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## MISSION:

Legacy Christian Academy develops strong leaders with biblical convictions who are equipped to succeed in college and beyond.

We accomplish this mission through a balanced approach that honors and upholds:

- > CHALLENGING ACADEMICS
- > ROBUST FINE ARTS
- > COMPETITIVE ATHLETICS
- > POSITIVE MENTORING RELATIONSHIPS
- > COVENANT PARTNERSHIPS WITH CHRISTIAN FAMILIES

## VISION:

Legacy Christian Academy will be the school of choice for committed Christian families in North Texas who desire the best Christ-centered education for their children.



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## DEAR LEGACY FAMILY,

These are exciting times at Legacy Christian Academy. Celebrating our 20th anniversary since we first opened our doors, we honor and embrace the legacy of faith, service and sacrifice established by our founders two decades ago. Indeed, the vision of those founding families remains as true today as it was in 1999 – that LCA is and would always be the school of choice for committed Christian families in North Texas who desire the best Christ-centered education for their children.

It has been a privilege for Leanne and me to be a part of the Legacy community for eleven years – forming deep, lifelong relationships for ourselves and also for our children. We have been blessed to have had our daughter graduate – Abbi, Class of 2017 – and two boys currently in the Upper School – Jonathan, Class of 2020 and Matt, Class of 2022. During these years, we have experienced first-hand what LCA does the very best – through meaningful personal relationships LCA inspires and equips curious, confident, service-minded followers of Christ who are well grounded in their faith and academically prepared to excel in college – and beyond. Indeed, this solid foundation upon which Legacy Christian Academy was established has never wavered, and is at the core of the robust and dynamic Christ-centered institution we are today.

This Annual Report on Philanthropy seeks to recognize and celebrate those who have helped Legacy along the way, and have played an integral role in LCA's continued success and development. We, the Board of Trustees, realize that nothing LCA does would be possible without the generosity and spirit of our Legacy families, grandparents, and friends – supporters who give joyously and generously to Legacy Christian Academy through annual and capital giving and in a myriad of other

ways. This continued show of support affords the Board great momentum and encouragement as we continue to pursue the key priorities outlined in our Strategic Plan.

Legacy Christian Academy is thriving and the opportunities for new and enhanced programs abound. As long as we remain true to our mission – and our trustees, Head of School, faculty, and staff are all deeply committed to that mission, I am confident that Legacy Christian Academy will continue to flourish as we move forward.

In closing I simply wish to say *thank you*. It is your support – your philanthropic support, your enthusiasm for our mission, your heart for the Lord's work at LCA, and your commitment to our students and to their education – that makes all of this possible. For this we are truly indebted, and very grateful.

Sincerely,



Brad Brenneman  
Chairman, Board of Trustees



# FAST FACTS *About Legacy Christian Academy*

## Enrollment

1,025  
STUDENTS

IN GRADES Pre-K3-12

STUDENTS LIVE IN  
20 CITIES

3

COUNTIES

35

ZIP CODES

564

ALUMNI

## Diversity

22% RACIAL/ETHNIC DIVERSITY

13% OF STUDENTS  
RECEIVE FINANCIAL AID

TOTALING OVER \$1.4 MILLION

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## Faith Affiliation

FAMILIES ATTEND OVER 100 DIFFERENT CHURCHES.

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## Accreditations and Certification

Dually accredited by the Southern Association of Independent Schools (SAIS) and Cognia (formerly the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools).

One of only 31 schools to be recognized as Members of Council in the Council of Educational Standards and Accountability.

Lower School selected as a 2016 National Blue Ribbon Exemplary High Performing School, one of only 50 private schools in the nation to earn this prestigious award.

Upper School selected as a 2017 National Blue Ribbon Exemplary High Performing School, one of only 2 private schools in Texas that are currently recognized.



## Class of 2019

TOTAL SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT  
FOR THE CLASS OF 2019

OVER \$5 MILLION

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## Fine Arts Achievements

MARCHING BAND  
TPSMEA 8-TIME STATE CHAMPIONS  
CELEBRATING ART ALL-TIME  
#1 ART STUDIO IN TEXAS

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## Athletics Achievements

IN 2018-2019

37 ATHLETIC TEAMS  
10 ALL-STATE ATHLETES  
38 ACADEMIC ALL-STATE ATHLETES  
BOY'S BASKETBALL / GIRL'S LONG JUMP  
TAPPS 5A STATE CHAMPS

