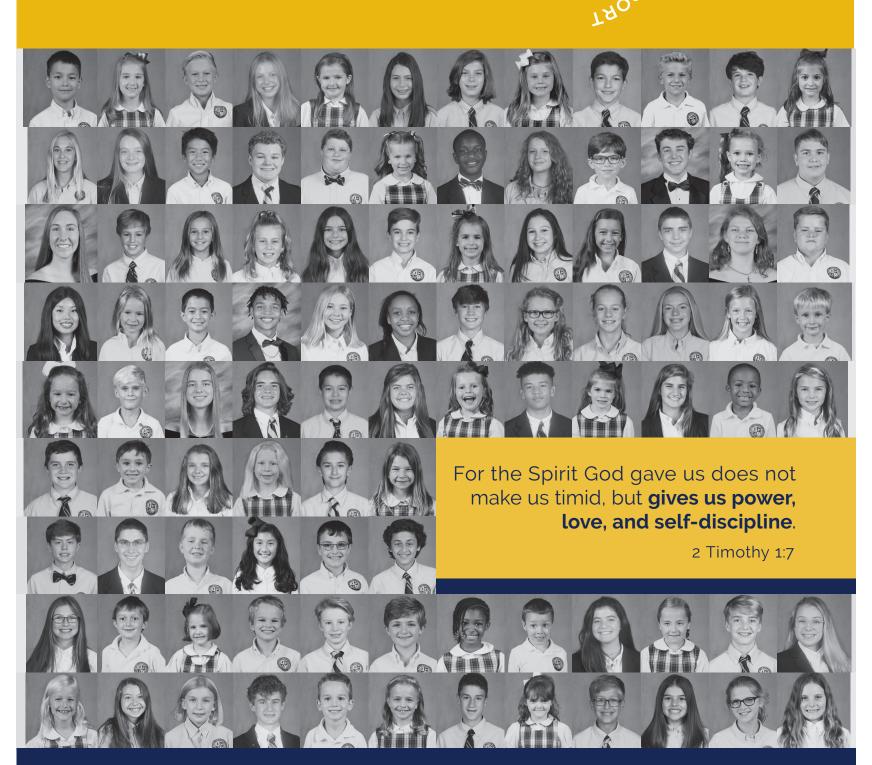
BOLDLY MT. BETHEL



BOLD FOR OUR STUDENTS



2020-2021 Theme Verse

For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love, and self-discipline.

2 Timothy 1:7

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Greetings, MBCA families and friends,

Zucchini and yellow squash have been in season, and it was a special treat when a gardener friend of mine shared a bag of fresh produce. As you may guess, I didn't dig in right then; I went home and incorporated my vegetables into a dish. I sautéed them in olive oil, garlic, and seasonings, mixed in some diced tomatoes and onions—and scooped the caramelized goodness over rice. It made for a healthy, delicious dish that the entire family enjoyed.

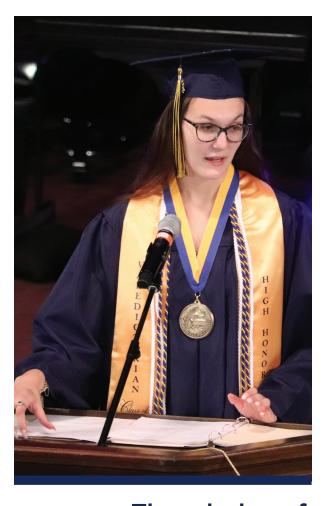
Before you begin to think Mt. Bethel's Annual Report has turned into a cooking publication, perhaps I should tell you that my little anecdote illustrates a point. Just as a delicious dish is a medley of varied flavors blended into one, so too is an educational experience. The MBCA mission that incorporates academic excellence, spiritual growth, and a lifelong love and desire for learning is a beautiful medley of individual components that produce a result that is more than the sum of its parts.

This annual report celebrates the unique and individual experiences of a Mt. Bethel education, and just as importantly, the people who make them possible. In this issue you will see highlights of student achievement, community support, hard work, and new ideas—all of which represent ingredients that come together to produce the result we call Christ-centered education.

My yellow squash would have been far less palatable if eaten alone, and it became much more inviting when paired with complementary ingredients. Similarly, Mt. Bethel Christian Academy is "both-and" that does not separate the individual components of intellect and faith. We blend academic excellence with spiritual growth, and do so in a way that fosters a lifelong love of learning. It reflects the development of the whole student. So, on behalf of the wonderfully talented faculty, staff, and leaders of MBCA whom I'm so privileged to partner with, we hope you enjoy this update!

Blessings,

Dr. Jim Cianca Head of School



The mission of Mt. Bethel Christian Academy is to provide a truly Christ-centered education for our children through an environment which develops and encourages academic excellence, spiritual growth, and a lifelong love and desire for learning.

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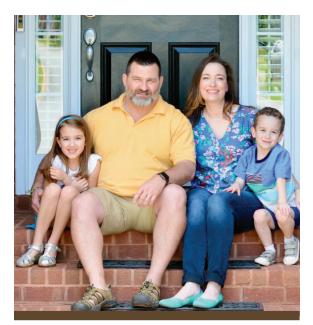
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2020-2021 Administration

Interim Head of School Keith Castello
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Whether teaching a class, coaching, cleaning, preparing meals, or any of the other myriad tasks needed to make our community come together, I cannot overstate what our community means to me and my family.

Annual Fund Chair Letters

2020-2021

Dear Mt. Bethel family.

2020-2021 was a year of great change and uncertainty. We saw great political and social turmoil, complicated by a global pandemic which affected each and everyone one of us directly. But it was also a great opportunity for us to lean into our faith and put our trust in our Heavenly Father. While politicians and media talking heads spun endlessly about "trusting science" (as long as the science fit whichever idea the individual happened to be promoting) and schools across America opted to "wait and see" or mine deeply for new reserves of that famous "excess of caution," we had the opportunity to obey our Saviour's admonition in the 14th Chapter of the Book of John to "Let not (our) heart(s) be troubled, neither let (them) be afraid." And boldly we obeyed—masks on, socially distanced, cloroxing and hand-sanitizing, to be sure—but we returned in faith and put the lie to the talking heads and doubters.

This certainly created added stress, and it seemed that August was an endless procession of amended procedures, modified guidance, and discovery learning. The faculty discovered and shared endless ways to wipe down twenty-some-odd desks in less than two minutes, pass out lunches in homerooms, and constantly distribute, redistribute, and cross level cleaning supplies—seemingly with no end in sight. But the depths of humor, goodwill, and love were bottomless as the teachers. parapros, staff, and administrators stepped up to the plate each and every day. And just like any good baseball player knows, it isn't the home runs that carry the day, but the consistent singles and solid field play that get you to the pennant.

