

# ANNUAL REPORT

2023-2024



214 years after Mother Seton started her first school in Emmitsburg, we continue her vision by cultivating a community of Excellence, Respect, and Service.



It's all about the  
**23-24 NUMBERS**



**ENROLLMENT**

**368 Students**

52% Female 48% Male  
**25% New Students**



**22 GRADUATES**

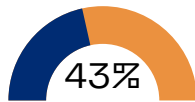
9 Different High Schools  
 3 Catholic, 6 Public

**DID YOU KNOW?**

\$10,296 was the actual cost to educate a child at MSS in 23-24 **VS.**

**OUR TUITION FOR 23-24**

\$4,230 Pre-K half-day  
 \$6,020 Kindergarten-Grade 8



**43%** of MSS students received some type of **tuition assistance** \* 100 families, 158 students



**CATHOLIC**

37% of our students are Catholic  
 63% are Non-Catholic

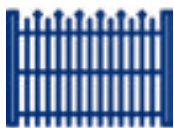
**RESIDENCE**

**28** Zip Codes



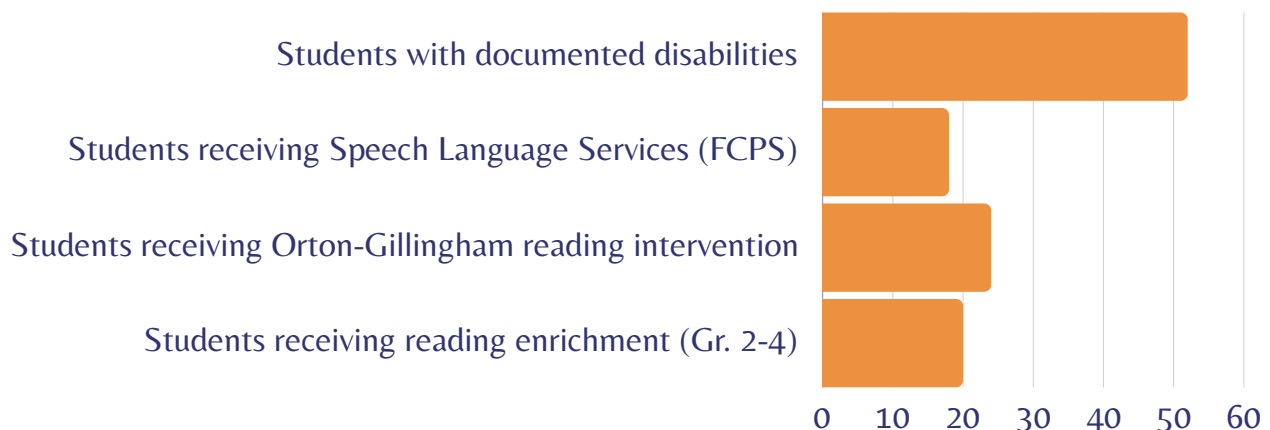
Students lived in MD and PA

**CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS**



- Perimeter security fence
- Vestibule security upgrades
- Intercom system
- Four classroom projectors
- Cordless floor scrubber and battery
- Exterior camera system
- New Pre-K playground
- 73 Chromebooks & cart

**SETON-LACROCE LEARNING CENTER**





# EXCELLENCE

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The 2023-2024 school year was filled with opportunities for our students to achieve success and engage in exciting hands-on learning experiences.

The annual STEM Fair in November paired **students in grades 6-8 with mentors** as they developed their projects. Grand Champion MacKenzie Hager, featured on the front cover, also competed at the Frederick County Middle School Science Fair, securing 2nd place in the Engineering Technology: Statistics and Dynamics category.

We cultivate a community of **Excellence** by fostering an environment of quality teaching and high expectations for learning.

Throughout the year, our students thrived in various activities: grade 1 students **practiced reading with Pre-K** students and **learned to make pumpkin bread** from scratch; grade 2 **released newly hatched butterflies** in September; grade 3 celebrated their annual Biography Parade, **dressing up as historical figures to present their reports**; grade 4 **built and presented Native American shelters**; 6th graders honed their

**leadership and communication skills** at the Upward Enterprises Challenge Course; and grade 7 **released trout fingerlings into Owens Creek** after months of care.

These examples represent just a glimpse of the enriching hands-on opportunities available to our students at MSS throughout the year. It's exciting to watch them get excited about learning!



# RESPECT & SERVICE

We cultivate a community of **Respect** by treating every person as a child of God, through love, kindness, and compassion; and **Service** by putting our Catholic faith into action.