## Facilities

28-ACRE CAMPUS

600 SEAT STATE-OF-THE-ART  
PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

3 ART STUDIOS, BAND AND CHOIR  
ROOMS, REHEARSAL ROOMS,  
DIGITAL ARTS CLASSROOM

3 LIBRARIES,  
AND A STUDENT COMMONS

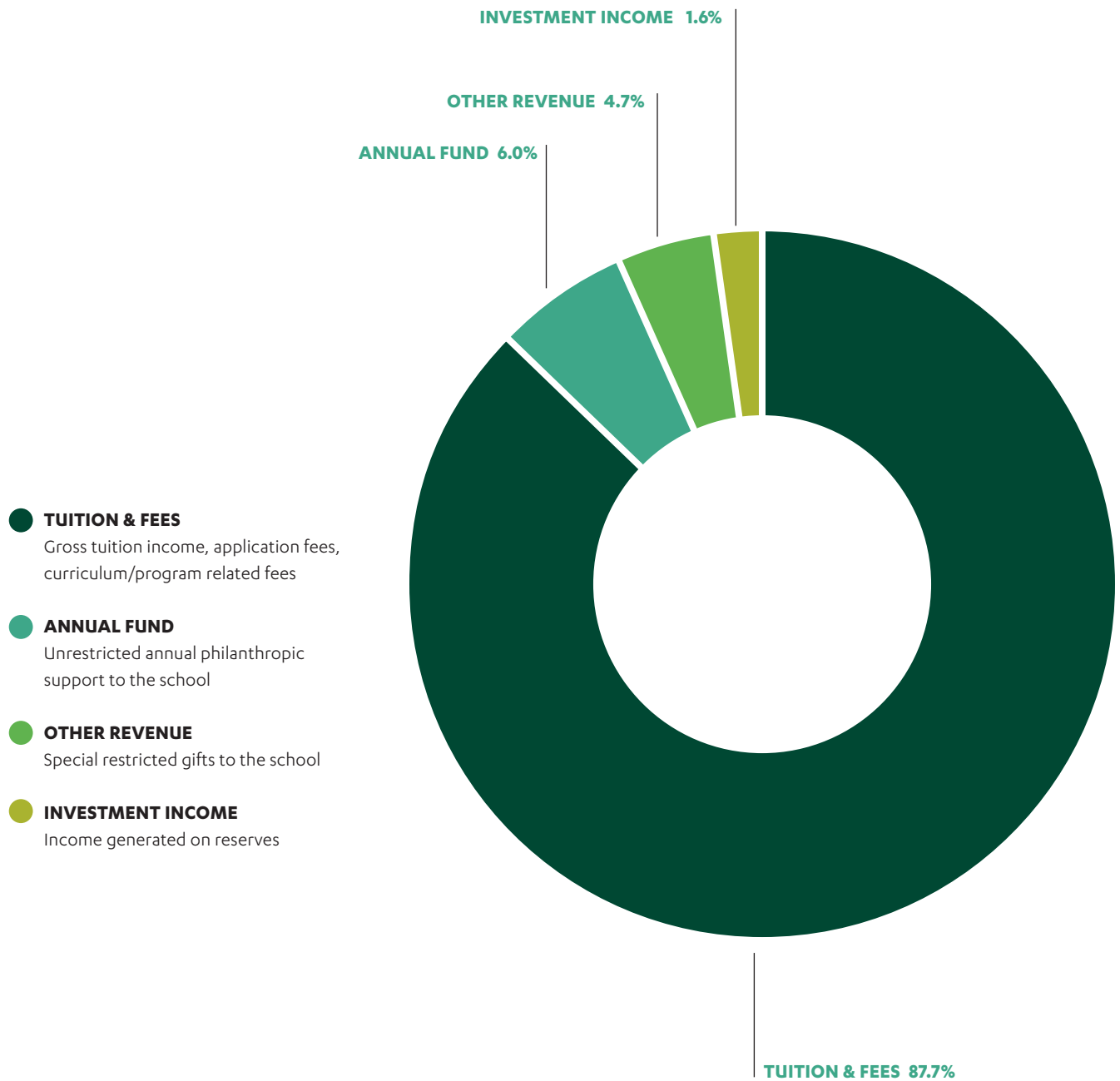
6 SCIENCE LABS

OVER 200 IPADS,  
365 CHROME BOOKS

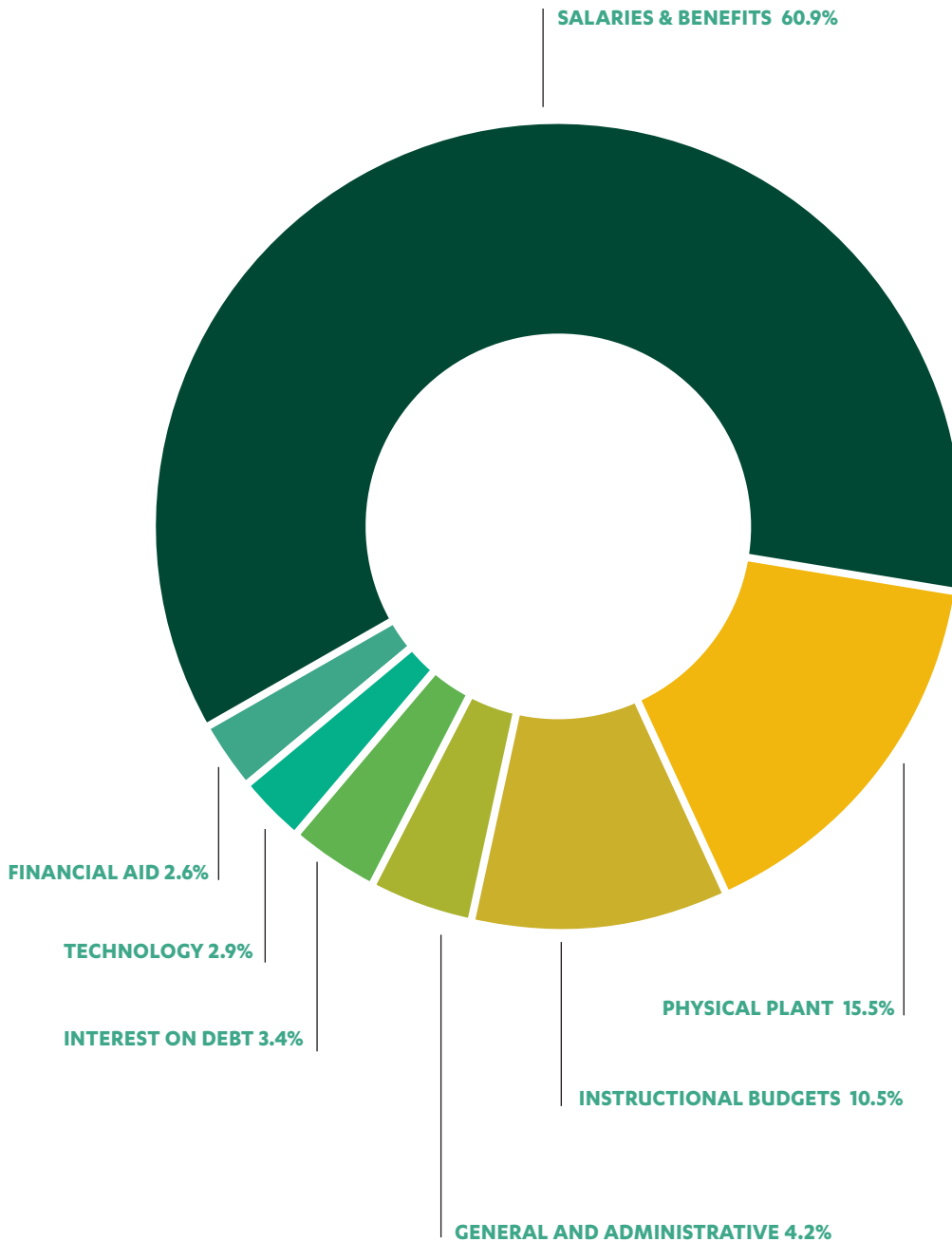
200,328 SQUARE FEET UNDER ROOF



# REVENUES



# EXPENSES



- **SALARIES & BENEFITS**  
 Salaries and benefits for all LCA employees
- **PHYSICAL PLANT**  
 Buildings and grounds, capital expenses, depreciation, repairs and maintenance, utilities, and vehicle expenses
- **INSTRUCTIONAL BUDGETS**  
 All academic and co-curricular department and division expenses, athletics, fine arts, the library, college counseling and advising
- **GENERAL & ADMINISTRATIVE**  
 Head of School's office, insurance, development, admissions, marketing and communications, publication expenses, supplies, postage, and other school administrative costs
- **FINANCIAL AID**  
 Need-based financial aid
- **TECHNOLOGY**  
 Technology equipment, software and hardware license renewals
- **INTEREST ON DEBT**  
 Interest expense on all debt service



The Hutchinson Family: Chuck, Grant '16, Garrett '20, & Lisa.





## DEAR FELLOW EAGLES,

Anniversaries always invite reflection. As we look back, it was this time last year that we were charged with the lofty dream of raising a million dollars for our school. “All in” was the mentality that brought that dream to reality! We continue to be “all in” as we are truly a family at this school. We are grateful to stand beside countless others who have a profound passion for teaching our children the wonders of the Lord through all of the programs at Legacy. Thank you for your tremendous generosity to our school. Thank you for continuing to build a strong community with your wholehearted and enthusiastic participation- it truly sets Legacy apart.

Proverbs 20:5 tells us “The purposes of a person’s heart are deep waters, but the one who has insight draws them out.” God most certainly longs to influence the purposes of our hearts, and for that reason each of us is called to make a significant impact in God’s Kingdom in our time here on earth. The question we all ask ourselves is “How best can we honor that calling to use our resources?” Our family firmly believes that while it is crucial to bring the good news of Jesus to our community and to the world as a whole, we must also adhere to the command in Deuteronomy 6:6-7 to teach our children diligently in the ways of God so that future generations may glorify His name and walk as true disciples for Christ.


