PINE LAKE PREPARATORY

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A Message from our Executive Director

For the past eighteen years, I have had a front-row seat to the growth and transformation of Pine Lake Preparatory. When our campus first opened in 2006, it consisted of just three academic buildings and a vision for what a remarkable educational community could become. It was the generous support of families, both past and present, that helped turn that vision into reality. Their belief in PLP allowed us to break ground on the Fine Arts Building and Athletic and Community Center in 2013, expand our athletic complex in 2015, and open our STEM building in 2016. Each project represented a new piece of our shared future, built through partnership, generosity, and a commitment to our students.

Over the last decade, PLP's academic and athletic programs have thrived. Our students are excelling in classrooms, on stages, and on athletic fields. U.S. News & World Report once again recognized us as one of the top elementary, middle, and high schools in North Carolina. Our academic excellence continues to set us apart, and our athletic program has earned four state championships in the past six months alone. It's no surprise that more than 4,000 students remain on our waitlist each year, hoping to join this incredible community. With that success, however, comes the responsibility to look ahead. Our needs today are not driven by a desire to increase enrollment; they are driven by our obligation to prepare students for what lies ahead, to grow the programs that define us, and to ensure that our teachers and staff have the space they need and deserve to deliver exceptional instruction. Quite simply, we have outgrown our current facilities. To continue meeting the needs of our students and staff, we must now add a new academic building that will provide much-needed classroom, meeting, and office space.

We also want to ensure that our student-athletes have the resources they need to remain competitive, successful, and thriving. When our athletic complex opened in 2015, it was truly state-of-the-art and stood among the finest facilities of any charter school in North Carolina. That was then. Today, we must reinvest to meet the evolving needs of our athletes and programs. This includes replacing our turf field, installing a true synthetic-surface track, and building a fieldhouse that meets the needs of today's athletes and teams.

Over the past two years, we have worked diligently to refinance our bonds, an effort designed to strengthen PLP's long-term financial stability and generate the capital needed to begin this next phase of growth. That work has positioned us well, but it does not complete the puzzle. To fully realize this vision, we need the engagement and support of our community.

Together, we have built something extraordinary. Now, I am asking you to help us build what comes next, piece by piece, step by step, for the students of today and for those still to come. This is our moment to create something truly special for our community.

Thank you for your continued belief in PLP and for joining us as we build the future.

With gratitude,

Andrew Moceri
Executive Director
Pine Lake Preparatory

A Legacy of Moving Forward Together

Through the generosity of our community, we have been able to grow, evolve, and continually meet the needs of our students.

2006

Pine Lake Preparatory opened its doors with a bold promise: to provide Mooresville families with a rigorous, college-preparatory education close to home. From the beginning, our mission has been to challenge students academically, support them individually, and prepare them for success in college.





2013

Pine Lake Preparatory opened the doors to the Athletic and Community Center and Fine Arts Building to strengthen and expand our arts programs while providing a true home for physical education and competitive athletics. These facilities were designed to inspire creativity, support student wellness, and give our community the spaces needed to learn, perform, and compete at the highest level.

2015

PLP unveiled The Grey, giving our students the opportunity, for the first time, to play home games on a field proudly displaying our own logo. This milestone not only elevated the student-athlete experience, but also created a true home field advantage and a welcoming venue for hosting community gatherings, celebrations, and sporting events.





2016

The opening of the STEM Building and Auditorium marked a transformative moment for PLP. These spaces expanded our STEM offerings, provided high-quality lab environments, and created new opportunities for hands-on learning, innovation, and exploration. The auditorium added a vibrant venue for performances, presentations, and community gatherings.

A History of Academic Success

With every new college acceptance, Pine Lake extends its reputation and strengthens relationships across the globe - opening doors today, that will be even wider for the students who follow.

PINE LAKE PREPARATORY GRADUATES HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED INTO SOME OF THE TOP SCHOOLS IN THE COUNTRY

Acceptances include but are not limited to:

