



## IMPACT REPORT 2024-2025

Cultivating Intellect & Character in Grades 3-12

# OUR MISSION



Sage Ridge School graduates curious and confident citizens who embrace rigorous scholarship, respect the dignity of individuals, choose integrity, embody courage, cultivate a compassionate community, and ultimately thrive in college and in our global society.

*Golfer Morgan Hayes ('26)  
ranked third in Nevada State  
Golf Championship*

## NOTE FROM THE HEAD

Dear Sage Ridge Community,

It is with deep appreciation and great pride that I share this year's Impact Report—a reflection of what we can accomplish when a community comes together in support of a bold mission.

As Northern Nevada's only nonsectarian, independent school, Sage Ridge continues to deliver on our promise: to challenge and inspire students to reach their full potential—academically, socially, and personally.

None of this is possible without the generosity and dedication of our extended school family. The investments you make—through gifts of time, talent, and resources—are powering our momentum, fueling our growth, and directly enriching the educational experience of every Sage Ridge student.

This report highlights milestones that are already making a meaningful difference. From exceeding our Annual Fund goal to hosting a record-breaking gala and securing transformative grants, we are experiencing what it means to Power Up Sage Ridge. Thanks to your generosity, students are exploring robotics and ecosystem science, athletes are thriving in upgraded facilities, and our community is coming together in spaces built to foster collaboration and creativity.

We are equally proud to celebrate the impact of volunteerism and participation—inspired by the belief that when families engage in meaningful ways, our entire community thrives. And show up you did—parents, caregivers, relatives, and even students contributed more than 2,500 hours of service this year. From mentoring and event planning to campus support and classroom engagement, your time and talent brought energy, connection, and joy to our school.

We also celebrate the progress of the AIM Capital Campaign, which opened the doors of the new E.L. Wiegand Student Activity Center—now a vibrant hub of student life. With plans for a Performing Arts Center and Innovation Lab on the horizon, we are poised for even greater impact ahead.

The strength of Sage Ridge lies in its people. I am proud to share that again this year, our Board of Trustees, faculty, staff, and Parents Association all achieved 100% giving participation—a powerful testament to their belief in our mission and future.

As we close out the fiscal year, we do so with clarity of purpose and excitement for what's next. Thank you for being an essential part of this journey. Together, we are building more than a school—we are shaping a legacy of

leadership, character, and academic excellence that will ripple outward for years to come.

With gratitude and optimism,



**Ginger Hovenic**

*Head of School, Sage Ridge School*



# 2024 2025 Board of Trustees

The Sage Ridge School Board of Trustees upholds the mission of preparing graduates to be curious, confident citizens ready for both college and life. The board provides strategic guidance, safeguards the school's financial health, and supports leadership in advancing the mission and vision.

