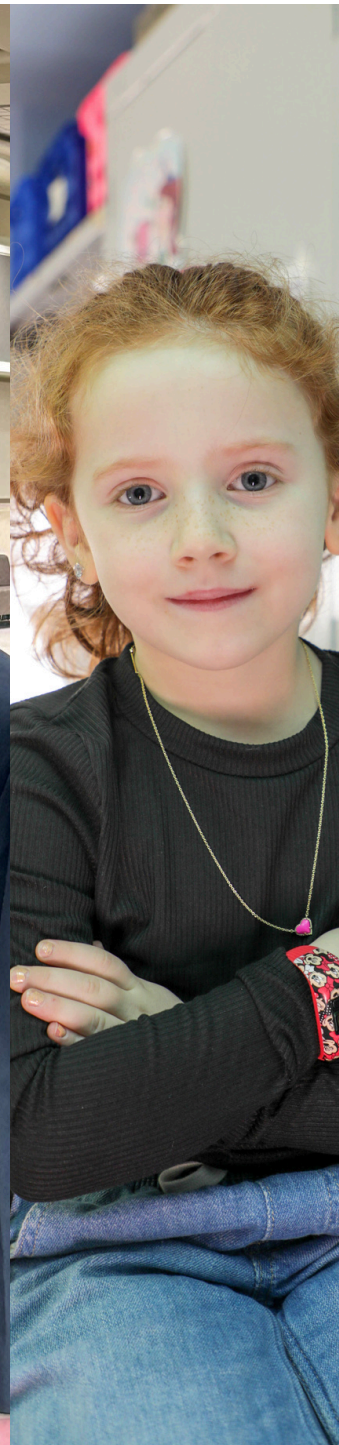




# Avon Grove Charter School

2024-2025 ANNUAL REPORT







MAKE AN **IMPACT**



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## MISSION

To inspire passion for  
lifelong learning, one  
student at a time.





# A MESSAGE FROM OUR HEAD OF SCHOOL

As I reflect on this past year, I'm filled with gratitude for our collective growth and achievements. Our students are excelling, teachers are dedicated, and our entire staff has fostered a supportive environment. This report details these accomplishments, and I encourage you to celebrate them with us.

I'm thrilled to announce exciting news about our new building project! Our dream is quickly becoming a reality. Construction is ahead of schedule; what was an April 2026 completion with a fall move-in is now a January 2026 move-in, right after the holiday break! This means our current seniors will experience the new building for their final semester, and modular buildings can be removed before the next school year. This accelerated timeline reflects years of planning and advocacy, made possible by the USDA loan—a testament to our community's commitment to our students.

And there's more to come! We have several additional exciting surprises that we'll be announcing in the coming months. None of this would be possible without you—our families, staff, board members, and community partners. Your support, whether through entrusting us with your children's education, dedicating your professional talents, or contributing your time and resources, has truly made an IMPACT.

As we look ahead, we're building more than just a facility; we're creating a place where every student feels valued and is prepared for their future.

With deepest appreciation and excitement for what's ahead,

*Kristen Bishop*



## Board of Trustees

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# STRATEGIC PRIORITIES



**Rigorous  
Teaching &  
Learning**



**Supporting  
All Learners**



**Building  
Community**



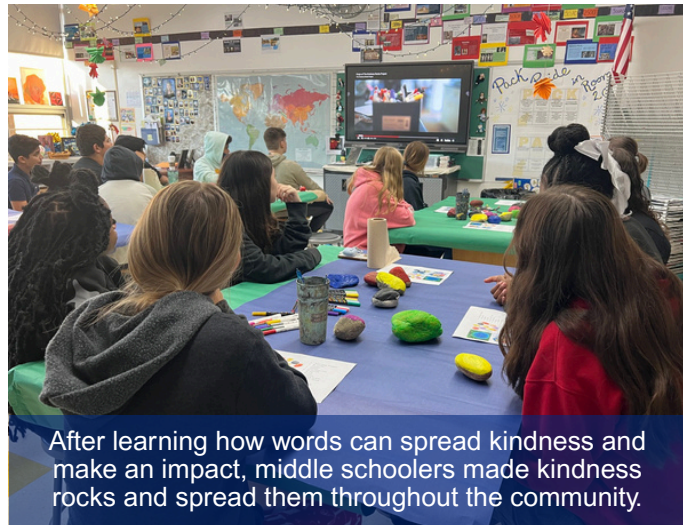
**Modernizing  
Facilities  
& Systems**



# SOCIAL & EMOTIONAL LEARNING HALF-DAYS

Research consistently shows a strong and direct link between Social Emotion Learning (SEL) competencies and academic achievement. As part of our commitment to supporting all learners and preparing them for success in and out of school, we dedicated our half-days to a variety of activities focusing on the 5 SEL core competencies: self-awareness, self-management, social awareness, relationship skills, and responsible decision-making.