In our time here at Legacy, we have seen that commandment in Deuteronomy extended beyond our home and into our sons’ daily lives at Legacy. In every class and in every activity, our children have learned to speak openly of the goodness of Jesus. They have been strengthened in their faith by a long list of incredible teachers and coaches that have encouraged and guided them daily. As our younger son enters his senior year and his time in the halls of LCA draws to a close, we will forever be grateful for the way Legacy trains up thousands of children in

the way they should go. Bearing witness to this, we will always be deeply convicted in our hearts to support God’s mission in Christian education.

As we celebrate the 20th anniversary of the founding of our school, our prayer is that each of us would do some soul-searching on our purpose and continue to respond to our calling to make disciples for Christ. As we reflect, we joyfully celebrate the incredible giving milestone to which you so generously responded.

May God bless each of your families and may God continue to make his face shine upon our remarkable school.

In Christ,



Chuck and Lisa Hutchinson

*Annual Fund Chairs 2018-2019*





FUTURE CLASS OF  
**2032**

2019-2020





## ANNUAL FUND CELEBRATION

# Thanks A Million

AS WE CELEBRATE 20 YEARS OF EXCELLENCE, LCA HAS 1 MILLION REASONS TO BE THANKFUL!

## LEGACY IS THRIVING.

We are enjoying unprecedented success in every arena of school life — academics, athletics, fine and performing arts, curriculum innovation, and student discipleship. We have assembled an outstanding team of teachers, coaches, and leaders who are dedicated to building a school of excellence that reflects the glory of God. Our faithful parents, grandparents, alumni, parents of alumni,

and other friends are supporting the school like never before, contributing over \$1 million to the 2018-19 Annual Fund to enhance programs, improve facilities, and advance the school's mission. Clearly, LCA's mission, vision, and values are compelling today just as they were in 1999.

The Annual Fund provides critical support that benefits every member of the LCA

community — especially our dedicated faculty and talented students who learn from them. Your generosity allows us to reach a level of excellence in our curriculum, programs, and facilities that we would not attain without your support. Your gifts to the LCA Annual Fund enhance our programs, support our faculty, and sustain the many co-curricular activities that are integral to a vibrant student life.



# ANNUAL FUND ENHANCEMENTS

## PEOPLE

### Tuition Assistance:

Students from various socio-economic backgrounds were able to benefit from a Christian education.

#### (TESTIMONY)

*We feel so blessed to have received this help as LCA is the perfect place for our son. He is flourishing under the amazing educators at the school! We love that when he comes home from school we are able to build on to what he is learning at LCA, unlike his public school where we felt we were constantly having to reteach Christian values each week.*

*This opportunity has been great for the entire family. We have all become very involved in the prayer groups, bible studies, PTF, Watch D.O.G.S., and wherever help is needed. Through this, we experienced true community, having met great people that we now consider close friends. We fully support the mission of LCA, and just want to say THANK YOU to all involved for this gift. We are so grateful and appreciative! We are excited to see how God will use us again this year at LCA!*



### Christmas Blessing:

Every LCA employee received a special Christmas bonus.

### Benevolence:

Families experiencing unexpected financial hardship received the help they needed to keep their children at LCA.

#### (TESTIMONY)

*My family's life was turned upside down on March 30, 2019 when my wife and I were involved in a horrible car accident while we were vacationing. My wife was unable to return home from the time of our accident until July 3. As a result of legal battles and insurance claims, which could take years to settle, all of our medical bills are pending. Meanwhile bill collectors are beginning to knock for payments, adding immense stress and unnecessary strain on my family on top of all the other stuff we're experiencing. Prior to this happening we were in a financial position to consider private school tuition, and that was our plan for this school year, but all that changed with the accident. Yet, in all of this sadness and craziness, God has NEVER once turned His back on us. He's come through and delivered EVERYTHING we've needed. I have seen so much change in my family's faith and love for each other, and most importantly, each of our relationships with our Lord and Savior. The more we've leaned "not on our own understanding" but God's...the more we experience peace in the eye of the storm. Having God as a part of our school community is why LCA is so important to me and my family, and why we are grateful for the assistance of the benevolence fund to help keep us at LCA!*

### Security Personnel

Added a second full-time security officer to ensure presence on both campuses.

## FACULTY DEVELOPMENT

### Faculty Development Fund Established:

An anonymous donor contributed \$150,000 to establish the Faculty Development Fund, LCA's first ever quasi-endowment, whose purpose is two-fold. First, the fund provides the resources necessary to attract and retain the best teachers, coaches, and administrators possible through salary enhancements, performance bonuses, and expanded benefits. Second, the fund enhances the school's professional development budget, enabling teachers to pursue special professional growth opportunities that they might not otherwise be able to afford. We believe that investing in our faculty and staff is the single most important thing we can do to ensure that our students receive the best Christ-centered education possible.



### Biblical Worldview Training Launched:

Thanks to another anonymous donor, we launched a new professional development program designed to deepen our teachers' understanding of a biblical worldview and assist them in developing instructional strategies to help students discover ultimate reality (or God's Truth) through the lens of our Christian faith. Our resident Bible scholar, **Dustin Messer** (Th.D. candidate -Doctor of Theology, pictured above), has developed a year-long biblical worldview training program that is attended by our entire instructional staff during scheduled in-service days throughout the year.

## PROGRAMS

### Arts:

Upgraded Upper and Middle School band instruments to improve instrument quality and inventory.

### Academics:

- Renewed iPad investment for 3rd - 6th graders to support improved literacy and mathematics growth, as well as to increase creativity and engagement.
- Expanded Early Education and Lower School guided reading library to strengthen students' reading comprehension skills

### Athletics:

Purchased new weight room equipment to ensure athletes have the equipment and space necessary to properly train.

## PLANT

### Campus Security:

- Expanded South Campus camera coverage to increase monitoring capability.
- Created a South Campus security area to allow for cross-campus monitoring.

### Campus Enhancements:

- Updated Early Education and Lower School science lab to provide state-of-the-art experiences to better prepare students for the ever-increasing demand for STEM careers.
- Designed and branded the South Campus 2nd floor to give Middle School students a dedicated space to learn and grow.
- Remodeled the South Campus reception area to enhance security and create a warm and welcoming area for guests.





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Balance  
Unity  
Movement



# THROUGHOUT LEGACY'S 20 YEARS THERE HAS BEEN ONE CONSTANT: Mrs. Lin Mayberry.

While her roles and positions at LCA have varied, her dedication to and influence with her students and their families, as well as her colleagues and friends, has not. Mrs. Mayberry stands as a testament to the love and faithfulness to which we should all aspire.

In 1999 Lin Turner (at the time) was a third grade teacher at a local private school when she received a call from recently named Founding Head of School, Mrs. Jody Capehart. “She was the first person I talked to when we knew we were starting LCA,” recalled Jody. Lin and Jody already enjoyed a great rapport and mutual admiration, having worked together at three different schools. Their relationship dated back to Lin’s first year of teaching when Jody’s son Christopher



was a student in her fifth grade class and Jody served as Lin’s room mom.

Lin’s response was simple and genuine, “I’m going with you,” and together they set up shop in the second floor of the Abbey Grille, a now defunct restaurant in downtown Frisco at the corner of 7th and Main Street, that served as the school’s summer home. Lin fondly remembers welcoming prospective families into the Abbey’s small office that also housed a bathtub. “To many



## MRS. LIN MAYBERRY

the bathtub may seem an eyesore, but it dutifully served its purpose,” shared Jody. As some of Legacy’s first families were interviewed, the kids were happily tucked into the bathtub, reading books and playing. It was a charming addition and perpetuated a sense of tenderness and trust that has remained a cornerstone at Legacy.