*Eric Gangloff*

*Greg Hayes*

*Karen Hovorka*

*Steve Welch*

*Michelle Sherven*

*Steve Cotton*

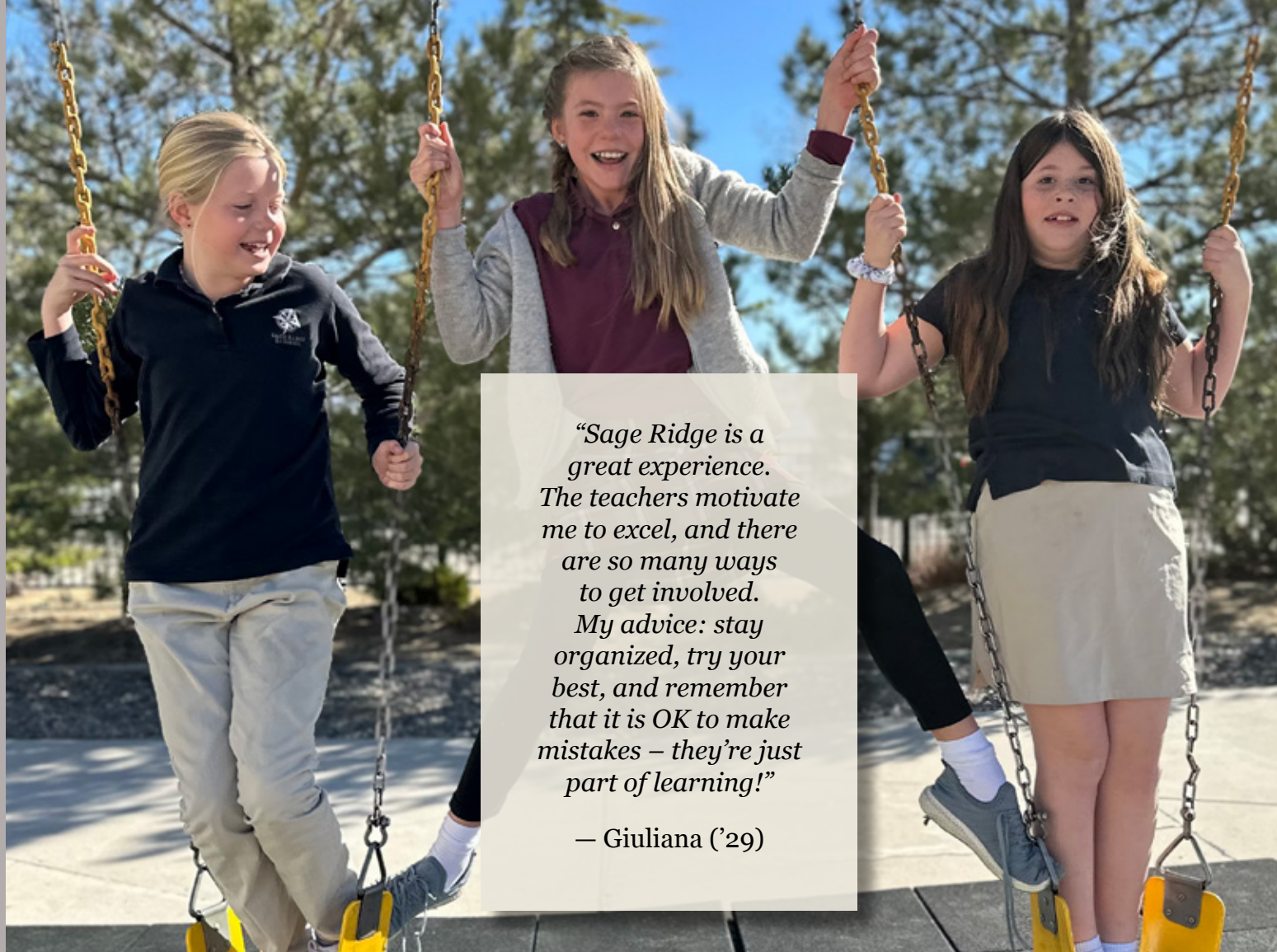
*Matt Hill*

*Karl Hutter*

*Ranson Webster*

*Rick Welcome*

*Karen Purcell*



*“Sage Ridge is a great experience. The teachers motivate me to excel, and there are so many ways to get involved. My advice: stay organized, try your best, and remember that it is OK to make mistakes – they’re just part of learning!”*

— Giuliana ('29)



# THE WAY SCHOOL SHOULD BE

Independent schools are designed to teach in the ways students best learn and to support the growth and development of their character. The result is transformative. This has always been the mission of Sage Ridge School. We seek to foster strong relationships and deep commitments to search for knowledge across all levels of the community in order to support students on their journey from learner to leader.

## OUR PORTRAIT OF A GRADUATE

Sage Ridge School graduates global citizens who demonstrate:

**Scholarship** – Creative thinking and innovative problem-solving.

**Respect** – Compassion and empathy for people, ideas, and diversity.

**Integrity** – A commitment to ethical behavior and service to others

**Courage** – Self-awareness, leadership, and compassion

**Community** – Creating relationships through scholarship, respect, integrity and courage



## SUPPORTING THE WHOLE FAMILY

When a family joins Sage Ridge, students are inducted into a life-long community and so are the parents and guardians. We consistently hear that parents are grateful to be a part of a network of adults who are passionate about education. Our Parents Association, Parent Education Series, and community events provide a vibrant community for the whole family.



View all school statistics at [sageridge.org/facts](https://sageridge.org/facts)

