI BRENNER '96 DARE TO DREAM FUND (ESTABLISHED IN 2010)

The Dani Brenner Award, supported principally through the generosity of the Brenner family, is given annually in memory of PCS student Dani Brenner (1978-1995) to a member of the junior class for excellence in creative and expository writing.

THE GLADYS BROOKS FOUNDATION ENDOWMENT GRANT FOR THE LIBRARY (ESTABLISHED IN 1997)

This endowed fund supports the technological components of the PCS Library, allowing students access to the wide range of modern research resources.

THE DR. JAMES DAWSON FUND FOR BROADWAY SCHOLARS (ESTABLISHED IN 2014)

The Dr. James Dawson Fund for Broadway Scholars was created in honor and recognition of Dr. Dawson's twentieth anniversary as Head of School. The Fund will provide tuition assistance to students from the Broadway community who, without additional support, would be unable to afford a PCS education.

THE EDWARD E. FORD FOUNDATION YOUNG DREAMERS FUND (ESTABLISHED IN 2008) AND THE EDWARD E. FORD FOUNDATION ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP FUND (ESTABLISHED 1973, ADDITIONAL GRANT IN 1990)

These endowed funds provide tuition assistance for outstanding students in good standing with financial need.

FACULTY SALARY ENDOWMENT (ESTABLISHED WITH AN EDWARD E. FORD FOUNDATION GRANT IN 1981)

This endowed fund supplements faculty salaries, helping to keep them competitive with other independent schools. It allows the school to keep tuition at a reasonable rate while continuing to maintain an excellent professional staff.

FACULTY ENRICHMENT FUND (ESTABLISHED WITH AN EDWARD E. FORD FOUNDATION GRANT IN 1987)

This fund provides grants for faculty members to attend special workshops, seminars, and embark on special projects of their own design in order to further professional and personal growth.

FACULTY-STAFF TRAVEL GRANT FUND (ESTABLISHED IN 2001)

Two grants annually are awarded to members of the full-time faculty and/or staff who have been continuously employed at PCS for a minimum of four years. Grants can be used for any purpose involving travel within the United States and/or international destinations. The grant program is designed to support travel to fulfill a personal or professional goal, and recipients are selected at the discretion of the Head of School.

PETER GLENVILLE THEATRE FUND (ESTABLISHED IN 2003)

Established by a generous grant by the Peter Glenville Foundation, this fund provides ongoing operating support for PCS's Peter Glenville Theatre.

THE JACKSON FAMILY FUND FOR STUDENT SUPPORT (ESTABLISHED IN 2006)

This fund was created by PCS alumna and past Chairman Denise Jackson Sutherland '69, in memory of her parents Audrey Keppel Jackson '39 and John Henry Jackson '35. The fund supports student needs not covered by tuition assistance. Income from the fund provides for the purchase of books, transportation to and from school, eyeglasses, class trips, and other expenses beyond the reach of students with financial need.

THE CAROL KLEBAN FINANCIAL AID FUND (ESTABLISHED IN 2013)

This fund was initially created in 2013 in honor of Carol Kleban's retirement from her position as Associate Head of School. Upon Ms. Kleban's untimely passing in June 2015, the Fund was rededicated to commemorate her life and career in recognition of her more than three decades of service to the PCS community.

THE NANCY MALONE '54 SCHOLARSHIP FUND (ESTABLISHED IN 2013)

Established by alumna Nancy Malone to provide scholarship support to PCS students working in the dramatic arts.

THE ROBERT J. MARIANO '61 MEMORIAL FUND (ESTABLISHED IN 2003)

Robert Mariano was the director of the first "All of Us" musical in 1960, with fellow students Marvin Hamlisch, Leslie Uggams, Christopher and Glen Walken and Lorin Hollander. The show evolved over the years into the annual Spring Benefit. In 2003, his many classmates and friends established this memorial fund to help support the building and operation of the Peter Glenville Theatre at PCS.