Legacy first opened its doors to students in the fall of 1999 inside Frisco Bible Church. As she often does, Lin humorously quipped, “We were the ‘cows and corn’ school.” Frisco Bible Church, still in its present location, was then entirely surrounded by fields. As the students walked down one hallway, they would look out the window and see corn fields. Down the other hallway, you guessed it; cows. The students naturally gave them the moniker the “Corn Hall” and the “Cow Hall.” Indeed, Lin has seen marked changes in Legacy during her tenure, from the “cows and corn” school to a sprawling 28-acre campus with state-of-the-art facilities. Lin has been along for the ride every step of the way.

In her twenty year career at Legacy, Lin has worn many hats. Initially, Lin served as principal and Latin teacher. She welcomed the move from the classroom to administration because, while she believed that she was a teacher at heart, she felt that gaining experience as a principal would make her a better teacher. Lin was outside everyday working the carlines at both Frisco Bible Church and the subsequent expansion to Parkway Hills Baptist Church in year two. In 2002, when Legacy moved to its current location, Lin made her own move - back into the classroom to teach third grade. Embracing the ability to dig deeply into different subjects, she created an elaborate three-dimensional Reformation timeline and transformed her classroom into a castle. To this day, LCA veterans point to Lin’s room as the model by which classrooms should be measured.

While she adored teaching third grade, in 2006 Lin gratefully accepted an invitation to join the art department, first in Lower School and then in Middle School. In each school, she once again



found the ability to inspire and impact both her students and fellow colleagues. For Lin, teaching art has been a calling, the fulfillment of her birthright. Art is truly in her blood, as her father was an artist and she herself has a degree in art and had plans to become a commercial artist before she discovered her destiny in teaching.

Mrs. Pam Dyer, who has taught art with Lin for twelve years, describes her as an incredibly dedicated person who does everything with excellence. “She knows that art is the vessel. Through art, Lin can minister to these kids spiritually. She has an innate peace that translates into everything she does and her classroom becomes a sanctuary for a lot of kids.”

Cortlyn Plunk '23, now a freshman, is one such student. In Mrs. Mayberry’s art classes for grades 5 through 8, Cortlyn fondly recalled, “Mrs. Mayberry gave me compliments that were believable. You knew she wasn’t just giving you a false sense of confidence. She is truly a mentor to me and has shaped who I am, not just as an artist, but as a person.” Lin always finds that delicate balance – whereby she challenges her students and pushes them to reach as high as they can go without



allowing self-doubt or frustration to enter their minds.

Mrs. Mayberry has not only been an incredible teacher for her students, she has inspired and mentored her fellow teachers over the years. The respect her colleagues have for her is evident in the words they use to describe her: wise, contemplative, innovative, dedicated, faithful, treasured, hilarious, and calm. Mrs. Kim Slyman, now in her 14th year at LCA, described Lin as having “this ability to create order and beauty around her. She has a very keen sense of recognizing the needs of kids, both personally and academically. She literally sets the bar in developing strategies that deserve to be published.”

Mrs. Mayberry’s middle school art program is currently recognized as the All-Time #1 Art School in Texas by Celebrating Art. Lin, full of grace and humility, as always, is quick to credit her Savior and her students. In her own words, “There was a tangible feeling of the Holy Spirit. You could just feel His presence in the room, and whenever you can be where that is, you just feel on top of the world, why would you want to be anywhere else?” Her dedication and excitement for art has clearly taken hold in her students, and accordingly, their artwork has garnered recognition by the art community at large.

At a recent art competition, a teacher from another school spotted Mrs. Mayberry’s LCA name tag and remarked, “I have been noticing your success for a while. So you’re Legacy?”

Yes, it is fair to say, Lin Mayberry IS Legacy.





# LEADERSHIP GIVING

We are grateful to all who have chosen to support our mission by making Legacy Christian Academy a philanthropic priority. Your generosity supports an education of the heart and mind, preparing our students to lead exemplary lives of faith, citizenship, and personal excellence.

In the following pages we recognize those who made a gift to the Legacy Annual Fund between August 1, 2018 and July 31, 2019. Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of these lists. If there are errors or omissions, please notify the Development Office at 469.633.1330 x241.

## SOARING EAGLES

**\$50,000 OR MORE**

Anonymous (2)  
Michael and Sheri Casey  
Shawn and Erin Clayton  
Credit Management, LP  
Tom and Sandy Stockton

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**\$25,000-\$49,999**

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Patrick and Julie Droesch  
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Seek God 1st Inc  
Trent and Karleigh Wood

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**\$10,000-\$24,999**

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 Chicago Title  
 Clyde and Sheila Cole  
 Ric and Celeste Cordon  
 Scott and Rexanne Crysel



# A New Pair of Wings

Brock Crawford (2014) attended the United States Air Force Academy (USAFA) upon graduation from LCA. His experience at LCA uniquely prepared him for college and beyond as he continues his service.

**We extend our gratitude to all service members for protecting our freedom. As Brock is the first LCA graduate from a service academy, we asked Mrs. Sandra Clark to visit with him about his experience.**

## *When did you first become interested in military service?*

Growing up I never really knew specifically what I wanted to do, but I knew I wanted to pursue something that was challenging, rewarding, and elite. I have always been one to push myself and go for gold whenever I saw an opportunity. My father was an F-16 pilot in the Air Force, so I was exposed to the idea of military service from an early age.

## *How did you end up at the USAFA?*

As I grew older I decided that the Air Force was an ideal environment for me. It is demanding, unique, and technologically advanced. It allows me to fulfill my desire to do something physically difficult and exciting while also sharpening my mind. I felt as if I wouldn't be fulfilled unless I could find an atmosphere that encapsulated all of these aspects, and the Air Force was a perfect match.



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## A NEW PAIR OF WINGS

When the time came to start pursuing colleges and taking standardized entrance exams, I sat down with Mr. Daniel Townsley and told him all about how I was set on going to Texas A&M as well as my plan to join the military. During our meeting, Mr. Townsley looked at my ACT scores and asked if I had ever considered the United States Air Force Academy. At this point, all I really knew about USAFA was that it was another commissioning source, it was really hard to get in, and some people I knew had wanted to go there. That was it. He gave me a brief description of what it was and strongly urged me to consider it.



At that point, my parents jumped on board, and we scheduled a visit to Colorado Springs. I left with a clear understanding of USAFA and was determined to be a fighter pilot. USAFA is the largest commissioning source for the Air Force, graduating about 1,000 Second Lieutenants every year. On top of that, nearly half of the class every year earns a pilot slot. It is free to attend the USAFA in exchange for military service (which I wanted anyway), they had one of the top Aeronautical Engineering programs in the nation, I could fly an airplane (and jump out of them it turns out) while I was there, and it was in Colorado (I'm a big outdoors person), so it was honestly a no-brainer. Going to USAFA was one of the most life-shaping decisions I've made. The opportunities were endless, the education was world-class, and the networks I built both professionally and personally were an incredible foundation for a career in the Air Force.