## FAST FACTS

**7:1**

Student-Teacher Ratio

**17**

Average Class Size

**24**

Athletic Teams

**22%**

of the Student Body  
Receives Financial Assistance

**89%**

Average AP Pass Rate  
Over the Last 5 Years

**69%**

of Faculty have Advanced Degrees

**15**

Average Years of teaching  
Experience per Faculty Member

**1:1**

Laptop Program

**1**

Week Annual Outdoor Education Trip

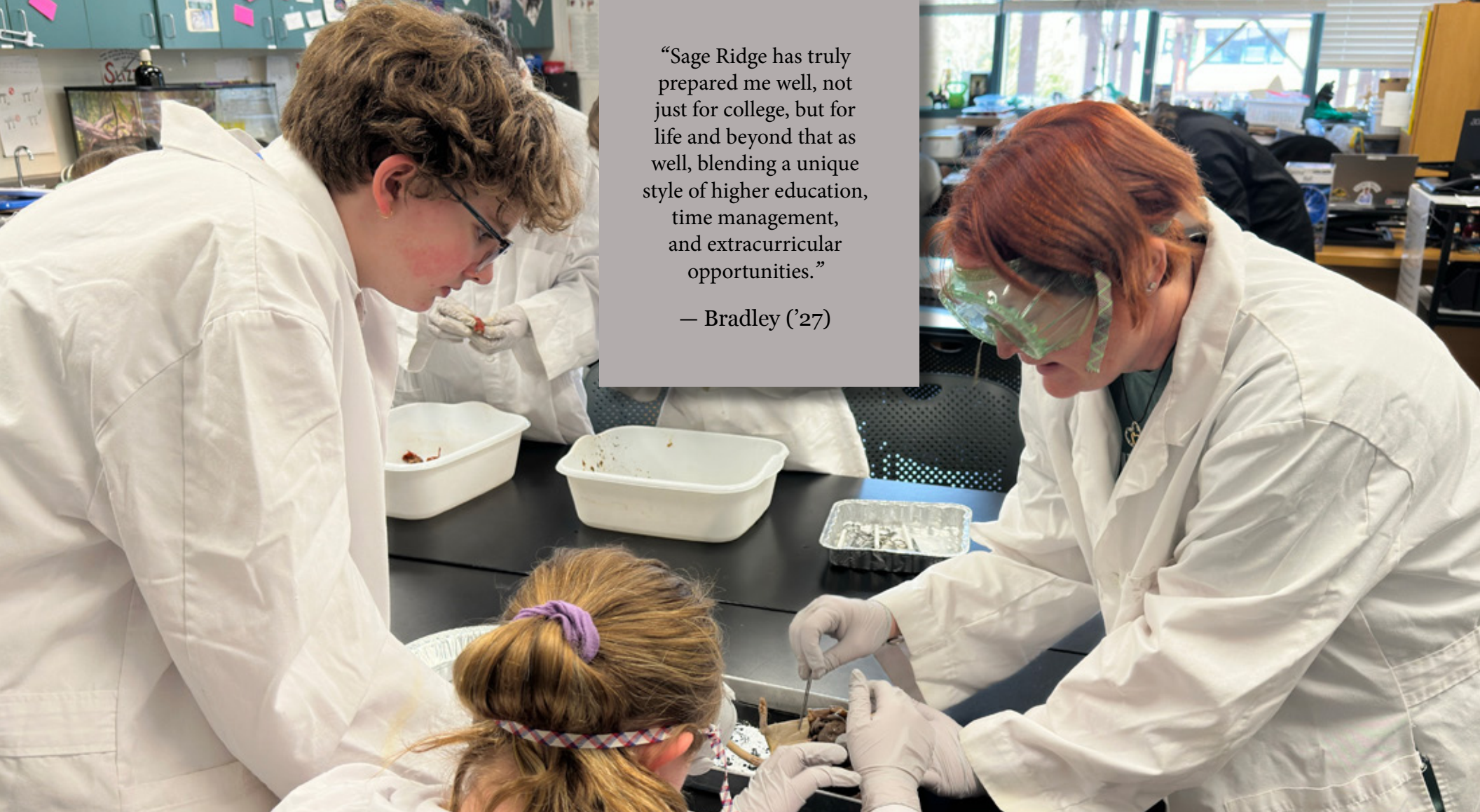
**60**

Minimum Hours of Community  
Service Required for Graduation

**#1 High School for STEM**  
in the Reno Area (Niche)

**#1 Best College Prep**  
Private School in the Reno Area (Niche)

**Ranked in the Top 1%**  
of High Schools Nationally  
(Challenge Index)



“Sage Ridge has truly prepared me well, not just for college, but for life and beyond that as well, blending a unique style of higher education, time management, and extracurricular opportunities.”

— Bradley ('27)

## PREPARED FOR COLLEGE & CAREER SUCCESS

National Student Clearinghouse Research Center. (2023). High School Benchmarks Report: National College Progression Rates. “Graduates of independent schools persist and complete college at higher rates than graduates of other school types, and they are more likely to complete a bachelor’s degree within four years.” This is critical because consistent progression through college is linked with financial advantages, lower student debt and higher starting salaries as well as higher satisfaction and well being in life.

# WHERE RIGOR MEETS REAL-WORLD READINESS

Sage Ridge School equips students for both college and a life of purpose. Rooted in the school's five pillars, Scorpions graduate as curious, confident individuals prepared to make a lasting, positive impact on the world.

## HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE 2024-2025 ACADEMIC YEAR

- Sage Ridge School was named Best Private School in the Reno Gazette-Journals Best of Reno 2025 Awards, marking its second consecutive win and fourth overall recognition for academic, artistic, and athletic excellence.
- Earned Platinum Distinction on the 2024 College Board's Advanced Placement (AP) School Honor Roll.
- **Beatrice Liwanag ('26)** received the Harvard Prize Book Award for her outstanding GPA (above 4.4), school leadership, and success as a three-season varsity athlete and state champion in track.
- **Caleb Mulvaney ('25)** was honored with the Golden Scorpion Award, one of Sage Ridge's most prestigious awards. To earn the Golden Scorpion Award, a student must earn 12 athletic credits and graduate with an unweighted GPA of 3.5 or higher, completed 60 hours of community service each year in Grades 11 and 12, complete four AP courses with no grade lower than a B-, earn at least a B+ on the senior thesis, and submit confidential recommendations from a current teacher and a senior-year athletic coach to the Athletic Director.
- Fourteen-year-old **Rhys Ferrito ('28)**, broke national age-group records and qualified for two international triathlon championships, demonstrating outstanding athletic achievement.
- Middle and Upper School students showcased their creativity in an exhibit titled "The Art of Consciousness" at the Reno-Tahoe International Airport.
- Debate Team earned The Sagebrush District League Small School Sweepstakes Award with a recorded win total higher than any time in school history.
- Mock Trial at 2025 Regional Competition **Cricket Paton ('28) & Amanda Lyons ('28)** won "Best Witness" and **Sitara Reganti ('25')** won "Best Council"
- Built the Greenhouse funded by the **Khanai Family** to grow seedlings to replant trees destroyed in the Davis Fire of 2024.
- **Ana Treadway ('27)** wins \$1,000 scholarship in Nevada Treasury Department Art Competition.
- Established Sage Ridge as a site for SAT testing.
- The 2025 Sage Ridge Gala: "Run for the Roses" exceeded its fundraising goal, generating \$87,150 in total proceeds - including \$45,050 for the Opportunity Fund (student financial aid) and the remainder supporting the Teacher Fund (faculty enrichment and resources).
- Students participated in two summer travel programs in 2025: a civic education trip to Washington, D.C, and a cultural immersion trip to Japan as part of a Sage Session.
- In January 2025, Sage Ridge students earned 22 Scholastic Art & Writing Awards, including 5 Gold Keys, 7 Silver Keys, 10 Honorable Mentions, and 1 American Visions Nomination.
- Sage Ridge Latin Students excelled at the Nevada Junior Classical League Convention and earned national recognition on the Nation Latin Exam.
- The Middle School math team advanced to the Nevada State MATHCOUNTS Championship after a strong performance at the regional level.

# OUR STORY

In 1996, a handful of families imagined a school for their children. Classes will be taught by inspiring teachers who could challenge young scholars, and five character “pillars” would guide students in all their efforts. Schools like this existed elsewhere, of course, but these families did not want to enroll their children in boarding schools. Instead, they decided to build that school themselves, right here in the biggest little city of Reno.

Sage Ridge school now ranks in the top 1% of schools in the nation. First rate faculty nurture a genuine love of learning. Our students shine with the confidence that comes from high achievement and strength of character. They thrive at the nation’s top colleges and universities and beyond. Meet a Sage Ridge graduate, and you’ll discover a keen problem solver who communicates with poise, clarity, and self-assurance.



Liberty Dogs come to Sage Ridge and bring support dogs to share the Liberty Dogs efforts to help veterans throughout our nation.



# 3 SCHOOLS, 1 CAMPUS

## Lower School: Grades 3-5

Our youngest scholars arrive eager, and our teachers meet that energy with intention. Through Socratic seminars, project-based learning, and hands-on laboratory science, students don't just absorb knowledge—they question it, test it, and apply it.

