MILL SPRINGS ACADEMY



2019-2020 ANNUAL GIVING REPORT

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LETTER FROM THE CHAIR AND HEAD OF SCHOOL

The 2019-2020 school year brought many changes to Mill Springs Academy. It was the school's first year without late Headmaster, Robert W. Moore, and it saw the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, causing schools around the world to shut their campuses and move student learning online.

Despite these challenges, the Mill Springs Academy community came together to ensure that the school's mission continued. The flexibility, creativity, and resilience shown by our teachers, students, and families was nothing short of extraordinary. Our community truly embodied the spirit of #MSAstrong.

Together, we navigated the first year without our school's long-time leader, moving to online learning, figuring out how to learn from home, and cheering each other on from afar. We created moments of community to keep connected through Zoom lunch groups and movies, online band concerts and theatre performances, and so much more. We worked hard to keep the Mustang spirit alive outside of our campus.

With everything that has happened in the last two years, we are grateful for the support of each and every individual, family, and organization listed on the following pages. Your time, talent, and treasures are critical to the experience of all of our students. We wouldn't be able to do it without you.

There may be more ahead of us, but we have already proven that at Mill Springs Academy, together, we are stronger. We will face whatever challenges arise as a community, and we will continue to provide a place where students with learning differences thrive.

Bruce Clayton DebaMer

With gratitude,

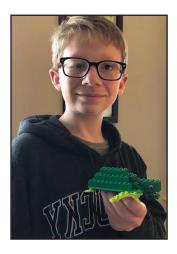
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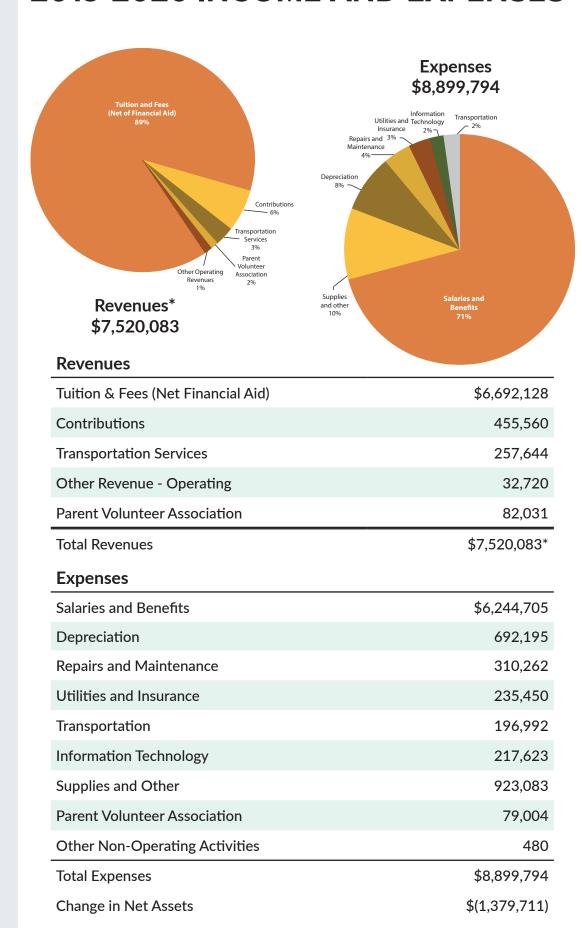
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2019-2020 INCOME AND EXPENSES



^{*} Note: The revenue amounts do not include approximately \$1.1 million in revenue from the Paycheck Protection Program grant received in FY 2020. This amount is expected to be recognized as revenue in FY 2021.

Grandparents' Day

Mill Springs Academy celebrated Grandparents' Day on Friday, November 22, 2019. This annual event is attended by hundreds of grandparents, and gives them a chance to visit their students and preview some of the art students have been working on during the year. When grandparents arrived at 9:00 a.m., they were invited to enjoy a catered hot breakfast and take in the impressive centerpieces which featured student artwork on display. This year, the full MSA Band (under the direction of Elizabeth Regas) treated everyone to a few songs and Musical Theatre students previewed two performances from their upcoming performance of Bugsy Malone, Jr.

