

**PROFESSIONAL
CHILDREN'S
SCHOOL**

**ANNUAL
REPORT
ON
GIVING
2021-2022**



FROM THE OFFICE OF INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT

It is no surprise that the past two years have been challenging for schools like ours. New York City comprises over 200 independent schools, and we are lucky and grateful to count ourselves among this resilient community. The 2021-2022 school year marked the return to many of our long-held traditions, and this year's Annual Report on Giving will represent the many people who have contributed to our continued success during these extraordinary times.

An unprecedented 46% of PCS students received financial assistance this past school year, highlighting the growing need for support among families and our continued desire to create accessible pathways to a flexible education. The young people who come through our doors are bursting with creativity, drive, and compassion, and this year brought us together again with a refreshed vision for the future of Professional Children's School.

The theme for the 2021-2022 report is rebuilding, and this year we laid the foundation for the next chapter of PCS. We reflect on our history, filled with over a century of memories of talented young people building their dreams, and we move forward with dreams of our own. This year we focused on rebuilding our school spirit, rebuilding our community, and rebuilding our promise to serve remarkable young people bravely embarking on their professional journeys.

The 2021-2022 school year began with an extraordinary anonymous gift of \$1,000,000,

establishing an endowed financial aid fund in support of future generations of PCS students. This generous gift will have a lasting impact on our school's legacy, enabling more students to benefit from a PCS education.

In September 2021, we proudly welcomed PCS families and students to the Annual Circle Line Boat Cruise, our first since before the pandemic, kicking off the school year with a fun-filled celebration on the Hudson. We are grateful to our Board of Trustees for underwriting this event, ensuring that all PCS families could attend at no cost.

In November 2021, with the support of over 170 donors, we raised \$210,000 on our annual Day of Giving. We were deeply humbled by the record-breaking support on this day, and we thank our entire community for participating!

In April 2022, we celebrated the return of our in-person Spring Gala, hosted on the Rooftop at Edison Ballroom with an open-air dining experience in the heart of Times Square. We are grateful for the many attendees and supporters who joined us in honoring alumni Anthony Roth Costanzo '00 and Samuel Akins '14 with the PCS Legacy Award, and for those who were able to join in-person or online in cheering on our incredible student performers.

In May 2022, we launched a Spring Matching Gift Challenge. We express our deepest gratitude to the Board of Trustees for their generous

matching gift of \$70,000, and to the many contributors this spring who helped us meet the match and reach our goal of \$140,000.

In June 2022, we welcomed PCS alumni to the Peter Glenville Theatre for our first Alumni Reunion in over 5 years. It was such a special experience to be “together again”, and we look forward to many future in-person gatherings.

Together, we raised \$2.05 million for Professional Children’s School between July 1, 2021 and June 30, 2022. We are profoundly grateful to our entire community of supporters for moving us forward, and we hope you enjoy this year’s Annual Report on Giving.

Chris Haley

Chris Haley
Director, Institutional Advancement

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FROM HEAD OF SCHOOL

DR. JAMES DAWSON

Ralph Waldo Emerson once wrote, “What lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny matters compared to what lies within us.” There is certainly much more to say about these past two years, filled with the challenges of time wrought about by the COVID pandemic and exacerbated by the seemingly universal crisis of the spirit, moments of uncertainty and discomfort, and a global culture so filled with rancor and divisiveness. These have been tough times, where we saw the arts and competitive athletics pummeled and diminished and we felt the broader impact at our very core: it is hard to imagine a school for professional children when so many of the professions that brought young people to us were on hold or shut down or on hiatus. A challenging time, indeed.

As is true for all challenging times, there is the inevitable setting sun on that long series of days, an ending that rallies us with the consequential prospect of a new day, the energy imbued by the flickers of light that are certain with the advent of a new dawn, the glorious open-end promise of renewal that comes as a powerful antidote to the past and which fills us with hope for the future.

Rebuilding. Rebuilding our community, rebuilding the arts and competitive sports, rebuilding a community of extraordinary young people entrusted to us. Even in the midst of these most challenging times, this annual report reminds us that people’s faith in what we do, in the young people we serve, in the mission that we hold, in the work that we do, remains strong and powerful. Indeed, the faith that our supporters show is emblematic of that very point raised by Emerson: what lies within us is faith; what lies within us is promise; what lies within us is the power of hope, the realization of dreams, the desire, and the drive to make real that which we envision as central to our being and to our identity.

