



# SCH

SPRINGSIDE CHESTNUT HILL ACADEMY

2011-2012

# Celebrating 10 Years

2021-2022



# SCH TRUSTEES 2011-2022

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Steve Kapp  
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Mandie Lyon  
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Virginia Markos  
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Ludlow Miller  
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Francis P. Steel Jr. '77  
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Joly Walton Stewart '48  
James Talbot II H'81  
Dr. Rodney J. Taylor '87  
Andrew Topping  
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Thomas H. Watkins Jr. '78  
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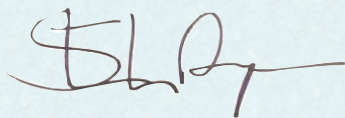
## Standing On the Shoulders of Our History

During my interview process in 2015, I heard a great deal about the merged entity known as “Springside Chestnut Hill Academy.” Little did I know that in the late 1800s, CHA was the product of two Chestnut Hill academies and that Springside was involved in several mergers and campus moves over its 100+-year history. Now, Springside Chestnut Hill Academy welcomes nearly 1,200 ECC–grade 12 students to its 62-acre campus daily. Our students enthusiastically represent their school in fierce athletic events, world robotics tournaments, and entrepreneurial pitch competitions, and perform to full houses in the Rec. In my interactions with proud CHA and Springside alumni, many with their children now at SCH, they recognize the many threads of the alma maters they knew and loved and are truly proud to be associated with today’s SCH.

As it enters the next decade, I think it is safe to say that SCH has found a powerful, unified voice, one that distinguishes it as Philadelphia’s premier independent school. When speaking to prospective students, I talk about SCH being large enough to offer a plethora of opportunities and small enough for students to develop a knowledge of themselves as they participate in a wide range of experiences. I watch students move from the classroom to the ceramics studio, from the Wissahickon Inn’s Exchange to the playing fields, and from the robotics lab to the Rec—all in one day. All of these experiences provide an educational environment that inspires unbounded curiosity and nurtures the full academic and personal potential of every student.

My tenure represents only a slice of SCH’s history. However, during this time, I have come to love the madness of the Blue and Gold teams alongside the generational passion for Dark Blue and Light Blue. I have witnessed the incredible bonds formed through Players and expressed in the inspirational words that cover the walls of the Rec’s Green Room. And I have cheered with the best of the Kingsley Krazies at a Friday night basketball game. I am so appreciative that the merger has fueled SCH’s entrepreneurial spirit and brought forth a commitment to prepare students to lead lives characterized by thoughtfulness, integrity, and a quest to effect positive change.

This book serves as a marker of SCH’s 10-year milestone. It highlights the contributions of the Board of Trustees and everyone in the community who drove us to where we stand today. And, as an institution, we pause to acknowledge the courage and efforts of the countless individuals over the last decade who helped make Springside Chestnut Hill Academy a reality. While the merger has created this great school, it is the people that truly make SCH “SCH.” Let us continue to be the school that reflects the city we call home and a place where tradition and innovation continue to bring the best out of all of us!



Stephen L. Druggan  
Head of School 2016–2022





## SCH MISSION

**SCH** At **Springside Chestnut Hill Academy** we educate students to be innovative leaders, breakthrough thinkers, and imaginative problem solvers. We challenge students to **learn in powerful new ways**, engage in active inquiry, hone skills of creative and analytic thinking, and celebrate the **joy of discovery**. Through a rigorous college-preparatory program grounded in project- and **passion-based learning**, we prepare our students for their future as active learners and responsible global citizens. Blending the best of single-sex education and coeducation, we empower and prepare our young men and women to meet challenges with **courage, integrity, and respect**.

School opens as  
Springside Chestnut Hill Academy  
with new mission statement.



SEP 2011

JUL 2011

Dick Hayne and John McNiff assume  
co-chairmanship of the SCH board.

Priscilla Sands becomes president and Frank  
Steel head of school of the new SCH.



JAN 2012



SCH announces new  
Future Ready curriculum.







CENTER FOR ENTREPRENEURIAL LEADERSHIP

SPRINGSIDE  
CHESTNUT HILL  
ACADEMY

The Center for Entrepreneurial Leadership is established with a \$5 million gift from Dick Hayne.



SCH selected by  
U.S. Department of Education  
as a Green Ribbon School.



