



GESU  
SCHOOL

## 2024 IMPACT REPORT

# Transforming Lives with Faith, Love, & Learning



# From the President



*Dear Friends of Gesu School,*

The 2023–2024 school year was an unforgettable one at Gesu School. We commemorated our **30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** as an independent Catholic, Jesuit school. Our milestone celebrations throughout the year reaffirmed the many blessings that Gesu has been given thanks to the support of our loyal donors and friends.

We have referred to Gesu School as the “Miracle on 17<sup>th</sup> Street.” Facing almost certain closure 30 years ago, Gesu was allowed to remain open and become an independent Catholic grade school—the first of its kind in Philadelphia. Three decades later, Gesu has remained a beacon of hope, serving our North Philadelphia community and ensuring the highest quality education for thousands of children. Thanks to the contributions of many over the decades—faculty and staff, supporters, volunteers, trustees, and families—Gesu is thriving as a national model for urban education.

This past year also marked the final year for Gesu’s beloved Founding Principal, Sr. Ellen Convey, IHM. Sister Ellen’s impact on Gesu and our children during her 32 years of service is immeasurable. We are grateful for her dedication and love.

Special moments from 2023–2024 include alumni reunions and a spectacular gala at Citizens Bank Park honoring Daryl Shore ’94 with the James F. Higgins ’45 Distinguished Alumni Award and Sr. Ellen Convey, IHM, with the Mark Solomon Spirit Medal. [Watch gala highlights and a tribute to Sr. Ellen.](#)

Thank you for being part of Gesu’s unique history and our inspiring community. Together, we stand united in our mission and dedication to the collective care and prosperity of Gesu’s students.

Peace and blessings,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bryan".

Bryan H. Carter  
President and CEO



*(Left to right) President and CEO Bryan Carter;  
Daryl Shore '94; Co-Principal Sr. Ellen Convey, IHM;  
Co-Principal Alana Lee*

**Watch Gesu’s 30<sup>th</sup>  
Anniversary  
video.**

# Financials & Fast Facts

A Gesu education transforms lives. Graduates are confident, compassionate leaders who embody the values instilled at Gesu—civic engagement, community service, self-respect, and care for others.

Gesu facilitates these outcomes via tuition support. We fundraise nearly 80% of our operating budget annually to provide the highest quality education for Pre-K-8<sup>th</sup> graders. Our Gesu families are unable to afford the full tuition cost for educating each student. Our fundraising helps to offset tuition costs and makes a Gesu education affordable. Gesu offers generous financial aid to all families who qualify based on income.

A gift to our annual fund or Sponsor a Child program helps to directly support Gesu financial aid. Gesu strives to steward your gifts wisely to have the greatest impact for our students. We invite you to review our audited financial statements at [gesuschool.org](https://www.gesuschool.org).

**\$3,376,740**

total financial aid  
distributed in FY24

**\$17,558**

cost to educate a child in FY24

**\$43,194**

average household income of  
a Gesu School family of four

**59%**

percentage of Gesu families  
with annual household  
incomes of less than \$35,000

**100%**

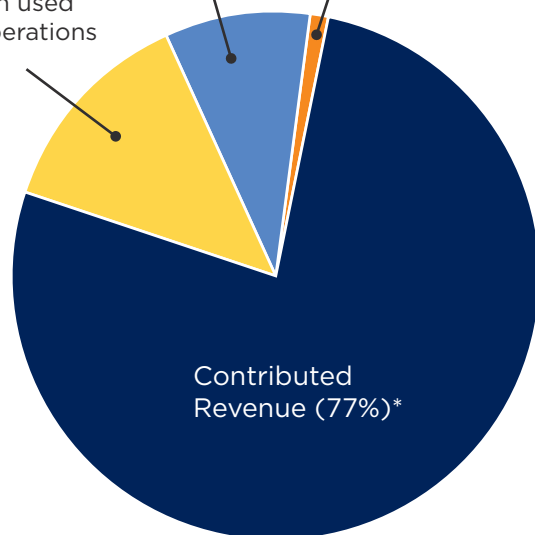
Gesu School qualifies 100% for  
free/reduced breakfast  
and lunch programs

## 2024 Revenue by Source

Tuition & Fees including After-School  
and Summer Camps (9%)

Endowment  
Return used  
for operations  
(13%)

Other Revenue (1%)



*\*Contributed revenue generated through donations from individuals, foundations, and corporations (including EITC/OSTC gifts).*



# Our Gesu Values

## Educating the Whole Child

Educating the whole child in academic excellence, character formation, faith, and leadership to develop “young women and men for others”

## Soft Skills Curriculum

A soft skills curriculum tailored to Gesu students to build motivation, awareness, grit, independence, and social competence

## Instruction for All Abilities

The conviction that every child can learn, illustrated by the availability of both remedial and advanced instruction in math and English language arts

## Family & Student Support

Personal attention for students and support for families, including a full-time social worker and counseling team

## Graduate Support Program

Preparation for successful high school enrollment, leading to lifelong education, productive careers, and leadership roles in society

## DEI & Cultural Experiences

Emphasis on diversity-related educational and cultural experiences to broaden horizons and provide soft skills for success

## Service

A commitment to strive to do and be “greater” for the service of God



# High School Acceptances

## Class of 2024

Academy of Notre Dame de Namur  
Academy of the New Church Secondary Schools  
Archbishop John Carroll High School  
Archbishop Ryan High School  
Archbishop Wood High School  
Cristo Rey Philadelphia High School  
Dr. Kiran C. Patel High School (FL)  
Father Judge High School  
Friends Select School  
George Washington Carver High School of Engineering and Science  
Imhotep Institute Charter High School  
Kensington Health Sciences Academy  
La Salle College High School  
Lansdale Catholic High School  
Liguori Academy  
Little Flower Catholic High School for Girls  
Malvern Preparatory School  
MaST Community Charter School  
Mercy Career and Technical School  
Merion Mercy Academy  
Monsignor Bonner & Archbishop Prendergast Catholic High School  
Mount Saint Joseph Academy  
New Foundations Charter High School  
Philadelphia Electrical and Technology Charter  
Philadelphia High School for Girls  
Roman Catholic High School  
Saints John Neumann and Maria Goretti Catholic High School  
School of the Future  
Sports Leadership, Art & Management Charter High School (FL)  
St. Hubert Catholic High School  
St. Joseph's Preparatory School  
String Theory School  
Tacony Academy Charter High School  
TECH Freire Charter School  
Walter B. Saul High School  
West Catholic Preparatory High School



# Thank You | to our Fiscal Year 2024 Donors!\*

Your support brings quality education to North Philadelphia.