In Science, students engage in daily hands-on investigation and participate in real-world research, including water testing that contributes data to a national database.

Literature comes to life through community action: students organize fundraisers for local and global causes inspired by the books they read, connecting storytelling to empathy and civic responsibility.

The arts, physical education, and computer science are woven into our core curriculum. In grade 3, students begin our 1:1 laptop program, developing the digital fluency that supports learning across all subjects.

Students build organizational habits through daily planner use and consistent teacher check-ins that keep them on track and connected to their learning.

By grade 5, students begin their athletic journey, with early exposure to team sports that build confidence, cooperation, and a lifelong love of physical wellness.

## Middle School: Grades 6-8

Sage Ridge is built for the real growth—academic, social, and personal—that defines the middle school years. Our teachers are content specialists supported by an onsite counselor dedicated to student wellbeing.

Students meet with an advisor three to four times a week for consistent guidance through this pivotal stage of development.

Advanced math is available for accelerated learners, and language study deepens with continued instruction in both Spanish and Latin.

Laptops are fully integrated into daily learning, equipping students with the research, communication, and organizational skills they need to thrive in high school and beyond. Physical education and an electives rotation continue, ensuring students remain engaged in the full breadth of a Sage Ridge education.

Semester-long clubs give students the opportunity to explore new interests, build skills, and form meaningful connections with peers outside the classroom.

Middle schoolers begin to find their voice in the broader school community through participation in student government and honor council, taking on real responsibility and developing the leadership skills they'll carry into upper school and beyond.

## Upper School: Grades 9-12

Everything about our high school experience prepares students to excel in their college of choice. Leadership skills are cultivated through vast opportunities to create a lasting impact.

- *Freshman Seminar equips students with critical thinking tools and sharpens public speaking skills.*
- *15 varsity athletic teams provide opportunities for all students – whether they are preparing to play at the collegiate level or wanting to try something new.*
- *Advanced science classes prepare students for pre-medical college tracks or research positions early on in their college careers.*
- *Multiple arts programs allow students to advance in various dimensions of visual, digital, and performance arts.*
- *Student government, prefecture, honor council, and athletics all cultivate leadership skills.*
- *This Senior Experience fully prepares students for the transition to college.*
- *Our full-time college counselor works with students starting freshman year to help them begin thinking about college and career goals. Full support is provided throughout the intensive process of college selection and application during junior and senior years.*

# AP CLASSES OFFERED

- AP Biology
- AP Calculus AB
- AP Calculus BC
- AP Chemistry
- AP Computer Science
- AP English Language and Composition
- AP English Literature and Composition
- AP Environmental Science
- AP Human Geography
- AP Latin
- AP Physics C: Mechanics
- AP Physics C: Electricity & Magnetism
- AP Physics / (Algebra-Based)
- AP Precalculus
- AP Spanish Language and Culture
- AP Statistics
- AP Studio Art
- AP 2-D Art and Design
- AP 3-D Art and Design
- AP Drawing
- AP United States Government and Politics
- AP United States History
- AP World History



*“Excellence is not one-size-fits-all. It is individual. Ultimately, it is a pact we make with ourselves- a choice of how we want to be in the world.”*

— Dr. Tara McGann

# CURRICULUM HIGHLIGHTS

Something special is happening at Sage Ridge School. Students obtain content knowledge in the liberal arts and science disciplines while acquiring individual problem solving and critical thinking skills that are vital to success in the 21st century.



## Why Liberal Arts & Sciences?

Our current students are preparing for careers that have not yet been conceived. The skills and disciplines that are integral to a liberal arts education are the ones that future careers will need. Employers are looking for the ability to discern new patterns, critique arguments, research, and communicate collaboratively and authoritatively. All will be an ethically driven. These are the skills that no amount of content expertise will be able to address.

## Accelerated Math Pathway

Starting in grade 3, students who are ready for the added challenge of an accelerated math pathway will be placed into the appropriate level of math study. Each year, more than 10% of our students in grades 3-8 are placed in accelerated math courses, and Upper School students have opportunities to take two math classes in one year and accelerate at the pace that is individually appropriate. Students on this track will have more opportunities to take advanced math classes, such as AP Calculus BC, Multivariable Calculus, or AP Statistics.

## AP Program

You may hear other high school students that say they are taking 5-7 AP classes a year, but are they really taking a college level class? Our AP classes result in students who can pass their AP exams, thus validating our curriculum as equivalent to a real college course. In addition, all our students who receive AP credit on their transcripts are required to sit for the AP exam, and even then, our pass rates are the highest in the region.

## Community Service

Community service is both an integral part of our curriculum and a graduation requirement. For many students, it becomes a way of life that brings purpose to learning and direction to

career paths. Starting in grade 10, a minimum of 20 hours of service is required per year to receive a Sage Ridge diploma.

## Sage Session

Every May, Sage Ridge students experience Sage session, a two-week period during which students participate in elective and enrichment classes taught by Sage Ridge faculty. These courses enhance the students' academic experience and our core curriculum. Classes vary every year and often involve travel and extensive field trips. An international trip is often offered as well.



*“One of the main things that stood out to me at Sage Ridge has just been how many opportunities a small school comes with. Because we have such a close relationship with our teachers, we have the opportunity to do activities we normally wouldn’t have the opportunity to do at a bigger school.”*

— Aryan Shukla

(SRS '20, University of Southern California '24)



Owen Heaphy ('27), Sam Browder ('26), and Amanda Lyons ('28) showcase their talents in the 2025 spring musical, *The Sound of Music*.

# CO-CURRICULARS & EXTRACURRICULARS

Building upon the foundation of our core curriculum, co-curricular courses and extracurricular activities enhance the student educational experience. These opportunities provide students with the knowledge and skills on their journeys to satisfying and impactful careers.

## Co-Curriculars

Students in grades 3-8 take physical education class as one of their 8 periods in the daily schedule rotation. They also take a quarter-long class in music, theatre, visual arts, and computer science.

