

To members of the Southridge Alumni,

Hello, and thank you for another great year of your support! As Chair of the Southridge Alumni Association Board, I am pleased to report that 2021/2022 was a great year considering we still had to navigate through the ever-changing COVID restrictions. Despite the restrictions we were able to safely host some in-person events, like the Class of 2012 reunion, the Homecoming and Alumni Basketball Tournament, and Relay for Life; We even had Alumni back in the school including at the Grade 12 Art Exhibition! While the restrictions were still prominent, we held many events virtually such as Fireside Chats, the ASK Program, Gala, and In-Conversation events. COVID did not stop us from giving back to our community either, we were very thankful to see our association be a part of the Holiday Hamper Program and Giving Tuesday. Thank you to all of you for being so adaptable and staying connected throughout the past year.

We are excited to bring back as many of our social activities as possible this year to reconnect as an association! We are planning to host the Holiday Social, Homecoming and Alumni Basketball Tournament, and the Class of 2013 10-year reunion. We are hoping to have Alumni back in the building to be involved with the Business Case Club, connecting with our Grade 12's for our tenth year of Fireside Chats, and speaking at assemblies! Some things will remain virtual to keep our Alumni far and near connected, such as the In-Conversation events, and the ASK Mentorship Program. Our Association will continue with the initiatives to give back to our community through the Holiday Hamper Program and Giving Tuesday.

On behalf of the Board, I would also like to acknowledge the hard work and time served of some of our board members who have stepped back. Robert Levy, Ravi Mann, Banita Mann, and Kolby Solinsky have dedicated their time to help the Board reach out and engage with our alumni and played integral roles in establishing some of our current strategic initiatives. We sincerely thank them for their service. We are very happy to announce that Arjun Hair '12 and Brian Kim '04 have joined the board this year.

I look forward to collaborating with more alumni on future initiatives that support current students, families, alumni, faculty, and administration at Southridge. Please come over and say hi to at our next alumni event. I'd love to get to know each and every one of you more and learn about the amazing things you are up to in this world.

Sincerely,

Tayla Westgard '09
Southridge Alumni Association Board Chair