After the performances, grandparents were transported via buses and golf carts to join students in their classrooms for tours of the campus, additional programs, and displays of student work and art. Two photo stations were available on campus for grandparents to take professional photos with their student as a special keepsake.



Senior Presentation Receives Shout Out on Twitter

Every year MSA seniors present their capstone project for their Senior Research & Composition Class. These presentations represent culmination of months of hard work. This year, one of our seniors received a public shout out on Twitter for his presentation. Mat Campbell's project focused on transit expansion in Atlanta, and he was able to book a sit down interview with the CEO of MARTA, Jeffery Parker. During the interview, Mat was able to ask questions about the transit expansion and learn more about different aspects of MARTA. After his interview, Mat received a tour of MARTA's headquarters from Stephanie Fisher, MARTA's Communications Director. Mat was also offered the opportunity to intern with MARTA during college. Afterwards, Mat was surprised with a tweet from the CEO Jeffery Parker's official MARTA account wishing him luck on his Senior Project.



ANNUAL FUND

Chair Staff/Faculty Chair

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Mill Springs' Annual Fund is the cornerstone of our school's development program and contributes directly to the quality of education that takes place at the school. Gifts to the Annual Fund from parents, grandparents, faculty, staff, friends, and alumni are used to keep annual tuition increases to a minimum. The growth of the Annual Fund reflects great trust in the mission of the school and has established a vital culture of giving as we move forward with our plans for expansion. Great commitment from our parents, volunteers, Board of Trustees, faculty, staff, and friends of the school has created an exceptional acceleration in the Annual Fund. Continued support of the Annual Fund will ensure a strong future for every student at Mill Springs Academy.

The following are just a few ways in which Annual Fund dollars are spent:

Keep tuition increases down

(annual tuition increases at MSA have remained at 3% over the past 5 years; much lower than the national average of 7%)

- Allow us to attract and maintain valuable staff
 - (through competitive salaries and benefits like 401k, insurance, continuing education)
- Fund our Scholarship Endowment program
 - (5% of the monies raised each year are set aside to help fund our scholarship endowment program)
- Broaden our Fine Arts curriculum
 - (giving students full access to program in art, theater, chorus, band, and media)
- Provide funds for various classroom enhancements
- Covering unanticipated operating expenses

(unscheduled repairs, etc.)

ANNUAL FUND TOTALS

Primary Constituents	2019-2020 Participation	2019-2020	2018-2019	2017-2018
Board of Trustees	100%	53,325	29,747	30,100
Parents	93%	192,032	144,707	173,341
Faculty & Staff	100%	13,060	16,464	13,572
Grandparents		37,990	39,535	29,102
Matching Gifts		6,500	10,741	12,920
Friends of MSA		48,035	45,924	85,154
		350,942	287,118	344,189

2019 CultureCon Festival

In December, Communication Arts 7th and 8th grade Social Studies classes hosted the 2019 CultureCon Festival. This year's festival focused on the 1920s. CommArts students learned how to effectively research using scholarly sources and then utilized their skills to compose paragraphs and speeches on important historical people from that decade. Students created tri-folds to display their work and read their speeches aloud to CultureCon visitors. Some of the historical figures featured were Babe Ruth, Duke Ellington, Albert Einstein, and Coco Chanel.

MSA's Fine Arts department contributed to the festival with chorus students performing 1920s themed songs from the play Bugsy Malone and Fine Arts students contributing incredible works of art for visitors to enjoy. Teachers and parents participated as well, with Technical Director Patrick Rose creating a speakeasy, complete with a ditch hatch, and parents and staff contributing authentic 1920s artifacts. Seventh-grader Sam Copple-Goodman, who was J. Edgar Hoover for the festival, enthused, "It was an informative opportunity that teaches us about the rich culture of the history of the world."