In grade 6, students take both Latin and Spanish classes, and then choose one language with which to continue.

Upper School students have the opportunity to discover and pursue passions through electives such as Fitness, Advanced Acting Methods, Media Arts, Introduction to Engineering, Human Anatomy and Physiology, Computer Science, and Creative Writing.

## Extracurriculars – Theatre

The art of performance includes crucial skills and strategies for success in all future pursuits. Sage Ridge students typically produce and perform three main stage productions each year, a fall drama, a Lower School play, and a spring musical.

## Extracurriculars – Speech & Debate

Students prepare for and compete in local tournaments that are hosted by the National Speech and Debate Association. Students quickly learn how to present themselves with

confidence, think on their feet, and control their thoughts even as they are being cross examined. Besides the numerous skills they gain they also join a unique, cohesive community.

## Extracurriculars – Junior Classical League

The national Junior Classical League is an organization of middle and high school students sponsored by the American Classical League. Its purpose is to encourage an interest in and an appreciation of the language, literature, and culture of ancient Greece and Rome. Members have the opportunity to travel to state and national conventions and assume leadership positions, often at the state or national level.

## Other Opportunities

- MathCounts
- Mock Trial
- National English Honor Society
- National Honor Society
- Girls On The Run
- Weight Training and more!



# HOME OF THE SCORPIONS



The Girls' Varsity Volleyball team competes in the Ernest J. Primm Gymnasium in the E.L. Wiegand Student Activity Center.

# ATHLETICS

Our small school environment provides all students with the opportunity to participate and compete on select or multiple teams. Sage Ridge is committed to excellence in athletics, just as it is committed to excellence in academics, the arts, and in each of the other key elements of education which address the whole student.

## What does excellence in athletics mean?

1. We invest in high quality coaches who develop players' individual skills, set high goals and standards of excellence, inspire team play and strong work ethic, are deeply committed to help student athletes advance to the next level, and develop a culture that emphasizes a winning spirit.
2. We allocate the financial resources to our athletics program necessary to compete at the appropriate level and provide opportunities—for instance, when it is necessary in a sport supported by Sage Ridge, we travel outside the region; we also develop a robust non-conference schedule.
3. For our student athletes who wish to play at the collegiate level, our coaches help to facilitate opportunities, including recording and providing highlight tapes, opening access to and navigating with AAU programs, and pursuing ranking opportunities and visibility.

Sage Ridge's strength in academics opens up opportunities with athletics, including playing for D1 schools. For the serious athlete, it offers not only academic preparedness at the collegiate level but also lifelong skills beyond athletics thereby increasing the success quotient for student athletes who decide to play at the next level.


## Scorpion Athletics

- Soccer
- Basketball
- Cross Country
- Track & Field
- Volleyball
- Golf
- Ski Racing
- Swimming



View all school statistics at [sageridge.org/athletics](http://sageridge.org/athletics)



A group of students are kayaking on a blue lake. They are wearing colorful life jackets and hats. In the background, there are green hills under a clear blue sky. The students are looking towards the camera with various expressions, some smiling.

For Outdoor Education week 2024,  
11th graders kayaked in Tomales Bay.

## REACHING NEW HEIGHTS & ESTABLISHING COMMUNITY THROUGH ADVENTURE

Outdoor Education Week is an annual tradition at Sage Ridge where Scorpions in grades 3-12 spend a week in a nature bonding with their classmates at the start of a new school year. Full of meaningful challenges and connections, this signature Sage Ridge program creates favorite Sage Ridge memories.

Our pillars of courage, respect, integrity and community are on full display.



# OUTDOOR EDUCATION

**We hear it all the time: Sage Ride students' best memories and relationships often have roots in the Outdoor Education week experience.**

Sage Ridge Outdoor education refers to a purposeful approach to learning that takes place outside the traditional classroom and uses the natural environment as both the setting and the teacher. At its heart, outdoor education is about helping students develop knowledge, skills, and personal growth through direct experiences in nature. These experiences can range from simple activities like nature walks and school-yard investigations to more structured programs such as camping, hiking, team-building challenges, and environmental studies. Typical experiences include: campfires, tent camping, kayaking, rock climbing, whitewater rafting, environmental studies, ecology lessons, and cultural or historical museums and landmarks.

One of the central ideas behind outdoor education is that learning becomes more meaningful when students are actively engaged with the world around them. Instead of reading about ecosystems, weather patterns, or physical geography, students observe these concepts firsthand. They learn to identify plants and animals, understand natural processes, and recognize the interconnectedness of living systems. This hands-on approach strengthens academic understanding while also fostering curiosity and a sense of stewardship for the environment.

Outdoor education also emphasizes personal and social development. When students work together to solve problems, navigate trails, or complete group challenges, they build communication skills, resilience, and confidence. The outdoor setting naturally encourages cooperation, as students must rely on one another and adapt to changing conditions. These experiences help young people develop leadership qualities, empathy, and a stronger sense of responsibility.

Sage Ridge Outdoor Education is about creating meaningful connections—between students and nature, between academic concepts and real-world experiences, and between students working together as a unit toward shared goals. By stepping outside the classroom, students gain not only knowledge but also confidence, resilience, and a sense of belonging in the larger world around them.

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*“I will never forget my outdoor education experience. The hikes, the kayaking, the food and most of all stories around the campfire! Learning about the environment out in the environment makes all the difference. Being responsible for my own things and creating new friendships will stay with me forever.”*

— Kayla (‘30)





# STEM/INNOVATION LAB

In 2018, Sage Ridge received a grant from the Edwin L. Wiegand Trust to enhance technology education and innovation at the school through the establishment of the Innovation Lab.