### *What role did LCA play in preparing you for USAFA?*

LCA gave me the tools I needed to be successful. Legacy's curriculum was rigorous and pushed me to excel academically. The math, science, English, and physics classes gave me the academic foundation to pursue an engineering degree and be successful at USAFA. STEM classes opened door number one by allowing me to perform well on the ACT and pursue a challenging engineering major. English opened door number two by allowing me to convey my thoughts well, to translate all those numbers articulately. My writing was key to my acceptance into the academy. I honestly think my essays are what set me apart and got me in the door.

The teachers at LCA also developed my critical thinking skills. Mr. Ron Littleton and Mr. Anthony Glenn really solidified that with their heavy emphasis on philosophy, logic, world-views, and apologetics. While everyone that goes to USAFA is smart and studious, not everyone can think critically or outside the box. Without a doubt, I learned a great deal of knowledge while at LCA, but, all in all, the critical thinking skills I acquired through my classes have aided me the most in my career. Flying planes is a dynamic environment. I'm constantly assessing, evaluating, and calculating trade-offs or solving problems. No book can prepare you completely for such pressure, and the ability to think critically has proven invaluable.

Fine arts helped me become well rounded. I learned to appreciate music, and it creates great shared interest. Playing

clarinet almost certainly helped my fine motor skills, reaction, and speed of recognition, all vital tools in a good pilot's toolkit. I also learned that one wrong movement or sound, no matter how small, can negatively impact the whole. Such discipline and understanding is critical to service in the military.

Finally, sports prepared me for life outside the classroom. They taught me invaluable life lessons, driving home the importance of hard work and discipline. Pushing through adversity is something that one only learns while enduring it, and sports were a vital part of that lesson for me. Every single one of my coaches taught me different lessons that still present themselves from time to time. The importance of a team and camaraderie were solidified on the football field. A fellowship like that is essential to a healthy mental development. Of all the things LCA gave me, athletics and my coaches definitely had the most significant impact on my personal development. They remain my fondest memories and helped forge life-long friendships.

### ***What advice would you have for future LCA students who might have an interest in attending a service academy?***

If you really want to go to a service academy, strong academics are essential. Excellent grades, outstanding SAT/ACT scores, NHS membership, and athletic involvement are standard across the board. Given this, applicants need to find a way to stand out beyond the classroom. For me, this wasn't one activity but a wide array of activities. My involvement in concert band, marching band, football, student council, Legacy Service Organization (LSO), track, and Frisco Mayor's Youth Council established that diversity. The USAFA essentially scores each applicant, so it is also critical to highlight each achievement within each activity to maximize your candidacy.

The hardest part of the process, however, is securing a nomination from a congressman. You cannot go to the academy without one. In order to check that box, I applied to Sam Johnson's Youth Council, which helped secure my nomination. I also conversed heavily with my Liaison Officer, who helps prospective candidates construct their application, about all the possible opportunities that could help distinguish me from other candidates.

Throughout the numbers game and nomination, applicants must also work to remain relevant in the reviewing official's

mind. I worked to demonstrate how my life experiences developed me as a leader through the required essays and interviews. The temptation is to brag about all of your achievements and why you are the best possible candidate, but it's also important to be friendly and genuine. I had to learn to write and interview with a service-oriented mindset. I used my accomplishments and achievements to talk about how I could impact others and the lessons I learned along the way, which seemed to earn me the respect from my congressmen.

The bottom line is to start early, never close any door until it's slammed in your face, pursue difficult achievements even if they seem unreachable (people often undervalue themselves), and build a network of people who can assist you through the process.



### ***Where are you now and what are you doing?***

Currently, my wife, Marilyn (Newberry) Crawford (2014) and I are stationed in Enid, Oklahoma. I am a Second Lieutenant and Student Pilot in Undergraduate Pilot Training for the United States Air Force. I am currently flying the T-38C Talon for the 25th Flying Training Squadron ("Shoot 'Em!") at Vance Air Force Base. I fly three to six times per week and fly simulators a couple of extra times beyond that. After completing T-38s, I will be assigned my next airframe that I will fly for the duration of my career. I am set to graduate in December and working hard to hopefully get to fly either F-35s or F-16s.



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"SEA" WHAT WE'RE UP TO



Mrs. Stokert's Class Schedule 2019-2020

Month	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
August							
September							
October							
November							
December							
January							
February							
March							
April							
May							
June							
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DANIELLE  
TENNER





# “El Regalo,” *The Gift*

Señora Tinker’s first grade class starts out as all LCA first grade classes start: joyous (and sometimes sleepy) “Good mornings.”

The difference is that in Mrs. Tinker’s classroom everything is conducted in Spanish. The students are greeted with “Buenos dias” and “¿Como estas?” and they respond in similar fashion. All the morning routines--pledges, weather, calendar, and worship--are there, only the excitement is en español. Vivian Hubbard, in Mrs. Tinker’s class, declared, “There are so many good songs that we can learn in Spanish. Learning a new language is FUN!”

Legacy is the first Christian school in the Metroplex to offer this innovative immersion program through a partnership with add.a.lingua, an organization distinguished by their excellence in immersion education in Christian schools. The program launched in August 2019 with classes in kindergarten and first grade. During the 2020-2021 school year, LCA will extend the program to include Pre-K4 and 2nd grade. “Spanish Immersion has changed the dynamics of the entire first floor. Those teachers are so engaged and animated and the children are excited about learning. It has increased everyone’s interest in learning a second language,” shared Celeste Cordon, Legacy’s Director of Admissions. Ultimately, Spanish immersion will continue through Middle School, advancing a grade level each year.

Students are expected to speak exclusively in Spanish from the onset, which may seem like high expectations for such an age. However, a simple walk through the halls provides





## EL REGALO, THE GIFT

evidence to the contrary, as students communicate joyfully and with surprising ease in their new tongue. “I love hearing the conversations that students have during recess. I am amazed at what they have already learned, and I have even been able to pick up some Spanish myself!” shared first grade teacher Mrs. Atkins. Maintaining Spanish as the classroom language extends to the principals, staff members, and even parents who visit the classrooms, reinforcing the importance of fully immersing oneself in the language. Students do receive instruction in English through specials like art, music, chapel, PE, and science.

In a typical day in Señora Rodriguez’s kindergarten class, the students are learning the alphabet. In Mrs. Berridge’s class just across the hall, the students are also learning the alphabet. In English, they are learning the alphabet the way most Americans have learned it, from A-Z. In Señora Rodriguez’s classroom, however, they are taught by syllable. They start by learning

the vowel sounds, then the consonant sounds, and finally learn to blend those together to form words. As in the English-instruction classrooms, the students will do “the Daily 5,” where they read to themselves, read to a partner, do word work, write, and listen to reading. These activities help with fluency and vocabulary development in literacy.

It is important to understand that the immersion students are learning in the same manner as their peers. To an adult it might seem challenging or frustrating to fathom a person simply picking up a language, but that is exactly what these students are doing. They are not mentally translating phrases and words from English INTO Spanish, they are learning purely in Spanish. Try to envision a first-grader bringing home a list of high frequency words. Would a parent sit with their child and try to explain to them what the word “house” or “I” means? The student either already knows the word or a parent might use conceptual cues or







pictures to convey the meaning. In that same vein, when Spanish immersion students bring home their high frequency word lists, it is just “yo” or “la casa.” No explanation is needed. It is exactly this type of understanding at the ground level that differentiates LCA’s Spanish immersion program from a traditional bilingual program, wherein the students divide their time between learning in English and Spanish.