MAR 2012

APR 2012

APR 2012

## The Philadelphia Inquirer

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### Academy to launch entrepreneur center

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Inquirer  
Published May 17, 2012

Springside Chestnut Hill Academy has received \$5 million from Urban Outfitters founder and chief executive officer Dick Hayne to help launch a Center for Entrepreneurial Leadership. He is board chairman of the private school.

The center will enable students to complement their traditional academic core courses with seminars in areas that include engineering and robotics, new media, public speaking, ethics, statistics, and international partnerships. Students also will have opportunities to learn from top entrepreneurs, including Hayne.

SCH announces an ambitious multiyear Campus Master Plan encompassing new construction, facility renovation, redistribution of the academic divisions, and improved traffic flow and parking.

## SPRINGSIDE CHESTNUT HILL ACADEMY

CAMPUS MASTER PLAN  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES - SATURDAY JUNE 2, 2012







SCH hosts design thinking training for 250 SCH faculty, staff, and area educators.

SCH rings morning bell at NASDAQ to celebrate \$50,000 grant from The NASDAQ OMX Educational Foundation for CEL curriculum.



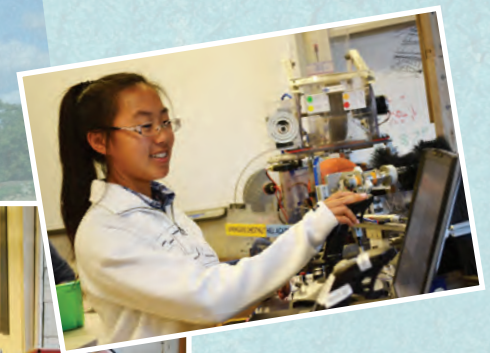
**JUL 2012**

**MAR 2013**

**JUL 2012**

**SEP 2012**

SCH begins Phase I: Common Ground of the Campus Master Plan with renovation of athletic fields, installation of two turf fields, and construction of walkways connecting the campuses.



SCH welcomes new cohort of international students from China.





SCH's new CEL program highlighted in *Philadelphia Magazine* article on entrepreneurship.



**NOV 2013**

**AUG 2013**

**FEB 2014**

Corner Monument installed at Willow Grove Avenue and Cherokee Street.

Sports Pavilion completed and named in honor of former SCH Head of School and CHA Headmaster Francis P. Steel Jr. '77.



First CEL Venture Incubator students begin their projects.







First CEL "Demo Day" when the first cohort of Venture Incubator students present their ventures to a panel of judges.



School community gathers in Courtyard to follow the Taney Dragons and SCH's Mo'ne Davis '19 as she makes a league record and breaks the ceiling for girls.



**MAY 2014**

**AUG 2014**

**JUN 2014**

**OCT 2014**



Former SCH Head of School and CHA Headmaster Francis P. Steel Jr. '77 departs after 32 years of service.

Completion of Phase I of the Campus Master Plan celebrated with opening of Maguire Stadium at Homecoming.

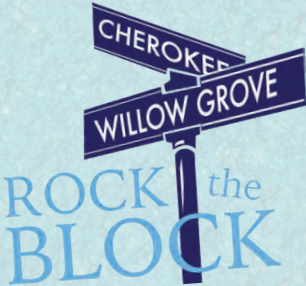




New school seal is introduced, incorporating elements (torch and laurel leaf) from the seals of CHA and Springside and five stripes representing the school's five divisions (now representing the school's five values).



Former SCH President and Head of Springside Priscilla Sands departs after 19 years of service.



OCT 2014

JUN 2015

OCT 2014

JUN 2015



Henry Library restoration completed thanks to a grant from the William B. Dietrich Foundation.



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SANDS CENTER FOR  
ENTREPRENEURIAL  
LEADERSHIP

A \$1 million gift from SCH Board Chairman Dick Hayne names the Center for Entrepreneurial Leadership in honor of outgoing SCH President Priscilla Sands.





Board Search Committee Co-Chairs Patrick Lindsay and Mims Zabriskie announce appointment of Stephen L. Druggan as new head of school, beginning July 2016.



Mark Segar serves as interim head of school for 2015-2016.



Upper School students organize the first regional SCHout Conference focused on diversity and inclusion.