The STEM/Innovation Lab serves as a dynamic hub where curiosity, creativity, and problem-solving come together in meaningful, hands-on ways. Designed to support learning across disciplines, the lab provides students with access to advanced tools, emerging technologies, and expert guidance that help transform ideas into real-world solutions. Many classes utilize the equipment and expertise available in the lab, applying these resources to a wide range of academic and practical applications that enrich the learning experience.

At its core, the STEM/Innovation Lab encourages students to think like engineers, designers, and scientists. Through project-based learning, students explore concepts in robotics, coding, and engineering design. The lab often includes equipment such as 3D printers, robotics kits, microcontrollers with drones, and multimedia production tools. These resources allow students to prototype inventions, test hypotheses, and iterate on their designs in a supportive environment that values experimentation and resilience.

Technology and computer science courses frequently rely on the lab for programming, circuitry, and robotics challenges as students prepare for regional and state competitions.

The lab also fosters collaboration and communication. Students work in teams to solve open-ended problems, learning to share ideas, divide responsibilities, and integrate diverse perspectives. This mirrors the collaborative nature of modern workplaces, where innovation often emerges from interdisciplinary teamwork. Teachers and lab specialists guide students through the design thinking process—empathizing with users, defining problems, brainstorming solutions, prototyping, and refining their work based on feedback. The lab often becomes a place where students stay after school to tinker, explore passion projects, or prepare for competitions.

Importantly, the lab helps students build future-ready skills. As industries increasingly rely on automation, digital tools, and technological literacy, students benefit from early exposure to these concepts. They learn not only how to use advanced equipment but also how to think critically, adapt to new challenges, and approach problems with creativity and confidence. These skills are essential for careers in science, engineering, technology, and countless other fields.

Ultimately, the STEM/Innovation Lab is more than a room filled with equipment—it is a space

that empowers students to imagine, create, and innovate. By integrating hands-on learning with academic content, the lab inspires students to explore their potential and prepares them to thrive in a rapidly changing world.



# CONGRATULATIONS



**Addison Clark**

*San Jose State University*

**Thesis:** Running on Empty: The Correlation Between Mental Health Struggles and Athletic Demands of NCAA Division I Athletes

**Internship:** Athletic Republic  
*Enrolled at SRS Since 2020*



**Alina Chu**

*University of California, Riverside*

**Thesis:** I Play the Game, the Game Does Not Play Me: Effective Uses of Video Games for Rational Development in Young Adults

**Internship:** Hangzhou Ruizu Human Resources Company  
*Enrolled at SRS Since 2022*



**Caleb Mulvaney**

*University of Wisconsin, Madison*

**Thesis:** A Crisis of the Senses: Modern Technology and Rising Rates of Hearing and Vision Impairment

**Internship:** *The U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Nevada*  
**Office:** Honor Council  
*Enrolled at SRS Since 2016*



**Huxley McKenzie**

*Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo*

**Thesis:** Busy Doing Nothing: Evaluating Homework Policy and the Effectiveness of Busy Work

**Internship:** Tectonics Design Group  
*Enrolled at SRS Since 2018*



**Jack Colletto**

*University of Nevada, Reno*

**Thesis:** The Age of Information: How Military R&D from the Cold War Created Our Current and Will Create Our Future Economies

**Internship:** *Joyer Technologies*  
*Enrolled at SRS Since 2023*



**Jeremy Gupta**

*University of Southern California*

**Thesis:** The Competing Theories of Human Evolution: Replacement vs. Interbreeding Theory

**Internship:** Western Environmental Testing Laboratory  
*Enrolled at SRS Since 2018*



**Lance Zhou**

*UC Santa Cruz*

**Thesis:** The Electric Age: The Future of the Car Industry

**Internship:** Reno Orthopedic Center  
*Enrolled at SRS Since 2019*

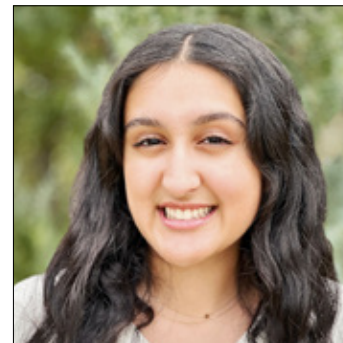


**Michael Skaria**

*UC San Diego*

**Thesis:** Creatine: A Misunderstood Supplement

**Internship:** High Sierra Area Health Education Center  
**Office:** Student Government Representative  
*Enrolled at SRS Since 2018*

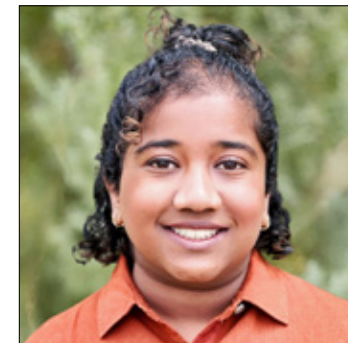


**Nanki Sandhu**

*UC San Diego*

**Thesis:** Horror in Unexpected Places: The Impact of Jewish Culture on Stanley Kubrick's Films

**Internship:** Tall Pinze  
*Enrolled at SRS Since 2016*



**Rhea Skaria**

*Tufts University*

**Thesis:** EMDR: The Best Treatment for Childhood Trauma and PTSD

**Internship:** Reno Psychiatric Associates  
**Office:** Student Government President, Honor Council  
*Enrolled at SRS Since 2020*