The potential benefits for immersion students are immeasurable. Research covering more than 40 years of language immersion instruction reveals that these children receive a variety of cognitive advantages such as mental flexibility, nonverbal problem-solving abilities, and enhanced critical thinking skills. As they master a second language, students also expand their sense of cultural empathy and understanding. Bill McGee, Head of School, reiterated this

point, “Our Spanish Immersion program is really an extension of our school’s mission, which is to develop strong leaders with biblical convictions. Becoming fluent in a second language will equip them to be confident Christian leaders and position them to be effective communicators in more than one language and across cultures.” Michelle Rosas, mother of an LCA first-grade immersion student, has already witnessed the program’s impact, “In addition to the language, incorporating the cultural aspect has really advanced my daughter’s perception of a worldview that there are other people out there who are different – yet we are similar in so many ways.” These students are creating social capital as they develop an aptitude to form diverse relationships with people of other cultures from around the world.

It truly is a gift.



# S T A T E



2018-2019 Boys Basketball claimed the TAPPS 5A State Championship with a 66-51 victory against Lutheran South.

The Screamin' Eagle Marching Band captured the 2019 TPSMEA Class II State Marching Band Grand Champion title.





**Ale Rutenis '20** captured the TAPPS 5A state championship title in the long jump with an impressive distance of 16'9".

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# Class Notes

## SUBMIT A CLASS NOTE

We are interested in hearing about your weddings, children, careers, special interests, vacation trips and regular get-togethers with fellow LCA alumni.

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*Class Notes are edited for length and clarity, and they will be published online.*

## 2001

**Marcus Miller** completed his MA in Education Leadership at the University of North Texas and currently works in Plano ISD as a coordinator of professional learning. He and wife Ana reside in Plano, TX.

## 2003

**Matt Smith** and wife, Kelsey, welcomed son, Oliver, in March 2019. Matt recently joined Justrite as Territory Sales Representative.



## 2005

**Jackie (Farris) Tabb** completed her nursing degree from OU in 2018 and now works as a cardiovascular RN in OKC. She, her husband Wilson, and soon-to-be-big brother, Harrison, can't wait for a new baby due in March.



**Michael Turner** recently accepted a position as Texas State University's eSport's Rocket League as head coach.



## 2006

**Jessica (Grabham) Gingrich** and Robert live in Royse City, TX with two-year-old daughter, Ellie. After earning both a bachelor's degree in interior design and

her master's in environmental design from Texas Tech University, she recently went part-time with her commercial interior design career to pursue her passion as a web designer for other female entrepreneurs.



**Landi (MacLaughlin) Haynes** and husband Reagan recently celebrated the birth of their 2nd child, James David. Following maternity leave, Landi will return to her elementary art classroom in Stephenville ISD, where she was named campus teacher of the year in 2016.





## CLASS NOTES

**Tatum Willard** joined the Army National Guard in 2016. After graduating from basic training and infantry school in February 2017, he married Katelyn in April and deployed to the Horn of Africa with Operation Enduring Freedom Sentinel. He deployed again in July 2018 days before his son, Grayson, was born. He is currently serving with Operation Guardian Support.



## 2007

**Sam (McCord) Martin** and Spencer gave birth to their first girl, Meryn, in August 2019. Since leaving her job at Legacy Christian in 2017 to be home with her kids, Sam has joined the board of the Down Syndrome Guild of Dallas and also volunteers with Hope Mommies, a ministry for women who have lost babies to miscarriage, stillbirth, or infant loss.



**Sara (Journey) Raab** and husband JD reside in a Denver suburb and are growing both their family and their business! Howie will become a big brother in March, and they are still learning a lot about entrepreneurship after launching Art/Rhetor LLC, a church communication business, in 2016.



**Mackenzie (Ward)** married Nicholas on June 27th, 2019! She earned bachelor's degrees in psychology and philosophy, both from Texas Tech University.



## 2008

**Brock Gresham** is the General Manager of Escapology in McKinney, TX.

**Melissa Mock** lives in Brooklyn, NY where she graduated with her master's degree from Columbia University and works for AirBNB.

## 2009

**Austin Choate** and wife, Jacquelyn, have three kids: Seraphim Rose, Sibyl Anastasia, and Nicolas Alexander. Austin is currently completing his PhD in theology at the Institute for Orthodox Christian Studies (IOCS), Cambridge.



**Dakota (Williams) Gerlach** and husband, Donald, live in Prosper, TX and have two boys, Luke and Bradley, who was born last January.



**Daniel McFarlin** lives in Dallas, TX and works for Capital One as a software engineer.

**Rob Payne** lives in Little Elm, TX and works for JDRE as an Institutional Buyers Rep. He was recently named MVP of the Catena Cup held at the Willow Bend Polo Club; he is pictured to the left of sister Kristen (2014, center) and dad to her right.





**Ansley (Nguyen) Stringer** and husband, Zachary, celebrated the arrival of their second son, Asher, in April! She works with Highland Homes, and Zachary is a firefighter in Prosper.



**Stephen Venegas** married Allison in August. They reside in Plano, TX.



## 2010

**David (2011) and Lauren (Reese) Collier (2011)** live in Northlake, TX. David is an administrator for Hurst Plaza Nursing & Rehabilitation.

**Ally Maas** recently purchased her first home in Dallas, TX. She continues to work for AEG Presents as Marketing Manager.

**Jordan (Leavitt) Slimack** and husband, Jon, reside in Austin, TX where she works as Brand Manager for Kuper Sotheby's International Realty. Jon recently accepted a position with Eanes ISD. Together they enjoy Archie, their 4yr. old golden retriever.



## 2011

**Emily (Brown) Brahman** and her husband, Austin, recently relocated to Dallas, TX from Thailand, where they spent a year in Bangkok helping women in human trafficking.

**Jake Buffington** and wife, Lauren, live in Frisco, TX where he works as a Trade Operations Analyst for GuideStone Financial Resources.



**Marta (Venegas) Flores** and Arturo are expecting their first child around Christmas time!



**Bryce Gillet** graduated from The New England Conservatory of Music in 2017 and now works for Luxury Brands America. He married Brittnee in Ireland at the K Club on July 14. He is currently pursuing an MBA from Liberty University.





## CLASS NOTES

**Brittany (Eisenmann) Miller** graduated from the University of Oklahoma in 2015 with a marketing degree and started OutSmart Marketing Solutions which has recently partnered with LCA to launch the online Spirit Shop.

**Zach Stockton** was recently promoted to Director of Communications at Alliance Consumer Group. He proposed to fiancée, Stephanie, and will be married next April.



## 2012

**Hannah (Watts) Barley** graduated from Oral Roberts University in 2016 and teaches kindergarten in Coppell ISD. She recently married Garrett, who is a teacher and coach also in Coppell.



**Sara Baumgardner** graduated from Texas Tech in 2016 with a music degree and is now in her second year of law school also at Texas Tech. She is a member of the school's nationally-ranked advocacy team where she competes in moot competitions. Sara is also a Teaching Fellow in TTU's Legal Practice program, which teaches the first-year students legal writing. Last summer, she interned for a Justice on the Dallas Court of Appeals and a Dallas district judge.