## **Pierre Toussaint Society** **\$50,000 and above**

Anonymous  
Janet & Ed Antioian  
Business Leaders Organized for  
Catholic Schools (BLOCS)  
Central Pennsylvania Scholarship Fund  
(CPSF)  
Children's Scholarship Fund  
Philadelphia (CSFP)  
Chubb & Son  
Comcast|NBCUniversal  
Connelly Foundation  
Alan Klag & Brenda Cooperstone

Detwiler Family Foundation  
Gloria & John Drosdick  
Festlen, LLC  
Peter Gould & Robin Potter  
Hamilton Family Charitable Trust  
The Ethel Mae Hocker Foundation  
Howley Family Foundation  
Jesuits USA East Province  
Jewish Federation of Greater  
Philadelphia  
Mr. & Mrs. James Ksansnak  
The H. Chase & Ana Maria Lenfest  
Foundation  
Kathy & Peter Linneman  
Karen & Kevin Lucey

Pennsylvania Education Partnership,  
LLC  
PNC  
Kathleen & Frank Seidman  
Susan Martinelli Shea  
Paula & Mark Solomon  
van Ameringen Foundation  
Julie Uebler & Steve Wall  
Wells Fargo & Company  
Leslie Miller & Rich Worley  
Janine & Jeffrey Yass

\*Donor lists include gifts made July 1, 2023–June 30, 2024.

## Visionaries \$25,000-\$49,000

Acme Corrugated Box Co., Inc.  
Andy Anderson  
Arrupe Jesuit Community  
Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Belmont  
Mrs. Eve S. Bogle  
Diane & Jim Brecker  
Craig & Jean Burns  
John & Jennifer Curry  
The Day & Zimmermann Group, Inc.  
Tammy & Jack Dodds  
EFM Foundation  
Mr. & Mrs. Ward Fitzgerald  
Genuardi Family Foundation  
Harmelin Media  
Independence Blue Cross  
Beth & Bill Landman  
Lincoln Investment Group Holdings, Inc.  
Peter & Kathy Linneman  
Ms. Rosalie M. Minder  
Montgomery Avenue II, LLC  
Allan & Pat Murphy  
Barbara & Scott Renninger  
Greg Rigdon & Molly Murphy  
Ms. Candice E. Stack  
& Mr. Travis P. Whitten  
Ms. Veronica E. Stanley  
The Z Foundation

## Builders \$10,000-\$24,999

Anonymous  
AmerisourceBergen Sourcing L.L.C.  
Marc & Bernadette Armstrong  
Artay Inc.  
Mr. Scott A. Beaumont  
Christine S. Beck  
Donna & Jon Boscia  
The Catholic Foundation of Greater Philadelphia  
Mr. & Mrs. Burton R. Cohen  
The Burton and Mindy Cohen Foundation  
The Community Foundation of Herkimer & Oneida Counties, Inc.  
Mr. & Mrs. Colin R. Convey  
Cozen O'Connor  
Rard & Judy Davies  
Ellen Farber  
Mario & Charlotte Ferroni  
Sheila & Dan Flynn  
Kay & Jim Gately  
Dr. Eve J. Higginbotham, SM, MD, ML  
& Dr. Frank Howard, MD  
Kate Hovde & Ken Kulak  
Jessie Simpson Trust  
JKG, Inc.  
K10 Kids Foundation  
Katznelson Associates, LP  
Mr. & Mrs. Pierce J. Keating  
Ms. Susan Y. Kim  
The James & Agnes Kim Foundation  
Sharon & Ken Kind  
Kate & Bob Loftus

M&T Bank  
Maguire Enterprises II, LP  
Bob & Anne McAlaine  
The Meadowbrook Charitable Foundation  
Morris J. Podell, MD  
& Betty F. Podell Charitable  
Mr. & Mrs. Brian Murphy  
National Equity Fund  
PA Partners for Education, LLC  
Steve Piltch & Sunny Greenberg  
Eileen & Ted Raven  
Ryan Advisory Services  
Anne C. Sherrerd  
Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary  
Kathleen & Charles W. Smith III  
St. Joseph's Prep  
United Way of Greater Philadelphia and Southern New Jersey  
Vanguard  
Mr. & Mrs. John Vogel  
Carol & Chuck Walsh  
Lawrence Wells, MD  
& Bernadette Wheeler, MD

## Chair's Circle \$5,000-\$9,999

Anonymous (2)  
Anonymous Fund of the Philadelphia Foundation  
Hilary Alger & Chris Sanchirico  
The Armstrong Foundation  
Deirdre Attea & Peter Meltzer  
Karen & James Brecker III  
Bridge Educational Foundation  
Connie Buckley  
Carita Foundation, Inc.  
Bryan & Joan Carter  
Morse Charitable Foundation  
Diana & Erik Cohen  
Mary & Jeff Ehret  
Falconhead Foundation  
Ms. Bernice A. Ficklin '64  
Beth & Dan Fitzpatrick  
Annette & Tim Flynn  
Fox & Roach Charities  
Dr. Sherry Garg  
Janet & Dominic Genuardi  
Henry & Donna Gonzalez  
Joyce & Mike Hagan  
Terry & Adam Hepp  
Pamela & James Hill  
Independence Asset Advisors, LLC  
Keith & Kathleen Kasper  
Dr. Matthew Killion, MD  
Mr. & Mrs. Tim Koenig  
The Kulicke Fund  
Susan Manix & Glenn Gundersen  
Maverick Capital Foundation  
JefLee & Keith '89 McClain  
Elisabeth & Michael McCord  
The McNerney Foundation  
Hannah & Pat McKeever  
Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated

Martha & Peter Morse  
Henry E. Niles Foundation  
Keith Pension  
The Philadelphia Foundation  
Philadelphia Kids in Care LLC  
Molly Pierce  
Saporito Family Foundation  
The Scholler Foundation  
Catherine & William Siegl  
Frank & Julie Sowinski  
Sylvia and Adam Spector  
Brendan & Kerry Swords  
UHS of Pennsylvania, Inc.  
Williams Untereker  
Christopher Villani  
Lisa & Paul Welch  
Susan & Ray Welch  
Sarah & John Wildemore

## President's Circle \$2,500-\$4,999

Anonymous  
American Fundraising Foundation  
Benevity  
Alpin J. & Alpin W. Cameron Memorial Fund  
Community Foundation of Anne Arundel County  
James E. Convey  
Maureen Doron  
Rosemary Español & Samuel Limor  
Tim & Ellen Foster  
Foundation For Catholic Education  
Fulton Bank  
Greensky Bluegrass  
Herman Goldner Company  
Hildenbrand Family  
Mary Kate Leonard & Dominic Tierney  
Steven Lucey  
Ms. Jo-Ann M. Maguire  
Malvern Preparatory School  
New York Life Foundation  
The Philadelphia Contributionship Insurance Company  
Ready To Wear  
Saint Joseph's University  
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Schanne  
Daryl Shore '94  
Jeffrey P. Smith  
Mr. and Mrs. Edward Trumpbour III  
Vault Communications  
Jack M. Ver'Schneider  
Jolly & Joe Waterman  
Westtown Friends School  
WSFS Bank  
Randi Zemsky & Bob Lane

## Principal's Circle \$1,000-\$2,499

Anonymous (2)  
Ms. Mary Ann Arrojado  
Ed Beckett  
Martie & Chuck Bernicker  
Judith & Terrence Bigley  
Douglas & Michele Boesch



Brown Advisory  
 Ms. Irma T. Brown  
 Kathleen Cannon  
 Andy & Karen Cavacos  
 Charlie Cherry  
 Gregory B. Cherry  
 Ms. Bonnie H. Collins  
 James Copes  
 Richard & Mary Cornelius  
 Corpus Christi Scholarship Fund  
 Ms. Mary Corrigan  
 Mary & Tony Creamer  
 Diane Di Bonaventuro & Warren Higgins  
 The Dibona Family Foundation  
 Anne Docimo  
 Winnie & JB Doherty  
 Jane & Andy Farella  
 Shelly & Scot Fisher  
 Flynn & O'Hara Uniform Company Inc  
 Fordham University Campus Ministry  
 Girard College  
 Glenmede  
 Griffin Charitable Fund  
 Cindy Holler  
 Margaret Keenan  
 Mr. & Mrs. R. Martin Klagholz Jr.  
 Susanna Lachs & Dean Adler  
 Mr. & Mrs. Thomas J. MacCrory  
 Ms. Janet Maldonado  
 Robert Maliff  
 Byron & Angela McCook  
 Pat & Marie McCormick  
 Joel McMahon  
 Jack & Lysie Millier  
 Morgan Stanley Dean Witter  
 Kate & Tim Moynahan  
 Mr. & Mrs. Michael F. Nowlan  
 MM & Jerry O'Neill  
 Pete & Kathy Owens  
 Russell E. Palmer  
 Roberta Pichini  
 Patty & Frank Pontillo  
 Cynthia Rafferty

The Ralph Family Foundation  
 Wendy & Paul Rosen  
 Frances V. Ryan & Richard W. Foltz  
 Ms. Susan Scauzzo  
 Maria & Steve Schreder  
 Angela Schwartz  
 Sr. Donna Shallo  
 Deirdre & Skip Snyder  
 Beth & George Steinrock  
 Courtney Stroud  
 Ms. Rosalind Sutch  
 Mr. & Mrs. John R. Thomas  
 Toscani, Stathes & Zoeller, LLC  
 Uncommon Charitable Fund  
 United Way of Central Maryland  
 Villanova Faith and Life Community  
 Loretta T. Whalen  
 Constance & Dr. Sankey Williams  
 Ms. Ollie L. Young

### Chaplain's Circle \$500-\$999

Anonymous (5)  
 Lars & Kathryn Beck  
 Amy Brenner  
 Reggie & Aliya Browne  
 Rev. George W. Bur, S.J.  
 Andrew Carl  
 Andrew & Michele Clayton  
 Ms. Rhonda Cohen  
 Community Foundation of  
 The Texas Hill County  
 Mr. & Mrs. Michael Cook,  
 Walter J. Cook Jeweler  
 Maggie Henry Corcoran  
 Joseph & Joanne Crea  
 Nicole Delloso  
 Mimi & Tom Drake  
 Kathy & Roger Early  
 DD Eisenberg  
 Tamika M. Evans  
 Margaret Farrell

Dan Fitzpatrick  
 Lawrence F. Flick, IV  
 Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Freda  
 Gerry Johnson Geckle  
 Mr. & Mrs. Peter Goodfellow  
 James Haggerty  
 Kenneth & Louise Hagstrom  
 Joseph & Kathryn Hartnett  
 Kathleen M. Hocevar  
 Laura Hotchkiss  
 Inspiroz Services  
 Iqvia  
 Leo M. Janas  
 Nancy Coyle Jerome  
 Colin Kelton  
 Trey Kerr  
 Kevin & Jennifer Kolmer  
 J. Scott Laughlin  
 Seán & Shannon Lavelle  
 Mr. Ian Lempitsky  
 Kathleen Leonard  
 Gail Lewis  
 Doug Linneman  
 Nyree S. Lyons, MSN, MS, RN, CMSRN,  
 '95

David W. Maxey  
 Dorothy & Bob McCabe  
 Rosemary & Walter McDonough  
 and Family  
 Merion Mercy Academy  
 Bernadette Montemayor  
 The Moran Family Fund  
 Mark Murphy  
 National Christian Foundation Lancaster  
 Ms. Flannery O'Connor  
 Old Saint Joseph's Church  
 Jacquelyn Osborne  
 Jeanne Owings  
 James Proferes  
 Christine & Matt Rafferty  
 Neal Regino  
 Stephen Rennard  
 Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Ruhl  
 Mary Ryder  
 The Schmidt Family  
 Sam and Kate Sidewater Foundation  
 Mr. & Mrs. Paul Sodaski  
 Spring Meadow Foundation  
 Mr. & Mrs. Samuel S. Stroud  
 Carolynn & Don Thompson  
 Mr. & Mrs. Robert Tobia  
 Mahogany Weeks '20  
 Dr. Melvin & Gail Weinstein  
 James & Brooksley Wylie

