

2014-15 Goal for Campaign: \$80,000

100% participation in our community

Long term goal: Fill our classrooms



Frequently asked questions:

- *Why is there a gap between tuition and operational costs?*

GHA runs a lean mean machine. However, to maintain 1 to 14 class ratios, specialists programs in Spanish, technology, a full music program, and art, the actual tuition would have to increase to a rate that would deprive our community of many of our families. It would also keep us from being competitive with other schools (who run as we do with supplementary fundraising through annual fund campaigns, auctions and more). So, the annual fund provides a vehicle for families to pay what they can to cover the gap and engage our extended families to help, while providing the potential of a tax deduction.

- *What does the annual fund pay for and what year does it fund?*

Annual fund pays for THIS YEAR's field trips, art supplies, library needs, technology, musical productions, classroom supplies, and special programs, as well as books, heat, maintenance, and more.

- *How are we making it easier to give?*

This year we have more advanced tools available both online and through our staff. You may still write a check out to Gig Harbor Academy and turn it in with the pledge card by mail in the pre-addressed envelope enclosed; you may call our office at 253.265.2150; or you may go to our website at www.gigharboracademy.org. There you will see the 'Tell our Story' logo, click on it to get to the Annual Fund giving page.

These vehicles give you the option of paying in full now, setting up payments (with cash installments or credit card), or enrolling for monthly or quarterly recurring payments either sustainably or for a limited duration. Please look at your giving potential. Give as much as you can. Whether it be for \$5,000 or \$5, your contribution will help. As an additional bonus, if we balance our budget with this Annual Fund, we have the potential of funding an exciting project for the school from this year's Spring Auction.

If you have any questions about methods of payment, installments, a special donation you would like to give, or anything else, please call the GHA office during school hours at 253.265.2150, or email us at admissions@gigharboracademy.org. If you see staff members, the Head of School, or me on campus, feel free to inquire with any of us. Of course, you may email me personally at julie@duganfoundation.org.