**Natalie Chapman** earned a degree in Restaurant, Hotel and Institutional Management from Texas Tech (TTU) and then went on to earn her Masters in Hospitality and Retail Management also from TTU. She moved to Arizona in 2017 and will marry in January! Natalie currently works at Dillard's Divisional Office in Gilbert, AZ, where she was recently promoted to Corporate Buyer for Designer Brands Footwear.



**Michael Fizer** graduated with an MBA from Hardin Simmons University in 2018 and works at Townsquare Media as account executive serving 6 radio stations.

**Kelsie (Beers) Olds** and her husband, Josh, live in Tulsa, OK with their two adopted children August and Jubilee. Kelsie currently works as a physical therapist, and Josh is a pastor at the Tulsa Chinese Christian Church.



**Sean Whitney** finished ROTC as a Distinguished Graduate in Aerospace Engineering curricula at Texas A&M in 2017. After briefly visiting lovely Pueblo, CO for Initial Flight Training, he started Undergraduate Pilot Training at Vance AFB, OK in October 2017. He graduated in November 2018 with the top academic award and received his first choice of flying the U-28A at Hurlburt Field, FL, where he will complete additional training obligations in January 2020. Sean married Taryn this past August in McKinney, TX.

2013

**Reagan Ball** serves as an officer with the Plano Police Department and is engaged to be married in February 2020.



**Lauren (Sheldon) McLaughlin** married Byron in June 2019. She accepted a job at Frisco High School to teach the AP Capstone program.



**Michael Pahl** and wife, Joelle, relocated to Dallas, TX from Austin this past year. Michael earned a Masters Degree in Electrical Engineering from the University of Oklahoma and now works at Texas Instruments.



**Patrick Welsh** married Augusta this past June and moved to Cape Girardeau, MO. He works full time as a Psychosocial Rehabilitation Specialist at the Community Counseling Center and is enrolled in an online Pre-Doctoral Masters program in Clinical Psychology.



**Baylee Wichlan** graduated from Midwestern State University with a degree in Music Education and serves as the Worship and Music Assistant at Briarwood Presbyterian Church in Birmingham, AL.

**Caitlyn Wolf**, who graduated from the University of Arkansas with a degree in Nutrition and Dietetics, is a clinical dietician at Medical City Lewisville.

2014

**Amanda Brown** works at the OHAIRE lab in Purdue University's Center for the Human-Animal Bond where she leads a project that is researching service dogs for military service members. She is grateful for the opportunity to combine her passion for veteran mental health and her love of animals every day!

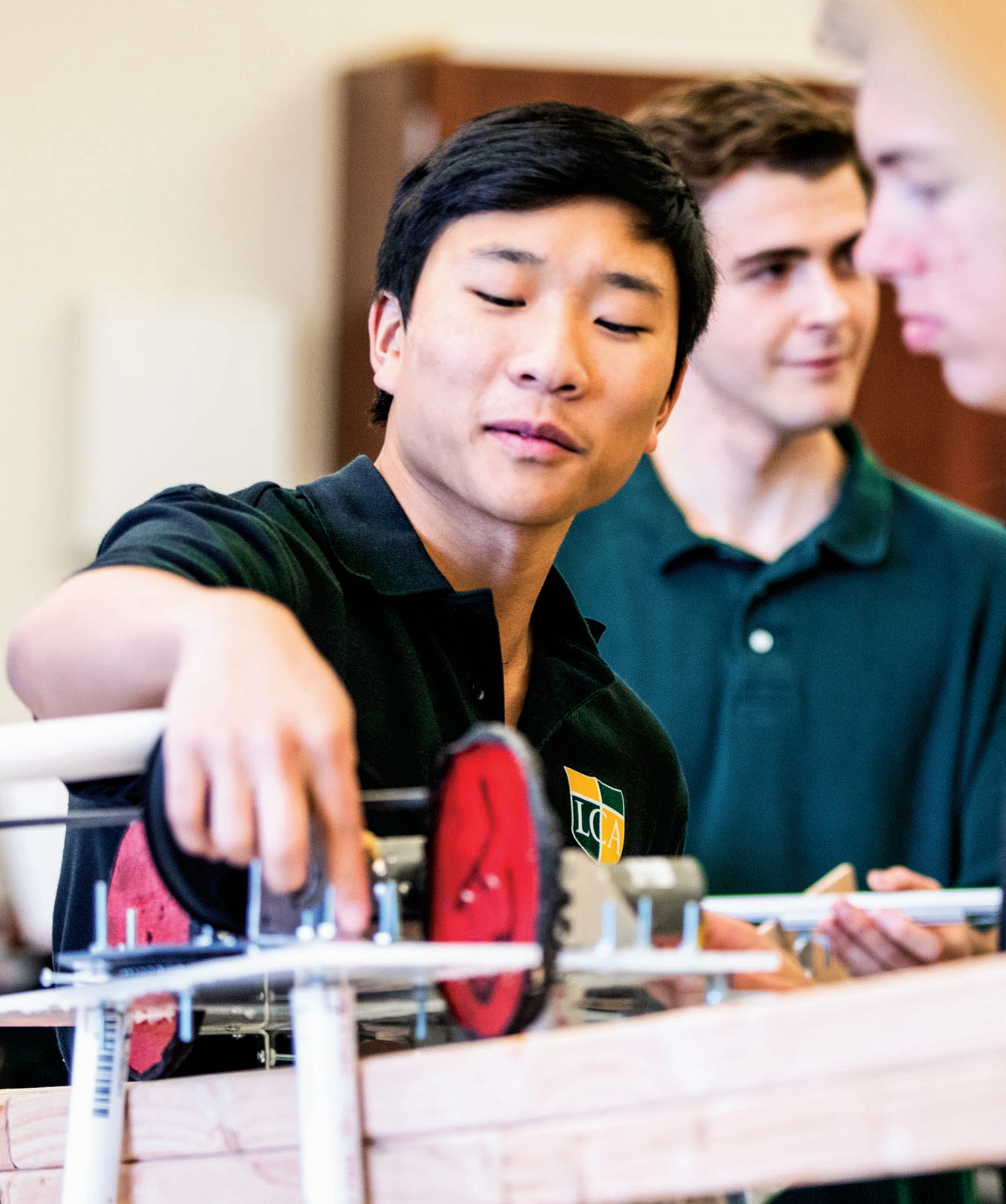


2015

**Taylor (Perdue) Gregory** and Christian (2015) were married in April 2019. Taylor graduated from University of North Texas in 2018 with a degree in Entrepreneurship. Christian leads Gregory Team Real Estate and has returned to LCA as a Varsity Football coach.









# THEN & NOW

Over the next few pages, we invite you walk down memory lane for a glimpse of LCA past and present.



