

Resurrection

annual report

JULY 1, 2013
THROUGH
JUNE 30, 2014



Spring 2015

Dear Friends and Supporters of Resurrection College Prep High School,

2013–2014 was a year of tremendous growth at Resurrection College Prep High School. It was both a year of anchoring to tradition and a year of setting sail toward new technology and exploration.

The anchoring to tradition took form in the re-design and re-establishment of the school's logo. Staff, alumnae, Sisters of the Resurrection and current students worked on the development of the new logo. The new, yet traditional logo was unveiled at an all-school Liturgy in May 2014 and now serves as an image that unites the values, visions and identity of everyone who has been, is and will be part of Resurrection College Prep High School.

The past year has also been a year of setting sail toward new technology. Staff and faculty spent a full year studying a variety of options available for 1:1 technology. By May 2014 the selection of Chromebooks was made and the winds of change moved quickly! Over the summer the school's wireless system was fully upgraded, Chromebooks were ordered for all incoming freshmen and sophomores, and faculty were provided training and experience in educational apps. Resurrection is now ready to sail under the piloting of curious students and curious educators!

Thank you for your generous support of Resurrection College Prep High School. We could never implement all the new technology or dream about further improvements if it were not for you.

To all of you who support a Resurrection scholarship, thank you. These scholarships help many girls attend Resurrection who otherwise could not afford to. Your gift helps develop confident and service-oriented women of faith who will make the world of tomorrow a better place, a place where God's Love and Truth are visible.

God bless you.



SISTER DONNA MARIE WOLOWICKI, CR
President

HISTORY The Sisters of the Resurrection, a religious order founded in Rome by Blessed Celine Borzecka and her daughter Mother Hedwig Borzecka in 1891, began its educational ministry in the United States in 1900. Sister Anne Strzelecka, CR opened Resurrection College Prep High School in 1922. Central to the Sisters' mission is the transformation of society by uplifting women through education.

Today, Resurrection incorporates cutting-edge academic programs and activities that prepare young women for success in college, career and life. Resurrection's single-gender environment, where young women are the focus, addresses the unique needs of female learners. Our multiple levels of learning, combined with our advanced use of the latest technology and data-driven instructional best practices means that students receive an unparalleled educational experience. Our one-of-a-kind Practicum Job Shadowing program provides students with the opportunity to explore career options that are of greatest interest to them. Resurrection's numerous extra-curricular opportunities in athletics, the arts, clubs and service — all in a supportive and nurturing faith-based environment — build young women's confidence and prepare them for leadership positions in society.

Resurrection has educated almost 14,000 alumnae to reach their full potential and to become leaders of charity and truth who make a difference in society.

MISSION STATEMENT Resurrection College Prep High School is a Catholic Christian community dedicated to the education of young women, and to the development of their God-given talents. Convinced of God's unconditional love and nourished by the Risen Lord, Jesus Christ, we are committed to the spiritual, ethical, intellectual, physical and social growth of our students.

SPONSORSHIP Resurrection College Prep High School is sponsored by the Sisters of the Resurrection, an order founded in Rome by Blessed Celine Borzecka and her daughter Mother Hedwig. Resurrection College Prep High School was established by the Sisters in 1922 and is built on the Sisters' mission of transforming society by uplifting women through education and preparing them for leadership.

Resurrection is focused on young women and their needs. The faculty and staff are fully committed to developing young women of faith to be confident, articulate, dynamic, inspiring and service-oriented leaders who will help build stronger families, communities, parishes and places of work for tomorrow.



MOTTO "Caritate et Veritate" has and continues to be core to the values and philosophy of Resurrection College Prep and is part of the Resurrection approach to education. The motto has been etched into all logos and documents of the school from the very beginning of the school's founding in 1922. By expressing and celebrating the words "Charity and Truth," we acknowledge that God's love for us is merciful and unfailing.

The truth is that God's love for us is unconditional and from that love we express God's love and charity through our own actions. As the Resurrection community, we believe that God calls us to work together for the resurrection of society, bringing his life and love to all and we represent the Resurrection in this banner.