In February, the K-3 SEL half-day focused on kindness during Black History Month, exploring Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s legacy of positive change. The 3rd Grade Equity Action Team visited K-2 classrooms to read books about Black American heroes, teaching students about courage and kindness. It was a meaningful day of learning and community building.



After learning how words can spread kindness and make an impact, middle schoolers made kindness rocks and spread them throughout the community.

High school "Adulting Day" leveraged the knowledge of our staff to teach students essential skills not commonly taught in traditional classes. Students could select from a variety of topics such as cooking, auto maintenance, newborn care, and more.



The 4-6 grade division welcomed Mr. Peace, a youth motivational speaker who specializes in bullying prevention, character education and student mental health. Teachers reinforced this message during classroom SEL activities.







# CHARTER BRAND REIMAGINED

This year, Avon Grove Charter School launched a dynamic rebranding initiative to unify and elevate our visual identity across academics, athletics, and within our community. At the heart of this transformation is our modernized wolf mascot—bold, dual-toned, and symbolic of the strength and unity of our P.A.C.K.

The refreshed brand includes a versatile logo system that reinforces school spirit, academic pride, and our P.A.C.K. values. Designed for consistency across platforms, these elements reflect our core values and energize our school community. The result is a powerful, future-focused visual identity that celebrates who we are as Avon Grove Charter School.





# UPPER SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION PROJECT



We are delighted to report that our Upper School construction project is progressing ahead of schedule and is anticipated to open to students in the winter of 2026.

This state-of-the-art facility will serve as a transformative educational space for our 7th through 12th-grade students, enabling the permanent removal of the modular buildings currently housing STEM, middle school, and high school classes. The new building will feature 40 dynamic instructional spaces, multiple collaboration spaces, a dedicated cafe, a gymnasium, a fitness center, and a turf athletic field.

We are excited to provide these modern facilities, ensuring our students continue to receive an outstanding education in an environment that truly supports their growth and success.







