



The Tree House Episcopal Montessori School  
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Dear Tree House Family:

We're reaching out today on behalf of The Tree House Episcopal Montessori School for donations to our 2020-2021 Annual Fund.

Open since the Fall of 2010, The Tree House is dedicated to fostering the academic and spiritual development of each and every child in our care. The need for affordable early childhood education opportunities in our area has never been greater. Walton County is the 6th fastest growing county in the nation and the Tree House's goal is to ensure that no child is turned away due to financial hardship.

The school currently serves approximately 57 students ages 18 months through kindergarten in three classrooms. When our new school building opens in March of this year, we will be able to serve approximately 75 students in four classrooms. The new 6,939 sq. ft. building will feature a Chapel, library, art studio, teacher's lounge, and other enhanced amenities.

Historically, we rely on fundraising events, such as our Beachside Bonfire Bash and Artful Night, to provide scholarship opportunities to our students and their families. During the 2019-2020 school year these events raised approximately \$27,500 combined. Due to the ongoing pandemic, and in the interest of keeping our students and families safe, we have not been able to hold our in-person fundraisers this school year. For this reason, we are contacting you directly to encourage your financial support.

To date we have raised \$3,388.87 through our various mini-fundraisers that include the coin drive, Christmas wreath sales and other small ongoing fundraisers. We have also received \$8,050.00 through generous donations from current and alumni families. As we begin the new semester, we're working to secure the remaining funding to help us meet our goal of \$60,000 for the 2020-2021 Annual Fund.

Attached you will find detailed information with the 2020-2021 Tree House Annual Fund goal components. We have also provided information regarding the current Christ the King Capital Giving Campaign - Rooted + Grounded in Love. One major component of this campaign is to raise funds to eliminate the line of credit for the new school building. A second component is to assist in building a natural and eco-friendly new playground for our students to enjoy.

Please consider a monetary donation to both efforts for the continued success of our school. As you know, tuition alone does not cover the cost of education. The Tree House continues to provide quality education, a safe and nurturing environment and exceptional care for all students. Your gift will help support student scholarships and the financial aid program, curriculum enrichment and professional development for our staff.

If you're interested in making a donation, please make checks payable to: The Tree House Episcopal Montessori School by **June 29, 2021**.

We wish to thank you in advance for your support! Every donation, no matter the size, takes us one step closer to achieving our goals.

Sincerely,

*Summer Stough*  
Head of School

*Mighty Oaks Parent Board*

Katie Robinson, President; Jamie Lynn, Vice President; Sarah Armistead, Treasurer;  
Candace Vlahos, Secretary and Jessica Standley, Parent Representative



### **2020-2021 Tree House Annual Fund**

Our 2020-2021 goal is as follows:

\$25,000	Student Scholarships/Financial Aid *\$3,388.87 raised through fundraisers to date *\$2,050 received in donations to date
\$10,000	Teacher Development and Continuing Education *\$1,000 received in donations to date
\$25,000	New School Building [Furniture, Materials and Supplies] *\$500 received in donations to date
\$60,000	Total funds to be raised before the end of the 2021 school year

### **The Tree House Episcopal Montessori School Annual Levels of Giving**

Unless anonymity is requested, our donors will be recognized on the Tree House website and updated as necessary. Donors will also be acknowledged with signage in the new school building.



## **DONATION LEVELS**

### **Champion**

\$15,000+

### **Partner**

\$5,000 - \$14,999

### **Patron**

\$1,000 - \$4,999

### **Supporter**

\$500 - \$999

### **Friend**

\$100 - \$499

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**Christ the King Episcopal Church Capital Giving Campaign - Rooted + Grounded in Love**

The Capital Giving Campaign Components include:

\$320,000	Eliminate the line of credit for the new school building
\$30,000	New Playground *\$4,500 received in donations to date

The Tree House Episcopal Montessori School is an outreach ministry provided by Christ The King Episcopal Church and a member of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast, Inc., so your donation may be tax deductible. The Tree House EIN #: 82-1441558.