The Resurrection Vision

Our vision is to help create leaders who are prepared to use their gifts and skills to transform our world. The young women of Resurrection are given the opportunities, support and resources to:



DISCOVER

their identity as strong, capable women
 their voice and their calling
 their passion and their potential
 their gifts and their strengths



PARTICIPATE

in Catholic Christian studies
 in academic pursuits
 in athletics and the arts
 in healthy lifestyles



SUCCEED

in attaining personal and professional goals
 in promoting a hopeful future
 in celebrating the differences among us



SERVE

one another in Charity and Truth
 the needs of the larger community
 as women of faith

our students come from

100+

feeder schools and live in

40+

different zip codes

RESURRECTION
 IS THE LARGEST
 ALL-GIRLS
 HIGH SCHOOL
 ON CHICAGOLAND'S
 NORTH SIDE

Our 600+
 students
 enjoy
 more
 resources,
 teaching
 faculty
 and
 curricular
 choices



RECENT EDUCATIONAL & ADMINISTRATIVE INITIATIVES

Principal Selection The Principal Selection Committee finalized the selection and hiring of new Principal Maria Hawk, beginning with the 2014-15 school year, whose vision aligns with the vision of Resurrection College Prep High School.



Logo Update & Implementation In April 2014 the updated logo for Resurrection College Prep High School was announced. The process of updating the school logo was started in August 2013 and members of the Resurrection community, including alumnae, students, staff, faculty, board members and Sisters of the Resurrection participated in the Logo Advisory Committee. The committee selected Resurrection alumna, art professor, artist and graphic designer Maria Gedroc Malo '85 to design the updated logo. The logo reflects the heritage, symbolism, motto and values of Resurrection College Prep. New signage that reflects the updated logo was installed at the main entrance over the entryway and main hallways and on the school's marquee.

Implementation of 1:1 Chromebook Initiative The 1:1 Chromebook Initiative reflects Resurrection's commitment to delivering a student-centered education that embraces and delivers the 21st century skills required for student success. The Chromebooks, utilizing a Google platform, supplement teacher instruction, facilitate collaborative learning and prepare students for a future with technology.

Expansion of Board Committees Three new Board Committees were recently added in the areas of Academic Excellence, Catholic Identity and Human Resources.

Status of Three Year Strategic Plan Goals set forth in the 2013-2016 Strategic Plan are 80% complete.

RECENT SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVES

Technology Upgrades to Support Increased Wireless Capacity and Improve Communications Wireless infrastructure was upgraded throughout the building to allow for greater connectivity and speed to support new devices, including the use of Chromebooks by all freshman and sophomore students. The school's telephone system was also upgraded to support voicemail to computer access for staff, faculty as well as other improvements.



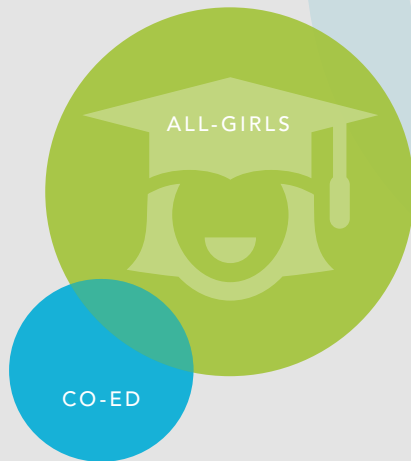
Canopy, Sidewalk, Curb and Landscaping Upgrades The canopy over the sidewalk along the southeast entrance of the school was part of the original building since 1962. The canopy had damage due to weather and age and was removed and replaced at the two doorways to the east of the Little Theatre. The sidewalks and curbs along that area were also replaced. A landscaping re-design has been approved and initiated outside the Main Entrance.

New Electronic Marquee on Talcott Avenue The electronic marquee that projects the school's image to the community was replaced with a new LCD sign near the corner of Talcott and Oriole Avenues. The marquee includes the updated school logo and replaced older technology that was in place.

New Outdoor Scoreboard A new electronic scoreboard was installed on the softball field.

Resurrection students have the opportunity to DISCOVER their passion in an all-girls environment.