THE READERS DIGEST-DEWITT WALLACE ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIPS (ESTABLISHED IN 1992)

This fund provides tuition assistance for students with financial need.

THE LAVINIA REESE FUND (ESTABLISHED IN 2009)

An endowed fund providing need-based tuition assistance for PCS's African-American students was established with a bequest in December 2009 from Lavinia Reese. Ms. Reese was an employee of the School for more than 34 years until her retirement as business manager in November 2005.

THE SAPAR CONTEMPORARY ART SCHOLARSHIP (ESTABLISHED IN 2015)

The SAPAR Contemporary Art Scholarship was established to provide tuition support to a talented visual art student(s) who could not otherwise afford a PCS education.

SECOND CENTURY STEM INITIATIVE FUND (ESTABLISHED IN 2014)

The Second Century STEM Initiative Fund was created to strengthen and deepen PCS's academic offerings in the areas of science, math, and technology in ways that benefit all students regardless of their possible careers.

VIRGINIA B. TOULMIN SCHOLARSHIP FUND (ESTABLISHED IN 2016)

The Virginia B. Toulmin Scholarship Fund was established through the generosity of the Virginia B. Toulmin Foundation to create the Toulmin Scholars Program, which provides annual financial aid awards to two female students in the performing arts, who otherwise would be unable to afford a PCS education.

We are grateful to the many alumni, friends, parents, faculty and staff who have made gifts to support our community over the years. Additional gifts to any of these funds are especially welcomed as we work to advance the mission of PCS. If you would like to explore creation of a new named fund, the Office of Institutional Advancement would be delighted to work with you.

FACULTY AND STAFF

2018-2019

Will Acevedo, Plant Manager
 Debra Alago*, Food Services Manager
 Evelyn Alexander, Science Teacher
 Bernardo Beloso*, Custodian
 Ernestine Byer-Tyre, Biology and Chemistry Teacher
 Kevin Casey, Physical Education Teacher
 Maureen Darcy, World Languages
 James Dawson, Head of School
 Christine Dziegielewski, Receptionist
 Loryn Evanoff#, Head of Upper School
 Sean Fedeli, Middle School Social Studies Teacher
 Luz Fernandez, Custodian and Food Services
 Ericka Fur+, Learning Specialist
 Ruben González-Jiménez, Spanish Teacher
 Catherine Guillet+, French Teacher
 Chris Haley, Director of Institutional Advancement
 Dalila Hannouche*, French Teacher
 Ana Henao#*, Custodian and Food Services
 Catherine Henry, Social Studies and History Teacher
 William F. Hirt, History Teacher and College Advisor
 Caroline Holder, Art Teacher
 Shari Honig, Director of Admissions
 Laura Inman#, Music Teacher
 Rocio Izurieta, Custodian
 Lisandro Jaquez^, Custodian
 Lizbeth Johnson, Director of Technology
 Paul Q. Kane^, Director of Finance
 Nicholas Kurian, Math and History Teacher
 Jeffrey Laguzza, English and Social Studies Teacher
 Brigid Le Minez^, French Teacher
 Victoria Mancuso*, Business Manager
 Raquel Martinez, Director of Human
 Resources & Controller

Joe Mayes, Flik Food Services
 AJ McGuire#, Technology Integration Support Specialist
 Kendall Mitchell+, Math Teacher
 Jamie Muniz^, Sous Chef, Flik Food Services
 Sarah Murphy#, Librarian and Middle School English
 Dania Nauholnyk, Dean of Middle School Life &
 Alumni Liaison
 Renata Nikolayev, ESL
 Thomas Orefice, English Teacher
 Ayana Peña, Assistant to the Associate Head &
 Head of Upper School
 Angela Perozo, Accounts Payable Coordinator
 and Registrar
 Erika Petersen, History Teacher
 Guthrie Porter, Math Teacher
 Altagracia Ramos, Custodian
 Kevin Rodd, Science Teacher
 Antonio Rodriguez, Security
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