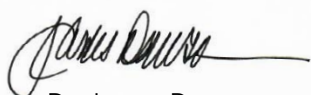
It is with my deepest sense of gratitude and appreciation that I extend my sincere thanks to all of those whose names appear within this year’s annual report; each of you and all of you have provided incredible levels of support during a time when things were tough, when the chips were down, when the arts were on hold, when the dreams were pushed back upon. You believed in what we do and in the young people we support, and your belief and your conviction

empower us to move on, to rebuild, to rekindle, to rise with the dawn and to walk together into a calmer, and hopefully more fruitful future.

We are not quite finished with the challenges brought upon us by these past two years, but we are well started on the process to rebuild. We will continue to need your help and your support going forward but, to date, the support that we have received has made all the difference and opened doors of opportunity and hope for our extraordinary students, faculty, staff, and administrators.

Recently, it was reported that the northernmost town in Alaska had its first sunset after 83 days of nonstop daylight. While that, too, marks a transition, much like at PCS, the setting of the sun is but a harbinger of its rise the next morning, and with that rising sun, the dawn of a new day of limitless potential. That's where we are: COVID beat us down but did not beat us; global events may have shaken us up but we have shown ourselves to be resilient and tenacious and future oriented; what lies behind us and what lies before us pale compared to what lies within us: hope, driven by a bold and powerful mission to support young people in both the mind and the spirit and to fully realize that our community's rebuilding is already well underway.

Godspeed!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James Dawson", with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Dr. James Dawson



FROM THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD

MELANIE HARRIS

The past academic year was one of the more challenging years in recent PCS history, however we are cautiously optimistic and even confident that the worst is behind us. Student enrollment remained down nearly 40% from pre-pandemic levels as COVID-19 continued to impact us, presenting unprecedented challenges for students and their families, faculty and staff. We are hopeful that the 2022-2023 school year will be calmer, steadier and will allow our entire community the visibility needed in order to reset and rebuild. As we navigate the world in this “new normal”, the Board of Trustees, Administration and our incredible staff, remain as committed as ever to shepherding this extraordinary institution to the other side of this mountain. We are fortunate that the school remains on firm financial footing, in part due to our ability to utilize the PCS endowment “reserve” funds to bridge a budget gap caused by our lower enrollment numbers.

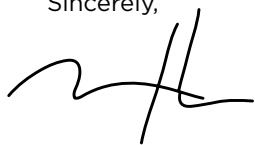
The start of the 2022-2023 school year is a good time to focus on the goals for the year ahead. At PCS, we have already surpassed new student enrollment over last year and our admissions season is expected to continue strongly throughout not only the early fall but also for second semester as well. We will welcome new faculty members who bring fresh perspectives as well as new Trustees reflecting added diversity, strong engagement and vast networks of people who support our mission. We look forward and see a clear vision of Professional Children’s School’s mission: to provide a rigorous, high quality education while supporting our students in their various professional endeavors. Our dedicated faculty and staff understand the challenges our students face as they pursue careers in their chosen field, and they work tirelessly to help prepare our students for their futures, both educational and beyond. It is the hard work and dedication of the faculty and staff and the leadership of Head of School Dr. James Dawson and his team, as well as our culture of collaboration and acceptance of all that helps make PCS such a special place.

This past April, PCS was able to host our annual gala in person for the first time in three years. Being together again to celebrate the school was meaningful for everyone who attended, especially for students who performed so beautifully at the event. Our generous donors contributed over \$190,000, far surpassing our fundraising goals! The proceeds provided crucial support for the school’s Financial Aid Fund, a vehicle we

cannot live without given that 46% of students receive some level of financial aid. Overall, the total number of donors that supported the school this past year increased 16% from the prior year. This increase is deeply meaningful to the Board of Trustees and vital to PCS. Our donors are the lifeblood of our fundraising efforts and we share our profound thanks for your continued support.