Coral Lab Gifted New Tank

Thanks to the generosity of a former MSA family, MSA's coral lab received a new tank. The custom built tank includes a top of the line lighting, filtration, and life support system, and it was quickly stocked with various corals and reef invertebrates that were also donated. In addition to the new tank, the school also acquired a stand for the tank, a "Reef Link" lighting programmer and a new wave maker.

The Coral Lab class, taught by Michael Griffeth, allows students the opportunity to experience underwater life up close. Students learn about different types of coral and the animals that live in and around the coral. They also learn about pH balance, carbon dioxide, and what it takes to keep the coral in the tanks, and in our oceans alive and healthy.



Dedication of Robert W. Moore Hall

On Thursday, December 12, 2019, MSA's school community, along with many long-time friends, current and former Board members, staff/faculty, and members of the Moore family, gathered in the PVA Amphitheater for the naming and dedication of our Lower/Middle School building in honor of Robert W. Moore. The ceremony included remarks and prayers by City of Milton Mayor Joe Lockwood, and MSA Upper School Principal, J. P. Watson. But it was founding Board member Dr. Robert Slayden, known affectionately as "Dr. Bob," whose reflection on Robert's profound impact on MSA uniquely captured the spirit of the occasion. Dr. Bob collaborated with MSA's Founder, Tweetie Lewis Moore, from the beginning of the school and is the sole remaining founding Board Member of Mill Springs Academy. The following is a summary of Dr. Bob's remarks, which have been edited for brevity.





"Robert Wyatt Moore - Mill Springs Academy, they became synonymous over the years. Robert arrived at MSA fresh out of Oglethorpe University with a business degree and started as a teacher, coach, and equestrian. As Tweetie's son, Robert was expected to carry a heavy load since she set high standards and didn't mind telling anyone in no uncertain terms her expectations. Robert acquired so many roles as he became more one with MSA. Soon he emerged as the de facto administrator, building contractor, horse wrangler. Yes, we had an equestrian program back then with several horses, mostly donated. Robert managed them, and on many occasions, mostly late at night, early mornings, or weekends he could be found rounding them up once again after they had escaped from their barn, corral, or field. Not a good thing in the middle of Sandy Springs traffic even back then.

This was on Mill Springs' original campus on the old Ed Dodd estate on Brandon Mill Road in Sandy Springs, the location of an 1800's era mill that we acquired when the school was first founded in 1981. The high school was initially in the caretaker's cabin, a log cabin heated at first by only a fireplace and later with portable kerosene heaters. It was miserable in the winter and just as bad on hot days. After our initial couple of years, Robert scrounged materials and managed to get many things like critical services and labor donated to build two basic wood frame classroom buildings on our then small campus.

By 1996 Mill Spring's board approved the final payment of the mortgage to Mr. Dodd, and MSA was finally debt-free. Later that same month, Robert moved ahead to repair the leaky roof on the main building, the former Dodd rustic estate house. The roofer applied a "hot" tar roof and left. Shortly later, we were on FIRE. The main building housing the Lower and Middle Schools, library, school offices, and headmaster office burned to the ground. Once again, Robert organized his resources, and Mill Springs reopened on the Tuesday after the fire - making do with what was left of our campus. Fortunately, one of the other founding board members, Martin Kite, our excellent insurance agent, had seen to it that we were well-covered insurance wise. With the proceeds, the Board approved a search for a new location leading us to the 85-acre tract we are on now.

Tweetie's health started to decline in the 1990s, and Robert became increasingly involved in MSA's management. Shortly after the fire, on Honors Day, June 5, 1996, Robert was announced as the new

Head of School, never missing a beat but putting his style on the school's leadership. Friendly, casual, occasionally obtuse but effectively leading to a buildup of capital reserves to allow for further campus expansion without debt.