SEP 2015

OCT 2015

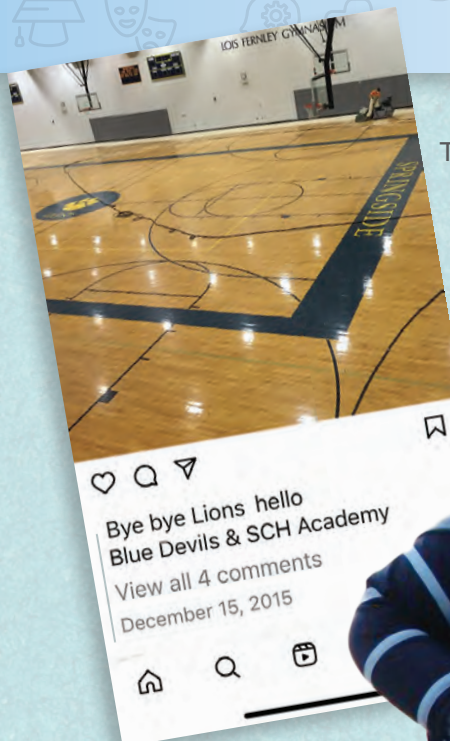
MAR 2016

SEP 2015

DEC 2015



The Annual Fund is renamed The SCH Fund.



The Blue Devil becomes the official school mascot.



Building on the longstanding partnership with Outward Bound, the 9th grade Outward Bound trip is inaugurated in September 2015, marking the freshman class's symbolic entrance into Upper School.



Upper School students organize and lead first Day of Understanding to foster awareness and appreciation of diversity within our community.



**WELCOME  
TO OUR NEW  
HEAD OF SCHOOL**



Steve Druggan arrives and assumes new role as head of school.



CLASS OF 2016 FIELD  
GIVEN BY  
KATHLEEN BYERS SMILOW '79  
WILLIAM B. SMILOW, TRUSTEE (2004-2016)  
ALEXANDRA C. SMILOW '16  
IN HONOR OF  
THE FIRST CLASS TO GRADUATE FROM  
SPRINGBROOK CHESTNUT HILL ACADEMY  
DEDICATED JUNE 15, 2016

Smilow family names turf field after the Class of 2016.

**MAY 2016**

**JUL 2016**

**MAY 2016**

**JUN 2016**

SCH hosts its first SCH Day.

Class of 2016 is first class to graduate from SCH.



TRANSFORMATIVE  
LEARNING

STUDENTS LEARN BEST when it relates to something they're interested in or excited about. At SCH students are encouraged to explore their individual pathways into classrooms and their studies. The framework created by our faculty, such as passion-based exploration, makes learning more engaging and meaningful, and helps to build the skills, focus, and discipline essential to achieving outstanding work.



**I N N O V A T E**

A PASSIONATE  
LEARNER

A FOCUS ON  
CHARACTER





School holds its first all-school convocation to start school year and welcome new head of school.

Seniors are matched for the first time with a Lower School buddy.



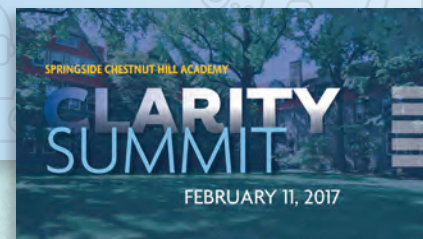
SCH community comes together to clarify the school's mission and core values.

SEP 2016

FEB 2017

SEP 2016

OCT 2016



The Diversity Resource Network, later to become the Diversity Parent Resource Network, becomes an official part of the Parents Association.

SCH hires its first director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion to guide the school's DEI efforts.

SCH hosts its first Springside and CHA Athletic Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony.

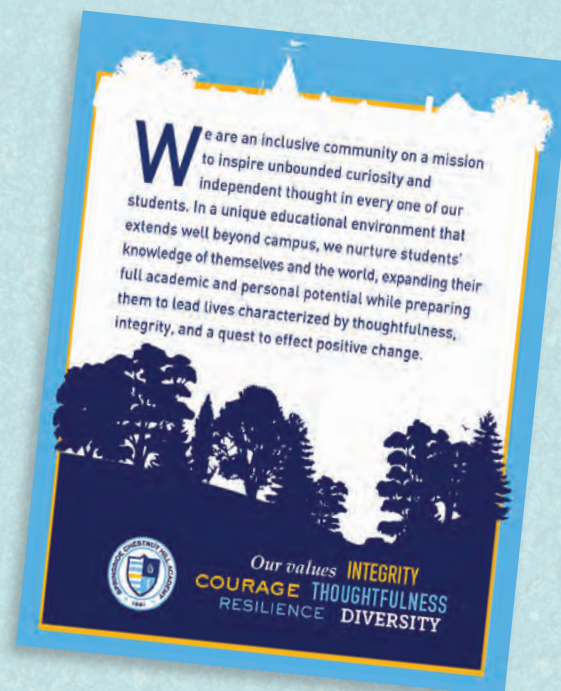




## Dedication of the Class of 2016 Courtyard



School introduces its new mission and core values, growing out of the Clarity Summit.



