

Thank you.

In the past year, when so much has challenged us, we have found our footing by focusing on the needs of our students. Through your generosity, 186 students were supported by the Fund for Professional Children's School. More than \$1.2 million was awarded in financial aid. And 50 faculty and staff were able to continue their vital work. So to each of you who contributed this year: thank you.



A warm welcome from the Office of Institutional Advancement

We wanted to take a moment to share with you more about the work of the Advancement Office.

Our goal is to strengthen and advance the mission of Professional Children's School, primarily through raising philanthropic support for the school.

As a private, not-for-profit school, tuition covers most of the cost of a PCS education, but it doesn't provide for the full cost. Additionally, the need for financial aid continues to increase. In the coming 2020-2021 academic year, 45% of PCS students are receiving need-based financial aid to attend PCS.

Each year, hundreds of caring members of our community contribute unrestricted gifts through the Fund for Professional Children's School, gifts to our Financial Aid Fund and other special funds for financial aid, contributions toward other special initiatives, and underwriting for and attendance at the Spring Gala. Unrestricted gifts go toward meeting PCS's most pressing immediate needs.

Our office works with current parents, grandparents, trustees, along with alumni and alumni parents and grandparents, and others in the PCS community, to raise the remaining costs to make a PCS education possible for more students.

In this year's Annual Report on Giving, we are pleased to honor Dr. James Dawson's 25th year as Head of School. Dr. Dawson's impact on PCS is truly immeasurable. We congratulate him on this remarkable milestone and we look forward to seeing the school continue to flourish under his leadership.



We are grateful that you are a part of the PCS family, and we hope to see you in the coming year. Thank you for your generous support of PCS! Your support means more to our students and families than ever before.

Sincerely,


Chris Haley
Director of Institutional Advancement


Noël Soisson
Institutional Advancement Associate

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—JAMES DAWSON

From the Head of School

It's never meant to be easy to encapsulate 25 years of anything in a few words; there's so much to pull from, so many memories to recover, so many people and lives and moments and highlights to pull back out from the recesses of one's mind, so many engrams of memory and emotion that propel one back and prompt one to relive and to re-feel and to refresh the sense of belonging that, above all else, the exercise itself reminds one that that rush of feelings and that rush of emotions are, in and of themselves, a marker of the sheer magnitude of time and experience that defines a quarter century of doing anything, anywhere.

I remember how I felt on July 1, 1995 when I began my first day as Head of School at Professional Children's School; it was a very quiet day, mostly consumed by saying hello to the staff that I would come to know and cherish, getting the lay of the land, beginning the process of making an empty space into one's own office, figuring out the how's and the whys of operations that preceded my arrival, only later to realize that some of those operations would change to reflect an era that I could never imagine that I would lead and set.

I remember the trepidation of a thirty-something new head of a school as I took on the mantle of leadership for an institution that was facing considerable challenges at the time; I remember losing two close friends to the scourge of AIDS shortly before I came to PCS as it was only around that time, in the mid-90's, that protease inhibitors came along and gave promise to the ill and to the uncertain. I remember the huge challenges that were set out before me: to propel PCS forward, to bring more



and stronger students to the school, to raise our academic profile, to elevate our fundraising beyond perfunctory, and to work to improve the physical plant. The list seemed endless and a bit daunting. But it was always, from that first day onward, about promise, and it was always and remains to be about one central idea that has sustained me these many years and which still fills me with an unlimited sense of possibility.

If I had to find that one word that captures what my time at PCS has been all about and which remains the central theme of my work here, it has always been the same as it remains now. That word, that sentiment, that driving force has been and will always be hope.

During that first fall of '95 and in the 25 years since, I have had the most cherished privilege of meeting, working with, engaging with, being elevated by, and being touched by the simply most remarkable and extraordinary young people that I can imagine. Gifted dancers, musicians, artists, writers, models, athletes, entrepreneurs, influencers, pop stars and movie stars, special effect mavens and those who march to their

own beat. I've been so incredibly moved by what the young people entrusted to us can do, by what they have done, and by what they will do. I've been graced to keep in touch with so many of them, been called an honorary dad and older brother by scores of them, which so touches my heart; I've been present through the deeply personal journeys for numerous young people challenged by their own life stories, sometimes so driven by conflict and limitations. I remember the everlasting sentiments of those whose lives seemed so devoid of possibility and hope and who somehow envisioned that PCS or those of us who work here changed them for the better through our presence. Many, many years ago, a young man whose father walked out on him as a child wrote to me, "Dr. Dawson, you are for me like the absent father that I never had who has taught me the true meaning of love".

Wow, can any job, any work, any place be so powerful a reminder of how much we can touch others and an even stronger reminder about how much their lives can touch ours?

Countless stories, countless and abundant connections, countless ongoing examples of achievement and promise and happiness.