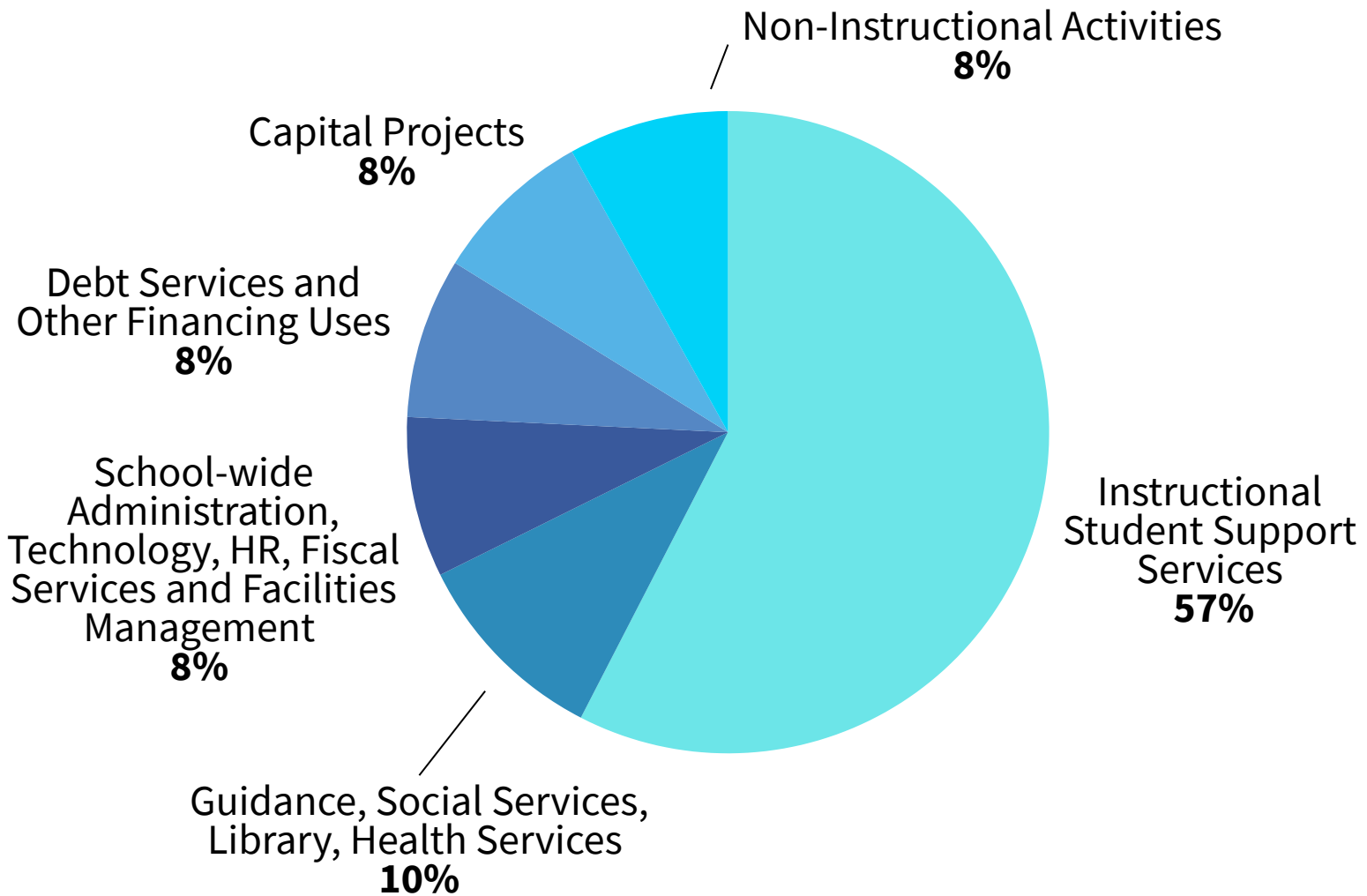
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**<https://www.agcharter.org/support-agcs/capital-campaign>**





# 2024-2025 BUDGET



## 2024-2025 Key Financial Highlights and Achievements

- **No Audit Findings:** A significant accomplishment, confirming our financial records are accurate and well-managed.
- **Fiscal Compliance:** We successfully met all federal, state, and local financial regulations.
- **Government Collaboration:** Our team effectively worked with various government entities for audits and grant monitoring.





# SCHOOL SAFETY & SECURITY

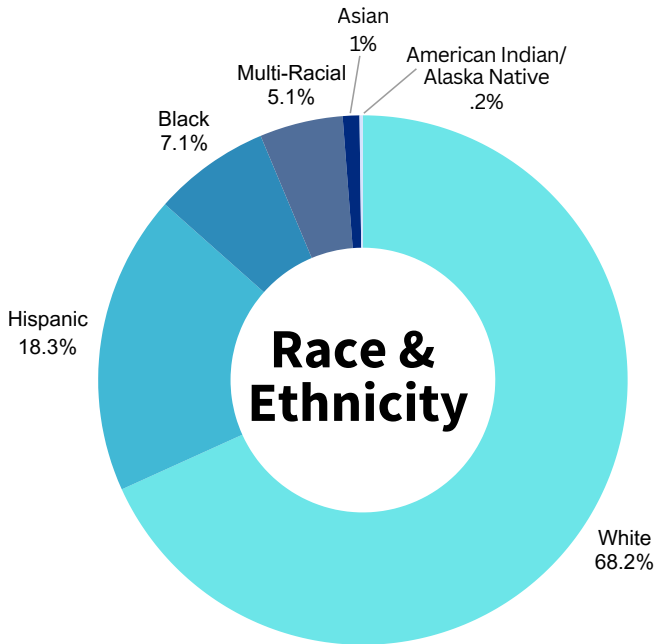
## Full Scale Intruder Drill

In March, Avon Grove Charter School strengthened its emergency preparedness by conducting a full-scale intruder drill in collaboration with local first responders, including fire, police, and emergency medical services. This crucial exercise simulated a real-life intruder scenario, allowing our staff to practice rapid and effective response while enabling first responders to become familiar with our school's layout and protocols. The simulation provided valuable insights, helping us refine our procedures and ensure seamless coordination with local emergency teams for any future crisis.





