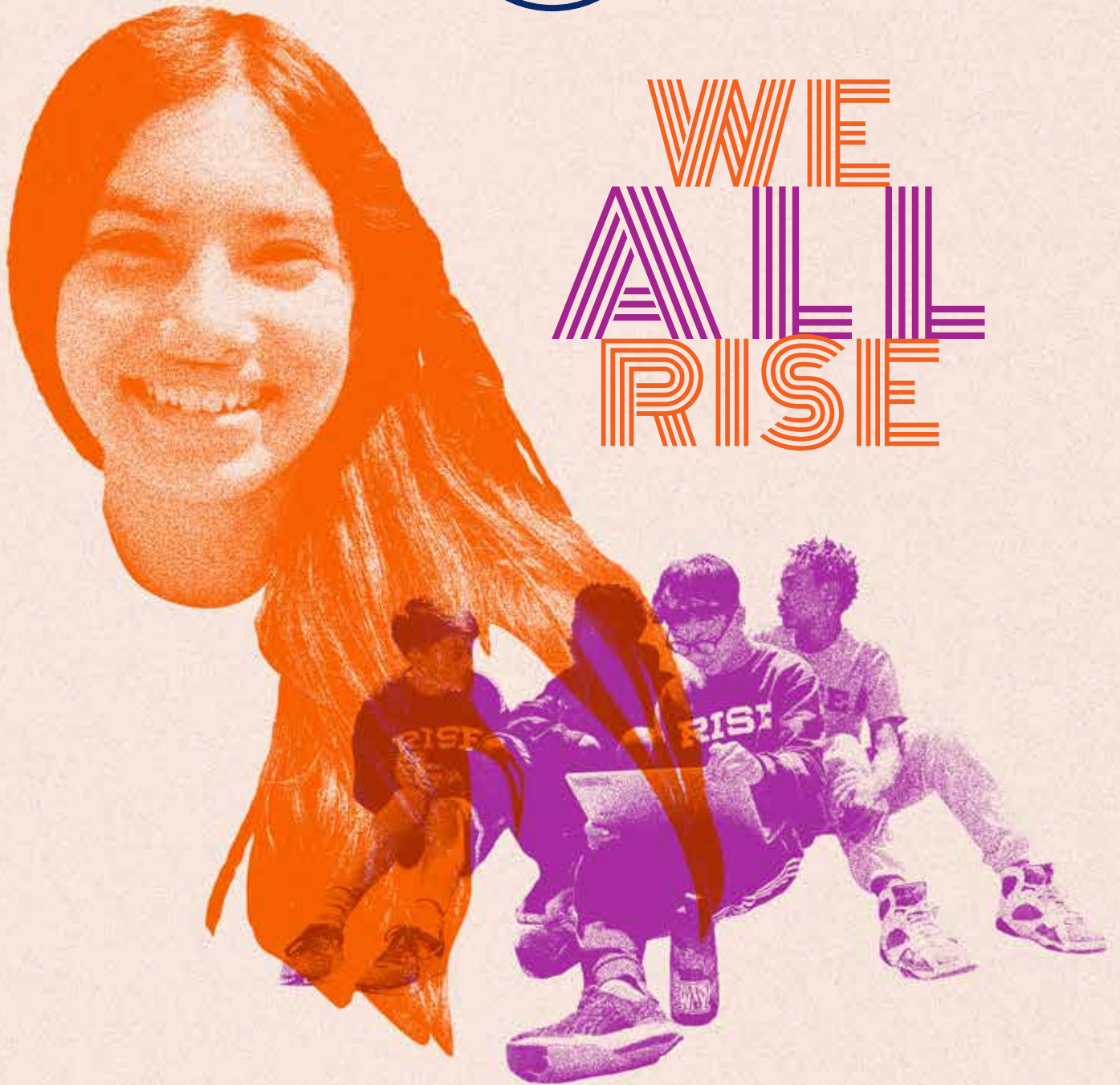


ANNUAL REPORT 2022



WE
ALL
RISE



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HIGHLIGHTS

"Some believe it is only great power that can hold evil in check, but that is not what I have found. It is the small everyday deeds of ordinary folk that keep the darkness at bay."

-Gandalf, *Lord of the Rings*

I'm incredibly grateful that through your support and the determination of the scholars and staff, Rise Prep has had a fruitful year fully back to in person learning—learning again how to manage a rigorous load of homework, how to manage the dynamics of group work, how to attend to the needs of one another, to problem solve, to debate, and to laugh again together. It's beautiful!