JUN 2017

SEP 2017

APR 2017

SEP 2017

SCH publishes its first Roadmap for 2017-2019, setting forth a framework and plan for delivering its vision.



Grammy-award-winning jazz singer Shemekia Copeland performs at school, funded by the Jamie Bell '78 Music Fund.





## SCH Academy ready to build \$34 million lower school

Posted Friday, January 19, 2018 1:17 pm



A rendering of the McCausland Lower School and Commons.

by Pete Mazzaccaro

Springside Chestnut Hill Academy announced last week that it had secured the financing it needed to begin work on a brand-new lower school building. A \$5 million boost from the family of Peter McCausland helped push the project forward. The school has decided to name the new building after the family.

Peter McCausland, chairman and CEO of Airgas, served on the board of trustees at Springside School. His wife, Bonnie, served on the Chestnut Hill Academy board of trustees. Their children, Chris and Elizabeth, graduated from the school in 2000 and 2002, respectively.

"It was a family decision led by my children, Chris and Lizzie, who have many fond memories of their days at CHA and Springside," said Peter McCausland, "This gift is a vote of confidence in the school and its administration for the great job they do."

SCH announces \$5.5 million gift from McCausland family for Phase II of Campus Master Plan involving construction of McCausland Lower School and Commons.



Annual Parents Association fundraising event at Urban Outfitters headquarters focuses on support for new McCausland Lower School and Commons.

JAN 2018

APR 2018

NOV 2017

FEB 2018

In a historic first for the Pennsylvania Independent School Athletic Association, one school—SCH—wins both the boys and girls soccer state championships.

## HOME OF SOCCER STATE CHAMPS



**SCH PROUD**  
SPRINGSIDE CHESTNUT HILL ACADEMY

### VALUED CONVERSATIONS

Join us for the third in a stimulating and thought-provoking series of conversations in which we will explore, as a community and with selected experts from varying fields, the meaning and application of our school values in the context of today's climate/society. Students welcome.

Our values: **INTEGRITY**  
**COURAGE** **THOUGHTFULNESS**  
**RESILIENCE** **DIVERSITY**

**PART THREE: THURSDAY, APRIL 5 | Diversity**  
6:00-8:00 PM | Spaces Center for Entrepreneurship Leadership, Overlook Campus

**PANELISTS:**  
Vanessa Chen | Professor, Associate Dean, School of Education, Education, SCH Parent, President  
Marshall Mitchell | Executive, Parent, Community Organizer and Investor, Film & Media Campaign Expert  
Yvette Nollan | Vice President of the Office for Community Engagement, School Board Member, Child Support  
Rameen Chamsiul Fattah, Moderator | Story Teller, Television Journalist, Clerk, Treasurer, SCH Parent

**SERIES FORMAT**  
Hour-long panel discussion with audience Q & A followed by an informal Reception • Reflection in which the community and panelists can engage in further conversation on the information shared.

Brought to you by the Diversity Resource Network in partnership with the Department of Community Life, Diversity, and Inclusion



SCH hosts three community-wide conversations about the meaning and application of our school values in today's society, sponsored by the Diversity Resource Network.





Dedication of Class of 2017  
patio in Courtyard.



**JUN 2018**

**JUN 2018**

**DEC 2018**

SCH breaks ground on McCausland Lower School  
and Commons.



Students sign their names on last truss to be installed in new  
McCausland Lower School and Commons.





The Chestnut Hill Conservancy awards SCH the Preservation Recognition Award for its restoration work in the Inn.



SCH says farewell and thanks to longtime Springside and SCH retiring Board Chair Dick Hayne.

**JAN 2019**

**JUN 2019**

**APR 2019**

**JUN 2019**

World Champions!  
SCH's robotics team, Team 1218, is in the winning alliance  
at FIRST's Detroit World Championship.



#### THE RICHARD A. HAYNE SHIELD AWARD

THIS AWARD RECOGNIZES MR. HAYNE'S COMMITMENT  
TO INSPIRE UNBOUNDED CURIOSITY AND INDEPENDENT  
THOUGHT WHILE MAINTAINING A COURAGEOUS AND RESILIENT  
SPIRIT WITH THOUGHTFULNESS AND INTEGRITY.