### Faculty Circle \$250-\$499

Anonymous  
 The Barber Family  
 Kristen & John Barber  
 Rev. & Mrs. Eugene Bay  
 Linda Belfus  
 Philip Boyer  
 Mr. & Mrs. Joseph J. Boyle Jr.  
 Federico Britto  
 Colin Brown

Rep. Donna Bullock  
 Jo & Jim Butler  
 Pat & Joan Carney  
 Christopher J. Churchill  
 Colleen Comey  
 Jim Conmy  
 Chris Convey  
 John Cunningham  
 Karen Cunningham  
 Beth & John Delaney  
 Daniel DiBerardinis  
 Kathleen Dilg  
 Dr. Terese Studenka Du Pont  
     & Dr. Frank A. Du Pont  
 Lynn Edelman  
 Margo Eremus  
 Regina M. Forrence  
 Elizabeth Gallagher  
 Dan Gannon  
 Jen Garino  
 Deirdre and Gabriela Godin  
 Mr. John J. Grogan & Mrs. Marie Grogan  
 Mr. & Mrs. Joseph M. Hayes  
 James F. '45 & Donna M. Higgins  
 The Holdens  
 Mr. & Mrs. Morton Howard III  
 Mill Creek Capital  
 Jeffy Kahle  
 Ms. Frances Kilcullen  
 Kelly King  
 Mary & Justin Klein  
 Damien Lin  
 Mary Joan & Ed Liva  
 Lisa & Kevin McCarthy  
 Mr. & Mrs. William A. McKenna  
 Mary McNulty  
 Mid Atlantic Trust  
 Joseph Milano  
 Carolyn & Derek Moatz  
 James P. Murray & Anne L. Galie  
 Maria Pardini  
 Pershing  
 Lou Pichini  
 Ali Piltch & Cong Tian  
 Gillian & Matthew Piltch  
 Drs. Christine & Daryl Privott  
 Raymond Rafferty Family  
 Julia M. Rafferty, Esq.  
 Karen & Oscar Rueda  
 Annette Saxer  
 Amrita Singh  
 Mr. & Mrs. Michael Sorkin  
 Steven Sorkin  
 Matthew Spellman  
 Stanford & Liesa Steinberg  
 Rasheed Stewart '04  
 Sarah Stirzel Cuzzolina  
     & Brian Cuzzolina  
 Natasha Taylor  
 Marianne Hooker & Philip Tramdock  
 United Way of Bergen County  
 Andrew Von Eschenbach  
 James Watko  
 Ateefah Watson  
 Barbara Williamson  
 Rachel Winner  
 Ronald A. Winters

## Scholars' Circle \$100-\$249

Anonymous (7)  
 Francess Abbott  
 Mr. Dennis Adams  
 The Addo-Boateng Family  
 Edna & Ken Adelberg  
 Jacky Akpan  
 Eric Allen  
 Monique Allen '13  
 AmeriHealth Caritas  
 Ellen G. Anderson  
 Rohan Arjun  
 Kip Armstrong  
 Bala Golf Club  
 Geri Baur  
 Otis Baxter  
 Mary Belmont  
 Patti & Dave Boreanaz  
 Mr. & Mrs. John Brennan  
 Patricia & David Broida  
 Susan & Stephen D Brown  
 Judy & George Bruzza  
 Kim & Charlie Bullock  
 Peggy & Tony Bur  
 Barb Burdick  
 Frances Burns  
 Regina Canfield  
 Cape May Limousine  
 Ann & Nate Carter  
 Laura & Ed Caterson  
 Teresa Cavacino  
 Tracey Cavacino  
 Nicole Cicchitti  
 Peggy Cicchitti  
 Andrea Citranglo  
 William Conners, Prep Faculty  
 Peter Corrado  
 Roberta & Dominic Costa  
 Susan Coyle Dowling  
 John E. Crowther  
 Jeremiah Hurst  
 Lauren Cummings  
 Mary E. Davis  
 Susan Davis

de Quesada Family  
 Matthew DiDonato  
 Don & Nancy Donaghy  
 Jenifer & Phil Donahue  
 Barbara Dooley  
 Helen Drozdowski  
 David Dur  
 Caroline Durr  
 Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Esposito  
 Camille M. Fallon  
 Fran & Ernie Forcino  
 Barbara Frazer  
 Denise M. Fullmer  
 Mr. & Mrs. Kevin J. Gallagher  
 Mr. & Mrs. Laurence P. Genuardi  
 Dana Gilbert  
 Martha Gillin  
 Jane & Charles Hadley  
 Andrew Halbert  
 Edward Hargadon  
 John Martin Hargadon  
 Christopher Harris  
 Matthew Harrison  
 Dewayne Hayforth  
 Ted Heron  
 Mr. & Mrs. Brian P. Higgins  
 Elizabeth & David Hucker  
 Patti Durr & Steve Jacobs  
 Anne & Joseph Jacovini  
 Mindy Johnson  
 Brian Johnston  
 Nicole Jones  
 Stephanie & Vasilios Kalogredis  
 Mr. & Mrs. Thomas J. Kane, Jr.  
 Ashley Karpeh  
 Robert Keane  
 Fiona Kelly  
 Mr. & Mrs. Dennis J. Konczyk  
 Maureen & Kevin Koob  
 Mr. & Mrs. Kevin T. Kunda  
 Alana & Joshua Lee  
 Michelle & Timothy Letter  
 Ms. Bridget Luby  
 Ms. Joan W. Mackie  
 Lorraine & Ralph Mackin  
 Susan & Edward Magargee