Yet it is very sobering that these small miracles are in the larger context of a nation that is reeling from loss of learning that has undone decades of progress. The cascading negative impacts will be felt for years to come, especially in our neighborhood.

While Rise Prep is definitely not immune to those trends, we can testify to the power of the everyday efforts of our scholars, faculty, and families. You'll see in this annual report the cumulative effect of these small strivings in our relationally based education. How remarkable that our students' standardized test scores have improved, not declined! And how remarkable that the web of friends and partners have grown. As our students are rising, we are all experiencing God's wild wonder as we witness his grace and power. Together we are all rising!

May you find His Spirit lifting you in these pages.

Sincerely,



JULIETTE CHIEN
Head of School



HIGHLIGHTS

ACADEMIC GROWTH

RISE STUDENTS ACHIEVED IMPROVEMENTS THAT EXCEEDED NATIONAL GROWTH EXPECTATIONS DESPITE THE PANDEMIC



EARNED ACCREDITATION WASC/ACSI

A WASC (WESTERN ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL AND COLLEGES) ACCREDITED SCHOOL IS A STATEMENT TO THE BROADER COMMUNITY AND THE STAKEHOLDERS THAT IT IS A TRUSTWORTHY INSTITUTION FOR STUDENT LEARNING AND COMMITTED TO ONGOING IMPROVEMENT.

↑ **152%**
OF EXPECTED PRE-COVID GROWTH IN **READING**

↑ **128%**
OF EXPECTED PRE-COVID GROWTH IN **MATH**

PARENT SATISFACTION

86

PARENT NPS FOR 2021-2022

THE NET PROMOTER SCORE IS BASED ON THE QUESTION "HOW LIKELY WOULD YOU RECOMMEND RISE PREP TO A FRIEND OR COLLEAGUE." **AN EXCELLENT NPS SCORE IS GENERALLY ABOVE 50.** A SCORE OF 0 IS A NEUTRAL STANCE TOWARD THE ORGANIZATION.

5 YEARS IN A ROW
NPS ABOVE 85



DONOR SUPPORT

↻ **90%**

OF HOUSEHOLD DONATIONS COME FROM REPEAT DONORS

71%

OF HOUSEHOLDS HAVE GIVEN EVERY YEAR SINCE THEY STARTED GIVING TO RISE, REPRESENTING **94%** OF ALL DOLLARS RAISED.



RISE PREP MODEL

VISION AND MISSION

Rise University Preparatory is an independent Christian middle and high school, making accessible an academically rigorous education in a college-bound environment to the Bayview/Hunters Point community and beyond.

Our goal is that 100% of Rise Prep scholars gain admission to 4-year universities. At Rise, we teach whole students, equipping them with the tools they need to reason, create, serve, and lead.

Rooted in our neighborhood, Rise Prep is an outworking of God's shalom—a place where students and families of different communities, ethnicities, and socioeconomic status unite to grow academically, socially, and spiritually.

THREE FOUNDATIONAL PILLARS

RISE PREP'S THREE FOUNDATIONAL PILLARS FORM THE BASIS OF OUR EDUCATIONAL APPROACH, WHICH MODELS RENEWED URBAN EDUCATION:



SUPERB ACADEMIC PROGRAM

Rise Prep provides a superb academic program—taught by exceptional, committed faculty—that prepares scholars to attend a 4-year university.



STUDENT AND FAMILY FLOURISHING

Rise Prep's approach to learning and human development inspires student and family flourishing, as we all come to embrace our full identity as children of God.



BELOVED COMMUNITY

Rise Prep seeks to contribute to and be enriched by the beloved community in the Bayview and beyond as an expression of God's just kingdom.



KEIARA MARTIN

JUNIOR, CLASS OF 2024 – STARTED AT RISE IN 6TH GRADE

RISE PREP MODEL
IN-DEPTH
SUPERB
ACADEMIC
PROGRAM

Dear Sponsors,

I would like to start off by thanking you all for your support and sponsorship through the years. My name is Keiara, and I have been a student at Rise Prep for 5, going on 6 years now.

When I first started attending Rise, I was very unsure of myself and my capabilities in the sense that I always knew I wanted to go on to do great things in life, but at that point in time, I had never really had a set plan for how I could make that work or even if I had the means and support necessary to do so. In addition to all the uncertainties I was feeling, I was also dealing with a series of medical problems one of which was chronic migraines. Though managing school while dealing with my migraines was difficult at first, due to all the support and understanding of my teachers, things were able to quickly improve. And though I may still have a migraine here or there, as a whole, I am feeling better than ever.