But there was, particularly from my perspective as the Annual Fund Faculty Chair, a grand slam when it came to giving. Now, full disclosure, I didn't seek out this job As we used to say in the Marine Corps, "I was volun-told." I assumed it would be a massive chore to have to wrangle pledges from my colleagues, but I was shocked at how warmly my stress-addled and COVID-prevention fatigued fellow staff and faculty received my appeals and how generously they gave. Within the course of just a few days, we had met our goals for the year, and (as the famous philosopher Forrest Gump might say) just like that, my work was done.

I cannot express enough gratitude to the entire MBCA faculty team for making my job so easy. And I also can't express well enough the impact that these contributions mean for our community. What I can do, though, is point to the obvious fact that we are all on board with providing a Christ-centered and rigorous education to our students. Whether teaching a class, providing loving support from the front office, coaching, cleaning, preparing meals, or any of the other myriad tasks needed to make our community come together—and that includes contributing to the fund that allows us to operate this truly remarkable community—I cannot overstate what our community means to me and my family.

Thank you and God bless you,

LCol Jim Izen, USMC, ret. 2020-2021 Annual Fund Faculty Chair

Dear MBCA family,

In the midst of an unusual year, we continue to be in awe of God's faithfulness over all, but especially over our sweet school. It has been an honor for our family to serve as your chairs for Boldly Mt. Bethel: The 2020-2021 Annual Fund. Thank you so much for your commitment to our school and your belief in the ministry it serves. We feel blessed to be among so many like-minded believers who make a God-centered education such a priority for their families. We are thankful to be part of a community that puts Jesus at the center of all it does.

The 2020-2021 school year, we feel certain, was unlike anything we have ever seen before. We are so thankful for Mt. Bethel Christian Academy's forward thinking, excellent planning, and tremendous care that allowed us to complete the school year in person. Any unexpected roadblock was navigated with flexibility, understanding, and grace. Grace upon grace upon grace is commonplace at MBCA.

In 2020-2021, our administrators, faculty, and staff went above and beyond. From extra hours to extra patience, they continued to show up and exceed our expectations. Our children were loved, educated, and prepared for an unknown future.

The mission of Mt. Bethel Christian Academy is to provide a truly Christ-centered education for our children through an environment that develops and encourages academic excellence, spiritual growth, and a lifelong love and desire for learning. Our sweet school continues to go above and beyond, as evidenced through these challenging times.

As many of you know, our family has been blessed by adoption. And though the blessings are abundant, the process can be daunting and filled with challenges. A very common verse in the adoption community is Isaiah 40:31. "...but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint."

This past year has, to say the least, been filled with storms and challenges. We are so thankful to be a part of a school that not only stands beside us in those storms, but soars on the wings of eagles. Mt. Bethel is a special place where extraordinary people do extraordinary things in the name of an extraordinary Savior.

We are looking forward with excitement to all that God has in store for the 2021-2022 school year. We continue to pray with expectant hope for all of the abundant blessings God has in store for our school. We are faithful. God is able. It is all His economy, after all. He could do it without us, but He asks for our obedience. Thank you, from the bottom of our hearts, for your prayerful obedience.

Our family is so blessed to stand beside you. It's an honor to partner with you, our fellow Academy families, to help provide the best God-centered education possible for our precious children.

Thank you so much for your support for **Boldly Mt. Bethel**. You made this possible!

Guie and Russ Hedden

Julie & Russ Hedden 2020-2021 Annual Fund Chairs

2020-2021

Annual Fund Leadership

Family Chairs Julie & Russ Hedden Faculty Chair LtCol Jim Izen

Casey Alarcon **Becky Bechtel** Kriya Benich Elizabeth Bennett Sarah Calvert Joanna Chang Liza Clifton **Jordan Connelly** Libby Coutu Laura Czohara Rebecca DeYarman Sara Prevost Erin Essary Jeanne Flack Sarah Haas

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Lauren Nour Cristin Odom Shelly Slimp Jenelle Story Shannon Walstad

Ragan Weeks

Catherine Milam





Welcome, New Families

Reid Aldridge '30 Lisa & Dan Aldridge

Marcos Almedia '28 Simone Almeida '30 Carla & Ian Almeida

Miles Barnett '24
Ingrid & Matthew Barnett

Jackson Bell '23
Tina & Jeffrev Bell

Mason Bennett '29
Deidre & Bryce Bennett

Caroline Benson '27
Candace & David Benson

Anna Biorn '25 Christian & Michael Biorn

Jeb Braxton '28
Lesley and John Braxton

Davis Brinkley '33Kristen & Beau Brinkley

Audrey Brooks '28 Lauren Brooks '25 Holly & Stephen Brooks

Sara Burgess '34Holly & Richard Burgess

Olivia Carney '25 Luke & David Carney

Kyle Cheng '34Tammy & Li Cheng

Charlotte Cisney '35
Katherine & Gordon Cisney

Alice Clark '34 Maureen & Robert Clark Ella Clark '29 Lila Clark '29 Madeline Clark '27 Catherine & Jeff Clark

Zachary Curfman '25 Melissa & Christopher Curfman

Christian D'Arcy '31 Kate D'Arcy '29 Sydney & Craig D'Arcy

Mabry Daniels '30 Sandra & Royden Daniels

Gabe Danner '25Nicole & Dant Danner

Annie Dinschel '25 Nancy & Dave Dinschel

Maddie Dossey '28 Olivia Dossey '33 Amanda & Steven Dossey

Kever Douglas '22Katina Douglas

Addie Eiland '23 Jennifer & Trey Eiland

Jordan Ekwueme '23 Emily Odei

& Emeka Ekwueme

Will Emerick '34 Laura & Brent Emerick

Aiden Fields '33 Sheena Leaym

James Fugedy '33 Lizzie Fugedy '35 Lorena & James Fugedy Eli Fung-A-Wing '32 John Fung-A-Wing '34 Zoe Fung-A-Wing '30 Rekemo & Mike Fung-A-Wing

Gabi Gandee '30Rachel Stamps

Alexander Gehrig '24 Christine Flower

Luke Goodman '34Lauren & Josh Goodman

Sarah Crenshaw Grace '34 Martha & Andrew Grace

Beckham Hall '32 Heather & Shawn Hall

Anna Kate Hatcher '28 Ben Hatcher '28 Elizabeth & Michael Hatcher

Owen Hedge '34 Anna & Jeffrey Hedge

Nora Hill '34 Jana & Gaines Hill

William Holcomb '35 Lauren & Alan Holcomb

Charlie Holden '30Amy & Charles Holden

Jocelyn Hovsepian '29 Teri & Minas Hovsepian

Drew Infante '26 Mia Infante '29 Rachel & Todd Infante

Kyle Israel '29 Molly & Josh Israel

Brynn Jensen '34 Caden Jensen '33 Rozalind & Cody Jensen In this unprecedented year,
Mt. Bethel was blessed in welcoming
85 new families into our school
community.