4 times as many students from ALL-GIRLS SCHOOLS pursue careers in math, science and technology than do CO-ED SCHOOL GIRLS.



1:1 CHROMEBOOK INITIATIVE

During the 2014-15 school year, all freshmen and sophomores utilized their own personal Chromebooks.

In Fall 2015, the 1:1 Chromebook Initiative will be available to all Resurrection students.

Chromebooks enhance collaborative learning and access cloud-based apps and data storage.

[CLICK HERE](#) to view a video outlining our Chromebook Initiative.

OTHER EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGIES

Resurrection also utilizes iPads, interactive whiteboards, language software, advanced science lab equipment, robotics kits, computer coding software and 3D printers.



10 STEM-RELATED CLUBS

Apps & Podcast Club, Go Green Club, Health Careers Club, Math Club, Science Club, Scrubs Club, Technology Club, Math Honor Society, Science Honor Society and Worldwide Youth in Science and Engineering

15 =

student : teacher

BENEFITS OF AN ALL-GIRLS EDUCATIONAL ENVIRONMENT

In a single-gender environment, young women have opportunities to shine in every arena. At Resurrection, young women are guaranteed center stage because our staff understands how girls learn best.

Higher Academic Achievement Girls who attend single-gender schools spend more time studying and doing homework, are more likely to give or receive tutoring, and are more likely to study in a group or with friends. Graduates of all-girls schools surpass their co-ed peers in reading, writing and science, and perform better than girls in co-ed schools on standardized tests.

More Individual Attention The culture of an all-girls school allows girls to display their intelligence, take risks and develop confidence in their own areas of strength. Girls who attend single-gender schools report that they are more confident about speaking, tackling problems and expressing their ideas, and had superior academic achievement, more confidence in their abilities and more positive attitudes toward academics. Researchers also found that in co-ed schools, girls are routinely called on less, receive less feedback and are less confident than boys.



Greater Success in Math, Science and Technology

Girls who attend single-gender schools report enjoying math more, found math less difficult, had significantly more positive attitudes toward science in general, and physics and chemistry in particular. Girls in single-gender schools were about 40% more likely to take advanced science courses than were girls of comparable ability at co-ed schools.



Reduced Gender Stereotypes Girls who attend single-gender schools are more likely to take classes outside of their normal comfort zone

