



METROLINA CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

ANNUAL GIVING

2023-2024

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Every family. Every year.

The Cornerstone Fund is the annual giving initiative for Metrolina Christian Academy (MCA). It is the school's top giving priority where everyone associated with our school is asked to give a financial gift during the school year. The gift is in addition to tuition, fees and any other money you may give MCA throughout the year.

For MCA, The Cornerstone Fund is its most critical fundraising effort because it supports all areas of the school and its most valuable resource - our students. The Cornerstone Fund provides students with more opportunities in and out of the classroom, enhancements to programs and improvements to campus that are just not covered through tuition. The Cornerstone Fund makes it possible for MCA to be excellent in all things.



"May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God."

-Romans 15:5-7

As MCA enters the 2023-24 school year, we celebrate our 31st year of excellence in Kingdom education! For this school year we have chosen Better Together as our theme. Our focus this year will be on being unified in loving others like Jesus, living out the truth of God's Word, pursuing excellence, and bringing glory to God alone in all we do.

We've chosen Romans 15:5-7 to serve as our theme verse for this school year, which says, "May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that Christ Jesus had, so that with one mind and one voice you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God."

Please join with us in asking God to do great things on our campus this school year. It is our prayer that Metrolina will come together as a school community to live courageously for the Lord and for our school to be a beacon of hope to all we encounter. Our world desperately needs to see people who are not discouraged or afraid, may we use that testimony to point others to Christ. Our heart is for God to never be satisfied with where we are as a school but to continue to seek all that God has for us in the future.

You can make this possible with your faithful gift to the 2023-24 Cornerstone Fund. By investing above and beyond, you are ensuring MCA can continue to teach and train with excellence and equip our young people for Kingdom living, who will impact their homes, churches, communities, and beyond as Warriors for Christ.

Throughout 2023-24, we'll celebrate all that God has accomplished through MCA, and we're also excited to celebrate the entire MCA community - our students, parents, staff, grandparents, alumni, alumni parents and grandparents, and so many friends - all of whom represent the greatest blessing God has given to MCA. We are better together!

GIFT ALLOCATIONS



HOW WILL MY GIFT BE INVESTED?

Our students (Early Education - 12th Grade) are the direct beneficiaries of your gift to the Cornerstone Fund. Your annual gift to the Cornerstone Fund helps provide critical resources and meets the immediate needs of the school to ensure the advancement of MCA's mission and vision. Your gift will be invested, by percentage, in the areas listed below for the 2023-24 school year.



CAMPUS IMPROVEMENTS

Expanding and improving our facilities and programs so we can continue to offer exceptional academics, technology, arts and athletics, along with better student life and improved safety.



ACADEMICS

Upgrading technology, STEAM initiatives, enhancing curriculum, professional development for faculty, and more course offerings.



TECHNOLOGY

Technology improves and changes every day, and the Cornerstone Fund ensures our students and teachers have needed upgrades and resources in their classrooms.



TUITION ASSISTANCE

Helping families who need short term financial assistance to be a part of the MCA family.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: DOESN'T MY TUITION COVER EVERYTHING?

A: Unfortunately not. With the breadth and depth of opportunity at MCA, tuition and fees simply do not cover all of the expenses for a dynamic school like Metrolina Christian Academy.

Q: THEN WHY NOT JUST INCREASE TUITION?

A: This strategy would be an easy solution, but not the right one. The MCA leadership always wants to keep tuition increases as gentle as possible, to make Metrolina Christian Academy education accessible to as many families as possible. Gifts to the Cornerstone Fund greatly help in this effort.

Q: WHO SHOULD GIVE?

A: The entire MCA community! Teachers and staff made their commitments early in the school year. Now parents, grandparents, other family members, alumni and alumni parents are encouraged to show their support too! Faithful and purposeful giving keeps tuition increases to a minimum while still providing for the excellence our families have come to expect.

Q: HOW MUCH SHOULD I GIVE?

A: As with all stewardship giving, that's up to you and God. We simply ask for all in the MCA community to give an amount that is meaningful to you. Please consider an amount that is in keeping with your capacity to give. God uses all gifts great and small to impact His Kingdom for each student.

Q: HOW DO I GIVE?

A: Simply complete the donation form on the next page and mail to MCA. And of course, you may give online through our secure giving page at metrolinachristian.org/support-mca. Choose a one-time gift, a recurring monthly gift or a pledge amount to be fulfilled by June 30th.

Q: CAN I MAKE A RECURRING MONTHLY GIFT INSTEAD OF A ONE-TIME GIFT?