SCH creates the Shield Award in honor of retiring  
SCH Board Chair Dick Hayne.



SCH announces licensing of its CEL curriculum to Arcadia Education in Dubai for use in its secondary school.



McCausland Lower School and Commons opens to Lower School students, completing Phase II of the Campus Master Plan.

**JUL 2019**

**SEP 2019**

**AUG 2019**



SCH receives several works of art on loan from the estate of former CHA Art Director and husband of Barbara Crawford Sam Feinstein. Works on display in the new McCausland Lower School and Commons.







After summerlong preparation, school opens with the three divisions situated in their own campus buildings: Lower School in McCausland, Middle School in the former Springside building, and Upper School in the Inn.



SEP 2019

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DEC 2019

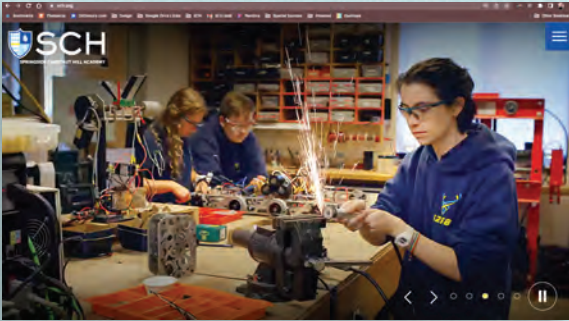
SCH updates school logo and branding across the campus.



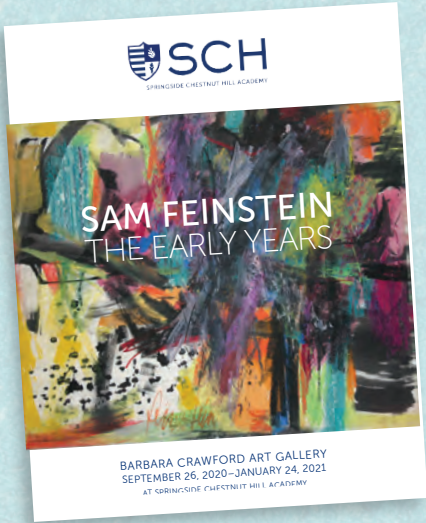
SCH begins its Restore the Rec Campaign to create a state-of-the-art performance venue.



The SCH Early Childhood Center for children 18 months to 4 years opens to its first 17 students.



SCH launches its new award-winning website.



JAN 2020

MAY 2020

AUG 2020

MAR 2020

JUN 2020

School closes physically per CDC guidelines due to COVID but continues classes virtually with SCH @ Home.

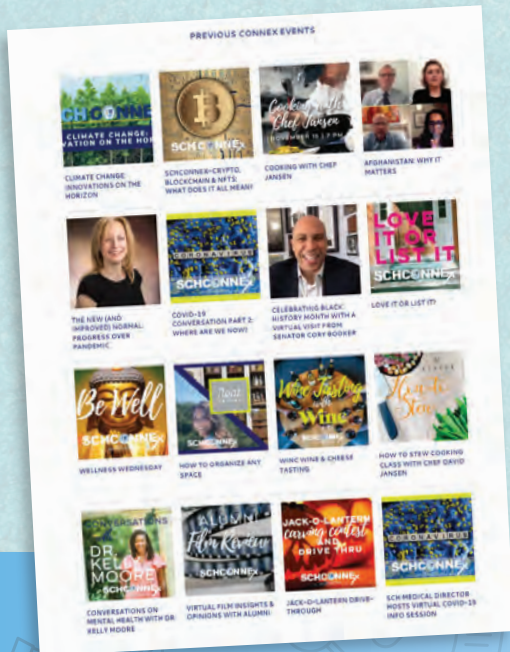


SCH GOES VIRTUAL



2020 Commencement takes place outside in the Courtyard over seven hours with students graduating by advisory group and only immediate families in attendance. Moving Up ceremonies and Upper School Award Ceremony are virtual.





SCH begins its SCH Connex series of virtual programs to keep the community connected during COVID.



Steve Druggan announces his plans to depart, and SCH begins search for new head of school.