# CLASS OF 2025



**Ruby Liu**

*University of Toronto*

**Thesis:** The Evolution of Hanfu in the Tang Dynasty: A Reflection of Social Change

**Internship:** Xi'an Yongyu Building Reinforcement Engineering Co., Ltd.

*Enrolled at SRS Since 2022*



**Scarlett Lopiccio**

*Wesleyan University*

**Thesis:** Prunty Law

**Internship:** Prunty Law

*Enrolled at SRS Since 2021*



**Sophia Soran**

*Northeastern University*

**Thesis:** Graphene's Performance as Bulletproof Material

**Internship:** Elegant Avenue Interior Designs

**Office:** Student Government Representative

*Enrolled at SRS Since 2021*



**Zachary Power**

*Southern Methodist University*

**Thesis:** The Future of Software Development After AI Adoption

**Internship:** Resublime

*Enrolled at SRS Since 2016*



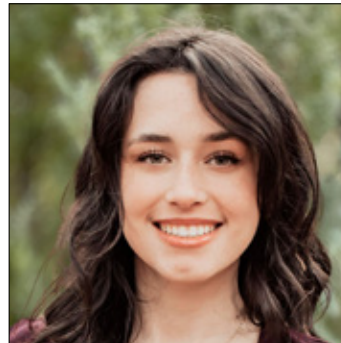
**Sitara Reganti**

*Barnard College*

**Thesis:** Fostering Democracy: The Case for U.S. Collaborative Foreign Policy Over Aggression

**Internship:** Tom Clark Solutions

*Enrolled at SRS Since 2016*



**Keira Brodsky**

*Santa Clara University*

**Thesis:** The New Deal's Lasting Impact on the Housing Market: Can Gen Z Afford the American Dream?

**Internship:** Reno Tahoe Wealth Management

**Office:** Student Government Representative

*Enrolled at SRS Since 2018*



**Kaidan Collins**

*University of San Diego*

**Thesis:** You Would Eat That? The Role of Lab-Grown Meat in Addressing Global Food Insecurity

**Internship:** Sierra Pacific Federal Credit Union

*Enrolled at SRS Since 2019*

# 2024-2025 FISCAL YEAR IN REVIEW

Sage Ridge continues to stay debt-free and focused on steady, healthy growth. Strong financial practices today help make sure Scorpions have the support they need now and well into the future.

## STUDENT ENROLLMENT

230 students were enrolled for the 2024-2025 school year.

## TUITION ASSISTANCE

Financial Aid: 34 students

Sage Ridge Scholars: 1 student

Total Assistance Awarded = \$521,811

## OPERATING BUDGET

Total Revenue \$7,068,376

Total Expenses \$6,414,998

## FUNDRAISING TOTALS

Annual Fund = \$385,365

Restricted Funds = \$201,758

Gala = \$161,008

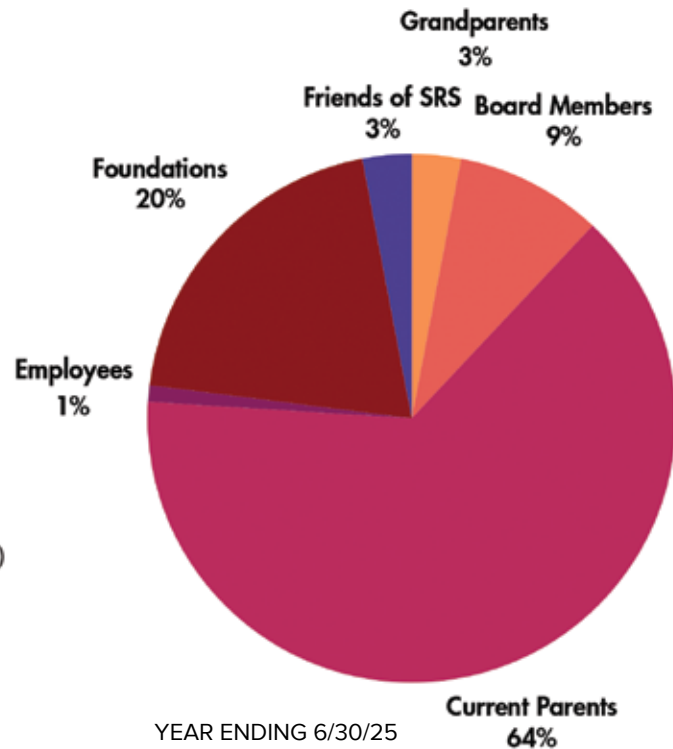
- Opportunity Fund = \$45,050

- Teacher Fund = \$42,100

Capital Campaign = \$494,793

Sage Ridge School

## GIVING BY CONSTITUENTS

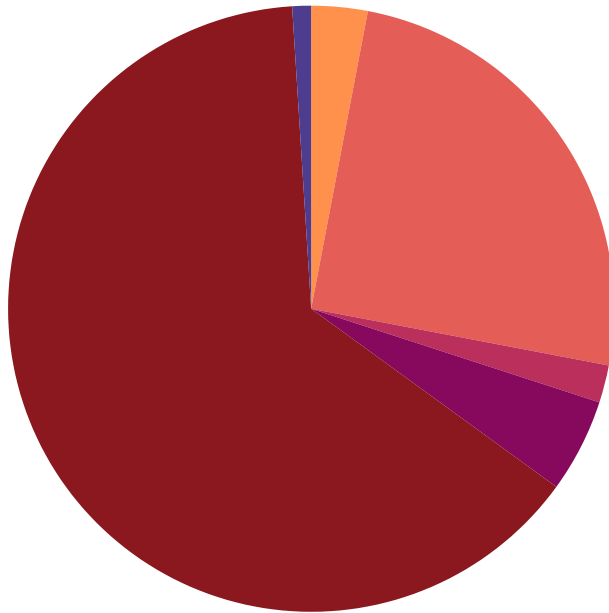


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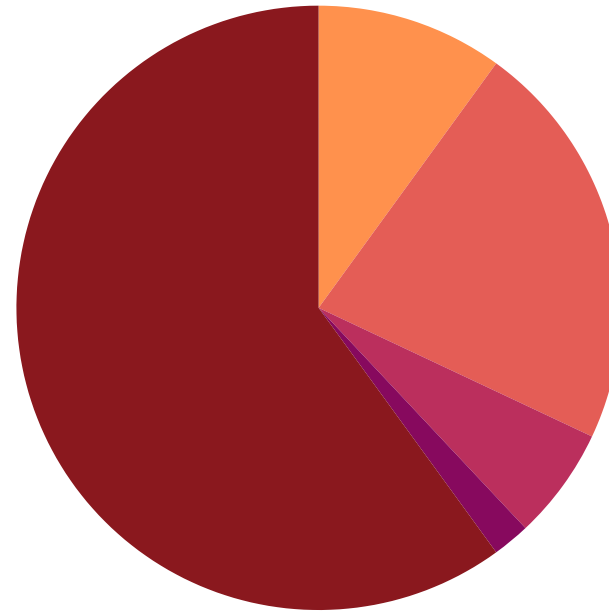
## REVENUE