We've come far in these twenty-five years. During my time at PCS we've raised well over 45 million dollars; we've improved our academics; we remade our building,



expanding it by over 50% and added new spaces such as the Peter Glenville Theatre and the gym, with new labs and new classrooms, advanced technology, and wonderful new windows. We've grown and nurtured (and are forever grateful for) an extraordinary group of faculty and staff. Our endowment and reserves have grown dramatically. Our standing as a school has risen mightily. I've served as President of the Board of Directors of the Guild of Independent Schools of NYC and as President of the Board of Trustees of the New York State Association of Independent Schools; I've been on several school Boards as well as those of national organizations and chaired numerous accreditations visits; I've watched this tiny gem become like a brilliant diamond of light and life. I've had the pleasure of working with a series of superb Chairs and Boards of Trustees; whose generosity and support sustain me and sustain the school.

I'm also well aware and truly blessed to have been here to steward us through a quarter century of ups and downs economically, socially and globally. We've known the scourge of disease and hunger and wars but we've also known the wonder of scientific breakthroughs,

of immeasurable acts of kindness, and the recently blossoming desire to strive to push back against social inequity and systemic racism. I'm extraordinarily blessed to have been here through all of that and more, to have worked with so many remarkable professionals, to have been the grateful recipient of the financial gifts of our many supporters, including all of you listed herein and more. Through it all, I could feel the love, and this past spring, even if we could not hold our so carefully planned Gala meant to honor my 25 years of service, not to worry as I do feel honored, and I am deeply grateful, and I do feel the support, and I am touched by the gestures and the affirmation of this beloved community. Clearly, our journey is not complete. In the midst of a global pandemic, PCS is again confronted by a new set of challenges. I recognize that there is still much to do. Our work continues. But, behind all of that, my greatest gift is, without question, the joy and the privilege of working with and getting to know the young people entrusted to us here at PCS. They are the core and most cherished gift of my service and my time and they are the basis for my

optimism. They elevate me, they move me, they inspire me, they are my heroes, my unbridled solution to the dilemmas coming at us in an uncertain future. They touch all of us, with their minds and their talents and their humanity. They represent a world out there that shines like a light leading us forward and their light gives life to all of us.

I have said it before and I will say it again and again. What have these 25 years left me feeling? What is my takeaway after a quarter of a century at the helm of this remarkable institution called PCS? What drives me forward more than anything else, even in the midst of this particularly challenging time? It's always been the same.

I still believe in that place called hope.

Sincerely,

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

James Dawson

From the Chair of the Board

Professional Children's School is an institution like no other. Our mission, providing a rigorous, high quality education while supporting our students in their various professional endeavors, sets us apart from other independent schools. But the truth is, if you speak to anyone who has attended PCS you overwhelmingly hear about the strength of our community and the culture of the school.

Our dedicated faculty and staff understand the challenges our students face as they pursue careers in their chosen field, and work tirelessly with them to prepare for their future educational endeavors.

It is their hard work and dedication in a culture of collaboration and acceptance of all that help make PCS such a special place. I understand this dynamic first hand, having graduated from PCS in 1991.

When we speak about the strength of our community, we recognize how we have been tested since we were forced to move to remote learning in March due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The precious time teachers and students had face-to-face, the warm smile from a teacher

who knows if a student is struggling, the outstretched hand of a student helping out another student; these are opportunities and moments that we miss dearly. But the faculty and staff have worked day and night to ensure that our remote learning program lives up to our very high standards, but also to extend the safe, warm, protected culture that is PCS to our student's homes.

This past April at our annual Spring Gala we would have celebrated the 25th anniversary at PCS of our Head of School, James Dawson. I had already been working on my speech commending and appreciating Dr. Dawson on this milestone and properly thanking him for his leadership and dedication to PCS. I'm saving that speech and am determined to deliver it in person in a room filled with Dr. Dawson's colleagues, students, former students, Trustees, friends and so many others who have been touched by his kind, intelligent and thoughtful nature.

Dr. Dawson's leadership and accomplishments during the last 25 years are extraordinary and he has



propelled us forward academically, financially and socially in ways too far and wide to describe in this short letter. Please join me and the Trustees in thanking James Dawson for his leadership, and especially for his steady hand during this unprecedented crisis.

We look back on the last year and it's hard to think of anything other than the COVID-19 pandemic. But when I look back on the last year, I think about the incredible task that we laid at the feet of our teachers and the staff of PCS. I think about how fortunate PCS is to have an experienced leader in Dr. Dawson during such a difficult time. We're proud that

the financial standing of the school is strong and we are incredibly grateful to each of you who supports PCS. Your steadfast commitment enables Professional Children's School to fulfill its unique educational mission and plan for the next generation of talented students who will come through our doors.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'MH', with a horizontal line extending to the right.

Melanie Harris '91

Philanthropic Support

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

GIVING TO PCS BY CONSTITUENCIES*

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.