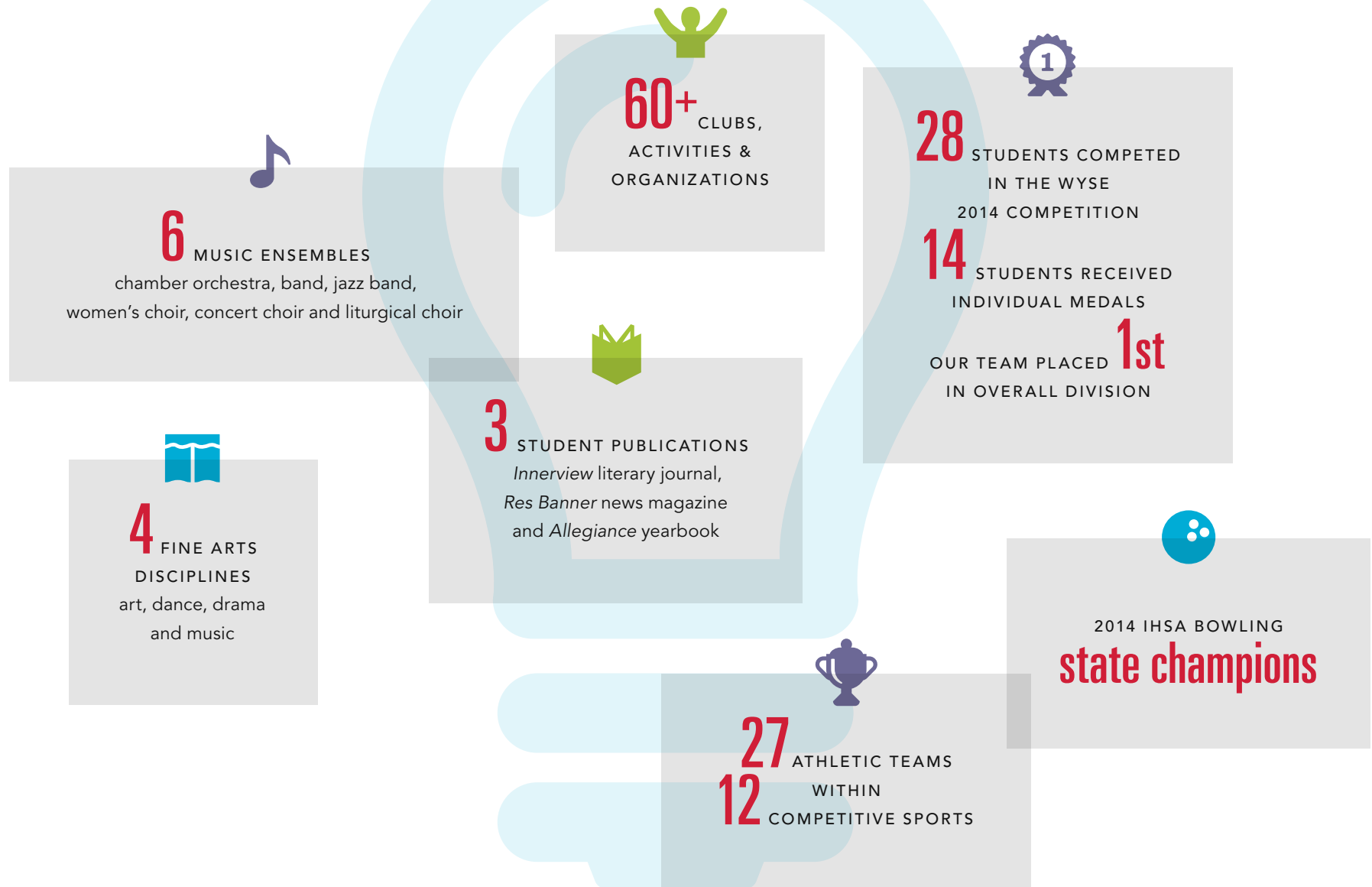
and are more willing to take educational risks. Studies found that girls at single-gender schools had less stereotyped ideas about what women can and cannot do. Studies found that graduates of single-gender schools were more likely to go on to prestigious colleges and



were more likely to aspire to graduate school or professional school. In fact, researchers found that both boys and girls have more educational opportunities when they attend a single-gender school.

Greater Leadership Opportunities 93% of graduates from all-girls schools reported that the schools provided greater leadership opportunities than co-ed schools. All-girls schools encourage girls to develop confidence in public speaking and allows girls to take ALL leadership positions in clubs, athletics and student government.

Resurrection students are encouraged to PARTICIPATE in extra-curricular activities to learn and demonstrate leadership skills, teamwork and self-confidence in a nurturing faith-based community.



Resurrection encourages students to explore opportunities in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math and break beyond gender stereotypes that limit women's participation in STEM fields.



Opportunities for students to participate in technology-related activities include the following:

The newly created Technology Club allows students to explore robotics, coding, 3D printing and video creation.

Members of the Scrubs Club visited the Loyola Medical Center Simulation Lab.

Students explored interactive exhibits and learned about opportunities in science, engineering and technology by attending an Engineering Open House at the University of Illinois in Urbana-Champaign.

A student was selected to participate in an engineering research position at Argonne Laboratory.

THE FUTURE OF TECHNOLOGY AT RESURRECTION

Plans for Innovation Lab Beginning with the 2015-16 school year, Resurrection students will engage with technology in our new Innovation Lab that will include space for students to explore and utilize emerging technology, including the following:

