



2018-19

ANNUAL REPORT

BRAWERMAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Celebrating 20 Years



MESSAGE FROM

The Head of School

As we entered Brawerman's 20th year, we intentionally chose *kehillah*, or community, as our school's theme. In his book *The Secrets of Happy Families*, Bruce Feiler writes, "Study after study confirms that the number one predictor of life satisfaction comes from spending time with the people you care about and who also care about you. Simply put, happiness is other people." For us, the other people are our Brawerman community, where we are surrounded by those who share a collective passion around a common purpose. We are a community of learners focused on academic excellence and joyful Judaism in a caring, compassionate, and safe environment.

Our Brawerman community is bigger and stronger than ever before. Growing from a class of ten students 20 years ago, we now have 272 students at Brawerman West, 94 students at Brawerman East, and 96 total faculty and staff across the two campuses. Our incredibly low attrition rate is a further testament to the strength of our community and the quality of the learning experience at Brawerman.

Attending Brawerman provides our students a chance to grow up a little before determining where they want to spend their secondary school years. Our kids get accepted to selective secondary schools, and they excel in them. We continue to have placement in the highest math sections of middle school, regardless of which teacher taught them math in Grade 6. One parent of two daughters at Brentwood School shared that, in separate parent conferences, their daughters' English teachers asked which



elementary school the daughters attended because the quality of the writing was so impressive. Secondary school teachers want to know which elementary school is doing such a great job of preparing their students. Of course it is Brawerman!



Our success rate continues beyond secondary schools. We have started tracking the colleges and universities our graduates are attending. I really believe that some of the college matriculation success is a credit to the Brawerman community. At these schools our graduates are appreciated for the quality of their thinking and the caliber of their character. A recent Washington Post article, titled *When Applying to College, This Character Trait May Mean More Than Grades*, discusses a simple point: colleges want students who are caring. As the article states, "Getting into your top-choice college should be the bonus of being kind, not the reason to be kind." Brawerman fosters this at our core.

None of this is possible without our inspirational teachers and administrators. Our administrative team of Nadine Zysman, Dr. Tamara Miller, Andrea Weinstein, Michelle Handzo, Noa Grant, Rabbi Elissa Ben-Naim, Lindy Goldberg, Chris Donohoe, and Rebecca Spain are all daring, courageous leaders. They work with passion, and I am grateful to have them as my colleagues. Our teachers are the strongest team I have ever worked with. We have built this team by investing in personnel and their training to improve our ability to differentiate and personalize the learning for each student. We have added eight and a half additional faculty members to support student achievement and community engagement. When we say we are a community of learners, this speaks to our commitment.

We are fortunate to be part of Wilshire Boulevard Temple, an organization that provides us the leadership and resources to perform at the highest levels. I am privileged to work closely with the leadership team of Senior Rabbi Steve Leder, Executive Director Donna Nadel, Associate Executive Directors Jodi Berman and Doug Lynn, Wilshire Boulevard Temple Board President Alberto Valner and the WBT Board of Trustees. Additionally, there is no school or Temple anywhere, in Los Angeles or in this country, that is safer than Brawerman. We are grateful for Cory Wenter, our Director of Safety and Security, and for our always professional and prepared security team.

As I reflect on the beginning of Brawerman, I think about all of the dedication and hard work that Nadine Breuer and Maxine Keith put in to make it all possible. I also think ahead to the future of Brawerman, and I am confident that it will be even stronger in 20 years than it is today.


BRANDON COHEN

MESSAGE FROM THE Advisory Board Chair

I was thrilled to serve as the Chair of Brawerman's Advisory Board for the 2018-19 school year. The Advisory Board is comprised of 16 parent representatives from our East and West campuses. We serve as the school's ambassadors, help ensure that the school's administration is fulfilling the mission and vision of the school, and advise the Head of School on any issues that arise throughout the school year.



Brawerman's theme for the year was *kehillah* which means community. Our community is in a unique position. We are a fiercely competitive independent school that marries rigorous academics with our rich Jewish traditions and history.