University of Alabama, Appalachian State University, Auburn University, Baylor University, Boston University, University of Colorado at Boulder, Campbell University, Carnegie Mellon, Carson-Newman University, The Citadel, Clemson University, College of Charleston, College of Wooster, Colorado School of Mines, Columbia College - Chicago, Columbus College of Art & Design, DePaul University, Dickinson College, Duke University, East Carolina University, Eckerd College, Elon University, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Emory & Henry College, Emory University, Florida Gulf Coast University, Florida State University, University of Florida, Furman University, George Mason University, George Washington University, Georgetown College, Georgia Institute of Technology, University of Georgia, Harvard University, Hawaii Pacific University, University of Hawaii - Manoa, Hofstra University, Hult International Business School, Indiana University at Bloomington, James Madison University, University of Kansas, University of Kentucky, Liberty University, Marquette University, Mars Hill College, University of Mary Washington, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), University of Miami, University of Michigan, Michigan State University, University of Mississippi, Monmouth University, North Carolina State University, University of North Carolina at Asheville, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, University of North Carolina at Charlotte, University of North Carolina at Greensboro, University of North Carolina at Pembroke, University of North Carolina at Wilmington, University of North Carolina School of the Arts, Ohio State University, Ohio University, University of Oregon, Pennsylvania State University, University of Pennsylvania, University of Pittsburgh, Purdue University, University of Richmond, Roanoke College, Savannah College of Art & Design, University of South Carolina, University of Southern California, Southern Methodist University, Stanford University, University of Tampa, Temple University, University of Tennessee - Knoxville, Tulane University, United States Coast Guard Academy, United States Military Academy at West Point, United States Naval Academy, Vanderbilt University, Virginia Tech, Wake Forest University

Alumni Spotlights

"The Computer Science classes offered at PLP gave me the chance to explore different areas of the field early on, helping me understand what excited me most and ultimately guiding me toward the AI track at Stanford. Beyond computer science, the strength of the math, engineering, science, history, and world language departments gave me a broad foundation that made the transition into Stanford's academic environment much smoother.

Outside the classroom, PLP encouraged me to explore and grow through activities like robotics in middle and high school, swimming, volunteering with younger grades, and serving as a teaching assistant in the computer science classes. The staff at PLP were not only incredible teachers, but listeners, mentors, and supporters through every up and down. The peers I learned alongside and the school environment as a whole also shaped my core values and the way I show up in my academic and professional life today."

Amanda Foess
PLP Class of 2022
Stanford University
B.S in Computer Science with concentration in Artificial Intelligence





"When I was interviewing with Rivian, I found myself drawing on two key experiences that started at Pine Lake – my capstone senior design project at Pine Lake and my time on Team SPORK. Both taught me how to approach problems creatively, work collaboratively, and carry projects from concept to reality, lessons that continue to shape how I approach engineering today."

Pooja Anil
PLP Class of 2019
Mechanical Engineering
Purdue University
Class of 2023
Mechanical Designer Engineer at Rivian and Volkswagen Group

"PLP had such a big impact on who I am today. The focus on academic excellence, character, and community really prepared me for college and helped me discover my passion for special education. That passion started while I was a student here and led me to study special education in college. Coming back to PLP as an EC teacher in the Lower School just felt right! It's so special to give back to the same community that shaped me. And fun fact: I actually met my husband at Pine Lake!"

Grace Dixon
PLP Class of 2013
Grace graduated with a Bachelor's degree in Special Education K-12 from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte in 2018.





"I'm currently working as an industrial designer using 3D-design programs to develop consumer products. I've worked on a range of products; from quantum computers and gene sequencing machines to robots and simple vacuums. I am incredibly lucky to have found myself in a career that I am truly passionate about, and that passion started in high school. The school not only gave me the resources, but encouraged me to use them to their full potential. I was encouraged by so many teachers; all had so much care for their students, and many knew me well enough to point me in the right career direction. Classes like STEM capstone(which is essentially what I do for a living now) and 3D-animation opened my eyes to an industry that otherwise I would have known nothing about if I weren't given the proper exposure. "

Bronson Valley
PLP Class of 2020
NC State BFA - Industrial and Product Design Class of 2024
Industrial Designer at SharkNinja

"I was part of the first cohort of Project Lead the Way, a four-year engineering capstone course offered at Pine Lake. Through that class, I gained hands-on experience in coding, design, and developing engineering solutions to problems that interested me. That engineering program was the main reason I discovered my passion for the field and ultimately decided to pursue a double major in Chemical Engineering and Paper Science Engineering at North Carolina State University. I'm now continuing my education by earning a Ph.D. in Environmental Engineering at the University of California at Berkeley, with an emphasis on piloting technologies for wastewater treatment to improve water quality. The courses and teachers at Pine Lake meant so much to me that, for the past two years, I've volunteered as a professional engineering mentor for current seniors in the capstone engineering class."



Camille Brule
PLP Class of 2018
Graduate: University of California Berkeley - M.S. Environmental Engineering
Undergrad: NC State University



"After graduating from Pine Lake Preparatory, I was honored to be selected as a Park Scholar at NC State, a scholarship that fully covered my tuition, room and board, and provided funding for professional and personal enrichment experiences. Through the Park Scholars program and its four-year leadership academy, I was challenged to grow as a leader, an experience that led me to serve as Student Body President and a University Trustee. I graduated from NC State with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, concentrating in finance with a minor in political science, and I now work at Ernst & Young as a Financial Services Consultant in the firm's Business Consulting practice."