On our new campus, Robert oversaw the placement of the first buildings, and we opened in fall 1996 on this site. Robert knew all our students and interacted with them constantly, often winning them over by picking up his ever-present guitar and playing a few bars. He interviewed all new student applicants. Robert's interview questions always included, "spell Wednesday for me." He was a huge supporter of MSA athletics and student-athletes. Can we say COMMISSIONER'S CUP?!! Robert was so proud of those Commissioner's Cups.

Robert also spent much time in civic clubs and professional organizations, establishing himself as a community and private school organization leader representing MSA all along the way. Robert loved cars, and you would never be sure when he would show up with a new "ride." For a while, he went through a phase of riding motorcycles and later got into cycling and rode with his Olde Blind Dog group almost year-round.

Robert as headmaster led the school through four capital campaigns, and our campus matured to what it is now. He led recovery from disaster, moved the campus, led in the development of Mill Springs' leading athletic and fine arts programs. Mill Springs' most recent facility addition, the building you see here, was built without debt under Robert Moore's leadership, with Angel Murr as Board Chair and Ed Coco, a current board member, and father of Lilliana, as Campaign Chair. It is this building the Mill Springs Board of Trustees has decreed to be named "ROBERT W. MOORE HALL," honoring Robert's so many contributions to Mill Springs Academy. So, Robert brought us from cheap buildings built on the fly in the 1980s to this state of art fabulous hall before us now. We thank you, we honor you, and we miss you, Robert Wyatt Moore, as we dedicate this building to you for all you have done for Mill Springs Academy.

If you concentrate intently, you can feel him here observing us from above, smiling and probably playing "Stairway to Heaven" on his guitar while we honor him."

The dedication ceremony was closed by MSA Sophomore Calista Craig singing, "Make me a Channel of Your Peace," which was one of Robert's favorite prayers.











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Mill Springs Goes Virtual

In March of 2020, the spread of COVID-19 caused the majority of schools to close their campuses and move online for what turned into the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year. This included our own Mill Springs Academy. Thankfully, that didn't stop our community from continuing to learn, grow, create, and share online! From Fine Arts, to P.E. and beyond, the MSA community truly showed that together we are #MSAstrong.

The talented MSA Band continued to produce and share beautiful music with each other and their school community. Their performances were made all the more amazing by the fact that each member was playing by themselves in their own home! Afterwards, Band Director Elizabeth Regas worked her magic to combine all of the individual players into one, cohesive online band. The series of four songs are available to view on Mill Springs Academy's YouTube channel.









P.E. class also looked a little different, but that didn't stop Coach John Hanrahan from making sure his students continued to get the exercise they needed. Coach Hanrahan sent out weekly videos demonstrating different exercise and stretching techniques for students to follow, and he even managed to get a few staff members involved too! Coach also invited students to share their exercises with each other. Some students got creative, with one even using a full gallon of milk as his weight!



Visual Arts teachers Janet Ford and Brenda Smith kept the arts alive during COVID. While they worked to get art supplies into students' hands, they tasked them with using materials around their homes to make art. Students used everything from magazines, to chalk, to playdough to create original pieces. One of our community's favorite projects was when students created their own versions of famous historical paintings.







MUSTANG BOOSTER CLUB

The Booster club is a parent organization, working in support of all competitive athletic teams at Mill Springs Academy. The administration, faculty, and coaches of Mill Springs do an outstanding job helping our students experience success in school. Athletics build self-esteem and foster school pride, and the Mustang Booster Club is dedicated to those outcomes. We encourage all parents to join, regardless of the age of your child. Our efforts today will reap rewards for Mustang athletes in the future.



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ARTS ALLIANCE

The Arts Alliance is comprised of parents and friends from the MSA Community at large who are dedicated to furthering the creative experience that our students receive. Students are granted the opportunity, through the aid of the Arts Alliance, to explore and display their talents through performing and visual arts. The Fine Arts Department is always in need of supplies and aid to produce the spectacular programs they put on each year.