This year our entire community celebrated Brawerman's 20 years of creating community. Through the continued success of our endowment and the annual giving campaign, the school will be poised to deliver its community all the tools for success. The Brawerman vision for the future is to continue to deliver joyful Judaism and rigorous academics to prepare our *mensches* for the modern world.

Caroline Packman
CAROLINE PACKMAN

BES ADVISORY BOARD

Caroline Packman, *Chair*
Margo Freedman
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Jamie Sabet

Ben Scott
Adam Stotsky
Michelle Vogel
Jenny Zipkin



BRAWERMAN WEST

HIGHLIGHTS

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RANDON'S BOOK CLUB

One of the strongest values at Brawerman is community and partnership. Aligned with this ethos, we had our very first parent book club facilitated by Head of School Brandon Cohen. Our school is committed to basing our best practices on research and mirroring our conversations with hot topics taking place in the public forum. Brandon was particularly inspired by Jessica Lahey's *The Gift of Failure* because it felt balanced and practical. We look forward to this being a new Brawerman tradition!

BOSTON

From local to overnight trips, field trips not only help contextualize the learning happening in classrooms, but also build independence. This year we added a Grade 5 weeklong trip to explore one of the 13 colonies, Boston, Massachusetts! Students walked through history as



With two come-from-behind wins over Carlthorp School and Village School, the Brawerman BLAZE Grade 6 Girls Volleyball team won the Coastal Canyon League Tournament! A story book ending for these amazing student athletes!

they saw the birthplace of the Revolutionary War and other historical sites. As one student remarked, "It's like being inside my social studies textbook." This trip also helps prepare students for their two-week journey to Israel the following year.

SCIENCE

The science lab has come alive! Brawerman West is now home to two chinchillas, a fish, a gecko, and hydroponic plants. To honor the efforts of the 2017-18 Grade 1 pet committee, this grade level received the privilege of naming the chinchillas Dodger Adam and Peanut Moshe. In true Brawerman fashion, we even had a community baby naming on the *bimah!*



KINDERGARTEN

Our Kindergarten community is now one combined class led by an incredible teaching team, which included Bruce Michael Green, Carly Handelman, Allison Inoshita, and Rebecca Moray. These teachers have a combined teaching experience of almost 85 years! Having one *kehillah* allows us to create flexible, small-group learning experiences so we can get to know our newest Brawerman students who come from all different preschools. This framework allows every student to interact with each other and explore different social groups.



Nadine Zysman
Principal



Andrea Weinstein
Assistant Principal
Grades 3-6



Michelle Handzo
Assistant Principal
Grades K-2



Rabbi Elissa Ben-Naim
Director of Jewish Life
and Learning



Lindy Goldberg
Director of Admissions

BRAWERMAN EAST

HIGHLIGHTS

D R. TAMARA MILLER

When Dr. Tamara Miller began her role as Brawerman East Principal, she arrived ready to put her background in educational leadership to work. Prior to joining Brawerman, Dr. Miller spent more than twenty years as an educator working in both public and independent schools

in various roles including science teacher, department chair, and as an administrator. In her most recent role as Academic Dean at Brentwood School, she oversaw curriculum and instruction for Grades 9-12 and worked with K-12 teachers on scope and sequence. Her passion for learning and growing professionally inspired her to pursue a Doctorate in Educational Leadership at UCLA where her dissertation focused on cultures of collaboration among teachers. Dr. Miller's forward and innovative thinking combined with our existing team of adaptable, open-minded educators has allowed Brawerman East to take its instruction and curriculum development to new levels. With the implementation of a new system for teachers to reflect on their practice and collaborate with each other, there is a renewed focus on student engagement, cross-curricular integration, and student-centered learning.



PROJECT BASED LEARNING - HEBREW CURRICULUM

Brawerman East has been exploring opportunities to integrate more Project Based Learning (PBL) into the curriculum. This powerful teaching method encourages students to actively investigate real-world problems in order to acquire deeper understanding and more dynamic skill sets during units of learning. PBL also challenges students to work for an extended period of time questioning, collaborating, and grappling with authentic problems.