At Mother Seton School, students are embraced by a rich culture of faith and service. Through daily prayers, religion classes, Mass participation, and events like the Blessing of the Animals and community outreach projects, students are given **meaningful opportunities to deepen their love for Jesus and actively serve their neighbors.**

Our **Archbishop James Roosevelt Bayley National**

**Junior Honor Society** members demonstrated leadership early in the school year by encouraging students to **donate new toys for “Toys for Tommy”** to benefit pediatric cancer patients at Johns Hopkins in memory of MSS alum, Tommy Laudani ‘14. During Catholic Schools Week, they **collected new blankets for Sleep In Heavenly Peace** to benefit children without beds in our local community and then during May **collected diapers**

**for the Sisters of Life Crisis Pregnancy Center** located at Mother Seton’s Shrine in New York City (which teachers and staff delivered in August.)

The annual Have-a-Heart Volleyball game between the teachers and 8th grade collected **\$500 for Helping Hands, Caring Hearts.** The annual Walk-a-thon raised over **\$5,400 to benefit Seton Center Outreach.**

Our **Vincentian Marian Youth** students **visited the retired Sisters** and **raised money for the Catoctin Pregnancy Center.**









Parents play a vital role in our MSS community. The MSS Home and School Association (H.S.A.), led by dedicated parents, continues to show their unwavering support for our students through fun, innovative initiatives, and events throughout the year.

During the 2023-24 school year, H.S.A. hosted multiple **FUN and successful FUNdraising events to support the mission of MSS.** At the end of the year, the H.S.A. presented Dr. Kilty with a check for **\$40,000** to be used for all aspects of our school community including all school field trips for the 24-25 school year.

Thank you to everyone who served on committees, volunteered, and helped to make this a great H.S.A. year!

**23-24 Officers**

President- Katie Bond  
Vice President- Devyn Grubby  
Treasurer- Tina Ryder  
Secretary- Laura Gannon

**2023-2024 Events**

- Grandparents Day
- Fall Mum Sale
- MSS Day at Roy Rogers
- Spaghetti Dinner
- Fall Fest & Trunk-or-Treat
- Turkey Bingo
- Breakfast with Santa & Christmas Bazaar
- Barbie Bash- Father/Friend Daughter Dance
- Cash Bingo
- Boys Bowling Night Out
- Back to the 90's Dinner & Auction
- Teacher Appreciation Luncheon
- Mount Usher Program
- Spiritwear Sale
- Carnival Raffle
- Field Day



# FACULTY & TEACHER ASSISTANTS 2023-24

Tammy Bidinger  
 Jacob Brown  
 Cheryl Carney  
 Katrina Celestial  
 Julia Conway  
 Chris Cosentino  
 Sheila Dorsey  
 Brookelynn Grinder  
 Sarah Harrington '05  
 Tammy Harrington  
 McKenzie Haynes  
 Sarah Ibex  
 Natalie Keller  
 Stephanie Krome  
 Danielle Kuykendall  
 Dawn Kuti  
 Kellie Marr

Nicole Mayhew  
 Taylor McIlrath  
 Hannah Miller  
 Teri Monacelli  
 Melaney Mullineaux  
 Jessica Munson  
 Karolyne Myers  
 Katie Nell  
 Caitlin O'Connell  
 Michael Pace  
 Amber Reaver  
 Sister Maggie Scally, D.C.  
 Kelly Sumner  
 Nell Trainor  
 Ann Warthen '91  
 Sister Margaret Ann Wooden, D.C.  
 Betty Zapata



Miss Sarah Harrington (center) was awarded the Teacher Award of Excellence from Friends of Catholic Education Executive Director, Michele Corr (right). Dr. Kilty (left) was also in attendance along with some very excited third-grade students.

# ADMINISTRATION & SUPPORT STAFF 2023-24

Ann Beirne  
 Jennifer Buchheister '83  
 Lizbeth Bull '05  
 Alexis Burns, Asst. Principal  
 Amber Breeden  
 Jennifer Carbaugh  
 Sara Eberle  
 Teresa Fitzbibbon  
 Lisa Herr  
 Kathleen Kilty, Principal  
 Danielle Kirby  
 Michele Kiser  
 Melissa Legg

Joelle Miller  
 Colleen Myers  
 Albert Nastasi  
 Andrea Perez  
 Susan Reaver  
 Kevin Riffle  
 Willie Riley  
 Terry Smith  
 Laurie Szukalski  
 Lynn Taylor  
 Kelly Venables  
 Annette Wivell  
 Deborah Wivell '66

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2023-24

Allen Shatzer  
 Chairman of Board  
 Beatrice Reaver '75  
 Vice Chair  
 Barbara Ruppert  
 Secretary

Sister Jane Graves, D.C.  
 Wes Hamrick  
 Patrick Joy  
 Jane McKenzie  
 Katherine Marshall '69  
 Chair Emeritus, Alumni Liaison



MSS has a mascot! Bayley the Bear, voted on by the students, made its debut at the Have-a-Heart Volleyball game and showed up during Field day.