Impact by the Numbers

186

students served through
the Fund for Professional
Children's School

72

students received financial
aid through PCS's various
donor-supported funds

\$1,201,574

AWARDED THROUGH THE PCS FINANCIAL AID FUND

\$100,000

awarded through the Virginia
B. Toulmin Scholarship Fund

\$75,400

awarded through the Nancy
Malone '54 Scholarship Fund

\$95,000

awarded through the Dr.
James Dawson Fund for
Financial Aid

\$46,700

awarded through the SAPAR
Contemporary Scholarship
Fund

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makes all of this possible!

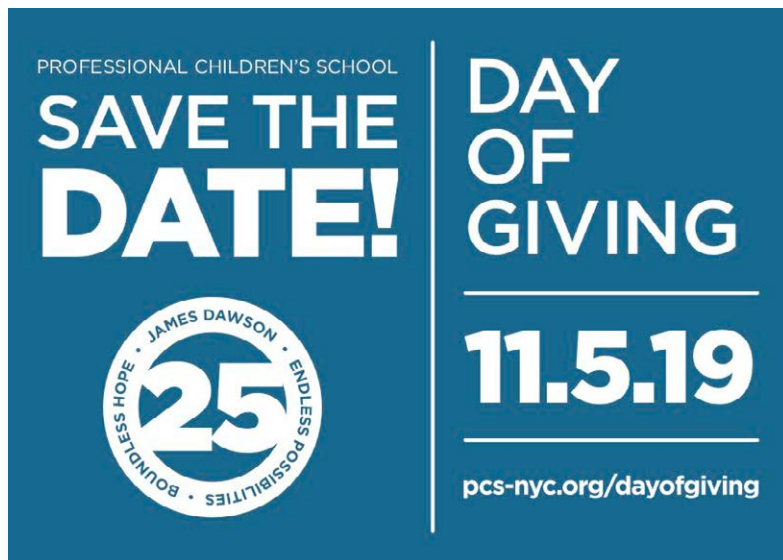
Impact of Donor Support

PCS DAY OF GIVING A GREAT SUCCESS

Thanks to your support, the 2019 Day of Giving was a great success! This year the PCS community exceeded our \$125,000 goal, in honor of Dr. James Dawson's 25 years as Head of School, raising \$177,670, a full 42% above the goal!

Day of Giving donations support the Fund for Professional Children's School, which provides for every aspect of the operation of our school, including financial aid for 39% of our students, maintaining our beautiful building, and so much more. We simply could not do all of this without you. Your donations will build an even stronger PCS community.

A very special thank you to the PCS Board of Trustees for collectively offering a generous matching gift, which served as a powerful catalyst for the Day of Giving.



OF THIS YEAR'S 160 SUPPORTERS:

45%

are alumni and
alumni parents

11%

are PCS
Trustees

30%

are current
parents

33%

are PCS
employees

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

MATCHING GIFT CHALLENGE PROVIDED BY THE VIRGINIA B. TOULMIN FOUNDATION

During the second semester, as so many within our community began experiencing financial difficulties as a result of the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, The Virginia B. Toulmin Foundation provided PCS with a generous matching gift challenge to inspire others to support our current and prospective students during this critical time. The Toulmin Foundation generously matched every dollar contributed to The Dr. James Dawson Fund for Financial Aid up to a total of \$50,000. The Toulmin Foundation's efforts helped PCS to raise an extra \$147,000 for the Dawson Fund before the end of the fiscal year, which ended on June 30, 2020. We are ever grateful for the Virginia B. Toulmin Foundation's extraordinary generosity and kindness during a truly challenging time for the school, our students, and their families.



THE DAWSON FUND HAS PROVIDED NEARLY \$500,000 IN SUPPORT TO 19 STUDENTS

In 1914 when Professional Children's School was founded, schools in New York were either unwilling or unable to accommodate the schedules of school-aged children working on the stage, in spite of a large number of children employed in the theatre industry in New York or on the road. Many working children chose to skip or even quit school in order to continue practicing their craft. PCS was founded specifically to serve New York's professional children.

Our mission to educate students pursuing a variety of extracurricular endeavors has remained constant. However, as tuition has risen and as Broadway contracts for minors have shortened, PCS has served ever fewer students from the Broadway community. In 2014, as PCS celebrated both the school's centennial and Dr. James Dawson's 20th year as Head of School, Dr. Dawson requested that gifts contributed in recognition of both milestones be directed to a new fund whose goal was to help make PCS more affordable for students working in theatre and in the arts, and particularly to attract more students from the Broadway community.

Thanks to the very generous support of our donors, the Dr. James Dawson Fund for Financial Aid has now awarded more than \$475,500, enabling 19 PCS students to pursue their dreams without sacrificing their education. During this time, Dawson scholars have graced the Broadway stage, in productions including *Frozen*, *Finding Neverland*, *Once on this Island*, *Matilda*, *Mary Poppins*, *Kinky Boots*, and *School of Rock*. It has also supported students in television and film.