## EXPENSES

- Annual Giving 5%
- Other Restricted 3%
- Misc Income 25%
- Gala 2%
- Opportunity Fund 1%
- Net Tuition 64%



- Facilities 10%
- Operations 22%
- Instructional Programs 6%
- Technology 2%
- Salaries and Benefits 60%



YEAR ENDING 6/30/25



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 Teriyaki Madness at Summit Mall  
 The Slime Kitchen  
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 Trader Joe's (McCarran)  
 Vacation Homes:  
 Walden's Coffeehouse  
 Wild Island / Coconut Bowl  
 Yoga Pod Reno  
 Yogurt Beach (Mayberry Landing)  
 Your Body Pilates

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## Annual Fund

The Sage Ridge Annual Fund Campaign is the school's primary philanthropic appeal and foundation for philanthropy. Gifts to the Annual Fund bridge the gap between tuition and the school's operating budget and directly enrich academics, arts, athletics, and scholarship support. Unrestricted gifts help Sage Ridge School because they give school leadership the flexibility to allocate money where it will serve the best purpose. Such gifts provide myriad opportunities for students.

## The Opportunity Fund - Sage Ridge Scholars

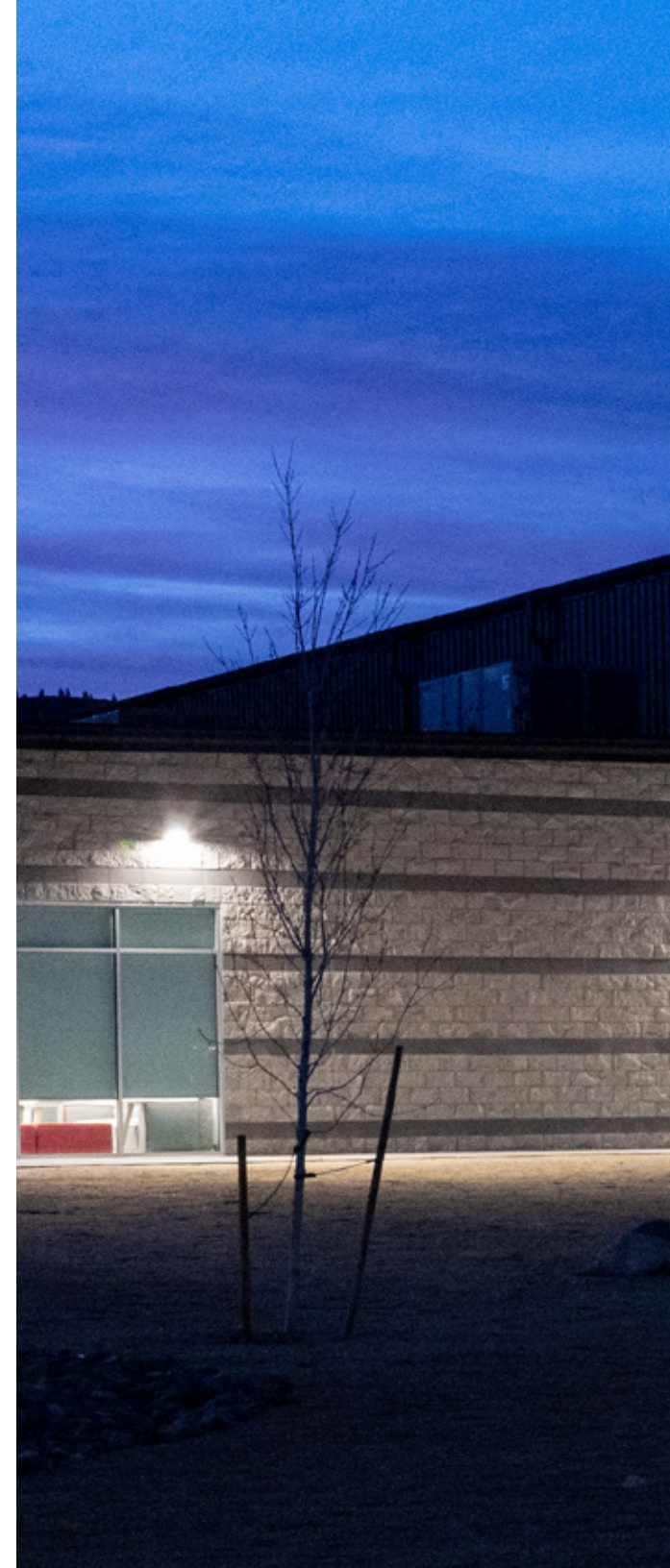
Sage Ridge Scholars are high-achieving, mission-appropriate students from socioeconomically diverse backgrounds.



The Sage Ridge Scholars program was established in 2000 with support from the Redfield Foundation and other generous donors. Awardees receive full tuition and supplies for grades 9-12. Sage Ridge currently supports 3 Sage Ridge Scholars, with more than twelve total students having benefited from the program since its inception.

## Gala

The Gala is our biggest annual fundraiser of the year and a favorite event among our community. These celebratory events provide us with an opportunity to engage with our vibrant community. Funds are raised through table sponsorships, donations, silent and live auction bidding, and fund-a-need drives to support initiatives aimed at enhancing campus life. Please join us at our 2026 Gala on March 21, 2026.





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