Brawerman East's Hebrew Department has played an integral role in implementing PBL. Hebrew students began the year collaborating with Innovation to create a Hebrew iPad video game using upcycled materials such as cardboard, bottle caps, and straws. Students integrated Hebrew writing, authentic story telling, and innovative construction when creating a physical side-scroller of their summer experiences based on the paper-based re-imagining of Nintendo classic *Super Mario Bros*. Students also acted as *sochen al* (secret agents) to find clues and solve puzzles in a Hebrew style Mission Impossible escape room. By scanning QR codes throughout the school building and working collaboratively with their team, they were able to solve problems, answer clues, and ultimately uncover the treasure box, all while increasing their Hebrew reading, writing, and speaking skills.

MAKERS FAIR

Brawerman East hosted its first Makers Fair as an opportunity for students to showcase their creative work from across the curriculum. Students completed hands-on projects where they designed prototypes, learned from their failed attempts, and ultimately found success in their subsequent models. The evening was filled with engaging activities including a virtual reality room with ocular glasses, deconstruction and reconstruction booths, and musical fruit circuits. The evening allowed for students and their families to explore crafts and technology while enjoying "do-it-yourself" sushi and pizza. Dr. Miller, when reflecting on the value of the event, shared, "I am reminded of the purpose of schooling. Yes, literacy and numeracy are important, learning a second language and playing an instrument are also integral, but the skills that students gain from designing, tinkering, failing, and redesigning are vital and instrumental in their ability to problem solve throughout their lives."



Dr. Tamara Miller
Principal



Noa Grant
Assistant Principal



Chris Donohoe
Director of Admissions





BRAWERMAN Parent Association

Brawerman is grateful to have an incredibly active and dedicated Parent Association (PA). The PA at **Brawerman West** has come a long way from starting out with just ten families and a single PA President. Fast forward to 2018-19 where we had more than 200 families, a full seven-member board with 21 committees, each with their own chairs and many opportunities for parents to contribute to the Brawerman communal experience. As our school continues to grow and expand, we are adding a fourth vice president to the PA board, along with committees that will be focused on admissions, alumni, and grandparent outreach. Our parent volunteers organized some of our students' favorite events, from the schoolwide *Simchat Torah* pancake breakfast and Book Fair that now coincides with the national celebration of reading day, to the always popular Pier FUNraiser, and concluding the school year with the excitement of Sports Day. These events could not happen without our dedicated parents who work so hard making memories for our students and their families.

The school year at **Brawerman East** truly embodied the year's school-wide theme of *kehillah*. Our annual Purim celebration is an event where we invite Brawerman West to our campus and turn the school upside down! We create a carnival on the

Athletics Complex, bake *hamentashen*, assemble *mishloach manot* bags, and share many other activities throughout the day. At our annual Thanksgiving Feast, the parents made a homemade meal to feed students, faculty, administrators, and clergy. It's a joyous event that truly exemplifies what Brawerman East is all about. Seeing so many parents cook, prepare, and volunteer, reminds students that this is an opportunity to take time off of work and spend time with family and friends. These events, along with so many others, are woven into the fabric of our school.

On Saturday, May 11, 2019, our community came together to celebrate 20 years of Brawerman in style. More than 450 people attended the event with incoming, current, and alumni families, teachers and administration present and past, including founding Head of School Nadine Breuer and founding Principal Maxine Keith. It was a beautiful evening under the stars with shmoozing and great 90's music from the year our school began. Our silent auction and proceeds from ticket sales raised more than \$80,000 which will go to Brawerman's endowment. With so much excitement and progress seen over the last school year and in honor of our community's growth for 20 years, we are off to an amazing start for the next decade of Brawerman.



Jannelle Ross
PA President,
Brawerman East



Jennifer Kaufman
PA President,
Brawerman West

Matriculation

Brawerman students matriculate to the top-tier independent schools in Los Angeles.