Jessica Majors  
 Patricia Mallon  
 Mr. & Mrs. Richard Massaro  
 Ms. Taylor McClain '12  
 Mary & Jim McCue  
 Frances McElroy  
 Ginney McGill  
 Kevin McGuiness  
 Mj Gen (ret) & Mrs. James McIntosh  
 Heather & Andrew McMeekin  
 Ms. Kathleen McNulty  
 Mr. Michael McNulty  
 Ms. Violette Menefee  
 Donna & Stephen Millen  
 Mimi Mira  
 Mr. John Mobley  
 Kathleen & Gerard Jr. Moran  
 Mr. Jim Murray  
 Catherine C. Nail  
 Dr. & Mrs. R. Barrett Noone  
 Ms. Corinne O'Connell  
 Sue & Tim O'Reilly  
 Ms. Teresa Paris  
 Ayana Payne  
 Jonathan Pennacchia, S.J.  
 Marcia Penn  
 Ms. Helen Petersen  
 Donna & Lou Petroni  
 Mary & LJ Petroni  
 Ned Peverly  
 Philadelphia Assembly No. 5  
 Philadelphia School of Circus Arts  
 Jame Piltch  
 Mary Piltch  
 Inez Pontillo  
 Michelle Randa  
 Patricia & Erik Rasmussen  
 Ms. Jennifer Reder  
 Ms. Amanda Rice  
 Mr. & Mrs. John Rogers  
 Mr. Joseph Rogers  
 Ms. Dorothy Donohue  
 & Mr. Kevin Sowley  
 Ms. Christina Russell  
 Lena & Greg Ryan  
 Megan Ryan  
 Dr. & Mrs. Robert Ryan  
 Ms. Nashwat Sagaff  
 Barbra Sainsurin  
 Sha'Laina Sample  
 Crissy & Albert Santora  
 Nicholas P. Schiavone  
 Ms. Rosemary Schnorr  
 Carol & Jerry Schwartz  
 Emma & Joe Scornavacchi  
 Ms. Barbara Scott  
 Catera Scott  
 Dr. Kineret Piltch Shakow  
 Madeline Sherry  
 Catherine & John Slavin  
 Kevin Smith-Fagan  
 & Nancy Smith-Fagan  
 Kathryn & Jonathan Spergel  
 Joseph T. Stapleton, Esq.  
 Mr. Steve Cohen & Ms. Elsie Stern  
 Doris Strawbridge

Nancy & Bill Stroud  
 Ann & Donald Sweeney  
 Jordan & Rory Sweeney  
 Ms. Lisa Teplica  
 Mr. & Mrs. David P. Tomlinson '46  
 Marilyn & Edward Trainer  
 Anthony Trapani  
 Debra Turner  
 Dan Vu  
 Melvin R. Wagstaff  
 Lily Walter  
 Pamela Walter  
 Mr. William Wang & Ms. Jenny Chiang  
 Andrea Warner  
 Sherman Washington  
 Kathleen Waters  
 Kathleen & Peter Watko  
 Laura Weatherly  
 Amy & Rob Weinstein  
 Mr. Logan Welch  
 Janet & Brent Wham  
 Ms. Lula Wheeler  
 Mary Whipple  
 Carol Wilber  
 Mr. & Mrs. Samuel J. Wiley  
 Ms. Taanya Williams  
 Ms. Erin Williamson  
 The Wojtelwicz Family  
 Anne Zabinski  
 Angela Zager  
 Mr. & Mrs. Francesco A. Zampetti Jr.  
 Mr. Steven Ziegler  
 Gail & Stephen Ziring

### **Team Gesu** **\$25 to \$99**

Anonymous (9)  
 The Alexander Family  
 Patricia L. Allen  
 Robert Ambrose  
 Reginald Amoa  
 Alexandra Applebaum  
 Vito Baldini  
 Sharon A. Barkley  
 Peg & Alan Barr  
 Mr. & Mrs. Eric Beck  
 Karen Belber  
 Kimberly Brennan  
 Miss Imani Briscoe '09  
 Taish Bruton  
 Joan Burnes  
 Jeannette S. Burns  
 Kevin Burns  
 Samantha Calvaresi  
 Christina & Joe Cathcart  
 Joseph Cavallini  
 Aria Chambers  
 Kristi Chen  
 Lauren Christiansen  
 Ellie Cicchitti  
 Jess Cicchitti  
 Rachel Ciuci  
 Margo Collier  
 Melanie Colozzi  
 Alison Connors  
 Ellen Convey

Margaret Cornish  
 Costello Family  
 Amelia Craven  
 Micael Dagit  
 Mr. & Mrs. Murdoch Dagit  
 Holly Davis  
 Mr. & Mrs. David Deitz  
 Christal Demetrius  
 Tom & Karen Dempsey  
 Maura DiBerardinis  
 David Dimase  
 Rev. Ray Donaldson, S.J.  
 DySheena Donerson  
 Timothy Donofrio  
 Robert Dubose  
 Kelly Ebner  
 Pat & Patty Ehret  
 Henry Fairfax  
 Jill Feldstein  
 Dick & Sally Fitzgerald  
 Niamh Fitzpatrick  
 Hunter Fox  
 Alex Frey  
 David I. Fuller  
 Ron Gallagher  
 Christine Garis  
 Francis Gartner  
 Tammara Gary  
 Trina Gary  
 Yacha Genfi  
 Eboney Gilliam  
 Rosemary Giordano  
 LeShadae Godfrey  
 Niya Gregor  
 John Groome  
 Gianna Grossmann  
 Jill Guell  
 Samantha Guell  
 Elisha Hardy  
 Felicia Harrison  
 Valerie Harrison  
 Anne Hasselbeck  
 Carol Hatton-Holmes  
 Mr. & Mrs. Henry Hauptfuhrer IV  
 Ellie Herman  
 Mr. & Mrs. James G. Hughes  
 Brandon Jacobs  
 Mr. & Mrs. Johnson  
 Taya Jones  
 Yahvae Jones  
 Hamid A Jones  
 Carolita Joseph  
 Ulrick Joseph  
 Christopher Jungers  
 Helen Kane  
 Laura & Spence Kass  
 Linda Katz  
 Kathleen Keenan  
 Denise & Charlie Klotzbucher  
 Nicholas Lampe  
 Patricia Lavelle  
 Sean Legnini  
 Diane Lempert  
 Mr. & Mrs. R. F. Lima Jr.  
 Angela Lin  
 Claire Liva