# INVESTING IN OUR FUTURE

Mother Seton School has been blessed once again by the incredible generosity of our donors, alumni, and families during the 2023-24 academic year. Their unwavering support allows us to continue investing in the success of our students, enhancing our programs, and upgrading our facilities. Through their contributions, we are able to provide our students with a strong foundation of excellence, service, and respect, ensuring that we remain a nurturing and inspiring environment for future generations.

<b>Tuition and Fees</b>	<b>\$1,894,491</b>	<b>Cash Gifts and Fundraising</b>	<b>\$438,209</b>
<b>Sponsored Support</b>	<b>\$1,250,246</b>	<b>MSS Fundraising</b>	<b>\$167,317</b>
<b>Grants and Foundations</b>	<b>\$907,903</b>		

- Christopher Demmon Chapel
- Daughters of Charity Mission & Ministry
- Delaplaine Foundation
- Food Lion
- Knott Foundation
- MD Geers EANS Grant
- MD Hate Crimes Prevention Grant
- MD Pandemic Relief for Nonpublic Schools (PRNS) program
- MD State Textbook Grant
- Mount Saint Mary's University
- MSDE Health & Security Grant- School Nurse
- Page Family Foundation
- Wawa Foundation

Annual Fund Appeal	\$79,264
H.S.A. Events	\$40,000
Carnival	\$20,577
Penny Power	\$17,443
Library Book Fund & Book Fair	\$4,021
Store Rebate Programs	\$3,500
Seton Soundings	\$745
Art Sales	\$340
Box Tops for Education	\$319

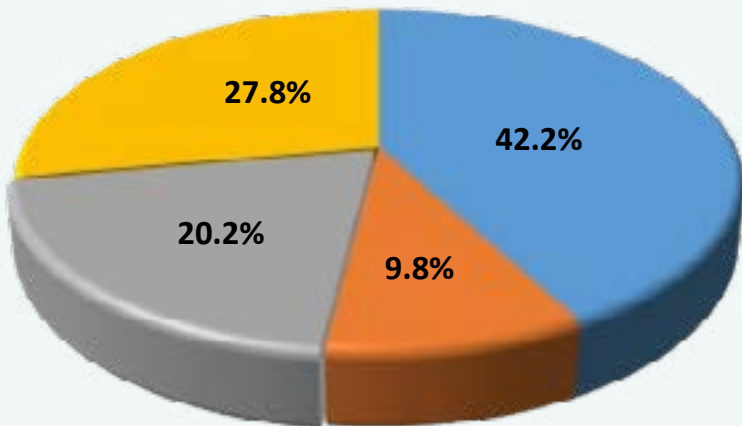
**Scholarships & Foundation Tuition Support** **\$87,517**

- Dorothy and Fred Mattscheck Scholarship
- Folds of Honor Foundation
- Friends of Catholic Education
- Jack and Shirley Little Scholarship
- Loats Foundation Scholarship
- Marshall Family Scholarship
- Mary Sue Collins Foundation
- Meyerhoffer Scholarship
- Patrick Favret Scholarship
- Sister Brenda Monahan Mem. Scholarship
- St. Joseph's Alumnae Association Scholarship

**Parish Assistance** **\$47,279**

- Our Lady of Mt. Carmel (Thurmont)
- St. Anthony's (Emmitsburg)
- St. Ignatius of Loyola (Ijamsville)
- St. Joseph's (Emmitsburg)
- St. Joseph's (Taneytown)
- St. Katharine Drexel (Frederick)
- St. Peter's (Libertytown)
- St. Timothy's (Walkersville)

<b>Unrestricted Gifts</b>	<b>\$34,393</b>
<b>Other Tuition Assistance</b>	<b>\$33,948</b>
<b>Other Restricted Gifts</b>	<b>\$61,755</b>
<b>Permanent Endowment Contribution</b>	<b>\$6,000</b>





# CIRCLES OF GIVING

## **MSS Visionary Leadership Circle (\$20,000 +)**

*To celebrate over 200 years of Christ-Centered, visionary leadership in Catholic Education in Mother Seton's Valley*

TJ and Donna Demmon- In memory of Christopher Demmon '88  
Anonymous  
Anonymous  
Page Family Foundation

## **MSS Heritage Circle (\$10,000 to \$19,999)**

*To celebrate educators of today and yesterday who continued the Seton Legacy of Catholic Education in Mother Seton's Valley*