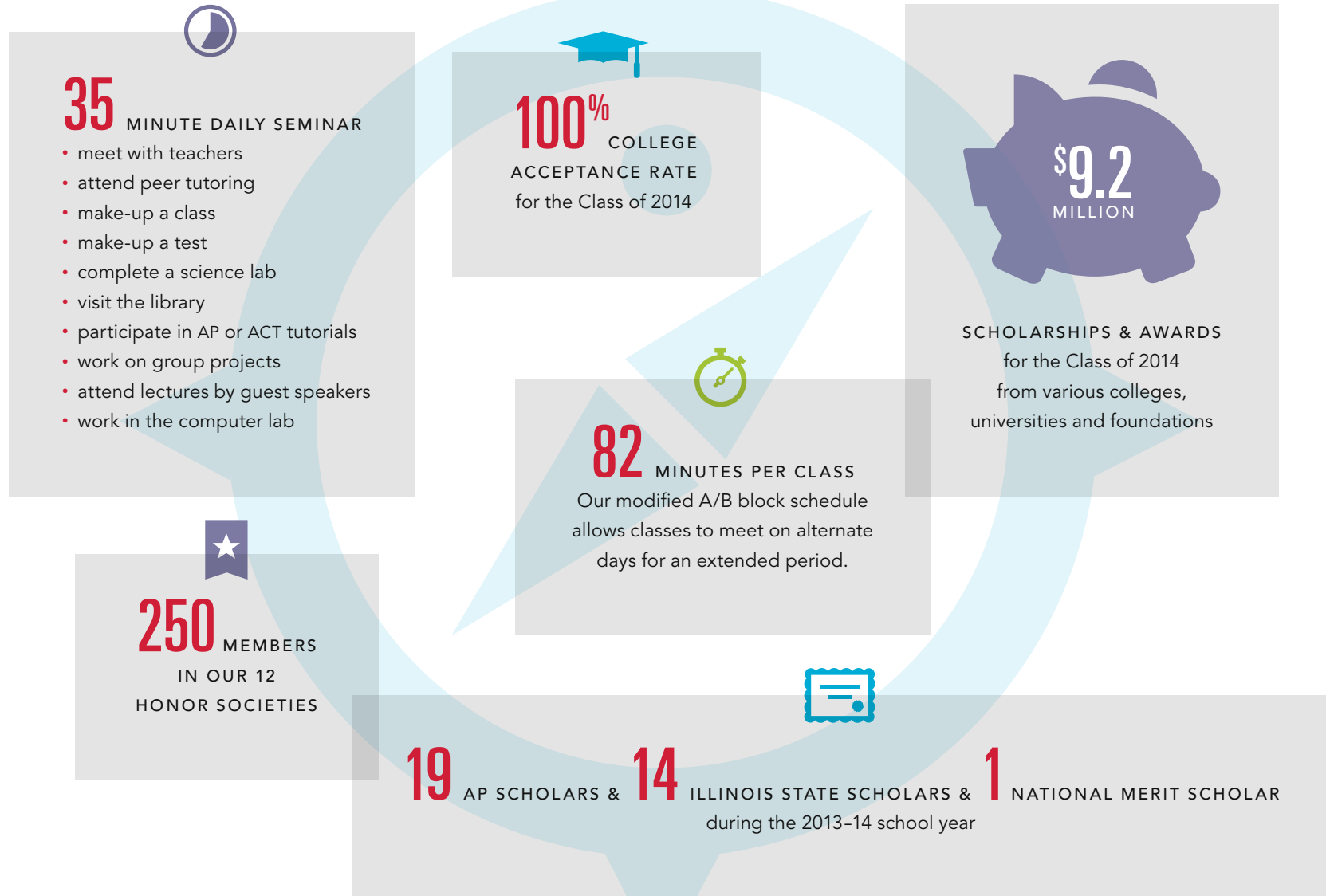
3D printing
robotics

coding
web design

web tools
multimedia creation



Student life at Resurrection transcends academics and provides opportunities for students to SUCCEED.



35 MINUTE DAILY SEMINAR

- meet with teachers
- attend peer tutoring
- make-up a class
- make-up a test
- complete a science lab
- visit the library
- participate in AP or ACT tutorials
- work on group projects
- attend lectures by guest speakers
- work in the computer lab

100% COLLEGE
ACCEPTANCE RATE
for the Class of 2014



SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS
for the Class of 2014
from various colleges,
universities and foundations

82 MINUTES PER CLASS

Our modified A/B block schedule
allows classes to meet on alternate
days for an extended period.

