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## FROM OUR LEADERSHIP

### Dear Collegiate Community,

As we close another remarkable school year at Louisville Collegiate School, I find myself reflecting with deep gratitude and pride on all that our community has accomplished together.

On May 22, we celebrated a milestone moment as Louisville Collegiate School held its 110th Commencement Ceremony, honoring 74 exceptional seniors and their many achievements. From the classroom to the stage, from the athletic fields to service and leadership opportunities, the Class of 2026 has left a lasting impact on our community. I extend my sincere thanks to our administrators, faculty, and staff, whose dedication, guidance, and care helped shape these students throughout their journeys at Collegiate.

The Class of 2026 applied to more than 200 colleges and universities and will matriculate to 58 institutions across 36 states. Seventeen members of the class are "Lifers," having begun their Collegiate experience in junior kindergarten or kindergarten. We are also proud to celebrate 14 student-athletes who will continue their athletic careers at the collegiate level. We eagerly welcome each member of the Class of 2026 into our Alumni Association and look forward to all they will accomplish in the years ahead.

Throughout this school year, our community came together to celebrate many memorable moments. We welcomed alumni back to campus during Homecoming Weekend and the Alumni and Faculty Celebration, strengthening the connections that make Collegiate so special. We celebrated extraordinary student achievements, including our first-ever boys' cross country state championship. We applauded inspiring performances in concerts, plays, and musicals, and cheered on our academic teams as they competed at both the local and national levels. Whether on the field, on the stage, in the classroom, or in competition, our students continually demonstrated dedication, integrity, and pride in representing Louisville Collegiate School.

Looking ahead, we are excited to begin the transformation of our beloved Auditorium this summer through the Inspire Campaign. This project will create a welcoming front entrance, enhance campus security, and provide an exceptional space for the performing arts and our broader community for generations to come. We are deeply grateful to the generous donors whose support has made this vision possible and helped strengthen the future of Collegiate through the growth of our endowment.

Thank you for a wonderful school year and for the many ways you contribute to the strength of our school community. It is a privilege to serve as your Head of School, and I am grateful for your continued partnership and support.

I hope your summer is filled with rest, joy, and meaningful time with family and friends. Congratulations once again to the Class of 2026.

Sincerely,



Dr. Robert P. Macrae  
Head of School  
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## *Congratulations to the Class of 2026!*

**ROW 1 (pictured l-r):** Alexis Lerner, Aliya Nasim, Reese Hirsch, Brooklynn Haraden, Bella Zamanian, and Ellie Beneke

**ROW 2 (pictured l-r):** Ian Purnell Gatewood, Addison Haller, Cyra Neimat, Amy Cabrera, Anne Miriam Weinberg, Jordan Boyer, Hayat Ahmed, Reese Hamilton, Jackson Turner, Mary Najjar, Taylor Wozniak, Eliza Martin, Abby Mobley, Rosie Miller, Hayley Wachsman, Vivienne Linville, and Blaise Saufnauer

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**ROW 5 (pictured l-r):** Jude Hoskins-Harris, Devlin Vogel, Carter Sipes, Cyrus Kolehmainen, Levi Gladstein, Ryan Emery, Lincoln Hofmann, Felix Gabriele-Burke, Zac Tossou, Donovan Richardson, James Gurley, Cameron Kiefer, Miles Webb, Jack Blythe, Sirius Brooks, Thomas Weinrich, and Will Preston

## 2026 MATRICULATIONS

Auburn University - Bates College - Bellarmine University - Belmont University - Berry College - Bluegrass Community and Technical College - Boston College - Bucknell University - California State Polytechnic University (Pomona) - Carnegie Mellon University - Case Western Reserve University - Centre College - College of Charleston - College of the Holy Cross - Cornell University - Dartmouth College - Denison University - Florida State University - Fordham University - High Point University - Indiana University (Bloomington) - Johns Hopkins University - Miami University (Oxford) - New York University - Northeastern University - Northern Kentucky University - Northwestern University - Occidental College - Purdue University - Saint John Fisher University - Sarah Lawrence College - Savannah College of Art and Design - The Ohio State University - The University of Alabama - Tufts University - Tulane University of Louisiana - University of Chicago - University of Cincinnati - University of Evansville - University of Georgia - University of Indianapolis - University of Kentucky - University of Louisville - University of Maryland (College Park) - University of Miami - University of Michigan - University of Montevallo - University of Pittsburgh (Pittsburgh) - University of Rochester - University of Virginia - University of Washington (Seattle) - University of Wisconsin (Madison) - Vanderbilt University - Villanova University - Washington University in St. Louis - Wesleyan University - Western Kentucky University - Xavier University

## Kindergarten Derby Brings the Community Together for a Beloved Tradition

Families, friends, and community members gathered on April 30 to cheer on the school's 5- and 6-year-old "jockeys" as they competed in the 64th Kindergarten Derby. Students decorated hobby-horse heads, wore matching silks designed by their fourth-grade buddies, and raced around a makeshift track in hopes of winning the student-created "blanket of roses." Lower School students participated in a spirited Pegasus Parade before the races, while senior boys escorted the official Derby Festival Queen and her court around the track. Adding to the excitement of the morning, Churchill Downs bugler Jason Hougland performed the traditional "Call to the Post" before each race.

