



EPISCOPAL COLLEGIATE SCHOOL

Dear Episcopal Collegiate School Community,

We have had a wonderful start to the school year! It is awesome to have our students and faculty back on campus and the enthusiasm and excitement for the new year is palpable!

Yesterday, we celebrated our 25th Anniversary with a very special Founders' Day chapel service. It was so heartwarming to have representatives from all of our constituencies in attendance: students, faculty, parents, alumni, parents of alumni, Board and Foundation Board members past and present, as well as other friends of the School. It was also fitting that we celebrated this milestone with a chapel service, coming together in Holy Communion. The poignant reflection from Mrs. Stephens reminded us of our incredible history, and of the values and legacy that we are responsible to carry forward into the future.

I am also writing today to share some remarkable news. To commemorate our 25th Anniversary and the contributions of so many to date, and to further the school's mission and vision for generations to come, the Harriet and Warren Stephens Family Foundation has most generously gifted \$25 million to our endowment, the Episcopal Collegiate School Foundation. In addition to providing their tremendous vote of confidence in our faculty and staff, Mr. and Mrs. Stephens wanted to particularly honor and thank those "leap-of-faith" families and faculty members that wholeheartedly devoted so much of their time, energy, and resources in the School's early days, in addition to all who have been imbued with that spirit and have continued that good work to date.

As Head of School, I could not be more overwhelmed and grateful. This transformative gift furthers the long-term sustainability of the school and its commitment to providing an extraordinary education for our children. It is also inspirational, and reminds us that we all have a responsibility for the continued care and growth of our beloved School. Our journey has been, and always will be, rooted in the contributions of our devoted students, faculty, families, and friends. I feel so honored and blessed to be a member of this Episcopal Collegiate School community!

Very respectfully,

Dr. Jamie Griffin
Head of School