This year as we celebrate Dr. Dawson's 25th year as Head of School, Dr. Dawson has asked the PCS community to help replenish this important fund and to officially broaden its purpose so as to include a wider spectrum of students with financial needs. This year's Spring Gala benefited The Dr. James Dawson Fund for Financial Aid. The entire PCS community was invited to make a special gift to the Dawson Fund and, in doing so, help the school continue to support the remarkable young people entrusted to our care. If you would like to support the Dawson Fund, please [click here](#) to make a special donation today, and select "Dawson Fund" to designate your gift.

Celebrating James Dawson's 25 Years

AN ABBREVIATED TIMELINE

1982: Received his Ph.D. from the State University of New York at Albany where he also served on the faculty.

1988-1995: Served as Head of the Upper School at The Spence School.



1995: Appointed Head of School of Professional Children's School. (*Dr. Dawson is shown above with the leadership team from his first year.*)

2001: Instituted a Travel Grant for two members of our faculty and staff each year to support personal or professional development through travel experiences.

2003-2005: Elected President of the Guild of Independent Schools of New York City.

2004: PCS completed a \$13.6-million renovation and expansion, which expanded the school building's usable space by 50%. The work, by Steven Harris Architects, added classrooms and office space, a new cafeteria, the Peter Glenville Theatre, and a gymnasium on a new 8th floor.

2010-2013: Significantly increased faculty and staff salaries over a period of three years, bringing them in line with peer independent schools.

Happy 25th, Dr. Dawson!

—MARILOU AND MARK HAMILL
PARENTS OF CHELSEA '07

Congratulations to James on his 25th year as Head of School and kudos to the Trustees for their matching gift.

—KIMBERLEY FITERMAN-DUEPNER
PAST TRUSTEE AND
PARENT OF EDIE '10 AND MATTHEW '14

Congratulations, Jim!

—BERNARD AND DIANE YATAURO
PARENTS OF NOELLE '13

We're still your biggest fans!

—SUSAN KANDER AND WARREN ASHWORTH
PAST TRUSTEE AND PARENTS OF JACOB '06

2013-2018: Elected to the Board of Trustees of the New York State Association of Independent Schools (NYSAIS) in 2013, on which he currently serves as Past President, after fulfilling a term as President from 2016-2018, and as Vice President from 2015-2016; he was also elected to the NYSAIS Health Insurance Program Advisory Council, the governing body of the NYSAIS Health Consortium, in January 2014.

2014: In conjunction with the school's 100th anniversary, Dr. Dawson and his Advancement team raised more than \$500,000 toward The Dr. James Dawson Fund for Broadway Scholars, which was established that year in his name. He also helped to raise another \$900,000+ in support of the school's Centennial Fund.

2017: Worked with the Board of Trustees to approve a school Diversity Statement.



2018: Replaced all of the school's windows, many of which were more than 100 years old.

2019-2020: Celebrated his 25th year as Professional Children's School's Head of School. In lieu of holding an in-person event due to the COVID-19 outbreak, donors contributed an additional \$415,000 for the Dawson Fund, which was renamed The Dr. Dawson Fund for Financial Aid to more accurately reflect the breadth of professions of our current students.

With wonderful
memories of my 12
years at PCS

—JOY NATHAN STERN '56

Congrats Dr. Dawson
for 25 years!

—WILLIAM BRANT '06

Dr. Dawson saved my
son Ari's life... We are
so happy with PCS
and he thrived there!

—TINA SHAFER
PARENT OF ARI '14

On behalf of
Surya Garg '17
who absolutely
loved PCS.

—RAJ AND MADHU GARG

“Whether it is leading our community through every iteration of challenge and triumph or connecting in conversation one-on-one in his office, James activates a remarkable alchemy in each human connection by recognizing the positive potential in all. We are so grateful for you, James.”

—RENATA NIKOLAYEV
ESL AND ENGLISH TEACHER

Giving at Professional Children's School

PHILANTHROPY AT PCS TRULY TAKES A VILLAGE. We are grateful for the many parents, grandparents, guardians, alumni, trustees, foundations, faculty, staff, and friends who make charitable donations to PCS each year. Thank you for your generous support of our students and faculty. Professional Children's School strives to keep tuition as affordable as possible while continuing to provide an excellent academic program. Money raised through our various donor-supported funds — both restricted and unrestricted — helps to bridge the gap between tuition income and the cost of a PCS education.

Total Giving to Professional Children's School Contributed between July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020

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 Marat Mamin '10
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In compiling our lists of contributors, we have attempted to be as accurate as possible. If your name has been omitted or listed incorrectly, please let us know and accept our very sincere apologies.

The 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.

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, 2020.

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Encore Society

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.

THE PCS ENCORE SOCIETY

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.