Timothy Reid
PLP Class of 2020
NC State University Class of 2024
Park Scholar

"Mr. Leluika's courses in 3D animation and visual arts taught me the fundamentals of concept sketching, 3D modeling, and creative problem-solving. Mrs. Hook's visual art class strengthened my drawing, sketching, and shading skills, while Mr. Ebenhoeh's intro to engineering class gave me early experience in teamwork and prototyping. These experiences built the technical foundation that has carried into my work for design school.

Beyond technical skills, PLP instilled in me a strong work ethic and sense of time management that have been invaluable in college and beyond. Having attended Pine Lake from kindergarten in 2008 through graduation in 2021, I'm especially grateful for the teachers who encouraged my creativity, independence, and confidence to pursue design."

Fun Fact: Nicholas was part of the first animation class at PLP and interned with the architect working on PLP's building project.

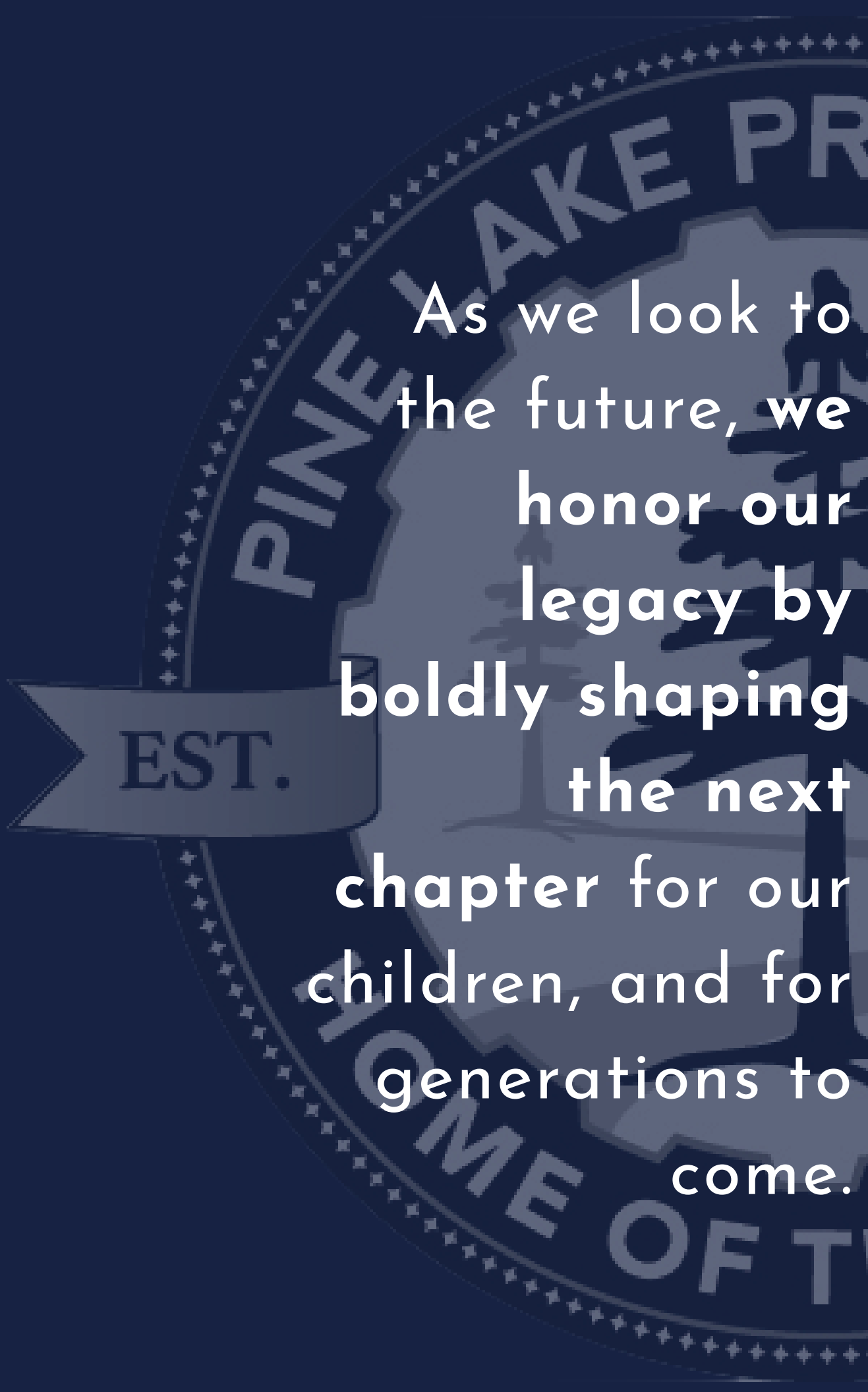


Nicholas Hatcher
PLP Class of 2021
Undergrad: Art + Design
NC State University

"My interest in engineering grew from hands-on experiences at Pine Lake Prep, where the Project Lead The Way program challenged me to think creatively and solve real problems. Pine Lake provided outstanding career, academic, and university resources that prepared me for an optimistic future. When I began university, I was surprised by how well prepared I was for my technical courses like physics, statics, and dynamics. The classes I took in high school gave me a strong understanding that helped me feel ahead of the curve. I'm especially grateful to teachers like Mr. Walker, whose support and enthusiasm inspired me to persevere, even when the task was challenging. I not only discovered my passion for engineering, but also developed the confidence to lead. The experiences and lessons I gained there continue to shape who I am and guide me as I pursue my journey in engineering and leadership."



Ally Richardson
PLP Class of 2020
Clemson University Class of 2025
Degree: Mechanical Engineering
Current Job Title: Hypersonic Aerothermal Test Engineer Manager with Canvas Inc.



As we look to the future, **we honor our legacy by boldly shaping the next chapter** for our children, and for generations to come.



A new 26,450-square-foot Academic Building will add 13 classrooms, 10 offices, a large meeting space, and a student-run coffee shop and school store (run by our Occupational Course of Study and Extended Content Standards students). This new space will provide dedicated classrooms for teachers currently teaching off carts, professional office space for staff currently working in closets and under stairwells, and the room needed to expand programs that will continue to give our students a competitive advantage over their peers across the state and nation. Most importantly, it will give our teachers and staff the space they need, and deserve, to deliver exceptional instruction.