As Chair of the Board of Trustees, and a proud alumna of the PCS class of 1991, I'm looking forward to a year that will allow us to restore and rebuild our community. I'm grateful that PCS has an experienced and passionate leader in Dr. Dawson. His steady hand, experience and wisdom continue to guide us forward. The Board of Trustees is proud that the financial standing of the school remains strong and we are incredibly grateful to each of you for your support of PCS. Your commitment and enthusiasm enables Professional Children's School to fulfill our unique educational mission as we plan for this school year and for future generations of talented, eager and bright PCS students.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'MH' with a stylized flourish.

Melanie Harris '91
Chair, PCS Board of Trustees

PHILANTHROPIC SUPPORT 2021-2022

JULY 1, 2021 - JUNE 30, 2022

Fund for Professional Children’s School (Unrestricted)	\$321,001
Financial Aid Funds.	\$518,102
Includes Gifts to: PCS Financial Aid Fund, Dr. James Dawson Fund for Financial Aid, Carl Kleban Financial Aid Fund, Virginia B. Toulmin Scholarship Fund	
Endowed Fund for Financial Aid . .	\$1,000,000
Special Events.	\$211,920
Other Gifts	\$2,754
Total Giving to PCS	\$2,053,777

GIVING TO PCS BY CONSTITUENCIES	
Trustees.	\$268,337
Parents	\$137,868
Alumni	\$114,083
Parents of Alumni	\$1,233,903
Faculty and Staff.	\$8,046
Foundations, Corporations, and Grants	\$1,663,006

ANNOUNCING THE CREATION OF A NEW \$1,000,000 ENDOWED FUND FOR FINANCIAL AID

Professional Children’s School is profoundly grateful for an extraordinary, donor-deemed, anonymous gift of \$1,000,000 to add to our endowed financial aid funds. This incredible gift will help to expand the opportunity of a PCS education to a broader, more diverse population and will have a lasting impact on our school’s legacy, enabling more students to benefit from our rigorous college-preparatory program while also ensuring their ability to follow their passions and realize their dreams. We are immensely grateful for this truly transformational gift.

IMPACT BY THE NUMBERS

\$1,661,300 awarded through all
financial aid and scholarship fund

\$100,000 awarded through the
Virginia B. Toulmin Scholarship Fund

\$55,000 awarded through The
Dr. James Dawson Fund for Financial Aid

\$45,000 awarded through the
Nancy Nalone '54 Scholarship Fund

46% of PCS students received
financial aid

YOUR GENEROSITY MAKES ALL OF THIS POSSIBLE!

PCS DAY OF GIVING

We thank the entire **PCS community** for coming together on November 4, 2021 in support of our 4th Annual Day of Giving. This was our most successful Day of Giving to date, **raising \$210,000!**

BREAKDOWN BY PARTICIPATION

25%.....	PARENTS
19%.....	ALUMNI
19%.....	PCS FACULTY AND STAFF
18%.....	PARENTS OF ALUMNI

WE ARE ESPECIALLY GRATEFUL FOR THE **PCS BOARD OF TRUSTEES** FOR COLLECTIVELY OFFERING A GENEROUS **MATCHING GIFT OF \$69,000**, OFFERING A POWERFUL BOOST TO OUR DAY OF GIVING.

PCS DAY OF GIVING 2021
\$210,000 RAISED
170+ SUPPORTERS

SPRING MATCHING GIFT CHALLENGE

We are so grateful to our generous
Board of Trustees for offering a **\$70,000**
matching gift this spring.



IN SUPPORT OF **THE DR. DAWSON FUND** FOR FINANCIAL
AID, PCS SUPPORTERS CAME THROUGH TO MEET THE
MATCH AND RAISE AN ADDITIONAL **\$140,000** FOR
PROFESSIONAL CHILDREN’S SCHOOL.

SPRING GALA 2022

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO ATTENDED AND SUPPORTED OUR FIRST IN-PERSON SPRING GALA SINCE 2019!

After a three year hiatus, we were pleased to return to the Edison Ballroom in their beautiful new open-air rooftop space. We had an incredible evening celebrating the PCS community and honoring two gifted alumni with the PCS Legacy Award.

