



#### **Annual Giving**

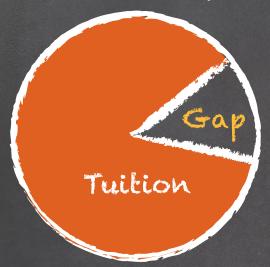
Annual Giving directly supports our annual budgetary needs. FISW tuition intentionally does not cover the complete cost of educating a child. This 'gap' in funding is \$2,000 per child.

Suggested giving is the gap, and the key to Annual Giving is for everyone to give to the best of their ability. Your gift benefits our students and is a true philanthropic effort that makes the school a better place.

The past several years have brought many challenges, but also unexpected opportunities to learn and grow together. Thank you for your partnership.

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## What is the gap?



As an independent school, we call upon parents and friends of FISW to bridge this gap through fundraising.

#### Why give the \$2,000/child gap?

FISW invested in many unplanned expenses to provide an excellent bilingual education to all of our students throughout the unprecedented COVID-19 pandemic.

### Pedagogical coordinators:

Three pedagogical coordinators to support an excellent bilingual curriculum at every grade level.

### Teaching staff:

Increased size of faculty and staff to foster every student's growth and development.

#### Enhanced curriculum:

A new Reading Curriculum that best supports bilingual students as they learn to read in French and in English.

#### Classroon materials:

Invested in individual classroom materials to allow students to learn safely throughout the pandemic.

"FISW provides an excellent bilingual education in a safe, inclusive, and nurturing environment for our children. We appreciate the hard work of the school administrators and teachers to keep the school open during the pandemic. We give because we want to see the FISW community grow and thrive."

 Christelle Quan-Elnekave, Annual Giving Co-Chair and mother of Noa (First Grade) and Daniel (Petite Section)





# **Learning and Growing at FISW**

For nearly two decades, FISW has educated remarkable students. Our teachers and I are incredibly proud of our students, and the bilingual education they receive. FISW students not only learn in two languages, but they also acquire the different thought-processes uniquely characteristic to each language.

Our American and French faculties draw from teaching methods very specific to their cultures. They therefore develop different ways to think, to process concepts, and to approach problems. The French faculty teaches students to observe the world that surrounds them, to ask powerful questions, to draw conclusions, to be analytical, to always see more than one side of a problem. The American faculty empowers students to be creative and to think outside the box, and encourages them to welcome mistakes as learning opportunities. Both partner with parents to instill a growth mindset in our students, so that they learn to welcome challenges, and to know first-hand that with effort and hard work, they can overcome any difficulty.

- Barbara Greiner, Head of School

"FISW has helped to raise our daughter to be open-minded, kind, inquisitive, adaptable, and curious about the world."

 Shirley Delaunoy, Annual Giving Co-Chair and mother of Chloé (Moyenne Section)



#### **Give Today**

Thank you for supporting our financial commitment to the education, health, and safety of our community during this difficult year.

- Pledge today and give anytime during the 2021-22 School year.
- Make your generosity go even further by matching your gift through your workplace giving program.
- Annual Giving contributions are fully tax-deductible.
- For the first time this year, we accept donations of stock.

#### **Giving Levels**

LEVEL GIFT

Strategic Thinkers \$10,000 +

**Expanders** \$2,001 to \$9,999

Sustainers \$2,000 Gap

Supporters Up to \$1,999

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