Friends of Catholic Education  
Anonymous  
Jack and Shirley Little Family  
Loats Foundation  
Don and Amy Smith  
St. Joseph College Alumnae Association  
Anonymous

## **MSS Daughter of Charity Circle (\$5,000 to \$9,999)**

*To honor the charisma and vision of generations of Daughters of Charity serving in St. Joseph's Valley in the past centuries*

Conewago Enterprises  
Guy DiPaolo  
Folds of Honor, Tulsa Community Foundation  
Carmel and Janet Kelly  
Katherine Marshall and Kirk Ruthenberg  
Steven Murphy  
Sheridan and Beatrice Reaver  
Vincent and Amber Reaver  
Anonymous  
Karen L. Sindt  
St. Anthony Shrine, Emmitsburg  
St. Joseph Catholic Church, Emmitsburg  
St. Joseph Catholic Church, Taneytown

## **Elizabeth Ann Seton Circle (\$2,500 to \$4,999)**

*Our mother, patron, mentor and intercessor whom we honor and imitate*

Margaret Chao- In honor of the faculty and staff of Mother Seton School  
Daughters of Charity  
Anonymous  
Anonymous  
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Mount St. Mary's University  
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic

Church, Thurmont  
Patricia Remavege  
Roan and Kristen Saunders  
Jay and Patricia Swope

## **Saint Joseph Circle (\$1,000 to \$2,499)**

*The patron saint of Elizabeth Ann Seton*

Bo and Denise Adams  
American Heart Association  
Vida Antolin-Jenkins  
Katherine Antolin Bakeev  
Marie Claire Carter  
Troy and Tara Chrismer  
Matthew Dowling  
Kevin Gorman and Martha Manning  
Jim and Sara Hilmer  
Timothy and Caroline Holden  
Eugene and Julianne LaCroce  
Regina LaCroce  
Lands End  
M.R. Glaziers, Inc.- In honor of Sydney Reaver  
Karen Mattscheck  
Anonymous  
Timothy Lynes and Joan Morningstar  
Matthew Morningstar and Alan van Capelle  
Sara Morningstar and Philip Katz  
Robert and Carolyn Ott  
Francis and Sherrie Ryan  
Paul and Mary Ann Shattuck  
Jim Small  
Villa St. Michael Sisters  
St. Timothy Catholic Church, Walkersville  
Strawbridge Studios, Inc.  
The Wawa Foundation  
Timothy Trainor and Donna Brazil

## **St. Vincent and St. Louise Circle (\$500-\$999)**

*Visionaries who inspired Elizabeth Ann Seton*

Marian Abbott  
Mr. Bernie Buckley and Mrs. Linda Crabtree  
Matthew Bumgardner  
Marcus and Amanda Canada  
The Common Family  
Frank and Joan Anderson  
Dynamic Automotive  
Anonymous  
Elias Evangelical Lutheran Church- Richard and Dorothy Herring Memorial Fund  
Louise Gallagher  
Gebhart & Sons Grading LLC  
Judith Giangrandi

Anonymous  
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St. Ignatius Loyola Catholic Community, Ijamsville  
Gary and Laurie Szukalski  
Deana Szymanski  
TLC Foundation  
Urbana Pediatric Dentistry  
Nicholas and Andrea Vietri  
Vigilant Hose Company  
Ken Waters and Karen Leonard  
Carolyn Wivell- In honor of Bernard R. Wivell and In Memory of Elliot Kelly  
James and Nancy Wivell  
Tammy Wivell  
Wayne and Cathy Yoder  
Kathleen Zoldos

## **MSS Advocate (\$100-\$499)**

Vernon Abbott  
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Jerry Holz- Allstate  
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Amy and Nicholas Bencie  
Dave and Kim Benjamin  
Mary Claire Best  
Andrea Bowers  
Box Tops for Education  
Alice Boyle  
Scott and Pam Brady, Vicki Frist  
Raymond and Jennifer Buchheister  
Matthew and Natalie Bumgardner- In honor of Hazel Bumgardner  
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Bruce Carr  
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Eric and Alma Fout  
Agatha Foscatto  
Anonymous  
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The Gelles Family  
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Christopher and Theresa Gillis  
Trudie Mangiaracina Glazewski  
Maureen Gonzales  
James Grinder  
Kevin and Devynn Grubby  
Charles and Monica Hager- In honor of  
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Bill and Rachel Wivell  
Chris and Mary Ann Wivell  
Eric and Annette Wivell  
Evan Wivell  
Thomas C. Wivell- In honor of Ed and  
Helen Reaver