Live and Love Life Cancer Community  
Group LLC

Margaret H Lonzetta  
Christopher Louin  
Madeleine Louviere  
Jeanette Maldonado  
Raven Manrique  
Rautz Marc  
John Marinacci  
Noelle Matthewson & Family  
The McCabe Family  
Mr. & Mrs. Terence McCabe  
Jasmina McCurdy-Jackson  
Gabriella McGillin  
James P. McKinley  
Emma Milano  
Helen T. Milburn  
Barbara Masciangelo Miller  
Mr. & Mrs. Kevin Mohan  
Aileen Moore  
Margaret Moore  
Monifa N. Moore  
Rosemary Moore  
Mr. & Mrs. Sean Moore  
Natasha Morris  
Michael Muffley  
Lisa Mullally  
Kate Mullen  
Susanna Novoa  
Amy Nucero  
Nana Yaw Nyame-Kusi  
Maggie & Jim O'Brien  
Mr. & Mrs. George O'Connell  
Dunni Odumosu  
Patrick Owens  
Shakeeta Parker  
Shital Patel  
Mr. & Mrs. Louis F. Pauzano Sr.  
Al & Rose Pedicino  
Skip & Jill Persick  
Patricia Plotts  
Kathleen Poliski  
Ernest Pollard  
Aletha Powell  
William Powers

William A. Prince  
Cole Privott  
The Pulizzi Family  
Kathryn Pyle  
Franz-Robert Quaye  
Ryan Remigio  
Mark Ricchini  
Gabrielle Richards  
Angelina Ritter  
Marlene & Lemuel Roberts  
Joseph Rogers  
Regina Rogers  
Scott Rogers  
Mr. & Mrs. Charles A. Roop  
Judy Rowland  
Rev. Daniel M. Ruff, S.J.  
Grace Ruiz Cooper  
Jean Rumsey  
Rebecca K. Russell  
Sabailey Enterprises, LLC  
Natalie Savaiko  
Davida Saxon  
Jacqueline Saxon  
Nina & Tom Scharrett  
Ellen Schiffman & Rob Haimowitz  
Christine Burns Scibetta  
Eboni Spaulding Scott  
Andrea Miller Sheridan  
Sister Boreta Singleton  
Wynetta Smith  
Mr. Albert F. Sommar  
Jackie Spurlock  
Patricia C. Stailey  
Kathryn Stanley  
Caraiah Stout  
Strata Company, on behalf of  
Connor Logue for his birthday  
Summer Service Students  
of Scranton Prep  
Anne Tague  
Tara Tarsi  
D.A. Thomas Associates, Inc.  
Michael Thomas  
Kevin Tis  
Sara Tolkin  
Christy Tuley  
Gladys Turner  
Kathleen & Rodger Van Allen  
Allie & Rand Walter  
Arnold Ward  
Michaelandre Ward  
Olivia Ward  
Dawn Elyse Warden  
Maria Weatherly  
William Welsh and James Hoelz  
Sheila Weston  
Michael Wham  
Aneka Williams  
Elvira Wilson  
Joann Winner  
Margaret Wreen  
Patricia Wynne  
YourCause, LLC Trustee for  
Arthur J. Gallagher Foundation  
Nicole Zabinski  
Maci Green  
Mr. & Mrs. Martin Zeiser

## Tribute Gifts

### *In Memory of Leif Christian Beck*

Edna & Ken Adelberg  
Bala Golf Club  
Rev. and Mrs. Eugene Bay  
Christine S. Beck  
Linda Belfus  
Amy Brenner  
Judy & George Bruzza  
John E. Crowther  
Rard & Judy Davies  
Barbara Dooley  
DD Eisenberg  
Ellen Farber  
Greensky Bluegrass  
Inspiroz Servies  
Stephanie & Vasilios Kalogredis  
Mr. & Mrs. Thomas J. Kane, Jr.  
Linda Katz  
Trey Kerr  
Mary & Justin Klein  
Bridget Luby  
Joel McMahon  
Violette Menefee  
National Christian Foundation Lancaster  
Corinne O'Connell  
Mr. & Mrs. George O'Connell  
Russell E. Palmer  
Helen Petersen  
Ned Peverly  
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Ruhl  
Kevin Smith-Fagan  
& Nancy Smith-Fagan  
Mr. & Mrs. Jonathan Spergel  
Doris Strawbridge  
Constance & Dr. Sankey Williams

### *In Honor of Elizabeth Belmont*

Anne Tague

### *In Memory of Rochelle Bennett-Hankerson*

Jill Feldstein

### *In Memory of Shirley Bright*

Keith Pension

### *In Memory of Pearl Brown*

Anonymous

### *In Honor of Rev. George Bur, S.J.*

William Conners, Prep Faculty  
Mary & Jim McCue

### *In Memory of William J. Byron, S.J.*

Angela Lin  
Damien Lin  
McKeon Family Fund

### *In Memory of Mary T. Carboy*

Helen Drozdowski

### *In Honor of Rosemary Cicchitti*

Mr. & Mrs. Samuel S. Stroud

### *In Memory of Brian Collins*

Bonnie H. Collins  
Fredrick Wood

***In Honor of Sr. Ellen Convey, IHM***

John & Jennifer Curry  
 Rard & Judy Davies  
 Kellsey & Benjamin Guell  
 Kate Hovde & Ken Kulak  
 Susan Manix & Glenn Gundersen  
 Steve Piltch & Sunny Greenberg  
 Angela Schwartz  
 Randi Zemsky & Bob Lane

***In Memory of James Coyle***

Nancy Coyle Jerome

***In Memory of John Decker***

Bernadette Montemayor

***In Memory of Christopher C. Fallon, Jr.***

Mr. & Mrs. John Slavin

***In Honor of Regina Foley '39***

Christine Burns Scibetta

***In Memory of James J. Gallagher '39***

Mr. & Mrs. Kevin J. Gallagher

***In Memory of Dorothy Gross***

Dr. Melvin & Gail Weinstein

***In Honor of Kellsey Guell***

Vault Communications, Inc.

