

Dear [Name],

The back-to-school season is upon us. In the past few weeks, I have been reminded that these first fall days feel like a new beginning. Teachers and students share enthusiastic greetings as they make their way into classrooms that have been thoughtfully prepared with student learning and growth in mind.

As I have witnessed these moments, I feel so proud of the community members who come together to ensure the beginning of the year is a success for our 1,350 students. Over 300 teachers, administrative staff, bus drivers and chefs work hard to prepare Blake's three campuses. Our 991 parents and guardians diligently review class schedules with their children as 1,893 grandparents send their well wishes. And 11,817 alumni excitedly welcome the next generation of lifelong learners.

Everyone connected to Blake plays a significant role, including our donors.

Your gift to the Blake Fund supports operational costs that are critical to our school. Dollars raised are immediately used to support the arts, athletics, student financial assistance, faculty professional development, Breakthrough Minneapolis at Blake (formerly LearningWorks), and Blake's greatest need. By contributing this fall, you will help the school get that much closer to its \$2.1 million Blake Fund goal before fiscal year end.

There is strength in numbers—unification of our community is key to providing a well-rounded experience for every student. And with 991 parents and guardians, contributions add up, making a notable impact. Please join me in making your Blake Fund gift this fall through mail or on our secure giving page at www.blakeschool.org/give.

Thank you for coming together to support Blake students.

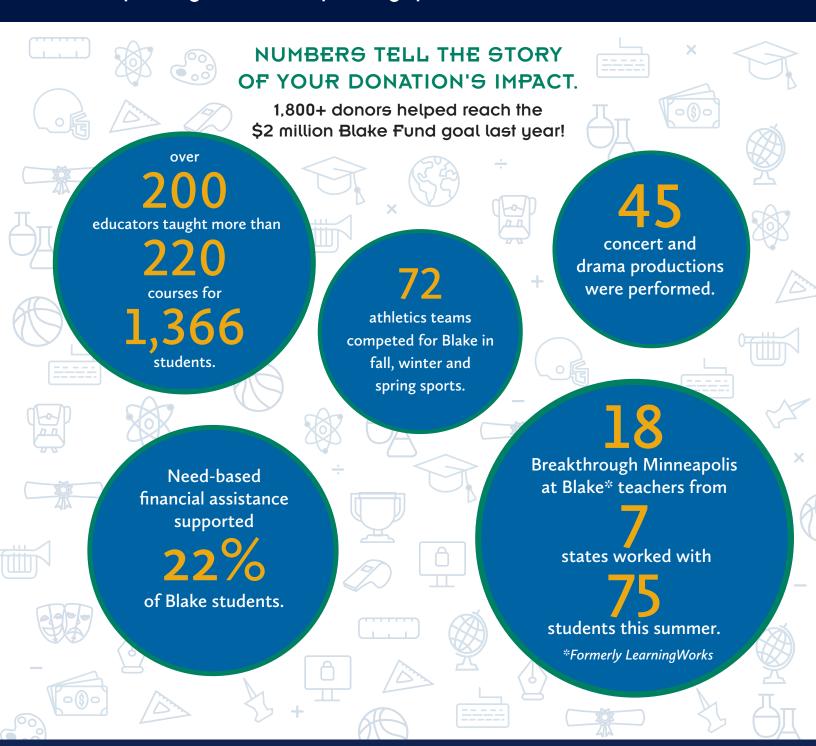
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Dr. Anne Stavney

Head of School

BLAKE FUND BY THE NUMBERS

The Blake Fund + the spending draw from Blake's endowment

The funding needed to fill the gap in what tuition does not cover.



THIS YEAR'S BLAKE FUND GOAL = \$2.1 MILLION

Blake's fiscal year runs July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. With 991 parents and guardians, 11,817 alumni, 1,893 grandparents, 302 employees and many more friends, we have the opportunity to unite in support of Blake students this school year.