Since attending Rise, I've grown in confidence in my intellectual abilities. Not only do I have more of a concrete plan for my future, but the teachers and faculty have made sure that I have the resources and means necessary to make my dreams a reality. For example, our college

counselor, Mr. Griffin, has set me up with many different college resources in addition to getting me to think about college more — possible majors, college locations, and tuition costs. Though initially it was a really stressful topic for me, because of him, I was able to put my stress and fear to the side and really sit down and ponder what

I wanted my future to look like as far as college went.

In addition to that, since first starting my school career at Rise, I have received several honor roll certificates, won first place at several science fairs, and successfully passed my first honors class. In addition to growing academically, some of the ways in which I was able to grow mentally and emotionally was mainly due to the amazing staff and teachers. In a series of different ways such as kind words of encouragement or simply not giving me the option to give up even when I wanted to, each teacher has helped me build up my resilience which has played a major role in my educational development.

Again I would just like to reiterate how much I appreciate all of your support.

In addition to knowing I'm receiving a great education, I can also rest easy knowing that I always have someone in my corner cheering me on and rooting for my success.

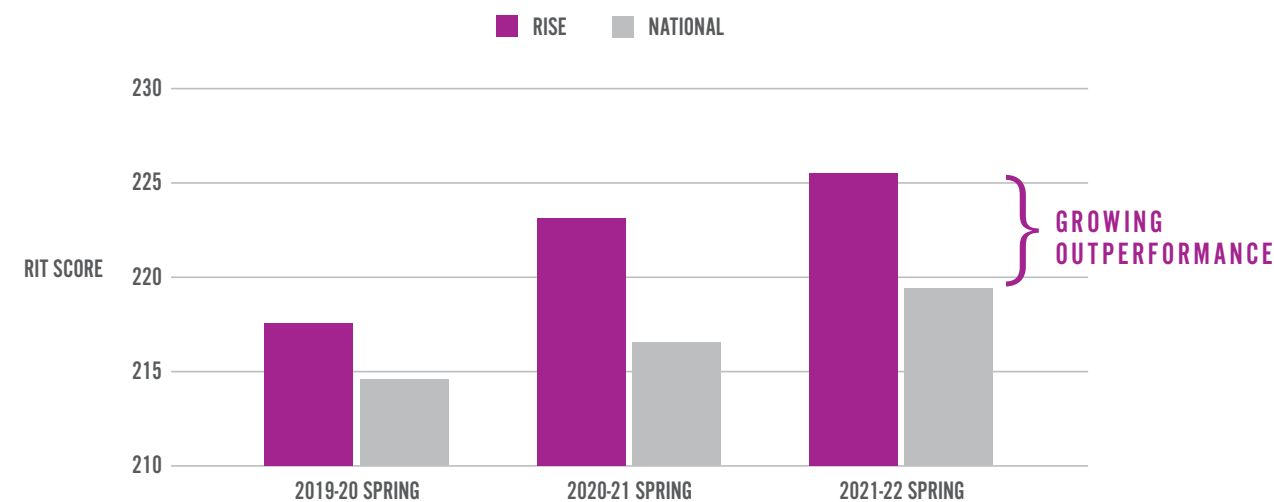
"Because of your sponsorship and support, I can be secure in knowing that I'm receiving an amazing education and am being properly prepared for college."