***In Honor of Melissa Hemingway***

Allan & Pat Murphy  
 Patricia Murphy

***In Memory of Barbara Hildenbrand***

Hildenbrand Family

***In Memory of Mary Keck***

Patti Durr & Steve Jacobs

***In Honor of Thomas Leonard III***

Andrea Citranglo

***In Honor of Connor Logue***

Strata Company

***In Honor of Margaret Lonzett***

Ted Heron

***In Honor of James Martin, S.J.***

Nicholas P. Schiavone

***In Memory of Jack McDonald***

Tracey Cavacino

***In Memory of Katie McDonald***

Tracey Cavacino

***In Honor of Allan and Pat Murphy***

Mr. & Mrs. Peter Goodfellow

***In Honor of Keith Pension***

Lauren Christiansen  
 Margo Eremus

***In Honor of Steve Piltch***

Paula & Mark Solomon

***In Honor of Edwin Seitchick***

Mr. & Mrs. Richard Massaro

***In Honor of Susan Shea***

Sarah & John Wildemore

***In Memory of Mark Solomon***

Christine S. Beck

***In Memory of Susanne Stack***

Candice E. Stack & Travis P. Whitten

***In Honor of Mary & George Teeling-Sayen***

J. Scott Laughlin

***In Memory of Fr. Neil Ver'Schneider***

Anonymous  
 Mr. & Mrs. Joseph M. Hayes

***In Honor of Mrs. Swannetta Wagstaff***

Melvin R. Wagstaff

***In Honor of Lauren Wattie***

Vault Communications, Inc.

***In Honor of Edward and Ann (Barry) Wreen***

Margaret Wreen

**EITC/OSTC Donors**

Acme Corrugated Box Co., Inc.  
 AmerisourceBergen Sourcing L.L.C.  
 Janet & Ed Antioian  
 Marc & Bernadette Armstrong  
 Artay Inc.  
 Bridge Educational Foundation  
 Burke BBD LLC OSTC  
 Craig & Jean Burns  
 Business Leaders Organized for  
 Catholic Schools (BLOCS)  
 Central Pennsylvania Scholarship Fund  
 (CPSF)  
 Children's Scholarship Fund  
 Philadelphia (CSFP)  
 Chubb & Son  
 Diana & Erik Cohen  
 Comcast|NBCUniversal  
 Alan & Brenda Cooperstone  
 John & Jennifer Curry  
 The Day & Zimmermann Group, Inc.  
 Ellen Farber  
 Festlen, LLC  
 Mr. & Mrs. Ward Fitzgerald  
 Mr. & Mrs. Daniel K. Fitzpatrick  
 Foundation For Catholic Education  
 Fulton Bank  
 Henry Gonzalez  
 Harmelin Media  
 Adam & Terry Hepp  
 Herman Goldner Company  
 Independence  
 Independence Asset Advisors LLC  
 JKG, Inc.  
 Katznelson Associates, LP  
 Matthew Killion  
 Mr. & Mrs. Tim Koenig  
 Beth & Bill Landman  
 Lincoln Investment Group Holdings, Inc.  
 Steven Lucey  
 M&T Bank  
 Maguire Enterprises II, LP

Montgomery Avenue II, LLC  
 PA Partners for Education, LLC  
 Pennsylvania Education Partnership,  
 LLC  
 Steve Piltch & Sunny Greenberg  
 PNC  
 Ryan Advisory Services  
 Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Schanne  
 Jeffrey P. Smith  
 Paula Solomon  
 Ms. Veronica E. Stanley  
 Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tobia  
 UHS of Pennsylvania. Inc.  
 Christopher Villani  
 Julie Uebler & Steve Wall  
 Wells Fargo & Company  
 Leslie Miller & Rich Worley  
 Mr. & Mrs. Jeffrey Yass

**Matching Gifts**

Bank of America  
 Benevity  
 The PNC Foundation  
 Travelers  
 The Vanguard Group Foundation

**Endowed Sponsorships**

Anonymous Endowed Sponsorship (6)  
 Janet McAlaine Annear Memorial  
 Endowed Sponsorship  
 Endowed Sponsorship in Honor of  
 Mercy Angaine  
 Arrupe House Jesuit Community  
 Endowed Sponsorship (2)  
 Sponsorship for Excellence, In Loving  
 Memory of William H. Brill  
 George W. Bur, S.J. Endowed  
 Sponsorship  
 Winston J. Churchill Endowed  
 Sponsorship  
 Sr. Ellen Convey, IHM Endowed  
 Sponsorship  
 Patricia & Gordon Cooney Endowed  
 Sponsorship  
 John & Jennifer Curry Endowed  
 Sponsorship  
 Gloria & Jonathan Detwiler Endowed  
 Sponsorship  
 Gloria & John Drosdick Endowed  
 Sponsorship (2)  
 Dodds Family Endowed Sponsorship  
 Louisa C. Dubin Endowed Sponsorship  
 (3)  
 Vivienne Ehret Endowed Sponsorship  
 Farber Family Endowed Sponsorship  
 (2)  
 Lawrence F. Flick, IV Endowed  
 Sponsorship  
 Helen Gillard Gould Endowed  
 Sponsorship  
 Peter G. Gould Family Endowed  
 Sponsorship  
 Dorrance H. Hamilton Endowed  
 Sponsorship (4)

Aram and Jackie Jerrehian Endowed Sponsorship  
 The James & Agnes Kim Foundation Endowed Sponsorship (8)  
 Gerry & Marguerite Lenfest Endowed Sponsorship (3)  
 Aline & Al Martinelli Endowed Sponsorship  
 Maryland Province of the Society of Jesus Endowed Sponsorship (6)  
 Anne & Robert McAlaine Endowed Sponsorship  
 Kathleen Bold McAlaine Memorial Endowed Sponsorship  
 William C. McAlaine Endowed Sponsorship (2)  
 Steve & Mary Ann Phillips Endowed Sponsorship  
 John J. F. Sherrerd Endowed Sponsorship (5)  
 Mark & Paula Solomon Endowed Sponsorship  
 The Suzanne Virginia Stack Endowed Sponsorship  
 Ruth W. & A. Morris Williams, Jr. Endowed Sponsorship (2)