The Spring Gala included a cocktail reception with passed hors d'oeuvres followed by a delicious dinner. The evening closed with the presentations of the PCS Legacy Award and an engaging student performance. We were also pleased to offer a live stream recording of the performance and presentations, allowing families and alumni from around the world to join us in celebration.

157 people participated in the event and it raised over \$194,000 toward the PCS Financial Aid Fund.



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Jonathan
and Catherine Wachtel



LEGACY AWARDS

THIS YEAR'S LEGACY AWARD HONOREES

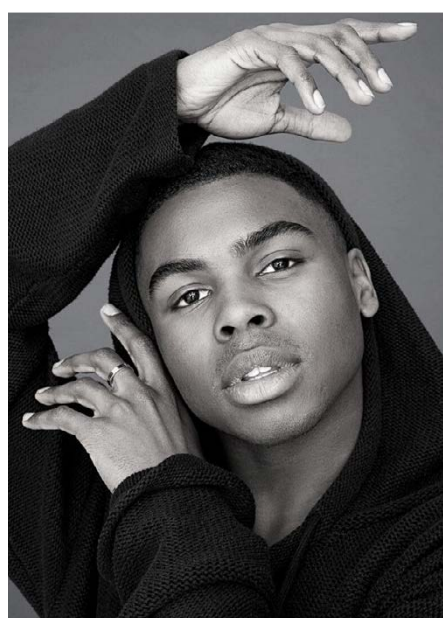
ANTHONY ROTH COSTANZO '00 AND SAMUEL AKINS '14.



Anthony Roth Costanzo '00

Countertenor Anthony Roth Costanzo, who attended PCS from grades 8 through 12, began performing professionally at the age of 11 and has since appeared in opera, concert, recital, film, and on Broadway. He is a GRAMMY winner, a recipient of the 2020 Beverly Sills Award from the Metropolitan Opera, a winner of the 2020 Opera News Award, and Musical America's 2019 Vocalist of the Year. Costanzo has appeared with

many of the world's leading opera houses including the Metropolitan Opera, San Francisco Opera, English National Opera, Opera Philadelphia, Glyndebourne Opera Festival, Dallas Opera, Teatro Real Madrid, and Finnish National Opera. In concert he has sung with the New York Philharmonic, The Cleveland Orchestra, National Symphony Orchestra, San Francisco Symphony, Berlin Philharmonic, NDR at the Elbphilharmonie in Hamburg, and the London Symphony Orchestra, among others.



Samuel Akins '14

Ballet dancer Samuel Akins, who attended PCS from grades 10 through 12, started his ballet training in Birmingham, Alabama, at the Alabama School of Fine Arts. Akins moved to New York at 14 years old to continue his training with the School of American Ballet, while pursuing academics at PCS. After graduating from SAB and PCS, Akins went on to dance with the Los Angeles Ballet and the Alabama Ballet. Akins later moved to Australia where he struggled

to find work as a Black ballet dancer. Out of frustration and necessity for change in 2021, Akins co-founded the advocacy organization "Diverse Dancers Australia" through which he advocates for greater equity, diversity, and inclusion on a national level. Currently, Akins lives in Paris and dances with L'Opera National de Paris.

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT & ACCOMPLISHMENTS

We were so happy to welcome our students back to in-person learning this year. Hearing the laughter fill our hallways, watching the students collaborate on projects, and inviting families for live performances in the Peter Glenville Theatre made for a nice return to some of our favorite traditions.



BOAT CRUISE

The Annual Circle Line Boat Cruise is our favorite way to kick off the school year! We were pleased to invite all current students and their families to join us on the boat with dinner, a DJ, and dancing. We are thankful to our Board of Trustees for underwriting this event so that all attendees may join us at no cost.





FALL FESTIVAL

We returned to our annual Fall Festival in September 2021, with students and our professional community engaging in friendly competition at Riverside Park. All of the teams did an excellent job working together in the fun field games planned by Mr. Kevin Casey, and congratulations to the Pink Team for taking the win!



STUDENT CLUBS

The PCS student community is filled with incredible leaders and thinkers. We offer an assortment of clubs, including groups that were founded by the students themselves. This year, the clubs at PCS were:

List of clubs

- Afterschool Basketball
- Artspace
- Chess Club
- Dungeons & Dragons
- Gender & Sexuality Alliance
- Literary Magazine
- Racial Affinity Group
- Student Association
- Together We Rise
- Yearbook





INTO THE WOODS JR.