RISE STUDENTS ACHIEVED IMPROVEMENTS THAT EXCEEDED NATIONAL GROWTH EXPECTATIONS DESPITE THE PANDEMIC

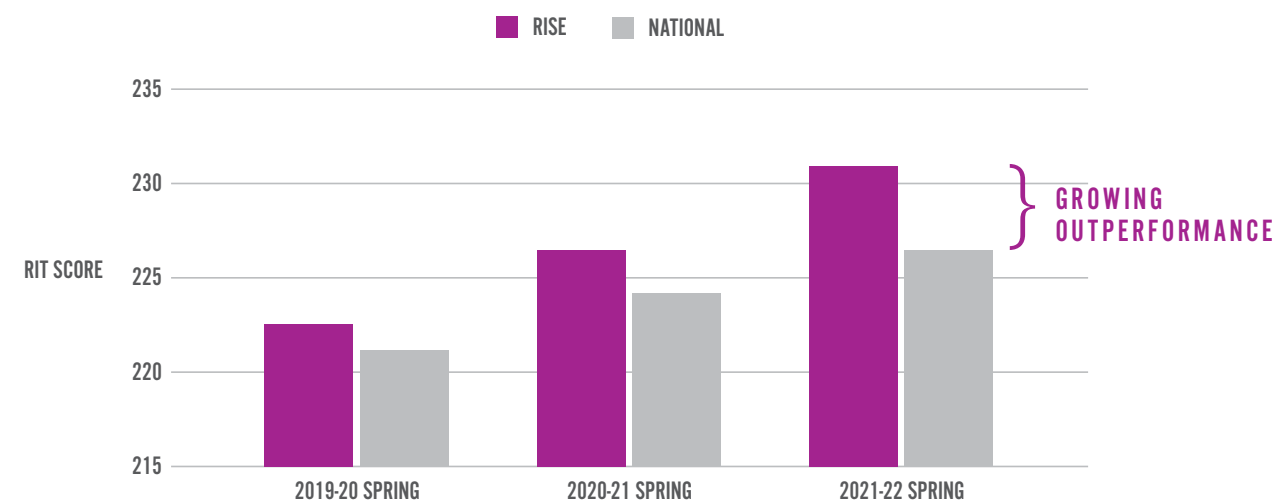
RISE PREP MODEL
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According to education headlines in the national press "the pandemic erased two decades of progress in math and reading" and "students' test scores plunge(d) to levels unseen in decades."

ANNUAL NWEA **READING** TEST SCORE GROWTH IN YEARS IMPACTED BY COVID



ANNUAL NWEA **MATH** TEST SCORE GROWTH IN YEARS IMPACTED BY COVID



RIT score represents a student's achievement level at any given moment and helps measure their academic growth over time.

NATIONAL SCORE SOURCE: TECHNICAL APPENDIX FOR: NWEA STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT IN 2021-22: CAUSE FOR HOPE AND CONTINUED URGENCY, JULY 2022, MEGAN KUHFIELD AND KARYN LEWIS

ANDREA PAZ

PARENT OF MARIANA (9TH GRADE)

RISE PREP MODEL
IN-DEPTH
STUDENT
AND FAMILY
FLOURISHING

Desde que Mariana ingresó a Rise, nos hemos sentido muy tranquilos y seguros de su bienestar académico, y personal. Rise en todo momento nos ha tratado como una familia, siempre pendientes de que necesitamos y como apoyarnos.

Desde que llegamos a Rise nos sentimos cómo llegar a casa. Se siente la hermandad, entre alumnos y padres.

Y sobre todo siempre pendientes del bienestar de cada alumno. Sin duda es la mejor decisión que pudimos tomar. Para que nuestra hija continuará su educación. Gracias a Rise por su entrega y dedicación para nuestros hijos. Gracias por su hermosa labor.



Since Mariana joined Rise, we have felt very calm and secure in her academic and personal well-being. Rise has treated us like a family at all times, always aware of what we need and how to support us.

Ever since we came to Rise, we have felt at home. You feel the brotherhood, between students and parents. *And above all, the constant awareness of the well-being of each student. Without a doubt, it is the best decision we could have made, so that our daughter can continue her education.* We thank Rise for its commitment and dedication to our children. Thank you for the beautiful work.

RISE PREP IS AN OUTWORKING OF GOD'S SHALOM – A PLACE WHERE STUDENTS AND FAMILIES OF DIFFERENT COMMUNITIES, ETHNICITIES, AND SOCIOECONOMIC STATUS UNITE TO GROW ACADEMICALLY, SOCIALLY, AND SPIRITUALLY.

 **92%**

STRONGLY AGREE

How much do you agree with the following statement: *This school is a place where people of all economic backgrounds can feel welcome.*

	RISE PREP	SFUSD	TYPICAL PRIVATE HS IN SF
BLACK	38%	6%	5%
LATINX	33%	30%	10%
ASIAN	12%	37%	16%
MIXED	12%	7%	12%
WHITE	3%	14%	56%
PACIFIC ISLANDER	2%	1%	1%

DECLINED TO STATE 5%

SOURCE: U.S. NEWS AND WORLD REPORT EDUCATION AND SCHOOL PROFILES



LYSLYNN LACOSTE

FORMER EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF BMAGIC

RISE PREP MODEL
IN-DEPTH
BELOVED
COMMUNITY

Rise and BMagic are literally neighbors on Fairfax Avenue and convene with many organizations to care for the youth of the Bayview.

BMagic: a program run out of the San Francisco Public Defender's Office that seeks to hold space, convene, and identify and share collective resources for organizations serving Bayview Hunters Point (BVHP).