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James He and Wendy Zang

Aimee Hepting '29*

Ellen W. Johnston*

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Nancy Malone '54*

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Hidegarde H. Preston '42

Dolores Quinton*

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Frank Streeter*

Henryette Hunt White*



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Class of 2020



PCS GRADUATING CLASS OF 2020

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Spencer Daniel Arjang
Sophia Barakett
Belinda Becker-Jacob
Caroline Lily Cahill
Patrice Ann Cahill
Rebecca Casel
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Talia Clark
Elias Coerver
Gabrielle DuBrul
John Duggan
Hannah Eng
Christian Fadeyi
Brandon Khalil Foster-Bagley
Litha Angeliki Foster
Sophia Freed
Kira Ellison Friedland
Oona Gladding
Phoebe Violet Golfinos
Annabel Graham
Bella Gratale
Kathryn Ann Hall

William Homel
Brooks Landegger
Yihang Li
Sophia Lillis
Devin Lyon
Samuel McCarthy
Xin Quan
Rocco Ranalli
Ian Dalton Rotheroe
Ella Rubin
Julian Luca SabellaRosa
Lindsay Sterne
Lena-Marie Alicia Stöger-DeMayo
Mary Stewart Sullivan
Adrian Trachsel
Xiyang Peggy Wang
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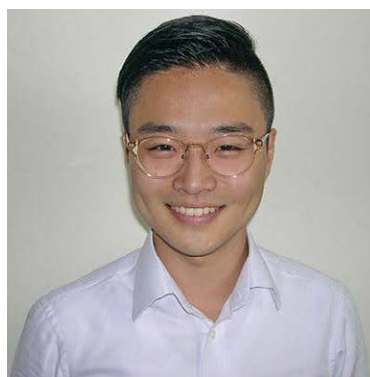
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 Sarah Lawrence College
 Savannah College of Art & Design (2)
 Skidmore College
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 Southern Methodist University (2)
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(List completed as of June 2, 2020)

Digital Learning and Programming



PCS PRESENTS KICKS OFF

The Alumni Association Council hosted the inaugural event for the new digital series, PCS Presents. A panel of alumni were moderated by Alumni Association Council President Victoria Gempel '12 as they discussed “Life After PCS” via a Zoom webinar. The evening covered how a PCS education prepared the group for their current careers, which have changed since they were young professionals.

This new series promises to engage and educate our PCS community with more webinars, master classes, and interviews. Stay tuned for more programming details this fall!

PANELISTS

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Maddy Brout '12 - Rock bassist turned UCLA law student

Maiko Kitaoka '12 - American Ballet Theater JKO student turned scientist

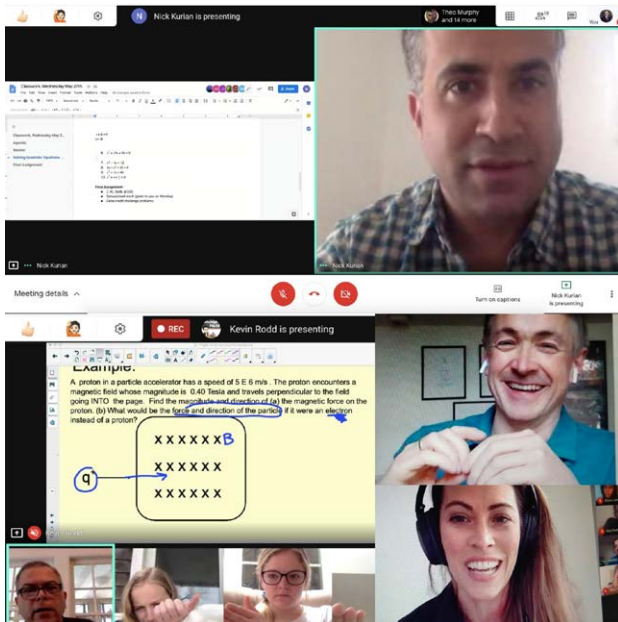
Min Yeo '10 - Juilliard Pre-College violinist turned Harvard-educated landscape urbanist

Moderated by **Victoria Gempel '12**, Public Affairs Coordinator for The Juilliard School and President of the Professional Children's School Alumni Association Council.