Harbour Jones '35Kelli & Brent Jones

Hudson Kahn '35 Tiffany & Andrew Kahn

Evie Kershaw '31 Greer Kershaw '34 Kyllan & Jeff Kershaw

Ella Kessenich '34 Mary Ann & Peter Kessenich

Emily Koehler '24 Melissa & Bryson Koehler

Jagger Lamerique '34
Jessica Thomas &
Angel Lamerique

Bella Landzhev '34 Plamena & Krasimir Landzhev

Knox Martin '34
Penelope Martin '32
Melanie & Bradley Martin

MJ Mastrocola '25 Michaelene & Roberto Mastrocola

Caroline Mayo '25 Erin & David Mayo

Grace McNeely '30
Julianna McNeely '28
Caroline & Brian McNeely

Fin Meade '30 Jameson Meade '32 Nicole & Ryan Meade

Stella Merrill '34 Kelly & Christopher Merrill

Colton Miller '28 Kimberly & Shannon Miller Reese Moorhead '29
Raechel & Andrew Moorhead

Finley Myers '31 Kristin & Brian Myers

Kori Noorbehesht '35 Kim & Koushan Noorbehesht

Aubrey Norman '32 Kyle Norman '34 Nicole & Brad Norman

Jax Obradovich '30 Amanda & Carl Obradovich

Ansley Patti '34
Elle Patti '31
Farrah & Robert Patti

Samantha Pease '23 Amy & Scott Pease

Chandler Phelps '34 Katie & R.J. Phelps

Isla Pike '34 Preston Pike '31 Amy & Tyler Pike

Haley Pollick '33 Colleen & Jason Pollick

Avery Porche '31 Hadley Porche '34 Emily & Jason Porche

Micah Porter '34 Lauren Porter Colin Porter

Rico Reese '33 April & Rico Reese

Reagan Riberon '35 Aimee & Troy Riberon

Nolan Ricketts '35 Kaitlin & Jonathan Ricketts **Zachary Rodene '25**Prenide & Fritz Rodene

Nick Roma '24 Karla Olterman

Ashley Rueckel '28 Laura & Ryan Rueckel

Mia Rutherford '23
Marta & Chad Rutherford

Lindsey Schaefer '24 Laura & Stephen Schaefer

Henry Sitz '34Meghan & Adam Sitz

Grayson Sorrells '33Clara & Eric Sorrells

Emma Rae Stephens '30 Gray Stephens '32 Carrie & Cliff Stephens

Catherine Stevens '33 Mia Stevens '32 Genevieve & Paul Stevens

Olivia Tindall '28
Zoe Tindall '33
Amy Carroll & Whit Tindall

Emerson Watts '26
Foster Watts '30
Jordan & Brandon Watts

Charlie Wilkinson '28Malinda & Drew Wilkinson

Zane Wren '34 Erica & Joseph Wren



Welcome, New Siblings



In 2020-2021 we welcomed 37 new siblings ranging from Pre-K to 11th grade.



Izzy Battisti '35 Sister to Anthony Natalie & Fred Battisti

Joev Bennett '33 Brother to Kaitlin Mary & Joseph Bennett

Carson Berger '34 Brother to Reagan Robin & Sean Berger

Aaron Bernhardt '35 Brother to Judah Elise & Brian Bernhardt

Lilly Brennan '34 Sister to Jackson & Jonathan Amanda & Gregory Brennan

Olivia Britt '23 Sister to David, Class of '20 Libby & David Britt

Katie Busch '30 Sister to Charlie Susan & Greg Busch

Luke Case '34 Brother to James Amy & Chad Case

Rhett Cleveland '34 Brother to MaryGrace Lauren & Drew Cleveland

Lilly Cooper '34 Sister to Parker Rose India & Bryan Cooper

Luke Cooper '34 Brother to Parker Rose India & Bryan Cooper

Caroline Corva '23 Sister to Grace, Class of '21 Nina & Matt Corya

Maddie Daniels '25 Sister to Josh Regan & Matt Daniels **Kaitlin Dunning '25** Sister to John

Amy & John Dunning

Kate Harkev '34 Sister to Jack Melissa & John Harkey

Amelia Hecht '35 Sister to Madeline Hayley & Patrick Hecht

Sam Howkins '34 Brother to Jack Natalie & John Howkins

Karolina Husted '34 Sister to Kellen Shawna & Joseph Husted

Luke Isaf '35 Brother to Andrew & Edie Abby & Thomas Isaf

Hannah Jorge '26 Sister to Luke Christine & Edward Jorge

Rowan Leazer '34 Brother to Nolan & Riley-Anne Brittany & Michael Leazer

Lillian Linder '34 Sister to Elizabeth & Jack Alice & Jonathan Linder

Sam Long '29 Brother to Allie Jaleigh & Samuel Long

Aubrey Lynn '28 Sister to Evan Erin & David Lynn

Julia Martz '27 Sister to Lauren Shawn & Richard Martz

Lilli Monroe '27 Sister to Rex Kristine & Jim Monroe Caroline Moore '34

Sister to Ella & Maggie Dana & Travis Moore

Chloe Morris '27 Sister to Ben Angela Murray & Daniel Morris

Jack Mudrock '28 Brother to Olivia Karen & John Mudrock

Kaiden Muller '34 Brother to Andrew Kelli & Carl Muller

Knox Mullis '34 Brother to Aidan Christina & Curtis Mullis

Lola Pietri '28 Sister to Martha, Class of '20 Besa Tarazhi & Ilir Pjetri

Patrick Siemon '28 Brother to Gabby Tamara & Scott Siemon

Farah Thomas '34 Sister to Lilah Gerrie & Brandon Thomas

Maggie Tulloch '28 Sister to Liam Jennifer & Thomas Tulloch

Ellie Wagner '35 Sister to Henry Jennifer & Scott Wagner

Mercer Whitehead '34 Sister to Bridges Blakely & James Whitehead

Annie Windhorst '35 Sister to Ward Kristin & Hank Windhorst

Georgia 2021 GOAL Donors

Every year, Mt. Bethel Christian Academy partners with Georgia GOAL, a Student Scholarship Organization (SSO) created through the Georgia Private School Tax Credit Program. GOAL provides funding for qualified students in need of tuition assistance when Georgia taxpayers redirect their state income tax to MBCA and furthers MBCA's ability to fulfill its Christian mission. Specifically, GOAL funding is allocated for deserving, public school students who are new to Mt. Bethel.