Ultimate Goal of BMagic: to address the impact of trauma, poverty, and violence on children and youth in order to build a strong community bond, decreasing violence in the community, and disrupting the school to prison pipeline.



"Our work can be thankless sometimes or doesn't afford us instant gratification. But I have been blessed to be surrounded by peers and organizations such as Rise Prep who continue to serve the community not for the accolades but because it is the right thing to do. We need caring people to continue to improve societal outcomes for our young people's future."

RISE PREP SEEKS TO CONTRIBUTE TO AND BE ENRICHED BY THE BELOVED COMMUNITY IN THE BAYVIEW AND BEYOND AS AN EXPRESSION OF GOD'S JUST KINGDOM.

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SPONSORS

55

VOLUNTEERS

12

TUTORS

19

COMMUNITY
SPEAKERS

642

SUPPORTER
HOUSEHOLDS

RISE PREP PARTNERS

WE JOIN FORCES WITH VOLUNTEERS FROM OUR COMMUNITY TO CREATE A RICH NETWORK OF RELATIONSHIPS THAT SUPPORT OUR STUDENTS AND STAFF THROUGHOUT THE ACADEMIC YEAR. THANK YOU TO OUR PARTNERS!



Thank you to our integral partners and building mates—Dayspring Partners and Redeemer Community Church.

Dayspring partners provides professional services and fully funds the Development Director position at Rise Prep so that all donations go directly into programming.

Redeemer's members are involved in all facets of the school—teaching, tutoring, coaching, financially supporting, providing snacks and much more.

CHURCHES

CHURCH OF THE SOJOURNERS

CITYLIFESF

CORNERSTONE MISSIONARY BAPTIST

CORNERSTONESF

EUCHARIST

HIGH ROCK CHURCH

MARANATHA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH EL PASO

MENLO CHURCH

REALITY SF

REDEEMER COMMUNITY CHURCH

SHEKINAH CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

ST. JOHN'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

ST. MARK'S BAPTIST CHURCH

SUNSET MINISTRY

SCHOOL PARTNERS

BAYVIEW YMCA

BMAGIC

BUILD GROUP

CALIFORNIA STATE PARKS

CAMERON MOBERG

COLLEGE TRACK

DES ARCHITECTS

INFUSION

KAISER PERMANENTE

PLANT CONSTRUCTION

RAFIKI COALITION

SAN FRANCISCO CHAPTER OF LINKS

SF AFRICAN-AMERICAN FAITH-BASED COALITION

UCSF/SF STATE PHYSICAL THERAPY DEPARTMENT

ULTIMATE IMPACT

VILLAGE LIFE

ZACCHO DANCE THEATRE

FOUNDATIONS

FAITHFUL SERVANTS FOUNDATION

GENEROSITY BAY AREA FOUNDATION

GRACE NIXON FOUNDATION

HELMS FOUNDATION

INFUSION

KAISER PERMANENTE FOUNDATION

THE JOSEPH AND MERCEDES MCMICKING FOUNDATION

NATIONAL CHRISTIAN FOUNDATION

FERNANDO DIAZ

OWNER OF PROYECTO DIAZ COFFEE COMPANY
RISE TRACK COACH

DONOR
TESTIMONY

I love volunteering at Rise because it gives me a concrete and tangible way of giving back to the students. I was impacted by mentors, specifically athletic coaches, and people who volunteered their time when I was a youth and now I see the positive impact it made in my life. They taught me discipline, consistency, and follow through.

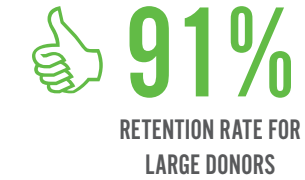
I feel my partnership has allowed me to personally feel a sense of accountability and responsibility towards the students. They're looking at us as role models and as such I feel a commitment to make sure I'm doing my best to be a good example for them. It makes me aware of how I carry myself in my private life and my public life, making sure I'm consistent with what God asks of me in my life.