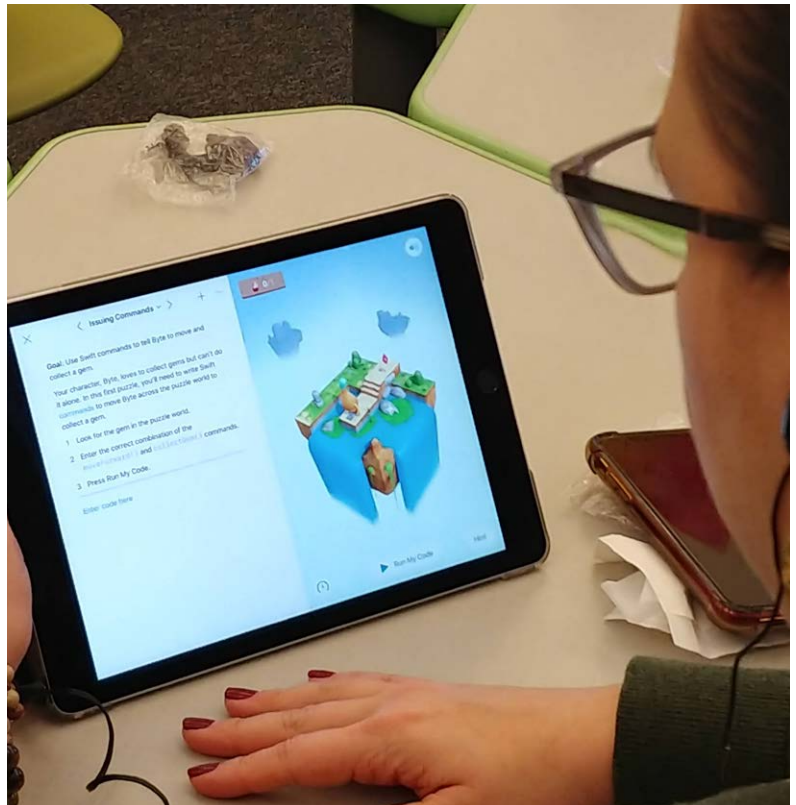
DIGITAL LEARNING AND CLUBS

From March 30th, PCS students have been learning remotely with online classes and one-on-one video meetings with their teachers and advisors.

While we have been physically away from the school building, in addition to classes, we continued to hold various group meetings including the weekly Upper School Community Meeting, Middle School advisory meetings, weekly Middle School lunches, and even a Middle School dance. Our after school clubs —



the Upper School Student Association, Gay-Straight Alliance and our literary arts magazine, Against The Current — have also continued their meetings online to engage in their existing work and plan for the future. Summer Academy courses also continued digitally. We are encouraged that the PCS community has remained closely connected with each other during the last several weeks of the semester.



Special Events

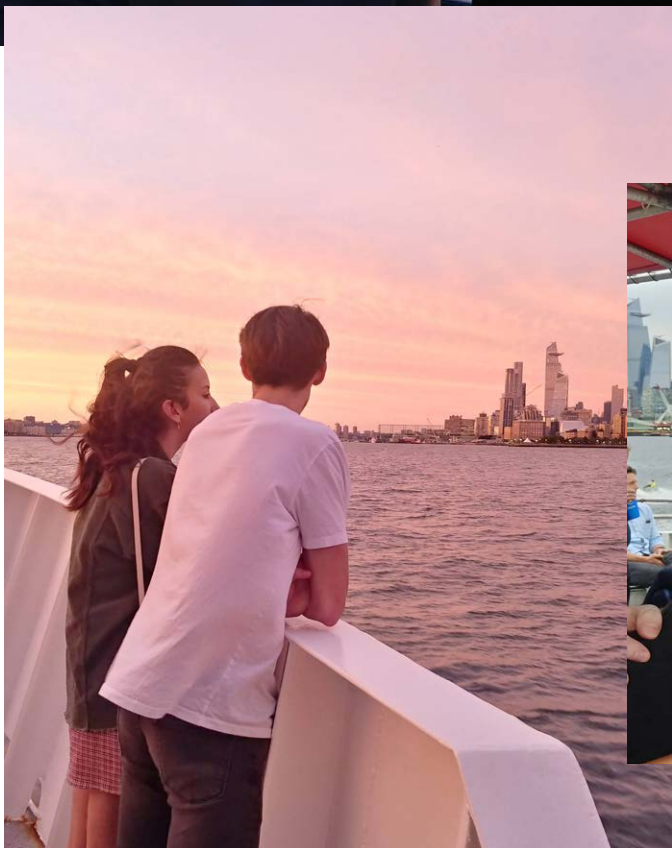
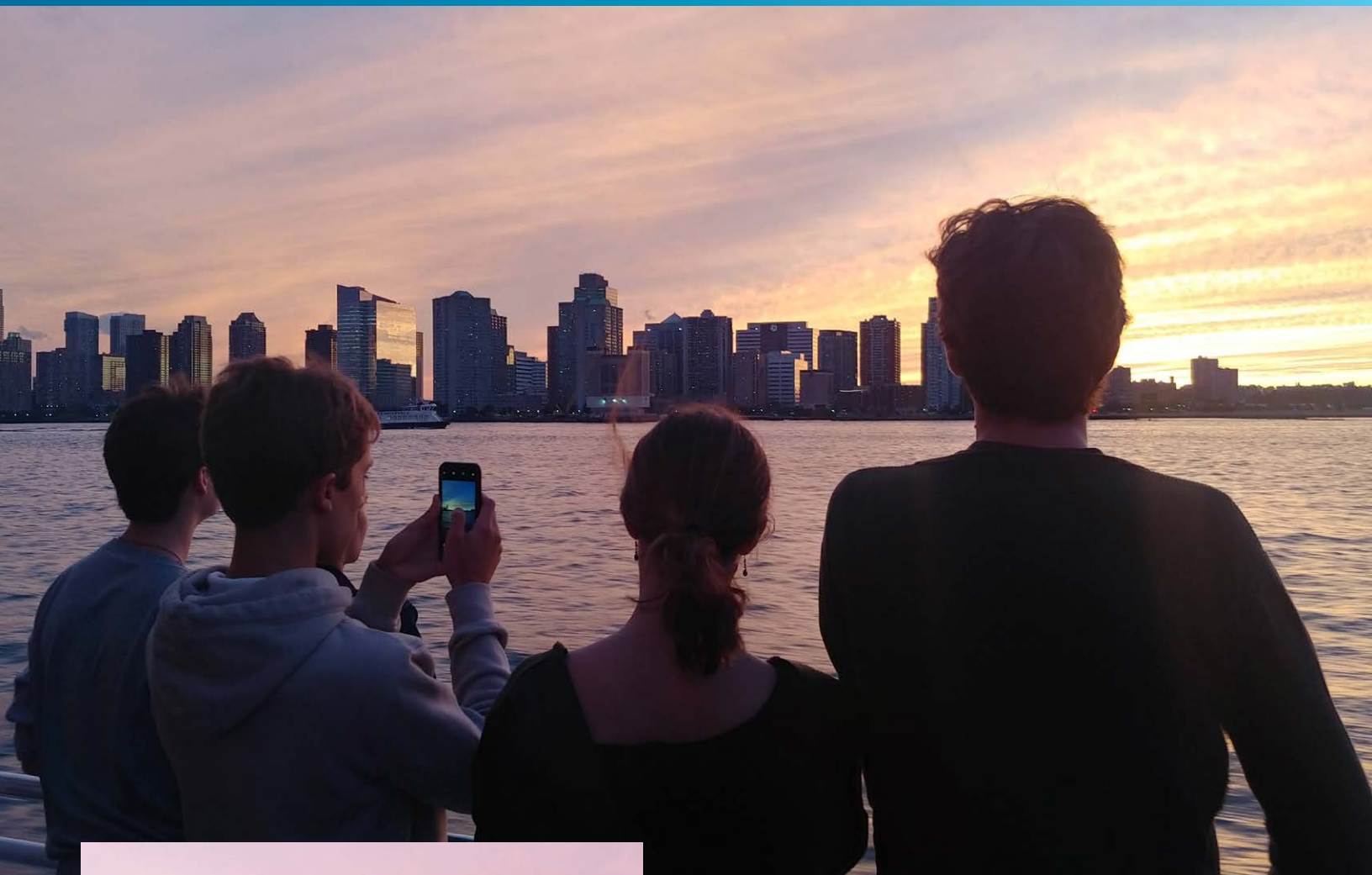