Congratulations to the cast and crew of Into the Woods Jr.! We are so proud of the Middle School students for their incredible work on this production. Big thanks to Mr. Vincent Sagona and Dr. Laura Inman for their creative leadership in this production!



ALMOST, MAINE

Congratulations to the cast and crew of Almost, Maine! We were so impressed with the character development and scene study by the Advanced Drama Class. A special shout out to Mr. Vincent Sagona for his direction!





ALL SCHOOL NIGHT

We were delighted to return to one of our favorite annual traditions: All School Night! This evening celebrates the unique and creative talents within the PCS community, inviting both students and faculty to perform.

DIVERSITY, EQUITY, & INCLUSION

With thanks to our Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee - composed of faculty, staff, administrators, and students - we are pleased to share the many developments and successes in Professional Children's School's efforts to create a more supportive and inclusive environment.

In the 2021-2022 school year, the DEI Committee met monthly to discuss and strategize for improved efforts within our school community. This year's meetings included student voices and leadership. PCS continued to host the social justice student group Together We Rise and the newly named Gender and Sexuality Alliance which met weekly, and added a Racial Affinity Group for anyone who identifies as a person of color. Students and the PCS professional community sought to celebrate groups and cultures by creating interactive and informative displays around the school building, by sharing digital communications, and also creating video content and presentations for weekly school-wide Community Meetings. Additionally, we continued the annual MLK Assembly, with videos, poetry, and speakers honoring the impact of Martin Luther King, Jr. and the Civil Rights Movement, and highlighting ongoing social justice work in the world.

Over the past few years, PCS has issued statements in support of Black Lives Matter and Stop Asian Hate. This year, the committee added an "Inappropriate Language and Hate Speech Statement", which was approved by the Board of Trustees. The Board of Trustees continues to support growing DEI initiatives at PCS, and includes Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion as an agenda item on all meetings. Additionally, the academic team has started the process for an intensive curriculum review. In an effort to bring in more diverse perspectives and increased representation, the school's library and curriculum will undergo an ongoing assessment.

We are proud of the continued work of the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee and the many voices that contribute to building a safe, supportive environment at PCS.

MIDDLE SCHOOL MOVING UP

Congratulations to the PCS Middle School students for their outstanding accomplishments this year. The Middle School celebrated the conclusion of the 2021-2022 school year with the traditional Moving Up Ceremony on Friday, June 3rd. We were pleased to welcome families back to the Peter Glenville Theatre for the ceremony, where students were honored for their achievements. The Head of Middle School, Dania Nauholnyk, along with the Middle School Faculty and Advisors spoke of the many attributes of the graduating 8th Grade Class and the students in Grades 6 & 7. Students also shared remarkable performances and enjoyed a luncheon with their families following the ceremony.





GRADE 6/7

Robbie Crandall
 Callie Curtis
 Aurelia Faidley-Solars
 Lila Field
 Keeley Karsten
 Ava Kulmer
 Willow Muchnic
 Alexis Perkel
 Azhy Robertson
 Shaoyang Song
 Anat Suissa
 Johnny Sullivan
 Bailey Thomas
 Belle Thomas
 Sen Cheng Zhang
 Brie Zimmer

GRADE 8

Devin Campbell
 Amelia DeShae
 Rowan Field
 Darrow Golub
 Noelle Hogan
 Jasper Johnson-Weinberg
 Louise Juliette Kulson
 Simon Ostrower
 Bradford Talbot

GRADUATING CLASS OF 2022

Congratulations to the PCS Class of 2022! We are so proud of this group of students for their resilience and work ethic. This year's Class of 2022 returned to a number of the special traditions reserved for seniors, including the Senior Class Trip, the Senior Awards Ceremony and Luncheon, Prom, and of course, Commencement at Merkin Hall. We honored the graduating class on Thursday, June 9, 2022, in a moving ceremony with speeches, performances, and a reception.