Thank you to the individuals listed for bringing \$278,175 in scholarship money to MBCA. During this most challenging year, these funds proved more critical than ever as we welcomed a record number of new students to the Academy.

Tuition Assistance is of great importance to us. As an increased number of families in our community seek assistance, these dollars are a critical component of the Academy's life-changing tuition-assistance initiatives.

For more information on Georgia GOAL, visit goalscholarship.org. Carol and David Armitage Melinda and Todd Bailey Kenneth and Lisa Bass Clinton and Melissa Bean Rebecca and Thomas Bechtel Amy and Christopher Bichsel Susan and Vince Birley Heidi and Matthew Bozzelli Candace and Robert Brasfield Angel and James Brim Brandie and Daryl Brooks Sheila Geist and Richard Clarke Susan and James Cochran Jordan and Stephen Connelly Genia and William Crane Annemarie and Chris Davis Katherine and Jackson Dial Elizabeth and Brett Dixon Erin and Jason Essary Ling Ren and Lu Fang Janet and John Fischer Jeanne and John Flack Melissa and Ryan Ford Katy and Jay Gadsby Cathy and Phillip Gambrell Meg and Thomas Geshay Margaret and Thomas Gose Jackie and Andrew Grastv Ellen and Scott Harward Karen and Alan Heinz Sarah Hensley Lendy and Belton Holder Sherri and Trey Holder Shawna and Joseph Husted Rachel and Todd Infante Erin and James Izen Jill and Jeff Jernigan Kathryn and Roger Johnson Pamela and David Johnston Dianna and Werner Joubert Lisa and Kevin Kadow Tami and James Kellogg Kelley and Paul Krohnert Pamela and Joel Lackey Jennifer Lemming

Sarah and James Acker

Casev and Carlos Alarcon

Carrie and Walter Lemming Nancy and Walter Lemming Laura and David Loeffel Nicole and Kevin Lott Iliana and Petre Malinov Lee Mallon Margaret and William Mastbrook Diane and Robert McDaniel Holly and John McKinley Caroline and Brian McNeely Christine and Robert Meara Kathy Murdock Sloane and Michael Murray Paula and Karl Nelson Cristin and Joseph Odom Sloan Oliver Nancy and Michael Ostergard Michael Palicia Paige and Rustin Parsons Farrah and Rob Patti Susan and Daniel Prout Lisa and John Prunkl Pamela Ritchie Kristen and Scott Rogers Michele and James Rosich Martha and Robert Slimp Julie and Jerry Sorrels Debra and Joseph Stansell Catherine and Roland Stebbins Alison and Brian Stephens Paige and Jerrod Stoller Brenda and

Christopher Thompson Jennifer and Jay Treadwell Grace and D. Michael Trent Anita and Scott Trott Patti and Eddie Turner Brenda and Charles Vice Shannon and Carlton Walstad Leslie and Ben Williams Pamela and James Williams **Judy Winchell** Kristin and Henry Windhorst Stacy and Michael Womack Laurita and Richard Young Gail and Paul Zantzinger



God calls us to be bold. And there was never a year where boldness was needed more.

Director's Letter

To our faithful community

Over the past twelve months, MBCA families, faculty, staff, and friends have shown overwhelming support for the mission and vision of this wonderful school. During a year that brought challenges to us—and the world at large—we were inspired by the commitment to our beloved Academy from so many. Thank you.

I'm so proud to share this Annual Report with you. The Annual Fund campaign for 2020-2021, **Boldly Mt. Bethel**, helped us secure the resources and flexibility we needed during a year of unknowns. We chose the name **Boldly Mt. Bethel** for one simple reason: God calls us to be bold. And there was never a year where boldness was needed more.

With a pandemic, more new families than ever before, notyet tested virtual Alternative Learning Plan technology, no campus visitors or beloved events like Grandparents Day, and an ever-changing educational landscape, we were not sure what to expect. Would support remain even though so much had changed? Well, amazing things happen in this place where Christ is honored. And as it turned out, the most important things did not change. Students were loved well, learned well, and worshipped well.

Leading our campaign were three very special people. I'd like to thank Julie and Russ Hedden, family chairs, and Jim Izen, faculty chair, for blessing MBCA with remarkable devotion and enthusiasm. Our relationships with others are not random; they are God-given, and I am so grateful that He brought us the Hedden and Izen families. Thank you, Julie, Russ, and Jim, for serving the Academy and its students in such a powerful way. I count my work alongside each of you to advance the mission of the Academy among my greatest blessings.

I also want to thank Lee Mallon for all that she pours into the Annual Fund each year. Lee is an alumni parent and a longtime employee, and she encourages me daily by showing that it doesn't matter how long you've been a part of the Academy, you can always find new ways to love and serve its people. She is a treasure!

I hope you take time to read about a truly unique year in the Academy's history and to celebrate the overwhelming generosity of our community. The names listed on the 2020-2021 Honor Roll of Donors belong to people making a difference today and in years to come. Your giving is a huge part of the MBCA difference, strengthening the value of an MBCA education and honoring the legacy of students educated here since 1998.

Thank you for being BOLD with us!

Blessings

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Alison Stephens Director of Development

Financial Giving

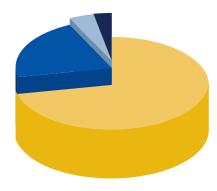
Individual Gifts

Parents **\$577.640**

Grandparents, Parents of Alumni, & Friends **\$170,015**

Board of Trustees \$26,250

Faculty and Staff \$25,233



Revenue

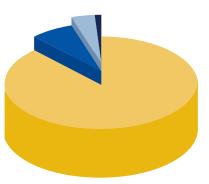
Tuition & Fees **\$9,626,283**

Annual Fund **\$799,138**

Auxiliary Services* \$373,210

*including Co-Curricular, ASP, Bus Transportation, etc.