## The Magis Society

**Members of the Magis Society impact children's lives by including Gesu School in their estate plans.**

Anonymous (2)  
 Andy Anderson  
 Sigrid Berwind  
 John C. Bogle  
 Dorothy Carroll Fasy  
 Jean Tanney Dee  
 Louisa Dubin  
 Vivienne Ehret  
 Mr. Frank Fischer Jr.  
 Joseph A. Fox  
 Marian Gaffney  
 Peter G. Gould & Robin M. Potter  
 Abby Ann K. Griscom  
 James F. Higgins '45  
 Peter & Kathy Linneman  
 Bob & Anne McAlaine  
 William McAlaine, Jr.  
 Walter & Rosemary McDonough  
 Rosalie M. Minder  
 John B. Neff  
 Russell E. Palmer  
 Keith M. Pension  
 Steve Piltch & Sunny Greenberg  
 Mary Ann Restall  
 Ralph & Bette Saul  
 John J. Sherrerd  
 Mark Solomon  
 Agnes B. Walter

**Every effort has been made to accurately list all gifts. If your name is not listed, or if you notice an error, contact the Development Office at 215-763-9077.**

# 2024-2025

## Board of Trustees

Greg Rigdon, *Chair*  
 Susan P. Manix, *Vice Chair*  
 Byron A. McCook, Ed.D., *Vice Chair*  
 Keith M. Pension, *Secretary*  
 Gerard J. Davies, *Treasurer*  
 Bryan H. Carter, *President and CEO*

Winston J. Churchill, Esq.,  
*Chairman Emeritus*

Jeff Armbrister  
 Rev. George W. Bur, S.J.  
 Andrew Cavacos  
 John J. Curry  
 Sherri Darden  
 Thomas A. Decker, Esq.  
 Rosemary Español, CFM  
 Tamika Evans '92  
 Lawrence F. Flick IV  
 Peter G. Gould, Ph.D.  
 Frances Gray  
 Molly Belmont (*President, Junior Board*)

Eve J. Higginbotham SM, MD, ML  
 James F. Higgins '45  
 Katherine H. Hovde  
 Rev. Daniel R.J. Joyce, S.J.  
 Karen Lucey  
 Nyree S. Lyons, MSN, RN,  
 MS, CMSRN '95  
 John Marinacci  
 Marie T. McCormick, Ph.D.  
 Allan C. Murphy  
 Louis R. Pichini, Esq.  
 Sr. Stephen Anne Roderiguez, IHM  
 Eilise Rouse  
 Angela Schwartz  
 Desmond Shannon '02  
 Susan Martinelli Shea  
 Daryl J. Shore '94  
 Sylvia Spector  
 Rasheed Stewart '04  
 Sr. Mary Sue Carwile, IHM  
 Sherman Washington  
 Larry Wells, MD  
 Aneka Williams



## Senior Management Team

Bryan H. Carter, *President and CEO*  
 Alana D. Lee, *Principal*  
 Robert S. Weinstein, *Vice President of Institutional Advancement*  
 Ed Beckett, *Vice President for Mission, Identity, and Inclusion*  
 Carolynn Thompson, *Chief Finance Officer*

## Junior Board

Molly Belmont, *President*  
 Shawn Futch, Jr., *Vice President*  
 Kenyon Privott, *Secretary*  
 Kimberly Brennan, *Gesu Staff Liaison*  
 John Barber  
 Lily Bilbao, *Gesu Teacher*  
 Colleen Burns  
 Joseph Caraway, *Gesu Teacher*  
 Daniel Diberardinis  
 Carmela Falotico  
 Alex Frey  
 Kellsey Guell  
 Taylor McClain '12  
 Cierra Parker '16  
 Miles Smith, Jr.  
 Mike Talvacchia, *Gesu Teacher*  
 Courtney Stroud  
 Mary McNulty  
 Lily Walter  
 Troy Welch





# Vision 30 | A Bold Commitment to Gesu's Future

During the 2023–2024 school year, trustees completed a multi-year strategic plan, which resulted in a dynamic vision for the school moving forward. Over the next 30 years, Gesu School aspires to lead the way in setting a new standard for urban elementary education by deepening our lifelong commitment to the children and families we serve—which begins the moment they enter Gesu. To realize this vision, our strategic plan will focus on the following key areas:

## ***Cura Personalis—*** **Care for the Whole Person**

Prioritize expanding support for students, parents and families, and faculty, as well as the community surrounding Gesu School, meeting everyone with dignity and compassion

## **21<sup>st</sup> Century Academic Excellence**

Leverage the latest research on teaching and learning to ensure superior standards in education and the preparedness and well-being of faculty and staff, including the addition of three positions to address instructional improvement, enrollment, and new teacher mentorship

## **Improved Facilities**

Invest in improved, re-envisioned facilities and new spaces for group and community activities, including the construction of a new building at 1618–1626 W. Thompson Street to complement the main campus building

## **Financial Stewardship**

Maintain the commitment to prudent fiscal management and create a data- and stakeholder-informed plan for a comprehensive fundraising campaign

**We hope you will join us on our journey to expand Gesu's impressive academic foundation through investments in enhanced curriculum, better-supported faculty and staff, and facilities that meet 21<sup>st</sup>-century standards. Together, we stand firmly in our mission and dedication to the collective care and prosperity of Gesu's children.**



**GESU** | 30  
SCHOOL EST. 1993

TRANSFORMING LIVES WITH FAITH, LOVE, & LEARNING.

1700 West Thompson Street  
Philadelphia, PA 19121

215-763-9077  
GesuSchool.org  
development@gesuschool.org

 /gesuschool

 @GesuSchool

 @gesuschoolworks

 /company/gesu-school

*Photos by Sabina Louise Pierce*

### Mission Statement

Inspired by the Jesuit and IHM traditions of social justice, faith, creative hope, and love, Gesu School helps students to transcend all forms of poverty by providing a comprehensive, innovative education. We empower our students to develop their strengths, overcome challenges, and become positive, engaged members of the community and the world.

# Thank You

Your prayers, time, and financial generosity transform students' lives and enable Gesu to live our mission.