Secondary Schools	2017-2019
The Archer School for Girls	3
Brentwood School	21
Crossroads School	9
Geffen Academy	7
Harvard-Westlake School	12
Marlborough School	3
Milken Community Schools	21
Oakwood School	2
Windward School	25
Public	6
Other*	9
TOTAL	118

*1 student between 2017-2019 has matriculated to the following schools: The Buckley School, Campbell Hall, Chadwick Academy, ESLA, Pilgrim School, Pressman Academy, Summit View School, The Willows Community School, and Tree Academy

Art Center College of Design
 Bard College
 Barnard College
 Boston College
 Boston University
 Boulder Business School
 Brown University
 Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo
 Carleton College
 Carnegie Mellon University
 Chapman University
 Claremont McKenna College
 Colorado College
 Cornell University
 Dartmouth College
 Drexel University
 Elon University
 Eugene Lang College
 FIDM
 George Washington University
 Georgia Institute of Technology
 Hamilton College
 Harvard University
 Indiana University
 Ithaca College
 Kenyon College
 New York University
 Northeastern University
 Northwestern University
 Oregon State University
 Otis College of Art and Design
 Parsons School of Design
 Pitzer College
 Princeton University
 Purdue University
 Rhode Island School of Design



San Jose State University
 Syracuse University
 Tufts University
 Tulane University
 University of Arizona
 University of California, Berkeley
 University of California, Los Angeles
 University of California, Riverside
 University of California, Santa Cruz
 University of Chicago
 University of Colorado, Boulder
 University of Miami
 University of Michigan
 University of Pennsylvania
 University of Southern California
 University of Vermont
 University Of Wisconsin
 Vanderbilt University
 Washington University in St. Louis
 Wesleyan University

ALUMNI

Through the Years

RONI STEIN

Class of 2006

After graduating from Brawerman West's founding class, Roni attended Crossroads School. She then received a dual degree in Film and Communications from the University of Michigan.

Roni now works at an independent film/tv production company called FilmNation and enjoys spending time with friends, watching movies, hiking, and traveling.



What was it like to be a part of Brawerman's first class?

Being part of Brawerman's first class was a unique experience in that we were able to help set the tone for what it meant to be a Brawerman student. I think we had a big responsibility to represent the values that Brawerman strove to bring out in each of its students.

What is your favorite memory from your days at Brawerman?

I don't think I have one particular favorite memory from Brawerman, but rather I remember all of the great community events that we were able to participate in as a school. That is something unique and special that you don't find at every elementary school.

How did Brawerman help prepare you for what you're doing now?

Through encouraging its students to create their own individuality and opinions, Brawerman taught me to have confidence in my sense of self which has been a very valuable tool in getting me where I am today.

ADRIEN THEIN-SANDLER

Class of 2011

Adrien (Adi) is Brawerman's first graduate to attend Harvard University! Adi is a member of the Harvard Mens Fencing Squad and competes in the Ivy League and NCAA Division 1 Mens Epee Fencing. Independently, Adi competes nationally and internationally, and he represented the USA at the 2019 Fencing World Championships, Junior Mens Epee, finishing the year in the top 32 in the world and 3rd in the USA.



What is your favorite memory from your days at Brawerman?

My favorite memory from Brawerman is the 6th Grade Israel Trip. That trip embodies all the best parts of my BES education, combining meaningful life-learning with a celebration of Jewish values and family. Also, it was extremely special on my 12th birthday to ascend Masada at sunrise and then descend into the Dead Sea, a moving culmination of my seven years at Brawerman.

How did Brawerman help prepare you for what you're doing now?

Brawerman prepared me for what I am doing now, first and foremost, by instilling in me the principled values of Judaism, of being a *mensch*, and the joy of learning. Brawerman helped me become a curious and eager learner (beginning in BMG's kindergarten class), which propels me in every forum of my life, not just academically. PE with Coach Barry was also very impactful, teaching me the fundamentals of being an athlete, individual, and teammate.

EMILY LEVIN

Class of 2018

Emily is a 7th grader at Marlborough School. She plays club soccer, sings in the WBT Youth Choir and the Marlborough School Melodic Mustangs, and loves musical theatre. She also enjoyed participating in the WBTY Helps program with the Los Angeles Museum of the Holocaust this year.



What was it like to be a part of Brawerman East's first class?