Parent Council **\$115.000**

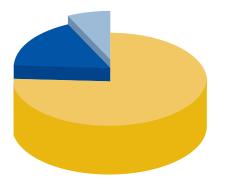


Expenses

Salaries & Benefits **\$7,446,769**

Plant Operations **\$1,680,685**

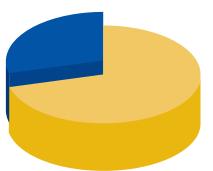
Academic & Co-Curricular **\$716.960**



Student Support/Aid

MBCA/MBUMC Gap Grants **\$674.773**

Georgia Goal **\$278,175**



2020-2021

Annual Giving

Total Collected \$799,138





2015-2016 **\$435,000**

2016-2017 **\$447,000**

2017-2018 **\$625,000**

2018-2019 **\$977,194**

2019-2020 \$852,121

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Grandparent Gifts

Hermine & Tom Abbott

Bo Dixon '33 James Dixon '31

Claire & Mel Allen
Walter Mutert '29

Rachel Bagby Logan McMichael '32

Christine &

Thomas Balachowski

Tyler Balachowski '26 Anslee Balachowski '28

Meg & Mark Baxter

Will Bennett '25 Mary Alston Bennett '30

Josephine & John Beall James McIntosh '27

Janet Bell

Addison Reddington '32

Mary & David Bemis

Harrison Odom '27 Gianna Odom '28

Elaine & Bill Bennett

Will Bennett '25 Mary Alston Bennett '30

Lisa & Ralph Berger

Reagan Berger '31

Janet & Bruce Bernhardt
Judah Bernhardt '32

Cindy & Jack Blount Andrea Krohnert '26

Datia O Tata David

Dottie & Tate Bradford Valerie Bradford '26

Linda Brooks Ansley Brooks '24 Suzanne & Tom Bulat

Preston Portnoy '33

Linda & David Bunn
Maximilian Cardinell '32

Linda Burba Elisa Burba '21

Elisa Burba '21 Eva Burba '24

Kay & Jack CantrellMadison Gant '21

Mary R. Carlin Jane Carlin '30

Becky & Tommy CarterCaroline Smallwood '23

Joan & John Childs

Mathis Coutu '29 Colin Coutu '31

Kim & Robert Christenson

Jude Barron '32 Liam Barron ' 32

Betsy & Jim Chrz

Emma Acker '22 Julia Acker ' 25

Theresa & Allan Connell Mary Kate Greene '26

Sean Greene '29

Kathryn & Craig Corcoran Madison Corcoran '31

Callan Corcoran '34

Faye & Charles Davenport Emily Johnston '21 Olivia Johnston '24

Linda & Roger deDonDaniel Rosich '27

Martha DeYarman

Henry DeYarman '27 Alice DeYarman '32

Susan & David Dial

Walker Dial '31 Blakely Dial '32 Hadley Dial '33

Anne Dixon

Katie Cummings '24 AnneMarie Cummings '27

Walter Dobbins

Mac Dobbins '26

Donna & Bill Dooley Elizabeth Warlick '21 Carter Warlick '24

Mary & John Doyle Liam Doyle '21

Teresa & Phil Essary

Harper Essary '29 James Essary '33

Susan Eviston

Hannah Leerssen '24

Katherine Flack Emma Flack '26 Marshall Flack '28

Clarel & Richard Fowler

Riley Parsons '23 Nancy Clare Parsons '25 Tripp Parsons '27

Kent Gaines, Sr.Andrew Gaines '23
Evan Gaines '27

Madison Bichsel '31

Margaret & Thomas Gose Logan Bichsel '31 Maria Gorman

Gabbie Bozzelli '29

Sue Greene Mary Kate Greene '26

Robert K. Hall Millena Chaves '31

Sean Greene '29

Nadyne & Rodney Harville Brannen Smith '32

Gayle & Jerry Headrick

Eli Jones '29 Peyton Jones '32

Glenda & Jerry Hedden

Emma Hedden '23 Sam Hedden '24

Susan & Robert Heden

Karen & Alan Heinz

Eleanor Kerr '33

Hayes Stephens '27 Kelsey Stephens '29

Sandy Herndon

Penny Nour '27 Audrey Nour '29 Evie Nour '32

Kathryn Holahan Mary Kathryn Coachys '34

Hazel Holiness Kendall Meeks '31

Steve Huffman Charlie Kopkas '26

Cathy & Doug IrvineAubrey Irvine '30
Caroline Irvine '32

Marsha & Mike Jaroch Joseph Martin '25

Brenda & William Johnson

Ethan Scott '31 Audrey Scott '33

Mary Ann & Corky Jones Reed Lawson '26

Cora & Charles Kimbrough
Eliza Tucker '27

Nancy Loeffel

Nate Loeffel '26 Luke Loeffel '28 Sophia Loeffel '31

Donna & Robert Madio

Vann Salomonson '30 Sasha Salomonson '31 Vincent Salomonson '31

Ann Maidment Grey Bozza '25

Sue & John Majzun Mason Prevost '26

Sue & Townsell Marshall Davis Marshall '25

Patty & Joe Martin Joseph Martin '25

Ginny Mateer Aubrey Irvine '30

Aubrey Irvine '30 Caroline Irvine '32

Charlotte McCloskey

Lily Lobree '26 Lena Lobree '29

Annette McIntosh
James McIntosh '27

Marcia & Charles McLarty
CJ Jacobs '27

Mary McWhorter Mason Prevost '26

Laine Jacobs '31

Catherine MeadorsAddison Reddington '32

Anne & James MeadowsEva Howard '22

Diane & Randy Mickler
Drew Mickler '23

Mason Mickler '27

Elise Howard '25

Sharon Milam Tommy Milam '23

Connie & David Moore Hannah Raines '31 Gracie Raines '34

Peggy & Jim Moore Ella Moore '27 Maggie Moore '28

Karen Munson Lily Joswick '26 Oz Joswick '28

Doris & Jim Nolan Lily Nolan '26

Grant Nolan '26

Susan Noland Harrison Mobley '26

Jan & Philip Odom Harrison Odom '27 Gianna Odom '28

Hannah Mobley '28

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the Year of the Female Athlete

On May 6, 2021, two MBCA seniors and their families were honored at the Upper School with an outdoor Signing Day Ceremony celebrating their commitments to continuing their athletic careers at the next level. Congratulations to Allie McCray, who will play tennis at the University of Missouri, and to Olivia Bechtel, who will continue her swimming career at Piedmont University. Additional congratulations are owed to Allie and Olivia for becoming MBCA's first female student athletes to go on to play collegiate sports, and for being the Academy's first swim and tennis athletes to play at the next level. Overall, they are MBCA's eleventh and twelfth student athletes to play collegiate sports. We are so proud of you, Allie and Olivia! Eagle Nation is cheering you on—always.

