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All too often, we hear claims of something being "life changing," However, when a student attends The Briarwood School and a parent is first asked to trust "the process" - the unique and individualized teaching method employed by Briarwood - they soon realize that Briarwood truly changes the lives of the very special children it educates.

Briarwood has certainly changed the lives of our children Ella Rubinson and Quinton Tremblay. Ella is a 15-year-old student at The Tuttle School at Briarwood, which provides a special learning environment for developmentally delayed children with learning ability, and Quinton is in the 11th grade of Briarwood's Upper School program. Prior to attending Briarwood, Ella was regressing after a number of unsuccessful years at her previous school and Quinton was failing to thrive educationally at a different private school, overseas. Within her several years of attendance at Tuttle, Ella has excelled both academically and socially. Most importantly, every day she is in a place where she loves to learn and where she is loved. Quinton is succeeding in every aspect academically and regained his confidence, all while being taught critical strategies to help him succeed into the future.

This year's 50th Annual Gala and Fundraiser will be held on Friday, March 27, 2020 at The **Astorian** and is a celebration of Briarwood's 53<sup>rd</sup> year educating special children. Please join us as we "Kick it up for our Kids" Gatsby style. This unforgettable evening provides an opportunity to make a rewarding charitable contribution to the betterment of a child's life while enjoying a spectacular evening of cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, seated dinner, silent and live auctions, entertainment and dancing.

Briarwood has established itself as one of the premier schools of its kind in the country and empowers students with learning differences and intellectual disabilities who would otherwise be left behind to reach their full potential. The school is an accredited, independent and non-profit organization that relies on the generosity of charitable donors like you to continue its mission of changing children's lives. The annual Gala and Benefit is our primary fundraising event. Proceeds will be used towards student tuition assistance, continuing education for our teachers, teacher endowment, and to support WWW.BRIARWOODSCHOOL.ORG the intensive programs that promote Briarwood's philosophy: "Every student can learn, and every student has the right to be taught in the way he or she learns best."

> Your generosity and participation are needed and deeply appreciated. Your gift will help nurture and empower a child's future just like it has with our own children. The Briarwood School, with your generous support, will truly continue to change lives!

Respectfully yours,

Kim and Seth Rubinson Anna and Matt Tremblay

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