To be a part of the Brawerman East charter class was an amazing experience. I saw Brawerman grow up around me changing from one class room and an office to a beautiful school. In addition, my classmates and I are almost like siblings and I feel like we will be friends forever.

What is your favorite memory from your days at Brawerman?

My favorite memory from my time at Brawerman was on our class trip to Israel when we went to the Western Wall for the first time. I remember looking around at my classmates and seeing the awe on everyone's face and being so grateful that we were all able to experience Israel together.

How did Brawerman help prepare you for what you're doing now?

Brawerman prepared me for secondary school and life in general by teaching me to be confident in myself and helping me realize that I should not be afraid of failure.

FACULTY & STAFF

Since the Beginning...

RABBI ELISSA BEN-NAIM Director of Jewish Life and Learning



What motivates you to keep teaching year after year at Brawerman?

Teaching and instilling a love of Judaism in our students is exciting. It's dynamic and thrilling that for as many students as we have taught, that's how many Jewish pathways we have created. Knowing that there are still more pathways to be created motivates me to continue teaching. Above all, we are really *B'nei Yisrael*, those who wrestle with and engage with what it means to be a Jew today.

Is there a quote or saying that you live your life by and one you may share with your students?

"Be the change you want to see in the world."

What is your favorite memory from when you first started at Brawerman?

My favorite memory is standing with each graduating class under the *tallit* and blessing them on their journey.

What makes Brawerman so special?

It's an uncompromised education that we are able to meet the highest standards across the board: academic, spiritual, emotional, physical, cognitive, intellectual. It's not just the whole child, it's also the whole family. We're not just a school. We're a home.

How have you seen Brawerman change over the last 20 years?

Our excellence has only sustained us and made us stronger. We did it! We've proven the need for our existence as a Reform Jewish day school.

BARRY SCHAPIRA Head Coach



What motivates you to keep teaching year after year at Brawerman?

I love Brawerman and I love teaching PE. Put those things together, and you get 20 years. Having the opportunity for my students to develop the confidence, teamwork, and joy of movement to live healthy, active lifestyles is truly a blessing.

Is there a quote or saying that you live your life by and one you may share with your students?

"Shoot for the moon. Even if you miss, you'll land among the stars."

What is your favorite memory from when you first started at Brawerman?

When the founding Head of School Nadine Breuer was showing me around the campus and she first brought me into the gym. She said, "This is where you'll be working," and I was blown away. I had a sense that I was given a beautiful platform to potentially impact kids lives and inspire them to always bring their best.

What makes Brawerman so special?

Brawerman is oozing with class, is the epitome of dedication and community, and is like a second family for me. More importantly, Brawerman is a Jewish home—so nurturing and full of warmth, spirit, soul—and always welcoming to guests.

How have you seen Brawerman change over the last 20 years?

I've seen it grow not only in size, but also in quality. I have the best colleagues, the best administration, and the greatest students.

BRUCE "BMG" GREEN Kindergarten Teacher



What motivates you to keep teaching year after year at Brawerman?

It's kind of impossible to believe that my kindergarten adventure is going on 20 years (mostly because I'm still in my twenties). But think about it...what could be better than spending every day with people who are enthusiastic, have super energy, want to sing, dance, learn everything, do everything (and believe they can!), create, live in the moment, and celebrate continuously? It is an ongoing gift to be part of that energy, to support, nurture, and even challenge it, and to be energized by it, because it's contagious!

Is there a quote or saying that you live your life by and one you may share with your students?

"Chanting makes it important!" because first, it does. Second, that's what typifies kindergarten: chanting, spirit, and making things important. Starting with ourselves!

What is your favorite memory from when you first started at Brawerman?

I just had a flashback to our first *Chanukah* party at Nadine Breuer's house. Our entire staff fit in the living room! It was so cozy. And now it's crazy that we are so big we have to preorder our *latkas* from Amazon by Passover!

What makes Brawerman so special?

It's kind of obvious, yet always worth repeating. Our parents. And our teachers. And, most importantly, our students. Every single kid with whom we've gotten to celebrate, and teach, and learn from, has left an imprint on our school. Over 20 years those imprints synergistically built upon each other and combined to create our school culture, community, and spirit. It's beautiful.