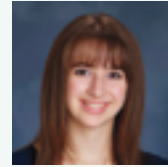
250 MEMBERS
IN OUR 12
HONOR SOCIETIES

19 AP SCHOLARS & 14 ILLINOIS STATE SCHOLARS & 1 NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLAR
during the 2013-14 school year

Resurrection provides young women with the necessary guidance to make important decisions that will affect them throughout their lives. Student life also gives young women the opportunity to step outside their comfort zone, explore new roles and take on leadership. When students take risks they find that it helps them deepen their understanding of themselves and find success.



ALUMNA PROFILE: SUCCEEDING IN COLLEGE



Gina Partipilo '14 Chemical Biomolecular Engineering major at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Resurrection helped me discover my interest in the sciences, and attending an all-girls school gave me the confidence to carry me into Chemical Biomolecular Engineering. Only 30% of the students in my program are women and we definitely have a way to go as women in STEM fields. It was great that I was encouraged to pursue advanced and AP level math and science classes at Resurrection. By exposing young women to computer science classes, engineering seminars, high level math and AP sciences, we can continue to increase the number of women in STEM professions. At Resurrection, my teachers and guidance counselors were so supportive and my experiences at Resurrection prepared me for the future.



Resurrection provides girls opportunities to SERVE their community.



SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

- Christmas giving
- food drives
- Misericordia Tag Days
- Northwest Side Hunger Walk
- ResPunzel hair donation program
- St. Mary of Providence volunteers
- service trips to Kentucky & Costa Rica
- warm clothing drive



92 CURRENT
STUDENTS inducted
into the
DIAKONIA
SERVICE HONOR
SOCIETY



NEARLY **20,000** HOURS OF SERVICE
by Resurrection students
were recorded for the 2013-14 school year

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love we express God’s love and charity through our own actions. As the Resurrection community, we believe that God calls us to work together for the resurrection of society, bringing his life and love to all and we represent the resurrection in this manner. We express this in our service to others.



Service is central to the mission and vision of Resurrection. Students are encouraged to approach life with confidence and a compassionate heart. Students provide service to the community through clubs and honor societies and through the annual Hunger Walk and ResPunzel hair donation program, food drives, clothing drives, service trips and special projects.



Alumnae Service to Students Alumnae serve as role models for Resurrection students as participants at the annual Alumnae Career Day, as mentors in the Practicum Job Shadowing Program and as speakers at special events or in the classroom. Alumnae participate as speakers at the recently implemented Leadership Series that trains current students to fulfill their leadership roles in clubs, activities and athletics.

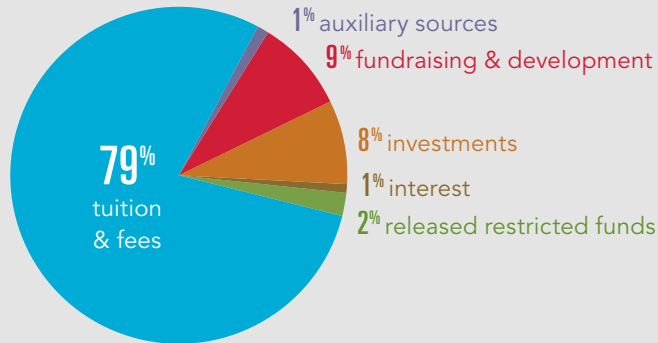
TINA LARSON '06
Children's Heart Foundation
Development Coordinator



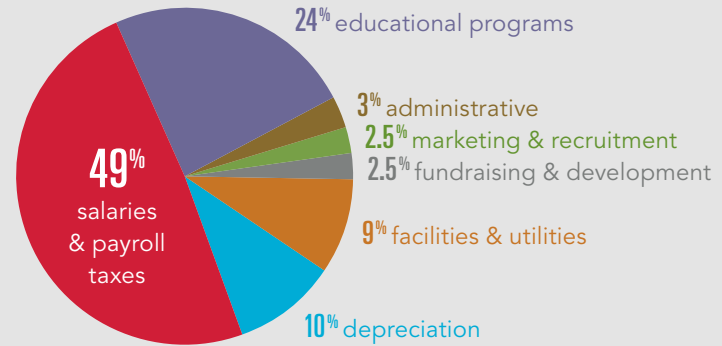
Resurrection Financials

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REVENUE (OPERATING INCOME)