Scott and Laurel Ziegler  
Mark Zurgable

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TJ and Alexis Burns  
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Chris Cosentino  
Donald Demeza  
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Anne Fritz  
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Anonymous  
Sister JoAnne Goecke, D.C.  
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David and Kristi Hawkins  
Lisa Herr  
Ed and Meg Herring  
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of Lynly and Hayley Meunier and  
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Anonymous  
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Donna Szalc  
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grandson  
Anonymous  
Patrick and Susan Topper  
Douglas Tschiffely  
Lora and Douglas Waddell- In honor of  
Ava Donovan  
Jacob Watson  
Diane and Stephen Wivell  
Mary Ann Yanus- In honor of Mike and  
Mark Yanus

### **MSS Friend (\$1 to \$49)**

Anonymous  
John and Tammy Bidinger  
David and Heather Bodnar  
Lizbeth Bull  
Jennifer Carbaugh  
Ron and Cheryl Carney  
Virginia Hammond Conmy  
Tim and Stephanie Connole  
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Stephanie Honaker  
Charlie Hubbard  
Stephen Hudacko  
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Kline  
Michele Kluchurosky  
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Lyle and Lynn Tayler  
Nicholas and Erin Thompson  
Robert Thompson  
Therese Topper  
Lenora Tynes- In honor of Quinn  
Lott  
Jay and Margaret-Ann Wedemeyer  
- In honor of our children and  
grandchildren  
Bruce Whitcomb  
Deborah and Ronald Wivell  
Brian and Hilliary Woodward

# IN MEMORIAM

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Thank you to our friends who chose to remember loved ones with a donation to MSS.  
We will continue to pray for each one throughout the year.

**Ivanka, Ana, and Robert Antolin**

Katherine Antolin Bakeev

**Ivanka V. Antolin**

Katherine Antolin Bakeev

Pat and Bob Baumann

Gary Carter

Stephen Csontos

Bernadette Fitzsimmons

Rebecca Harper

Timothy and Caroline Holden

Patricia Kelly

Andy and Stephanie Kirk

Shannon Kopplin

Ilse Lopez

Katherine Marshall and Kirk Ruthenberg

Navy JAG Traveling Troupe

Olivia Scott

David Sponseller

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# FAN THE FLAME OF HOPE

Dear Friends,

The 2024-2025 school year is off to a busy start. We welcomed over 400 guests on Grandparent's Day and numerous types of animals at our Blessing of the Animals, celebrated on the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi. We have celebrated four all-school Masses, inducted our National Junior Honor Society members, held student government and National Junior Honor Society officer elections, and hosted over 250 people at our annual Home and School Association-sponsored Fall Fest. We have many more exciting events and experiences planned throughout the school year, and I hope you can join us.

At Mother Seton School, we are proud of our rich Catholic heritage. We are sustained by our faith, which guides us in every decision we make and every path we choose. As the Catholic Church prepares for the Jubilee Year 2025, we will join Catholics worldwide in accepting Pope Francis's call for hope. A Jubilee year, which happens once every 25 years, offers opportunities for reconciliation, indulgences, and other events and activities intended to strengthen and revive our faith. As Pope Francis proclaimed, *"We must fan the flame of hope that has been given us, and help everyone to gain new strength and certainty by looking to the future with an open spirit, a trusting heart and far-sighted vision. The forthcoming Jubilee can contribute greatly to restoring a climate of hope and trust as a prelude to the renewal and rebirth that we so urgently desire..."* (USCCB.org).

In the pages of this report, you will see how we look to the future with "an open spirit, a trusting heart, and far-sighted vision." The formulation of our Strategic Plan, which we released at the end of the school year, is a testament to this.

We continue to have much to be hopeful for at Mother Seton School. Our enrollment is strong with waiting lists for several classes. Thanks to your charity and support, we are financially secure. We are in the design phase for a school chapel thanks to the generosity of the Demmon family. Our students have shown remarkable progress, with improved test scores after some learning loss due to the pandemic, a testament to the quality of our faculty, staff, and academic programs, and the resilience of our students.

I invite you to partner with us in this exciting year. Whether by volunteering your time, attending upcoming events, or simply keeping Mother Seton School in your prayers, your continued support allows us to nurture faith, "fan the flame of hope," and prepare our students for a bright future. Thank you for being a part of the Mother Seton School family.

Sincerely,



Kathleen J. Kilty, PhD  
Principal



## OUR MISSION

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**Dec. 3** Giving Tuesday!  
Make a donation  
online or by mail



**Dec. 17** Christmas Program

**Dec. 23-Jan. 1** Christmas Holiday



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