CLASS OF 2022

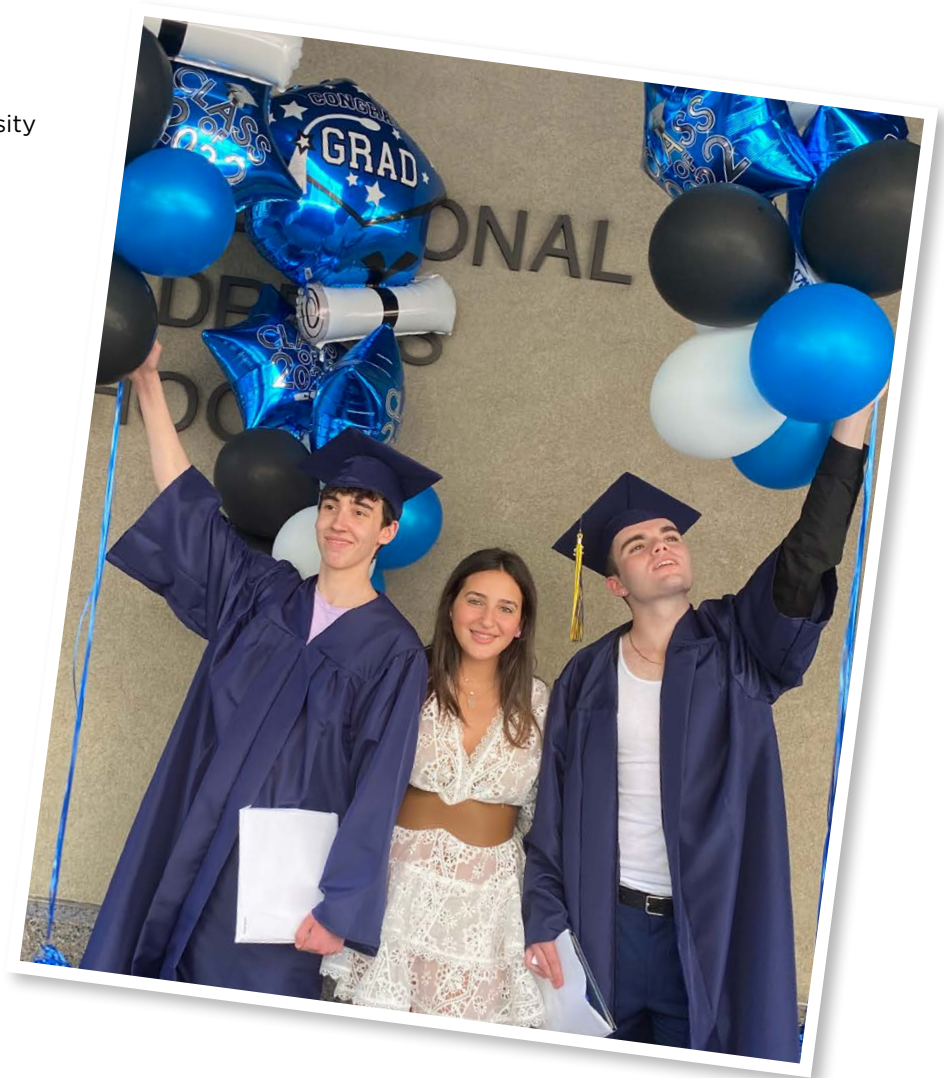
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| Meimei Ai | Ching Wei Hsieh | Laura Navasardian |
| Hana Altomonte | Isabella Iljaz | Chloe Nguyen |
| Camden Bachochin | Tobias Irikura | Sedona Perin |
| Audrey Chaffee | Nicholas Jenkins | Sydney Santo Domingo |
| Elizabeth Cuite | Charles Klesa | Ameli Sato |
| Dashiell del Barco | Eugenie Kourti Ferrante | Daniel Sporn |
| Elijah Desrosiers | Tianju Liao | Leo Steingart |
| Miles Dexter | Simone Lipkin | Alexa Stevens |
| Yasha Genkin | Zsafia Markus | Kennedy Targosz |
| Natalie Glassie | Jacob Martin | Nicholas Torchia |
| Sarah Harmon | Anton Meyerowitz | Ethan Wood |
| Sylvia Hartman | Louisa Mor | Ian Zelbo |

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLASS OF 2022
FOR THEIR COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES!