CIRCLE LINE BOAT CRUISE

September 5, 2019

We kicked off the 2019-2020 school year with our Circle Line Boat Cruise on September 5, 2019. This annual event welcomes the entire PCS community of current students, their families, faculty, and staff. Everyone looks forward to this event as a chance to catch up or get to know one another in a casual setting. It also 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 the PCS 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**
CELEBRATING DR. JAMES DAWSON'S
25 YEARS AS HEAD OF SCHOOL

2020 SPRING GALA

PCS was very disappointed to cancel the 2020 Spring Gala, scheduled for April 27, 2020 at The Edison Ballroom, where we had looked forward to celebrating Dr. Dawson's 25th year as Head of School. However, as at all times, the health and safety of the PCS community are of the utmost importance to us.

Despite the cancellation, we are grateful to report that 100% of Spring Gala ticket purchasers and sponsors transferred \$234,000 in Gala donations into much-needed support for The Dr. James Dawson Fund for Financial Aid. These donations combined with other gifts in 2019-2020 raised a total of \$415,000 for the Dawson Fund! This generous support is needed now more than ever. We particularly extend our heartfelt thanks to the Spring Gala's Honorary Chairs, Vice Chairs, and Host Committee, and all of our contributors for generously supporting the Fund. Our sincere thanks to all of our donors for helping to make the 2020 Spring Gala a financial success in spite of its cancellation!

Thank you to the following supporters who generously joined the Spring Gala Host Committee. The Host Committee's chief goal was to underwrite the Gala's direct costs, enabling all other ticket sales and contributions to directly support our students through The Dr. James Dawson Fund for Financial Aid.



2020 SPRING GALA HOST COMMITTEE

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“I could think of no better way to give back to a community that supported me for so many years.”

—VICTORIA GREMPEL '12

Alumni Corner

Development is a collaborative effort and our success as an Institution in raising monies for both The Fund for Professional Children's School and The Dr. James Dawson Fund for Financial Aid can be directly connected to our work with the Alumni Community. We know very well that the participation of our Alumni is essential for a plethora of reasons.