# STUDENTS



**Special Education  
Services  
Recipients**

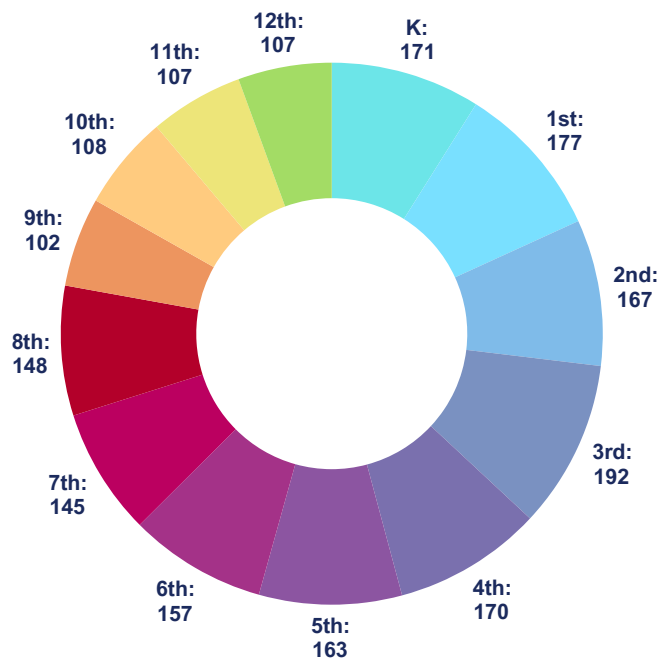
**16.7%**

**English  
Language  
Learners**

**1%**

**Eligible for  
Free & Reduced  
Meals**

**41.7%**



**Enrollment by Grade**

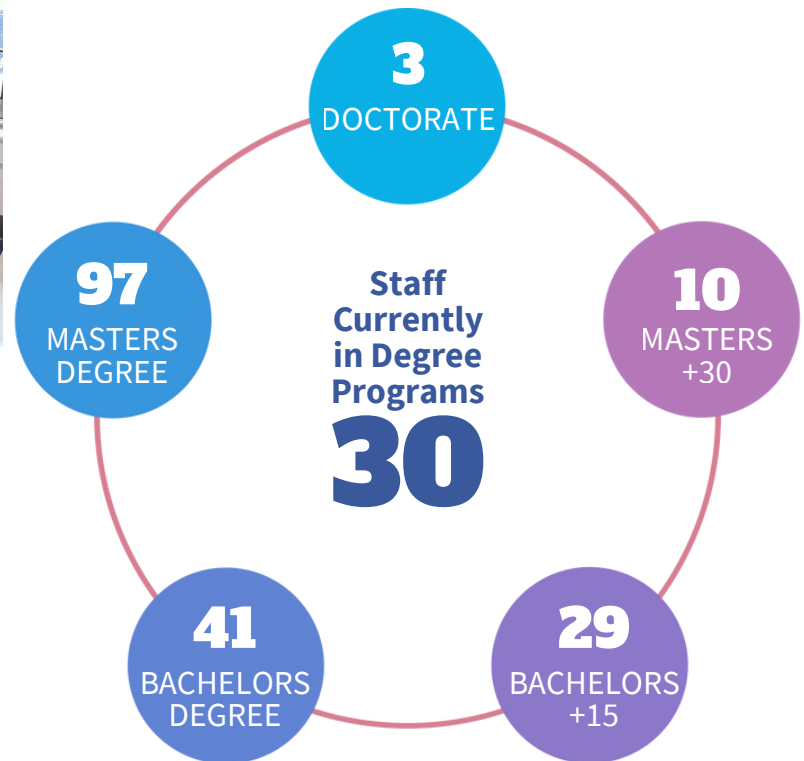




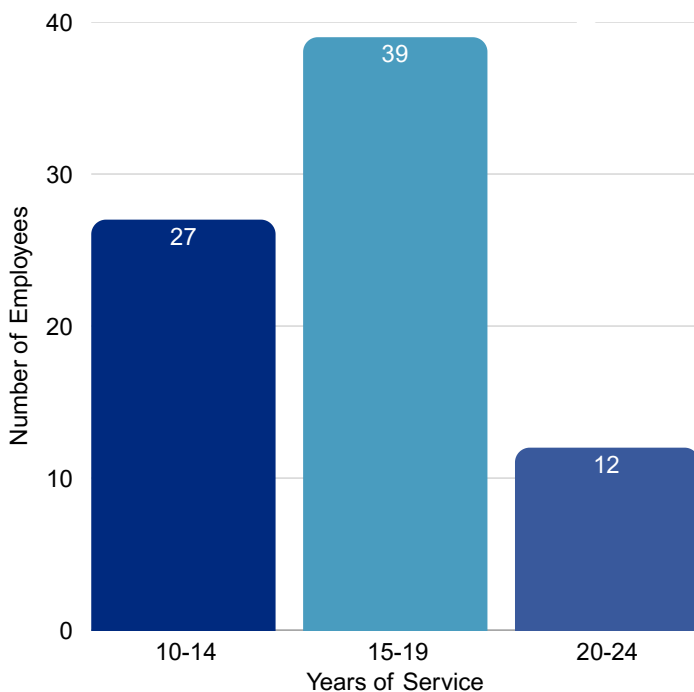
# FACULTY & STAFF



## Number of Advanced Degrees Obtained



## Faculty Employed at AGCS Over 10 Years



## 2024-2025 Employee Retention Rate

**96.6%**



**238**  
EMPLOYEES





# POINTS OF PRIDE

- Sophomores Noah Ramsey and Ben Mullen placed in the top 20 at the DECA International Career Development Conference in Orlando, Florida.
- The Early Learning Center hosted its first Cultural Celebration Night, with over 300 people in attendance. Students and families enjoyed incredible food, music and dance while learning about and celebrating the many cultures that make AGCS special.
- As President-Elect of the PA Association of School Nurses and Practitioners, Nurse Holly Verderame attended the "Day on the Hill" in Harrisburg. She spoke at a press conference, highlighting the crucial role and diverse duties of Certified School Nurses in Pennsylvania.
- AGCS Athletics All-Conference 1st Team Members:
  - Boys Soccer: Tito Matlock (11th Grade), Sam Neely (11th Grade), Noah Ramsey (10th Grade), Ryan Stockar (11th Grade)
  - Girls Volleyball: Emma Smith (12th Grade), Chloe Sullivan (11th Grade), Sydney Welch (11th Grade)
  - Cross Country: Jonathan Orose (11th Grade)
  - Girls Basketball: Jaelyn Brison (11th Grade)
  - Lacrosse: Ian Ditzel (12th Grade), Sawyer Wilkins (12th Grade)
  - Girls Soccer: Bella Knecht (8th Grade)
- Student Services completed its first Comprehensive School Counseling Plan (339 plan), which was recognized as a model plan by the Department of Education. The 339 plan outlines the activities and supports that comprise the counseling program at AGCS.