EXPENSES (OPERATING EXPENSES)



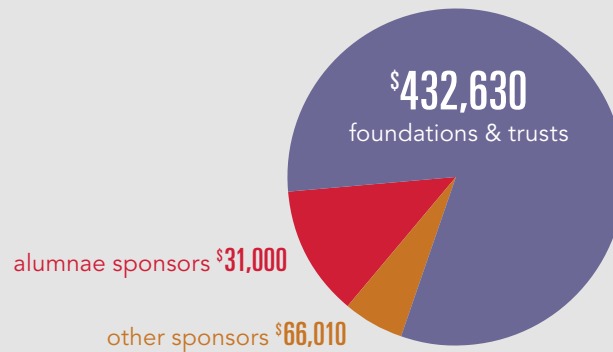
EACH STUDENT
RECEIVES A

\$2,600

SUBSIDY

the difference between
tuition and actual cost

SOURCES OF SCHOLARSHIPS & FINANCIAL AID



Private School Aid Service
(PSAS) reported
A NEED OF OVER

\$1.5 MILLION

46% of our students
submitted applications,
Resurrection funded
nearly 72% of those



WE NEED THE SUPPORT OF OUR PARTNERS

Resurrection continues to build on the legacy of our past, to serve our students and their families and to offer a dynamic learning environment that transforms the lives of the young women. However, we cannot do this alone — we rely on the generosity of donors, alumnae and the larger community to offer academics, spiritual formation, fine arts, athletics and technology. With approximately 30% of our families receiving financial assistance and scholarships, keeping tuition affordable means making sure 20% of the cost to educate a Resurrection student comes from contributions.

Ways to support Resurrection:

- make a donation
- establish a scholarship
- partner as an athletic or corporate sponsor
- support an event as a sponsor
- plan a future gift from your estate

How to make a donation to Resurrection:

visit RESHS.ORG or contact Alisa Martorano at amartorano@reshs.org or 773.775.6616 x142

DONOR PROFILE

Charlotte Lennon Memorial Scholarship is awarded in memory of Charlotte Lennon '78 who died in a car accident at the age of 21. This scholarship was established by Charlotte's family so they could help young women further their education at Resurrection. Applicants must be a freshman, sophomore or junior student, demonstrate financial need and be involved in sports.



the Lennon sisters selected LAUREN HARTFORD '17 as the 2014-15 recipient

The Charlotte Lennon Scholarship is an opportunity to honor the memory of my sister and twin in a place we so enjoyed. Both of us had a great experience at Resurrection and benefitted from the all-girls environment which allowed us to form strong friendships. Char's plan was to become a teacher, and education was important to her, so the scholarship is a way to honor that intention. This memorial is helping to support the education of young women.

— Cathy Lennon '78



2014-15 ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM

Sr. Donna Marie Wolowicki, CR '66
President

Maria Hawk
Principal

Carol Beimer
Asst. Principal for Program Planning

Margaret Masterson Kinel '92
Asst. Principal for Curriculum and Instruction

Katie Kikos
Athletic Director

Tamara Bernardin
Dean of Students

Barbara Basil Petrovich '67
Business Administrator

Alisa Kollar Martorano '87
Director of Development

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Educator and Pastoral Minister, Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth

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Alumna, Parent and Former Educator

Bernard Kelly
Adjunct Faculty, Dominican University

Dr. Maureen Mascha '73
Associate Professor of Accounting, Purdue University Calumet

Kathleen Walsh Hopkinson '83
Chief of Finance, Kane County Division of Transportation

Marie Matys Rakoczy '71
Former Resurrection Faculty Member and Retired Business Analyst

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Director of the Gannon Center for Women and Leadership, Loyola University

Sr. Carolyn Sniegowski, CR '62
School Liason at Misericordia Home and Former Grammar School Principal, Sisters of the Resurrection

Dan Tully
Principal, Notre Dame College Prep High School

Sr. Donna Marie Wolowicki, CR '66
President, Resurrection College Prep High School