American Musical & Dramatic Academy	Drexel University	Michigan State University
University of Arizona	Emerson College	University of Minnesota
Arizona State University (3)	Fordham University (8)	University of Montana
Bard College (4)	George Washington University (4)	Mount Holyoke College
Baylor University	Hofstra University	New England Conservatory (3)
Berklee College of Music (2)	Indiana University (2)	The New School (8)
Boston College	Ithaca College	New York University (3)
Boston University (3)	The Juilliard School (4)	Northwestern University (4)
Brown University	Kalamazoo College	Oberlin Conservatory
Butler University (2)	University of Kansas	Pace University (8)
University of California-Irvine	Lafayette College	Pennsylvania State University
California Institute of the Arts	Los Angeles College of Music	Pratt Institute
Carnegie Mellon University	Loyola Marymount University (2)	Rollins College
College of Charleston	University of Maine	Saint Olaf College
City University of New York (4)	Manhattan College (2)	Salve Regina University
Colburn School of Music	Manhattan School of Music (2)	University of San Francisco
University of Colorado (2)	Marist College	Sarah Lawrence College (5)
University of Colorado-Denver	Marymount Manhattan College (4)	Savannah College of Art & Design (2)
Colorado State University	McGill University	University of Scranton
Curtis Institute of Music	University of Michigan	Skidmore College (4)
University of Denver		University of South Carolina
DePaul University (2)		University of Southern



California
Southern Methodist University
SUNY-Binghamton (2)
SUNY-Buffalo State
SUNY-Purchase (3)
Syracuse University
Temple University (4)
Tulane University
Union College
Vassar College
Westminster College
Wheaton College
University of Wisconsin
Yale School of Music (2)





DANIA NAUHOLNYK

ALUMNI CORNER

This year was a time of celebrations as our alumni community found ways to come together in person after a long pause. What a treat it was to attend our Spring Gala and honor two very talented alumni, Anthony Roth Costanzo '00 and Samuel Akins '14, with the presentation of our PCS Legacy Award and then culminate the year with our Alumni Reunion, which was both well attended and very emotional. You could feel the energy in the Peter Glenville Theatre and it was undeniable- we were truly BACK TOGETHER AGAIN!!!

More than ever our alumni serve as an important role in making a difference at PCS 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. Institutional Advancement is a collaborative effort and our success as an institution in raising monies 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.

Time is of great value to all of us and I am so appreciative to those who came back to PCS and gave of their time to lead a workshop, conduct a class, or speak with some of our students. Giving of one's time is just as important as giving financially. My goal continues to be to find more opportunities for our experienced alumni to share their wisdom, their expertise and their insight with our younger alumni and 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 PCS.

We appreciate all that have embraced their responsibility to leave an indelible mark on our school and on the children that pass through our doors. They, along with our teachers, our students, and our staff, are the foundation of PCS. 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 Meghan Blakeman for their support, collaboration and patience. I look forward to what the next year holds.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Dania Nauholnyk". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

Dania Nauholnyk
Professional Children's School Alumni Liaison

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, 2021 - JUNE 30, 2022

LEADERSHIP CIRCLE

EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS (\$50,000 AND ABOVE)

Anonymous (2)

Virginia B. Toulmin Foundation

DIRECTORS CIRCLE (\$25,000 - \$49,999)

Anonymous

Ernest and Kay Frank

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Melanie Harris '91

Gift Fund

and Rob Fraiman

STAR CIRCLE (\$15,000 - \$24,999)

Darrell and Amy Crate '89

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Diane Kenney

Sonya and Darren Schroeder

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DIAMOND CIRCLE (\$10,000 - \$14,999)

Anonymous

Michael Gleicher '04

Kate and Brad Peck

Merrill and Ashton Curtis

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*Jennifer and Jon Steingart

Lee and Bill Dieck

Scott Murphy and Marci Klein

RUBY CIRCLE (\$5,000 - \$9,999)

Jesse and Anne Ausubel	Sumner Gerard Foundation	Robert S. and Donna R. Shafir
Bank of America	Jewish Communal Fund	Nina and Andrew Shapiro
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