Not only are Allie and Olivia dedicated athletes, they are both model students who graduated with honors, and most importantly, they are young ladies who strive to follow Jesus with their whole heart.

-Bob Montague, Upper School Head

Allie and Olivia are true Mt. Bethel student athletes who embody the core beliefs of academic excellence and spiritual growth, and are life-long learners. While at Mt. Bethel, Allie and Olivia excelled in the classroom and on the playing surface. We are excited for the opportunities they both have to continue their academic and athletic careers at the collegiate level.

-Cal Boyd, Athletic Director

2021 also brought MBCA its first female State Champion! Congratulations to Hampton Gucky for persevering during what was certainly a challenging year for all student athletes. Hampton is the 2020-2021 GISA Class A 100M Backstroke State Champion! Hampton's long hours in the pool and incomparable work ethic earned her a time of 56.02 and some snazzy new jewelry. Hampton was surprised by Coach Boyd on the first day of her senior year with a ring presentation ceremony. We are excited to see what Hampton will accomplish in the pool for the 2021-2022 swim season!







Inaugural Eagle Open

The MBCA Athletic Association was overwhelmed by the support shown by the Mt. Bethel community for the first Annual Eagle Open Golf Tournament held October 26 at Indian Hills Country Club.

Thanks to the effort of our volunteers, we have been blessed with a tremendous show of support and a successful inaugural tournament. Thank you, all!

With a little more than just thirty days to identify a course, plan a tournament, and find participants and sponsors, there was concern that we had "bitten off more than we could chew," said Cal Boyd, Athletic Director, speaking to the challenges of event planning during a pandemic. "Thanks to the effort of our volunteers, led by Tournament Chair Gerard White, we have been blessed with a tremendous show of support and a successful inaugural tournament. Thank you, all!"

One hundred golfers, 16 sponsors, and a handful of volunteers took part in the inaugural event, which netted \$9,000 for the Athletic Association to support the Academy's student athletes. Plans were quickly made for a second event in 2021.

The Open was played in a scramble format, with fun opportunities to buy mulligans and even a chance to win a brand new Jeep Gladiator with a hole-in-one on hole #9. Sadly, no Eagles drove home in a new ride that day. Still, it was a perfect fall day of golf for a great cause. Go Eagles!





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Doing Good Together

Last April, the MBCA community participated in Parent Council's 2021 Spring Fling Virtual Auction: Do Good Together in support of the Academy. The funds raised from this annual event support facilities and programs for every student in JK-twelfth grades.

Leading the 2021 auction was Parent Council's Ways & Means Chairs Jill Cardinell and Allison Corcoran. They were supported by past Chairs Megan Becker and Gigi Fischer, and incoming Chair-Elect Lauren Cleveland. The tremendous amount of work that goes into producing this event each year is well hidden. Behind the scenes, these women pour everything they have into creating a successful experience that raises significant funds to make MBCA a better place for your children.

Get your merch' at The Perch! MBCA's

campus store, which opened in August

2020, is the official spot for all your P.E.

uniforms, chapel ties, and MBCA spirit

A school spirit store had long been a

ran a spirit pop-up shop featuring

wish-list item for the Academy. In 2018

and 2019, a core group of MBCA moms

t-shirts and sweatshirts, which paved

the way for the creation of The Perch

parent Ragan Weeks has taken on the

role of heading up The Perch with help

from a few more dedicated volunteers.

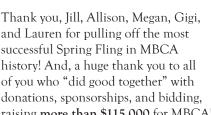
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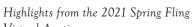
wear needs.

Thank you, Jill, Allison, Megan, Gigi, and Lauren for pulling off the most successful Spring Fling in MBCA history! And, a huge thank you to all of you who "did good together" with donations, sponsorships, and bidding, raising more than \$115,000 for MBCA!

Virtual Auction:

- 336 registered bidders placed 1,984 bids. Bidders included current parents, grandparents, alumni families, and a few friends outside of the Academy.
- The tuition freeze sold for \$23,500, a new record high!





- Teacher outings combined for more than \$22,000, with second grade's Braves outing leading the way at \$5,975.



"The response to The Perch is still super positive," said Ragan. The kids are so cute when they come in with their Perch Bucks." Perch Bucks are gift certificates given to lower and middle school students on their

Conveniently located next to DeVore Hall in the gymnasium building on the Lower & Middle Schools Campus, the Perch is open twice a week. Whether you are a current student, parent,



- Instabuy purchases such as the Wine Pull and Dress Down Days totaled \$7,125.
- MBCA experiences generated \$11,575. During the last weeks of the school year, special guests served as Principal for the Day, Safety Patrol officers, Eddie the Eagle, and more. The MBCA Social Media Takeover Experience led to a day of celebration for the Pets of MBCA Carpool. Rylie Fischer '29 and her friends did a great job handing out treats and capturing priceless photos from the pet-friendly carpool to share on the Academy's social media accounts.

Thank you to everyone who supported the 2021 Spring Fling! Woof!



alumni, or friend, The Perch has a wide variety of items to suit every need. Since the pop-up days, Perch merchandise has expanded to include socks, jackets, water bottles, jewelry, stuffed eagles, hats, pajamas, and limited uniform pieces.

"I'm always looking for inspiration," said Ragan. "The designs are collaborative, and my girls and I look around when we're at sporting events and traveling to see what would be a good fit for The Perch."

You may reach The Perch at mbcaperch@mtbethelchristian.org.



Along with so many other things, lunch service at the Academy's two campuses was modified in 2020-2021 to guard against the spread of germs and to minimize gatherings.

At the Upper School, an additional lunch period was added and some chairs were removed from the tables so that fewer students could congregate at a time in the cafeteria. Outdoor eating at the picnic tables was encouraged, and ChefAdvantage, the vendor used to provide onsite dining services to the Upper School students and faculty, added employees to serve the food to students instead of the self-serve method used previously.

At the Lower & Middle Schools Campus, students were fed a pre-selected meal in their classrooms each day. Cathy Cunha, Director of Food Service at Mt. Bethel UMC, oversaw the massive production of preparing

and delivering almost 500 individuallyboxed meals to the Academy.

"In July, we started with ZOOM meetings," said Cathy, who credited the technology team at the Church with bringing to life her vision for the electronic forms parents needed to fill out each month with their student's lunch selections. "We were skeptical. It was all trial and error, but eventually we developed best practices."

In addition to a daily hot lunch and cold sandwich offering, Cathy and her team developed a menu with salads, dairy-free, and gluten-free offerings. And, to feed Academy and Church staff, they created about 40 boxed salad, sandwich, rice bowl, and wrap offerings each day, plus a hot soup every Tuesday.

