WA Foundation

Our Purpose, Your Impact

WESTLAKE ACADEMY FOUNDATION

Supporting every student, every teacher, every day since 2003.

YOU GIVE

STUDENTS THRIVE

Our Role at THE ACADEMY

- Hello! We're the Westlake Academy Foundation, aka WAF or just "the Foundation."
- We raise funds for WA as a 501(c)(3) non-profit, supporting our mission to provide financial resources to impact teachers & students across campus.
- Our Board — parent and community volunteers, along with WAF staff — provides oversight and stewards donor funds to benefit students and teachers.
- WAF supports WA through two key efforts: the Blacksmith Annual Fund (Blacksmith Giving Day) and the Foundation Gala. The Annual Fund closes the gap between state funding and the true cost of an IB education, while the Gala raises funds that give teachers the resources to bring that education to life. Two efforts. One lasting impact.
- We like to say, "WA asks, WAF answers!" Powered by our donors, the Foundation ensures every dollar is used exactly as intended.

Dates to Know. Ways to Support.

Mark your calendars!

- ✅ Blacksmith Giving Day is Thursday 9/17.
- ✅ Donate anytime between NOW and midnight on 9/17.
- ✅ Inquire if your company will match your donation - many do, which is vital to raising needed $ for WA.
- ✅ Can't give by 9/17? No problem! Pledge your gift now and donate anytime before 6/30/27.
- ✅ The 2027 WA Foundation Gala Benefit Auction will be March 5th or 6th. TBA - Save the Dates!
- ✅ Stay connected — follow us on Instagram & Facebook @WestlakeAcademyFoundation.

BLACKSMITH GIVING DAY 9.17.26

Pro tip: The Blacksmith Annual Fund is WA's most important fundraiser; make plans now to donate a gift that's meaningful to you.

INVEST in their Future!

★ WA is a tuition-free public charter school — but it's not entirely free. We rely on family donations to bridge the gap between state funding and the true cost of delivering our top-rated IB education.

★ WA families value the WA experience, which goes well beyond Texas standards to develop critical thinking and real-world skills. At the heart of this exceptional education — WA Teachers!

★ Each year, there's a $3,700 gap between state funding and the true cost of a Westlake education. Family donations fill that gap—ensuring every student experiences the full impact of our IB program, led by best-in-class teachers who make it extraordinary.

★ Your generous, tax-deductible gifts keep the WA advantage strong, empowering students to excel today, in college, and beyond.

DFW Area Private School Tuition Ranges

(approx. '26 - '27 tuition ranges - not including fees)

FTW Christian (1–12): $18K–$25K
FTW Country Day (PreK–12): $18K–$31K
Grapevine Faith (K–12): $19K–$25K
Greenhill School (PreK–12): $35K–$43.5K
Hockaday (PreK–12): $34K–$40K
Liberty Christian (K–12): $17K–$25K
St. Marks (1–12): $33K–$42K

A WA education rivals prestigious private schools. But we don't charge tuition. We simply ask each family to donate $3,700 per student.

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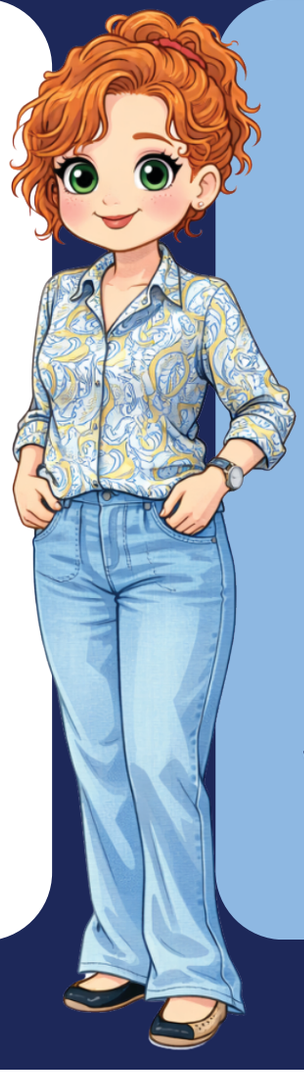
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BLACKSMITH GIVING DAYS
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Let's take care of the TEACHERS who take care of our KIDS.

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