How have you seen Brawerman change over the last 20 years?

There are so many relationships I have celebrated throughout the years, many which have continued well past students' and families' tenures at Brawerman. It is without a doubt these relationships that have sustained and motivated me here at Wilshire Boulevard Temple. So 20 years, 400 kindergarteners, and unmeasurable amounts of singing and dancing on the tables later, I am honored and blessed to continue this educational adventure at Brawerman Elementary School!

Fundraising & Engagement

REBECCA SPAIN DIRECTOR OF ADVANCEMENT



Another successful year! I am continually impressed and inspired by the commitment of our parent body. I want to give a huge thanks to our annual giving co-chairs and committee at West and co-chairs at East for their hard work and dedication, which resulted in our first year raising more than \$1 million! Not only do these donations help offset costs of the school, but they are used for amazing projects and programming like West's science lab and East's Makers Fair.

A special thank you to Brawerman 20 Year Celebration (B20) Co-Chairs Arezou Berghoff and Georgeann Carras Stotsky for working tirelessly to put together an incredible community event for current families, alumni, and faculty to enjoy. Thank you to Jeanne and Tony Pritzker for opening up their beautiful home for our event.



The B20 auction, co-chaired by Loris Lunsford and Kara Slater, combined with proceeds from the event, raised more than \$80,000 for Brawerman's endowment. I am also incredibly grateful for our endowment co-chairs for helping to heighten awareness about the importance of endowment to the Brawerman community, and helping to raise endowment dollars to keep Brawerman's doors open for decades to come.



Raised more than
\$1,000,000
for our Annual Giving Campaign to help offset operational costs, update the school's facilities, enhance programming, and provide professional development opportunities for our staff.



STARTED AN ALUMNI PARENT COMMITTEE to connect alumni families and provide opportunities for alumni to volunteer at Brawerman.

Brawerman reached **100% PARTICIPATION** for its Annual Giving Campaign from East and West families and faculty from both campuses.



More than 30 Grandparents attended a Lunch and Learn with Head of School Brandon Cohen.

42 FAMILIES

joined the Brawerman Giving Circle by generously donating gifts of \$10,000+ to Brawerman's Annual Giving Campaign.



Hosted a Sushi and Shmooze Alumni Event for Brawerman Class of 2013 Graduates and their parents.

More than **\$80,000** in proceeds from Brawerman's 20 Year Celebration went to Brawerman's endowment.

Raised more than **\$25,000** from Alumni, Grandparents, and Community Members.

Endowment

Together with prior endowment donations, we have a total of more than \$7.5 million in cash and legacy pledges.

A robust endowment is an essential component for schools in a landscape of rising tuition and scholarship requests. This fund will be a source of long-term support for the school. The principal will be invested, and the yearly income may be used to:

- provide financial assistance
- stabilize tuition
- retain and recruit faculty
- fund programs

Both Annual Giving and Endowment are critical to Brawerman's success:

- Annual Giving raises funds from all school families every year for current use
- Endowment provides for the future

Endowment gifts of \$25,000 and above will be recognized on our legacy wall and in Brawerman and Wilshire Boulevard Temple publications. Opportunities are also available to endow special programs at the school.

*This is a school we love.
Let's ensure its future.*

OVER
\$7.5
MILLION
in cash and
legacy pledges



Endowment Co-Chairs:
Marsha Levin, Margo Freedman,
and Lauryn Harris

Champion (\$1,000,000+)

Geri and Richard (z"l) Brawerman
Dana and Richard Pachulski
The Shirken Family

Leader (\$500,000 - \$999,999)

Goldhirsh-Yellin Foundation, in Memory
of Bernard and Wendy Goldhirsh

Builder (\$100,000 - \$249,999)

de Toledo Family Scholarship Fund
Gretchen and Jon Klein
Nadine Breuer Retirement Event

Benefactor (\$50,000 - \$99,999)

The Ullendorff Family

Supporter (\$25,000 - \$49,999)