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Class of 2020 Senior Caravan & Graduation

It's safe to say that the Class of 2020 had a very unexpected senior year. Unfortunately, the COVID-19 pandemic canceled a number of senior year celebrations so school teachers and administrators decided to do something special to celebrate the Class of 2020. Early in the morning on Tuesday, May 5, 2020, a group of teachers, administrators, and staff loaded into two decorated school buses. Coordinating with senior parents, the group was able to stop and surprise all but three of the seniors at their homes. Their arrival at each house was announced with bus honks, cheering, and the playing of *Pomp and Circumstance*. Seniors were presented with a swag bag full of senior goodies. They were also notified that they had taken their final MSA bus ride and were presented with a cardboard cutout of their smiling faces taken from the windows of the buses. Students and parents kept the secret going throughout the day so that even the final student was able to be surprised!

Graduation for the Class of 2020 was also affected by the pandemic, but on June 26, the school was able to host an in-person, socially-distanced graduation. The Class of 2020 Seniors were finally able to don their cap and gown and walk onstage to accept their diplomas with their classmates. The Class of 2020 will go down in MSA history for their incredible resilience despite the pandemic.













PARENT VOLUNTEER ASSOCIATION (PVA)

The Parent Volunteer Association (PVA) is comprised of the officers, committee chairs, school representatives, and parents who wish to join the PVA. Due to the generous support of many individuals and families who supported our various fundraising efforts during the 2019-2020 school year, the PVA was able to make significant contributions to Mill Springs. To get on the PVA's meeting agenda, or to become a volunteer, please contact the PVA President. Membership forms are available online.

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Judith Wellen (Communications Arts)
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2019-2020 PVA Income and Expenses

Fundraiser		Income	Expenses		
Staff Gift Fund		\$32,969	Staff Gift Fund		\$47,178
Chick-fil-A Monday		\$26,738	Chick-fil-A Monday		\$12,442
Dues		\$900	Other Fundraising Expenses		\$3,269
Used Uniforms		\$5,034	Community Building Events		\$2,685
Other Fundraisers		\$4,658	Other Gifts		\$5,918
Partner/Points Programs		\$1,202	Miscellaneous		\$605
	TOTAL:	\$71,501		TOTAL:	\$72,097





HONORARY SCHOLARSHIPS

The following honorary scholarships are currently active and awarded at the end of each school year to recognize individual students for their achievements and individual contributions to the Mill Springs community. For more information or to contribute to a particular fund, please contact MSA's Development Office.

BRUCE BROWNLOW SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Established in 2013 by anonymous donors in honor of retiring Upper School Principal, Bruce Brownlow. The purpose of the Fund is to provide a \$1,000 scholarship to an Upper School student, which is applied toward the cost of that student's tuition during the following school year.

KAY MORRISON SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Established in 2017 by donors in honor of retiring Communication Arts School Principal Kay Morrison. The purpose of the Fund is top provide a \$500 scholarship to a Communication Arts student, which is applied toward the cost of that student's tuition during the following school year.

SHERRY ROBINSON AND PHIL HANSON SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

Established in 2013 by anonymous donors in honor of retiring Upper School English Teacher Sherry Robinson, and Coach Phil Hanson. The purpose of the Fund is to provide two \$500 scholarships to a Upper School students, which are applied toward the cost of those students' tuition during the following school year.

OTHER FUNDS

Gifts in Kind

Paul and Julie Hagedorn Joe and Ketty Picone

Restricted Gifts

Anonymous
Believe in Me Foundation, Inc.
Bright Wings Foundation
The Catholic Foundation of North Georgia
Scott and Jennifer Ross
Noah Roth



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Send check to:
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13660 New Providence Road
Alpharetta, GA 30004-3414

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PLEDGES

Mill Springs Academy encourages pledge commitments to support fundraising priorities. Pledges to the Annual Fund must be paid in full by June 30. Capital pledges may be made over a period of three to five years, in consultation with the Development Office. You can make a pledge to our Annual Fund online at www.millsprings. org/AF.











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