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DONOR GROWTH AND STABILITY AFTER 5 YEARS

75% OF ALL DONATIONS COME FROM LARGE DONORS



DONOR TIERS

LIVING HOPE CIRCLE \$50,000 or more
2 DONORS

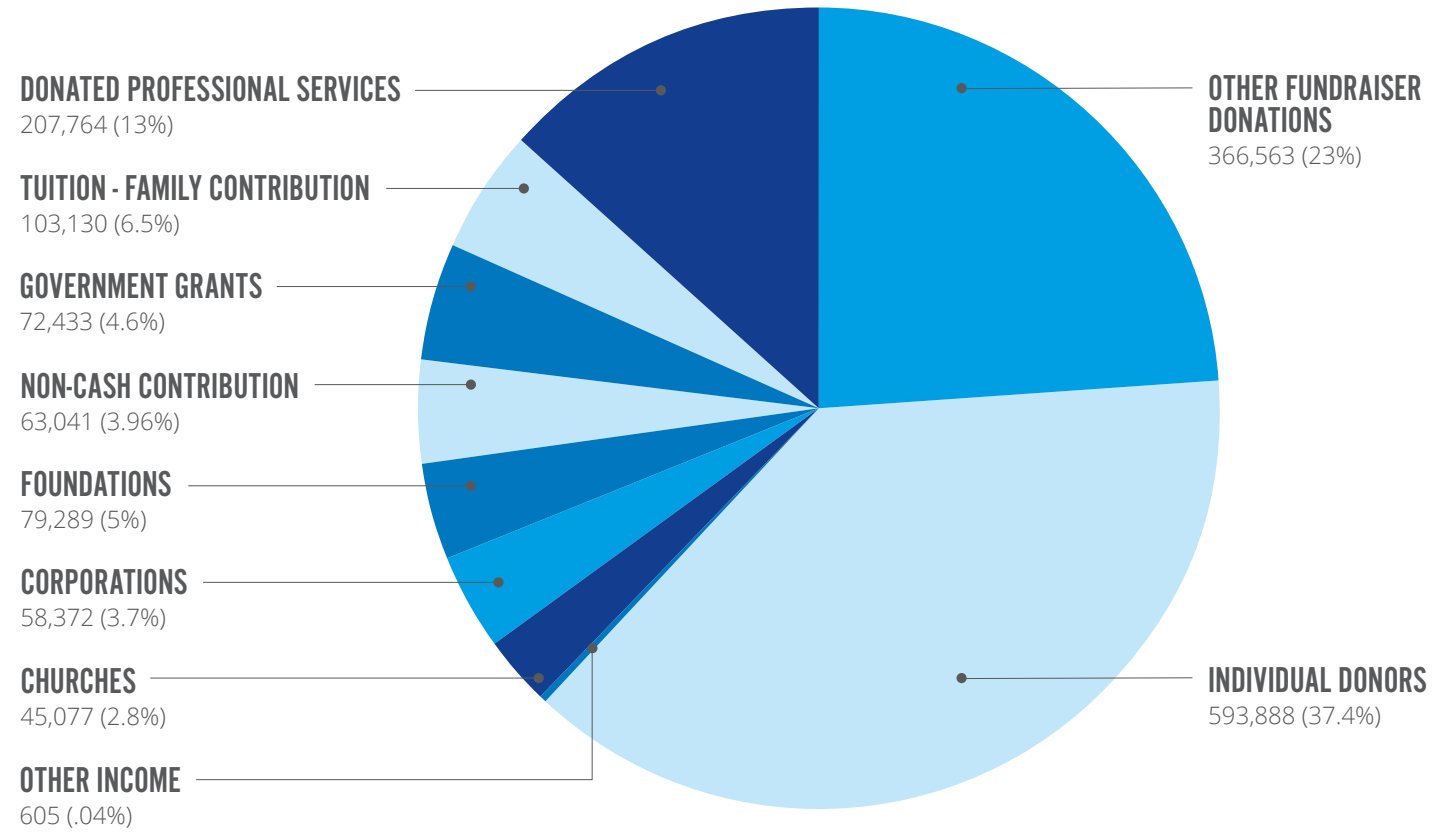
ABUNDANT LIFE CIRCLE \$10,000-\$49,999
27 DONORS

FAITHFUL STEWARDS \$2000-\$9,999
78 DONORS

RISE PARTNERS \$1-\$1999
542 DONORS



INCOME
TOTAL REVENUE \$1,590,162



EXPENSES
TOTAL EXPENSES FOR OPERATING BUDGET \$1,535,160

Personnel Costs	893,769
Student and Instructional Services	255,517
Administrative Costs	272,142
Occupancy Costs	113,732



FACULTY



JULIETTE CHIEN
Head of School



JEFF BOYD
Vice Principal



TIM CAHILL
Vice Principal



DANNY KIM
Director of Development



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College Counselor



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English / Social Studies



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Math / Computer Science



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Spanish



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OCTOBER 22, 6:30PM



REGISTER



LOBBY OPENS AT 6:00 PST
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