"That was so much fun," said Cathy. "Nancy Neal and I would come in every morning at 5:30 to design

and build those box lunches." Helping Cathy each day were employees Nancy Neal, Lorena Martinez, Eduardo Castillo, and volunteers Barbara Lester and Donnis Hoekstra.

"They are wonderful people, they love the kids, do anything asked of them at a moment's notice, and are just great to work with," said Cathy. "I am so proud to call them my staff." Once the meals were prepared and packaged, Academy employees Tricia Briggs and Heather Wise, with assistance from MB Recreation's Brian Bergius, delivered them to the classrooms. The maintenance team worked quickly to clear the trash once lunch was over.

"We've all learned so much about flexibility and gratitude. Many parents reached out to thank us, and everyone all the way down the line was just fantastic," said Cathy. "But we're so excited to see the kids again this year!"



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Annual Fund dollars provide the critical, unrestricted funds that afford MBCA the opportunity to do more for our students. Gifts of all sizes are celebrated and appreciated.

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Recognizing the dedication of the Heads of School who have fearlessly guided MBCA since 1998.

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Honoring the brave students and their families who faithfully embraced the Academy's mission and enrolled as its first Kindergarten class in August 1998.

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recognizes students who have earned all As for the year in all academic subjects.

Lower School Honor Roll

recognizes students who have earned all As and no more than four Bs for the year in all academic subjects.



Student Recognition 2020-2021

Lower School

4th Grade **Principal's Honor Roll**

Gabbie Bozzelli Colleen Burda Ella Cofield Jackson Connelly Laurel Edwards Harper Essarv Anna Hamilton Mya Hua Lena Lobree Miller Mannino **Audrey Nour** Janie Oliver Leighton Seaborn

Amelia Walstad

4th Grade **Honor Roll**

Madelaine Davenport Sean Greene William Haas Henry Hackett **Brandon Hewett Gavin Hewett Griffin Lemming** Brianna Montoban Prince Silva

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5th Grade **Honor Roll**

Henry Alarcon Lindsay Builder Mollie Chapman Coleman Ford Eliza Garrett Adam Hamilton Madeline Hunt Luke Loeffel Hannah Mobley Ogana Okwumabua Audrey Treadwell Reagan Turner **Austin Yates**

Middle School

6th Grade Principal's **Honor Roll**

Laina Abernethy Anna Katherine Bailey Joey Campbell Isabella Crowe Megan Czohara Thomas Downing Anne Gregory Herren Caden Howell

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6th Grade Honor Roll cont'd

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8th Grade **Honor Roll**

Julia Acker

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Middle School Student of the Year **Evie** Hanover '25

Our Student of the Year is presented to the 8th grade student who exemplifies the highest standards of excellence in spirituality, athletics, fine arts, leadership, and academics and is chosen by the middle school faculty each year.

National Honor Society

NHS elevates the school's commitment to the values of **scholarship**, **service**, **leadership**, **and character**.

National Honor Society Pledge

I pledge to uphold the high purposes of the National Honor Society to which I have been selected; I will be true to the principles for which it stands; I will be loyal to my school; and will maintain and encourage high standards of scholarship, leadership, service, and character.

Current Members

Elisa Burba '21 Elizabeth Ebhogiaye '21 Madison Gant '21 Briley Holder '21 Emily Johnston '21 Amanda Lako '21 Alex Latimore '21 Dillan Lott '21 Alexandra McCray '21 Charlotte Morgan '21 Nina Petiot '21 Marigny Risey '21 Kush Sharma '21 Thomas Sharpless '21 Patrick Villarreal '21

2020-2021 Inductees

Emma Acker '22 Samuel Alarcon '21 Parker Champagne '22 Joshua Daniels '22 Hampton Gucky '22 Tucker Hirzel '21 Emily Lanxton '21 Miranda Many '21 Sana Montague '22 Jennings Ray '22

National Junior Honor Society

NJHS is a national organization established to recognize outstanding middle school students. NJHS honors students who demonstrate excellence in the areas of scholarship, leadership, service, character, and citizenship. Seventh and eighth-grade students attaining a 95.5% average in core academic, year-long classes are eligible.



Current Members Class of 2025

Julia Acker
William Arnold
Will Bennett
Grey Bozza
Sophie Brubaker
Matthew Chang
Joyce Cho
Abby Cofield
Gavin Czohara

Addie Daughtry
Mattox Gendron
Sarah Gentry
Evie Hanover
Shelby Harris
Elise Howard
Lauren Howell
Katelyn Hua
Davis Marshall
Anna Mullis

Mack Papenhagen
Nancy Clare Parsons
Roman Pumpelly
Luke Rogers
Keira Smyth Gravina
Dutch Turner
Anna Vicknair
Colin Waigand
Ethan Zhang

New Inductees Class of 2026

Valerie Bradford Sarah Decker Grace Detling Maddie Geshay Mary Kate Greene

Andrea Krohnert Jack Lillis Nate Loeffel LJ Montoban Grant Nolan Luke Ritchie Gabby Siemon Nathan Sparks Jackson Sparrow Jack Stefan Matthew Trent

Upper School Honor Roll

2020-2021

Head's List

To be recognized, students must have an overall average, computed using weighted grades, of 96 or higher with all unweighted grades of 90 or higher. Additionally, students must have letter grades that are all above A-.

Class of 2024

Eva Burba Trent Holder Hannah Leerssen Olivia O'Connor Reya Roshan

Class of 2023

Dawson Kelani Ava Slimp Chase Stewart Jackson Zerbe

Class of 2022

Parker Champagne Josh Daniels Sana Montague

Class of 2021 Olivia Bechtel

Elisa Burba
Elizabeth Ebhogiaye
Madison Gant
Drew Horton
Emily Johnston

Alex Latimore
Miranda Many
Emmie McCoy
Allie McCray
Charlotte Morgan
Cristina Puy Arena
Savannah Schilling
Kush Sharma
Thomas Sharpless
Patrick Villareal

Faculty List

To be recognized, students must have an overall average, computed using weighted grades, of 90 or higher, with all unweighted grades of 85 or higher. Additionally, students must have no letter grades below a B.