A: Yes, to help maximize your giving potential you can set-up a recurring donation online at metrolinachristian.org/support-mca/give-now. You determine the amount, frequency of your gift and when you would like for it to end. This is a great way to budget your giving over a period of time.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



Q: CAN MY DONATION BE MATCHED?

A: Yes, if your employer has a matching gift program. Metrolina Christian Academy meets most requirements necessary to match a gift. Your employer's Human Resource Department can provide you with the necessary forms and help determine if your donation to MCA can be matched.

You can also use the search bar located on MCA's website (Click Matching Gift under the Support MCA tab) to determine if your employer offers a matching gift program. **Please forward a copy of your matching gift paperwork to rebecca.pressley@fbcit.org.**

Q: WHEN DO I GIVE?

A: Now! MCA asks all its families and friends to make their financial commitments during the three-week Kick-Off Event for the Cornerstone Fund, which is October 30th - November 17th. We are intentionally bold in our fundraising efforts during this three-week period, so all the monies raised can be invested immediately in programs, projects and enhancements for our students.

If you are unable to give during the Kick-Off Event, you have until June 30, 2024 to give in support of the 2023-2024 Cornerstone Fund at MCA.

Metrolina Christian Academy is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. All gifts are tax-deductible to the full extent allowed by law. You should consult legal/financial advisors, however, to determine the tax implications & deductibility of any gift.

MAKE YOUR GIFT TODAY!

YES! I/We want to bless MCA with a gift to the 2023-24 Cornerstone Fund.

☐ One-Time Gift of \$ _____

(☐ Cash Enclosed ☐ Check Enclosed; made payable to Metrolina Christian Academy)

☐ Recurring Monthly Gift of \$ _____ for _____ months

Please submit online at metrolinachristian.org, click on Annual Cornerstone Fund under the Support MCA tab.

☐ Pledge of \$ _____ (to be fulfilled by 6/30/24; reminders emailed monthly)

Please complete donation form and return to MCA.

☐ Matching Gift Amount \$ _____

☐ Total Amount \$ _____

MATCHING GIFT INFORMATION - Select all that apply

Please notify the Advancement Office of your matching gift - rebecca.pressley@fbcit.org.

☐ My/Our gift will be matched by (company name): _____

☐ I enclosed my employers matching gift form ☐ I electronically filed my employers matching gift form

Please circle relationship to school: Parent | Grandparent | Relative | Friend | Student | Employee | Alumni | Alumni Parent

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

DESIGNATE YOUR DONATION TO STUDENT(S) - Eligible for the Warrior Challenge during Kick-Off Event.

Name _____ Grade _____

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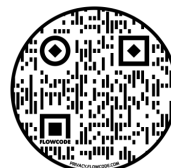
Name _____ Grade _____

Email or Call:

rebecca.pressley@fbcit.org
704.882.3375

Mailing Address:

Metrolina Christian Academy
Attn: Advancement Office
PO Box 1460 Indian Trail, NC 28079



Scan this QR code to make your gift
OR visit metrolinachristian.org, click
on Annual Cornerstone Fund under
the Support MCA tab.

THE KICK-OFF EVENT

OCTOBER 30 - NOVEMBER 17

This three-week campaign is an intentional effort to raise as much of our \$500,000 Faith Goal for the 2023-24 Cornerstone Fund as possible.

The monies raised will be invested right away in programs, projects and enhancements that directly impact our students.



THE WARRIOR CHALLENGE

Let's celebrate MCA's 31st year as a distinctive Christian school by taking the **Warrior Challenge**. We are asking every family to pour out a blessing on MCA and meet this year's challenge with a one-time gift or a recurring monthly gift (for 10 months or more). Make your **Warrior Challenge** donation during the Kick-Off Event (Oct. 30-Nov.17) to receive the following:

STUDENT WARRIOR

\$300+ (or recurring gift of \$30 at 10 months+)

Every student in the family receives "Better Together" 2023-24 Cornerstone Fund t-shirt.

FAMILY WARRIOR

\$750+ (or recurring gift of \$75 at 10 months+)

Every member of the family (2 parents + students) receives "Better Together" 2023-24 Cornerstone Fund t-shirt.

ULTIMATE WARRIOR

\$3,000+ (or recurring gift of \$300 at 10 months+)

Receive 1 MCA insulated cooler and 1 MCA umbrella PLUS every member of the family (2 parents + students) receives "Better Together" 2023-24 Cornerstone Fund t-shirt.





**Every year.
Every Family.**

We are Better Together