SEP 2020

OCT 2020

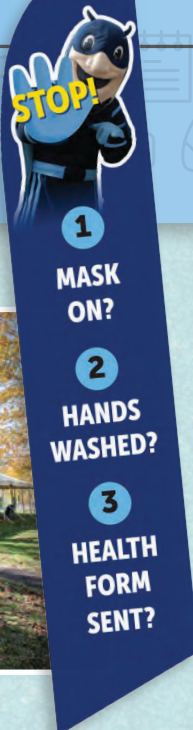
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MAY 2021

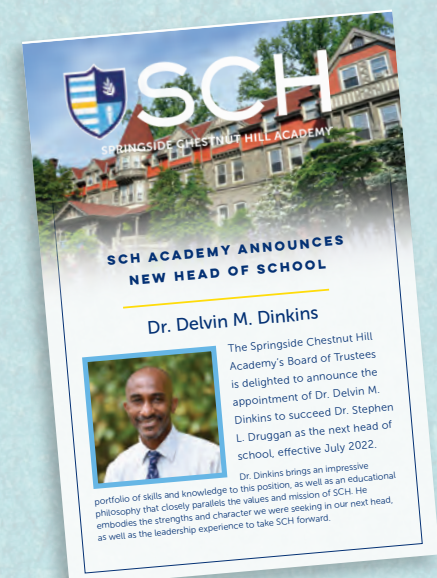


SCH reopens with everyone wearing masks and outdoor tents available for Upper and Middle School classes and lunches.



SCH publishes *The Lure of the Wissahickon Inn* written by former Middle School history teacher Paul Hines H'03.

SCH announces Delvin Dinkins as new head of school, beginning July 1, 2022.

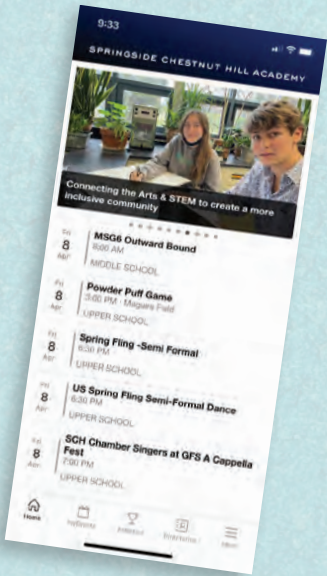




The first cohort of students participating in Horizons at SCH begins their summer experience.



School's first mobile app is introduced.



Pop Up SCHop opens in Chestnut Hill during holiday Stag and Doe nights featuring products developed by CEL Venture Accelerator students.



JUN 2021

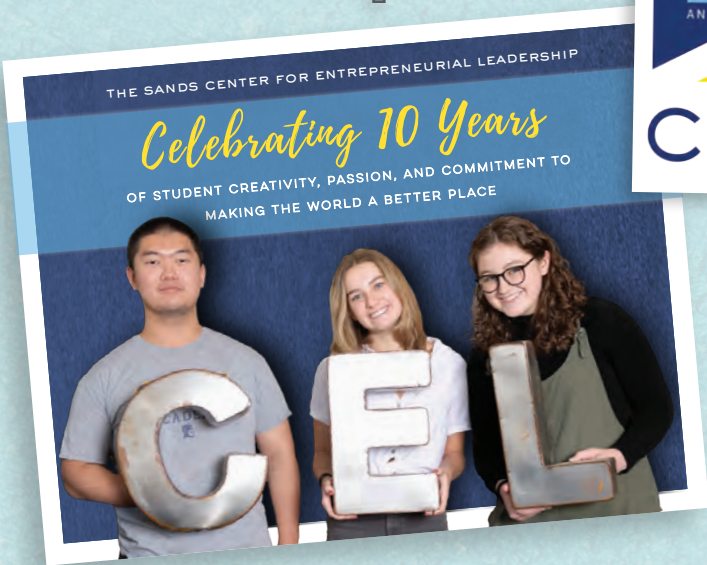
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JUN 2021

SEP 2021

SCH returns to the big tent and a live audience to celebrate Commencement 2021.



CEL celebrates its 10th anniversary year: 2011-2022.





Campaign for the Commons begins to create a multipurpose community hub in the historic heart of the Upper School campus.



Dedication of new natural landscape playground for Early Child Center (ECC).



SCH bids farewell to departing SCH Head of School Steve Druggan and his family. Next stop: Dubai!



After 21 years in the planning, the "Boat Room" opens in Thornley Middle School, providing a new meeting and performance space.



The SCH community celebrates CEL's 10th anniversary. A \$3 million gift from Dick Hayne is announced in support of the future of SCH.

Middle School named the Thornley Middle School in honor of Springside School alumna Patricia (Nancy) Thornley Metcalfe '39, who grew up in the Jennings House.



Entrepreneur and educator Scott Galloway speaks via Zoom at the CEL event.