Claire Nichols

Kasper Nielsen

Colette Pearson

Ava Slimp

Class of 2024

Ellie Alarcon Robert Babcock, IV Lindsey Kim Nicole Luong Olivia O'Connor

Class of 2023

Mayson Drinkard Amelia Ferrick Matthew Frazee Andrew Gaines Clark Gandy Kelley Keith Baker McDaniel Christian Villarreal Jackson Zerbe

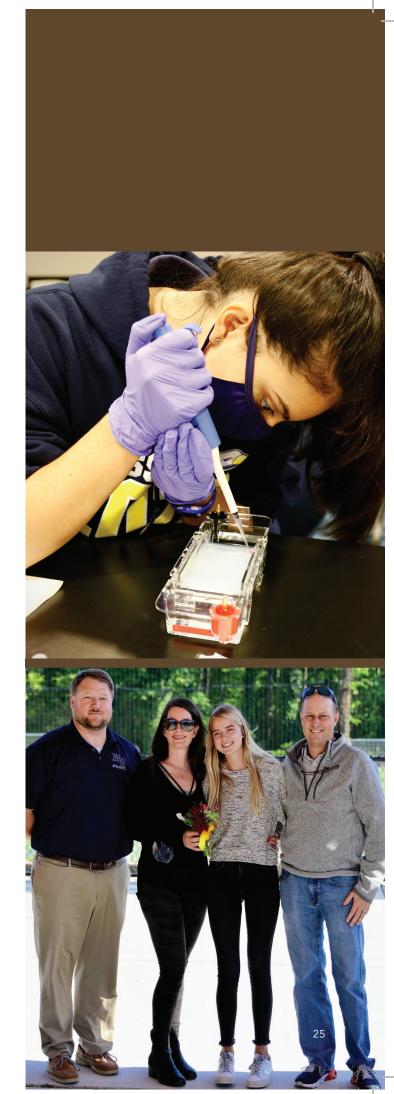
Class of 2022

Emma Acker Morgann Fay Hartley Kramer

Class of 2021

Samuel Alarcon Grace Corya Elizabeth Ebhogiaye Emily Johnston
Caroline Jordan
Amanda Lako
Alex Latimore
Dillan Lott
Emmie McCoy
Kate Montgomery
Charlotte Morgan
Lucy Rickers
Savannah Schilling
Thomas Sharpless
Ethan Spell
Maddie Walker
Gavin Zielke

Tucker Hirzel



Class of

MBCA graduates from the past

The class of 2021 had a 100% college acceptance rate, and were offered various academic. scholarships totaling \$6.7 million, not counting the HOPE Scholarship. The 45 members of the class of 2021 were offered an average of \$150,000 scholarship dollars each.

four years have been accepted into prestigious colleges, universities, honors colleges, and programs athletic, and achievement across the country. Congratulations to Elisa Burba, Valedictorian, Patrick Villareal.

Salutatorian, and Samuel Alarcon, Randy Mickler Award recipient.

College Selections 2021

Samuel Alarcon

Georgia College

Olivia Bechtel

Piedmont University

Elisa Burba

University of Iowa

Jacob Carter

Chattahoochee Technical College

Grace Corya

Western Kentucky University

Christian Davies

Georgia College

Liam Doyle

University of Alabama

Elizabeth Ebhogiaye

Vanderbilt University

Jake Frazee

Georgia College

Madison Gant

Merrimack College

Tucker Hirzel Denison University

Brilev Holder Auburn University

Drew Horton College of Charleston

> **Emily Johnston** Georgia College

Caroline Jordan

College of Charleston

Michael Keane

Kennesaw State University

Amanda Lako

Samford University

Alex Langford

Morehouse College

Emily Lanxton

Auburn University

Alex Latimore

University of Georgia

Dillan Lott

Georgia College

Miranda Many

Berry College

Emmie McCoy

Berry College

Allie McCray

University of Missouri

Abbie McCrorie

Kennesaw State University

Blythe Mitchell

Belmont University

Kate Montgomery

Florida State University—Panama City

Charlotte Morgan

Clemson University

Kristen Mosley

Lipscomb University

Andrew Nichols

Samford University







Nina Petiot

Georgia Southern University

Cristina Puv Arena

Kennesaw State University

Lucy Rickers

The World Race—Gap Year

Marigny Risey

University of Georgia

Cody Rush

University of Alabama

Savannah Schilling

Savannah College of Art and Design

Kush Sharma

Kennesaw State University

Thomas Sharpless

Georgia Institute of Technology

Georgia Institute of Technology

Ethan Spell

Georgia College

Patrick Villarreal

Maddie Walker

Mercer University

Elizabeth Warlick

University of Mississippi

Avery Williams

Georgia Southern University

Hillary Zetrenne Berry College

Gavin Zielke Berry College

Overall Acceptances

University of Alabama at Birmingham

The University of Alabama Appalachian State University **Armstrong State University Auburn University**

Babson College **Belmont University**

Berry College Birmingham Southern College

College of Charleston

Christopher Newport University Clemson University

Colorado School of Mines **Denison University**

University of Denver **Eckerd College**

Elon University

Embry-Riddle

Georgia College

Aeronautical University **Emory University** Flagler College Florida Southern College Florida State University Georgetown University

Georgia Institute of Technology Georgia Southern University Georgia State University University of Georgia **High Point University** University of Iowa Kennesaw State University University of Kentucky LaGrange College Lee University Lipscomb University Louisiana State University Mercer University Merrimack College Mississippi State University University of Mississippi Missouri University of Science and Technology

University of Missouri Morehouse College Muhlenberg College North Carolina State University Norwich University University of North Georgia

Piedmont University

Purdue University

University of Pittsburgh

Queens University of Charlotte Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Rhodes College Rice University Rochester Institute of Technology *Samford University *Savannah College of Art

and Design Seton Hall University University of South Carolina Spelman College

Stevens Institute of Technology The University of Tampa

Tennessee Technological University

The University of Tennessee **Tulane University**

*Vanderbilt University Virginia Tech

Wake Forest University

Wentworth Institute of Technology

Western Carolina University *Western Kentucky University College of William and Mary

Wingate University Young Harris College





Congratulations to our Alumni Brides & Grooms



Andrew ('11) & Erin Duncan



Martin & Stephanie (Burkholder '05) Fisher



Ty Hornbuckle & Emily Ann Galloway ('08)



Alex & Chanan (Slay '08) Gilbert



Will and Brooke (DeVore '07) Heaton



Fred & Jessica (Holder '07) Hohman



Michael ('10) and Anna Holder



Brennan ('08)& Hannah-Kate (Gosch '08) Kelly



Will & Addy (DeVore '09) King



Corey & Taylor (Johnson '07) Koogler



Hannah (Dollinger '09) Nichols



Jonathan & Caterina (Rossie '13) Obenauf



Ansley (Brown '10) Propst



Michael & Sarah (Armitage '07) Stokes



Jack & Holly (Richards '07) Stokes



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