**THEN**

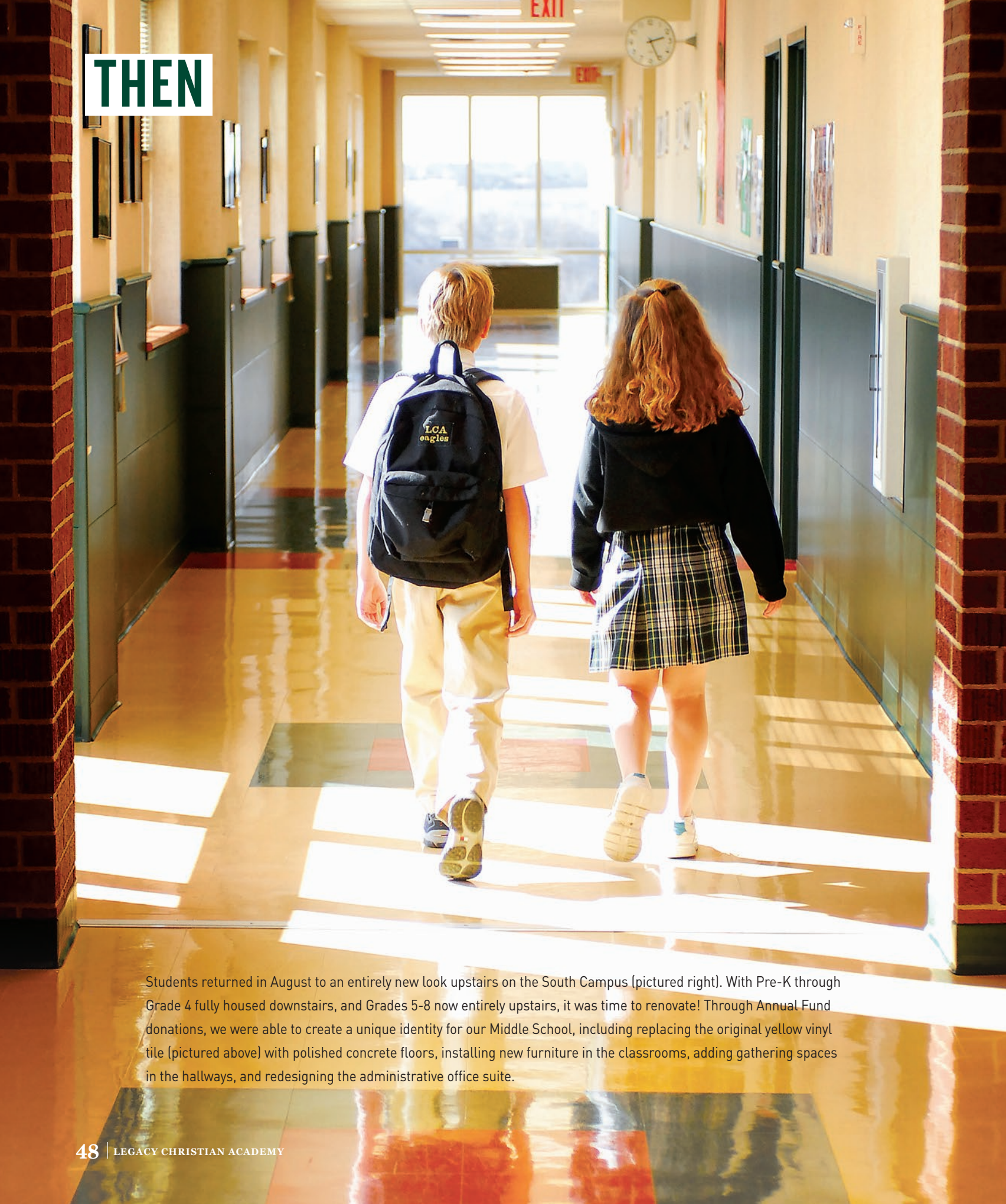
The Screamin' Eagle Marching band debuted in 2007 under the direction of Mr. Greg Hayes and earned 1st in Marching and 2nd overall in the Texas Private School Music Educators Association (TPSMEA). Since that time, the Screamin' Eagles, now under the direction of Mr. Andy Murphy, have gone on to claim 8 TPSMEA State Marching Band Championship Titles, including the 2019 title.



**NOW**



# THEN



Students returned in August to an entirely new look upstairs on the South Campus (pictured right). With Pre-K through Grade 4 fully housed downstairs, and Grades 5-8 now entirely upstairs, it was time to renovate! Through Annual Fund donations, we were able to create a unique identity for our Middle School, including replacing the original yellow vinyl tile (pictured above) with polished concrete floors, installing new furniture in the classrooms, adding gathering spaces in the hallways, and redesigning the administrative office suite.





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**NOW**



**THEN**



In the spring of 2019, the field house was completely emptied and stripped down to the foundation to make way for new branded flooring, weights, and equipment.



**NOW**



**THEN**



LCA's first musical production was *Bye Bye Birdie!* in 2003 and staged in the cafetorium, where performances were held for the next 14 years. Since 2017, all productions have been staged in the Legacy Performing Arts Center (LPAC), including last year's production of *Little Women*.

**NOW**





SO THEN, BROTHERS, STAND FIRM AND HOLD TO THE TRADITIONS THAT YOU WERE TAUGHT BY US, EITHER BY OUR SPOKEN WORD OR BY OUR LETTER.

- 2 Thessalonians 2:15

## DEAR FRIENDS,

***“It’s important to celebrate those anniversaries that end in zero.”*** Such was the pre-nuptial advice I received from a friend over 40 years ago. And, it was good counsel, as Janna and I celebrated our 40th anniversary this past summer. It’s also good counsel for an institution. That’s why we are celebrating the 20th anniversary of the founding of Legacy Christian Academy.

For private schools like Legacy, 20 years is a milestone. As schools enter their second decade, they become second generation schools with alumni returning to enroll their children. It is in this second decade that we begin to see evidence of how our school’s mission impacts the world, as our graduates assume leadership positions in their families, communities, churches, and professions. The *Class Notes* in this issue of *Impact* highlights examples of such leadership in action.

Legacy has experienced many changes over the last 20 years. Enrollment has grown from just over 100 to just over 1000. The senior class has increased from just two students to a record-breaking 91. We have moved from meeting in church Sunday school classrooms to a fully-developed 28-acre campus with state-of-the-art academic, athletic, and fine arts facilities. However, at her core, LCA remains unchanged! As it was in 1999, covenant relationships between students, families, teachers, and staff remain the heart of Legacy. As you read in this issue, teachers like Lin Mayberry continue to pour themselves into our students, influencing them in a way that words cannot express. You learned about how our new Spanish Immersion Program emphasizes our ongoing promise to prepare students to succeed in college and beyond. You also heard from Brock Crawford (2014) whose story underscores our steadfast commitment to shape and challenge young minds through a well-rounded, diverse learning experience. As evidenced through last year’s annual fund success, our community continues to demonstrate it’s

passion and generosity for LCA. While our school has grown and matured through the years, her purpose remains the same: *to be a Christ-centered school, operating according to biblical principles, with a relentless commitment to excellence in the realms of academics, athletics, and fine arts.*

Where will we be twenty years from now? Only God knows. But, one thing is certain—this is His school to direct as He pleases. We trust His faithfulness, His provision, and His promises. With God at the helm, we confidently proclaim that Legacy’s best days are ahead.

On behalf of the thousands of students who have graced our hallways, the hundreds of teachers who have mentored these students, and the scores of families whose children have benefitted from a Legacy education, I sincerely thank you for your generous financial support, your devotion to our mission, and your commitment to serve the Lord by serving His children.

You are helping us build a school that reflects the glory of God and serves as an educational lighthouse for our community, our nation, and our world.

In His service and yours,



Bill McGee  
Head of School





Bill McGee, Head of School,  
and Jody Capeart, Founding  
Head of School, at this year's  
Legacy Night.