As Professional Children's School continues to serve a talented, fascinating and creative group of young people who look to the future with both hesitation and excitement, more than ever our Alumni serve an important role. And, that is why it is inspiring to see greater involvement on the part of our Community.

In fact, this year alone we have increased the participation of our members by nearly 15% which surpassed my personal goal set at the beginning of the year.

More Alumni have come back to visit, have attended school events, and have given financially to the School because they see that we are making a difference and they understand the importance of our Institution in ensuring that our artists, athletes, and musicians can bring light and hope into this world with their many talents and their strong intellect. I personally am grateful for their generosity and for their



willingness to give of their time. I am also appreciative of the ongoing work of our Alumni Council and it's President, Victoria Grempe. We could not reach out goals without their commitment to the School. They had great ideas and helped the School execute their plans.

If we've learned anything in the last several months is that the most valuable thing we have in life is time. Giving of one's time is just as important as giving financially. One of the goals of our Alumni Association is to find more opportunities for our more experienced Alumni to share their wisdom, their expertise and their insight with our younger Alumni and with our students. What thrills me the most is the fact that there is greater interest on behalf of our Community to create mechanisms to support our students by connecting with them, serving as mentors and participating on alumni panels.

In a tumultuous world, our students look to our previous students for guidance and reassurance that the paths they take will be well worth it.

As our Alumni know, questioning the decisions one makes as an actor, a dancer, an athlete or a musician is commonplace. Role models allow us to see the potential and to find ways to accomplish one's goals. In turn, these relationships foster meaningful connections to the School.

We appreciate all that have embraced their responsibility to leave an indelible mark on the School and on the children that pass through our doors. They along



with our teachers, our students and our staff are the foundation of this School. The constant message one hears from our Alumni is that we played an important role in their lives in the formative years and 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 and I remind our Alumni not to forget about those experiences that bond them to this amazing place. I hope that those memories will inspire this Community to give financially in the months and years to come particularly as the world is changing and it is becoming more difficult to cover the costs of a private school education. We can see that every dollar counts.



I want to thank Dr. James Dawson, Chris Haley, and Noël Soisson for their support, collaboration and patience. I look forward to what the next year holds.

Respectfully,

Dania Nauholnyk

Professional Children's
School Alumni Liaison

THIS YEAR, I WAS INVITED TO BE THE President of the PCS Alumni Association Council. When Dania Nauholnyk approached me about the role, I immediately accepted — I could think of no better way to give back to a community that supported me for so many years. The Alumni Council added several new members and met regularly to strategize how we could strengthen relationships with our alumni community. We successfully completed a phone-a-thon, which allowed us to enhance the accuracy of our database to ensure alumni contact information was correct. In the fall, our friends in L.A. hosted a social gathering in honor of Head of School, James Dawson's 25th year. The event was attended by Dr. James Dawson along with Dania Nauholnyk and our west coast Council members. In December, back on the east coast, we hosted our annual Alumni Holiday Gathering in the Peter Glenville Theatre. The Class of 2009 came together for an impromptu ten-year reunion celebration, along with alumni representing five other generations. In May, we kicked off a new virtual panel series, PCS Presents to stay engaged with our community when we couldn't physically be together. I curated and moderated the inaugural session, "Life After PCS", which featured three alumni who studied the performing arts while in school, but pivoted to careers in science, law, and architecture upon graduation. I'm thrilled to return to the school to reconnect with my PCS family and to help celebrate our incredible legacy.

Victoria Grempel '12
Alumni Association Council President



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.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION COUNCIL

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Victoria Grempel '12, President
Micki Jacobs '85
Julie Stevens '87
Madisen Taylor '10

Denise Jackson Sutherland

DENISE JACKSON SUTHERLAND '69 WAS named Honorary Lifetime Trustee by the PCS Board of Trustees in recognition of her many years of service to the school.

Denise describes herself as a “proud PCS Alum, class of 1969.” Denise attended PCS for high school while studying for a career in ballet. Upon graduation, she joined the Joffrey Ballet and enjoyed a 17-year career as a principal dancer.

Denise joined the PCS Board of Trustees as an Alumna Trustee in 1987. In 1997 she became the Chairman of the Board and served in that capacity for 10 years. Her tenure was marked by the \$13.6-million renovation and expansion project which created the 2-story auditorium and a gymnasium on a then-new 8th floor. Denise retired from the Board in 2014.



Named and 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 FINANCIAL AID (ESTABLISHED IN 2014)

The Dr. James Dawson Fund for Financial Aid was created in honor and recognition of Dr. Dawson's twentieth anniversary as Head of School. The Fund's original purpose was to provide financial aid to students from the Broadway community who, without additional support, would be unable to afford a PCS education. The Fund was later broadened to support any PCS student in need of financial assistance in order to attend PCS.

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 Hamlish, 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 READER'S 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 FUND (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.

THE 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.

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