- AGCS was recognized by the PA Positive Behavior Supports Network for achieving fidelity at Tiers 1 and 2 for PBIS at both Early Learning Center and State Road campuses.
- Senior Alyssa Russell was awarded the CCIU's "Heart of the Team" award at the Chester County Academic Competition. This award recognized not only her academic prowess but also her character and team leadership skills.



# CLASS OF 2025

## POST-SECONDARY INSTITUTIONS & SERVICE

Alvernia University

Belmont University

Commonwealth University - Bloomsburg

Delaware County Community College

Delaware Technical Community College

Drexel University

East Carolina University

Flagler College

Gettysburg College

Harrisburg Area Community College

Immaculata University

Indiana University of Pennsylvania

Jean Madeline: The Beauty School

Kutztown University

Lancaster School of Cosmetology &

Therapeutic Bodywork

LaSalle University

Millersville University

Neumann University

Penn State Brandywine

Penn State University Park

Pratt Institute

Purdue University

Shippensburg University

Temple University

Thaddeus Stevens College of Technology

The Citadel Military College

Thomas Jefferson University

University of Delaware

University of New Mexico

University of Tennessee - Martin

US Army

Villanova University

Virginia Tech

West Chester University

West Virginia University

Widener University

York College of Pennsylvania





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Campus

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West Grove, PA 19390

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Business Office

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Landenberg, PA 19350



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**WE'RE HIRING!**

CHECK OUT WHAT OUR STAFF HAS  
TO SAY ABOUT WORKING WITH US.