Abrams Family Foundation
The Joseph Alexander Foundation
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Brawerman Alumni Association Fund
Brawerman Parent Association
Nadine and Steve Breuer
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Parker, in Memory of Sylvia and Mayer Gutman
The Essey Family
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Julie Monkarsh Gadinsky
Margo E. Freedman and David B. Goldman
Marsha and Fredrick Levin
Marcia and Doug Mankoff
Hope Wintner and Ted Meisel
Lauryn Harris and Greg Pimstone
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Don Rosman
Pej and Jamie Sabet
Lauren and Anton Schiff
Amy and Jeffrey P. Straus
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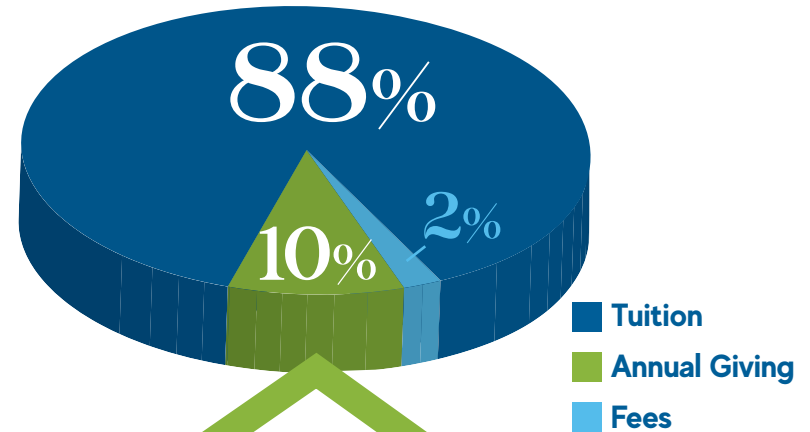
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Annual Giving Campaign

For the first time ever, Brawerman's Annual Giving Campaign (AGC) raised more than \$1,000,000, exceeding our goal of \$900,000. AGC contributions make up 10% of Brawerman's operating budget, which represents 56% of the total proceeds of the Annual Giving Campaign.

The funds raised during the AGC are vital to every part of the annual operating budget and enable Brawerman to continue growing and making investments in our facilities, education specialists, new teachers and administrators, and ongoing, enhanced programs for our students.

Operating Revenues



Annual Giving
\$1,072,962

Operating
Budget

56%

Facility Improvements
Professional Development
Specialists & New Teachers
Enhanced Programming

44%

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Annual Giving Campaign

Brawerman reached 100% participation from East and West families and faculty, and we surpassed 100% of our financial goal!

We raised \$1,072,962 to help offset operational costs, update the school's facilities, provide professional development opportunities for our staff, and so much more.



Annual Giving Co-Chairs (West)
Carrie & Evan Rifkin, Jamie & Pej Sabet, and Gretchen & Jon Klein



Annual Giving Co-Chairs (East)
Jessica Lewensztain, Roya Milder, and Sandy Nasseri

Thank you to the entire Brawerman community for your generosity. We deeply appreciate your support and commitment to this campaign. We could not have succeeded without each and every one of you!

BRAWERMAN GIVING CIRCLE

Benefactor (\$25,000+)

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The Berman Family/Leonard Hill Foundation
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The Essey Family
The Goldhirsh-Yellin Foundation
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Steven and Leah Yari

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Talia and Martin Lesak
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The Nasserri Family
The Ratner Family
The Rifkin Family
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The Rosenberg Family
Jannelle and Ben Ross
Pej and Jamie Sabet
The Schechter Family
Alexis and Jason Schutzer
Pegah and Payam Shahian
The Sokol Family
The Taylor Family
The Todman Family
Andy and Liz Waters

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Annual Giving Campaign

Patron

(\$7,200-\$9,999)

Joli & Andrew Altshule
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The Blumenthal Family
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Wendy Sacks & Steven Sklaver
Shirin & Peyman Yadegar

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(\$3,600-\$7,199)

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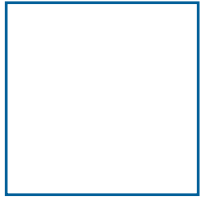
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