Level 01 Floor Plan



Level 02 Floor Plan



Lower Level Floor Plan







Renewing our stadium turf for the next phase of PLP Athletics.

The new alternating gray turf field will replace our aging stadium surface with a high-performance, state-of-the-art field turf system designed for exceptional play, durability, and safety. This upgrade isn't just about new turf, it's about giving our student-athletes a top-tier experience that will perform reliably for the next decade.

Installing a high performing track for PLP's Student Athletes.

Designed for speed, performance, safety and daily training, a new track will replace our cracking asphalt track. Matching high school and collegiate standards, the track will ensure we can host NCHSAA sanctioned meets. As part of the project, we will install permanent field event facilities, including dedicated areas for long jump, triple jump, high jump, pole vault, and throws, giving our athletes a complete, competition-ready track and field environment.





PLP's new 7,000 SF Fieldhouse will support the growth and success of PLP Athletics. This facility will provide dedicated locker rooms, a fully equipped training room, offices for staff, and much-needed storage space. A modern fieldhouse will give our student-athletes a true home base, enhance safety and preparation, and create an organized, professional environment that reflects the caliber of our teams. The space will also feature a dedicated 2,000-square-foot weight room that will elevate performance and give our athletes the competitive edge they deserve.



THE NUMBERS

The Goal

PLP has secured the funding for 75% of the project cost through a recent refinancing. We are calling on our families to help us raise the remaining **$2.5 million**

The Call

Our goal is **100% participation**, and we are calling on every family to join us in supporting this important community effort.

Our hope is that Pine Lake becomes one of your family's top three philanthropic priorities.

A reflection of the value this community brings to your children's lives and an investment in the futures we are building together.

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Campaign Goal:
$2.5 million

Did You Know?



Breaking down charter school funding

State funding for public education is already insufficient, and the gap is even wider for charter schools, which receive no funding for facilities, athletic spaces, or capital projects. Every building, field, and renovation must be financed through long-term debt and the generosity of our families and community. Because state dollars also fall short of fully supporting our operating budget, philanthropic support is essential, not only to sustain what our students experience each day, but to help us reach the level of excellence we strive for.

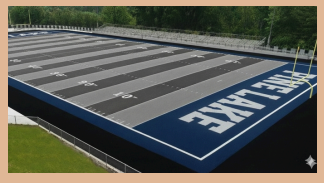
Giving Matrix

Commitments	Amount Each	Total
3	$90,000	$270,000
5	$60,000	$300,000
7	$45,000	$315,000
15	$30,000	$450,000
35	$10,000	$350,000
40	$7,500	$300,000
45	$5,000	$225,000
50	$2,500	$125,000
60	$1,000	$60,000
65	$750	$48,750
70	$500	$35,000
85	$250	$21,250
TOTAL		**$2,500,000**

**This giving matrix is one possible pathway to help us reach our goal.*

Project Timeline

As we look ahead to this next chapter, we are hopeful to break ground on these projects as early as this spring. That said, bringing that vision to life will depend on the generous support of our families and community. Our refinance has positioned us to begin, yet it is philanthropy that will provide the momentum to move from plans to progress and ensure we build the classrooms, spaces, and athletic facilities our students and staff need and deserve.









Spring 2026

Replace Stadium Turf

Summer 2026

Break Ground on Academic Building

Spring 2027

Install Synthetic Track

Summer 2027

Break Ground on Fieldhouse

Leaving a Legacy: Naming Rights Opportunities

As part of our capital campaign, we are excited to offer meaningful naming opportunities that allow families to leave a lasting legacy on our campus. Naming a space, whether a classroom, office, collaborative area, or athletic facility, not only honors your family's commitment to education but also inspires future generations of students who will learn, grow, and dream within those walls. These opportunities are a powerful way to make your mark on Pine Lake Preparatory and to help shape the next chapter of our school's story. We invite you to consider how your gift can create a legacy that will impact students for years to come.



Athletic Facilities

Weightroom

Home Locker Room

Away Locker Room

Athletic Directors Office

Scoreboard Board Sponsorship or Naming Rights

Academic Building

Classroom Dedication

Coffee Shop and School Store - *Brewing with Pride*

Office Dedication

Conference Room Dedication





Brick Campaign

As part of our Building the Future One Piece at a Time campaign, we are excited to introduce our Legacy Brick initiative. An opportunity to help shape the foundation of Pine Lake Preparatory's next chapter. With a gift of $10,000, your family can personalize a commemorative brick that will be permanently placed on campus, becoming one of the meaningful "pieces" that build our future. Join us in building something extraordinary: one piece, one brick, one legacy at a time.

Your Commitment

How can you play a part?

My Commitment

Calculate Here:

	What I normally give to Pine Lake each year?

**(Lions Share Pledge, Fun Run, Daily Wear Tshirts, Dress Down Days)*

	My expanded annual generosity

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	My family's commitment

Thank you for thoughtfully considering your family's giving capacity. Each year, PLP works to close a $700,000 funding gap caused by charter school funding inequities. This campaign is an additional, above-and-beyond effort to strengthen our future.

Example Card

Calculate Here:

$5,000	***What I normally give to Pine Lake each year?***

**(Lions Share Pledge, Fun Run, Daily Wear Tshirts, Dress Down Days)*

$10,000	***My expanded annual generosity***

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$15,000	***My family's commitment***

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Frequently Asked Questions



What is the Building the Future One Piece at a Time campaign?

The capital campaign is designed to raise the funds needed to construct a state-of-the-art Academic Building and to support the renovation of our athletic facilities.

How do I donate?

Visit www.PineLakePrep.org/giving Select Building The Future



Is my donation tax-deductible?

Yes – PLP is a 501(c)(3) organization.

Who do I contact for questions?

Anna Drury: Anna.Drury@PineLakePrep.org
Andrew Moceri: Andrew.Moceri@PineLakePrep.org

How is this campaign separate from regular giving?

Our annual fundraisers support the $700,000 needed each year to offset inequities in charter school funding. That money supports the existing programs and allows us to provide competitive staff salaries. This campaign is above and beyond that effort – an investment to take PLP to the next level.



Does PLP accept non-cash gifts?

Yes. PLP graciously accepts gifts of stocks, mutual funds, cryptocurrency and gifts of other assets. Please reach out to Andrew Moceri or Anna Drury to discuss non-cash gifts.

Notes













When you give to Pine Lake, you'll receive this special car magnet as a symbol of your commitment to *Building the Future, One Piece at a Time*. It's not about equal gifts, but equal sacrifice – and together, every piece helps create a brighter future for our students.

Ways to Give

Visit www.PineLakePrep.org:

Select Menu
Select Giving
Select Building the Future

If you prefer to make your donation later in the fiscal year (ending June 30), please email your commitment details to Anna.Drury@PineLakePrep.org.
We can enter a pledge into our system so you receive a reminder when your gift is due.

Please include :
Total Amount Pledged
Whether it's a one-time or recurring donation
(if recurring please note monthly, quarterly or annually)
The month you plan to make the donation.

Questions? Contact:
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