This year's Kindergarten Derby was especially meaningful as the Collegiate community honored the legacy of Mrs. Barbara Buddeke Ogden. A beloved kindergarten teacher and visionary, Mrs. Ogden helped transform the Derby from a small school event into one of Collegiate's most cherished traditions. In recognition of her lasting impact and the joy she brought to generations of students and families, the first race will now be known as The Barbara Buddeke Ogden Memorial Race. Her spirit and love for this tradition will continue to inspire every young jockey who takes the track.

Congratulations to all of this year's kindergarten jockeys! It was a beautiful morning celebrating one of Collegiate's most treasured traditions.

**Win - Sadie Stepusin '38 aboard *So Happy***  
**Place - Ellis Clark '38 aboard *Renegade***  
**Show - Margie Goodman '38 *The Puma***

## Thank you, Faculty

At Collegiate, the strength of our community begins with our exceptional faculty and staff. We would like to thank the following faculty members for their service and commitment to Collegiate. We wish them the best of luck in their future endeavors.

**Kaila Anderson**, Middle School Dean of Student Life

**JulieAnne Dietz**, Upper School Counselor

**Jane Harris**, Lower School Teacher

**KC Schneider**, JK Assistant Teacher

**Todd Smith**, Upper School Art Instructor

**William Sutherland**, Dean of Upper School



# UPCOMING EVENTS

## BACK-TO-SCHOOL PARENT GATHERING

August 6, 5:30 p.m.

## NEW PARENT ORIENTATION

August 6, 6:30 p.m.

## PARENTS ASSOCIATION USED UNIFORM SALE

August 7, 8:00 - 11:00 a.m.

## NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION

August 7, 9:00 a.m.

## OPEN CAMPUS - ALL DIVISIONS

August 7, 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

## FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

August 11, 8:00 a.m.

## CONVOCATION & PICTURE DAY

August 14, 2:00 p.m.

## HOMECOMING

September 19

## GRANDPARENTS & SPECIAL FRIENDS DAY

November 20

## Fourteen Seniors Commit to Play Intercollegiate Athletics

Congratulations to the following seniors on their commitments to compete in intercollegiate athletics. These outstanding student-athletes will continue both their academic and athletic journeys at the colleges and universities listed below. We proudly celebrate their hard work, dedication, and achievements, and congratulate each of them on this exciting next chapter.



Pictured (front row l-r): Eliza Martin, Taylor Wozniak, Meredith Holbrook, Addison Haller, Lillian Chung, and Jordan Jones. (back row l-r): Jacob Holzer, Taiten Luehrs, Lincoln Hofmann, Miles Webb, Donovan Richardson, and James Gurley. Not pictured: Carter Sipes and Neal Wantye

### LILLIAN CHUNG

Johns Hopkins University  
Field Hockey

### TAITEN LUEHRS

University of Indianapolis  
Golf

### JAMES GURLEY

Dartmouth College  
Cross Country & Track

### ELIZA MARTIN

Dartmouth College  
Field Hockey

### ADDISON HALLER

Centre College  
Tennis

### DONOVAN RICHARDSON

Northern Kentucky University  
Soccer

### JACOB HOLZER

Carnegie Mellon University  
Golf

### CARTER SIPES

Centre College  
Soccer

### LINCOLN HOFMANN

Indiana University  
Swim

### MILES WEBB

Occidental College  
Swim

### MEREDITH HOLBROOK

Berry College  
Lacrosse

### NEAL WANTYE

Saint John Fisher University  
Soccer

### JORDAN JONES

University of Chicago  
Volleyball

### TAYLOR WOZNIAK

University of Montevallo  
Lacrosse

# AI, Schools, and The Golden Mean: LCS's Approach to a Novel and Powerful Technological Disruption

*By Clay Gahan, Dean of Faculty*

"You are not a good person or a bad person if you use or do not use AI. But there are good and bad uses of AI in schools." Eric Hudson, a thought leader in K-12 education and the former Chief Program Officer at Global Online Academy, made these assertions in a recent article, "Nine AI Messages for Students." Not a revolutionary observation, but it articulates a good starting point for engaging this new, evolving, and immensely powerful tool. It suggests that there is a Golden Mean to be pursued between endorsement and proscription. This kind of balanced, critical pursuit of the Golden Mean within the shifting landscape of large language models and generative AI has been Louisville Collegiate School's approach over the past few years.

The devil is in the details, though, and identifying, collating, and systematizing the understandings, skills, and practices that make up the "good" uses of AI in schools and doing the same work in the inverse to discourage "bad" uses are complex—and exhilarating—challenges. But our commitments are steady. We have approached AI with curiosity and experimentation, while remaining anchored in our Cornerstones of Respect, Honor, Responsibility, and Compassion, and in our commitment to student-centered education.

Collegiate's mission is anchored in living, growing students. "Human first; human last" is a maxim that has emerged in recent years as a useful guidepost for collaborating effectively with AI. For example, it might encourage someone to draft an email or report, go back and forth with the chatbot to strengthen, clarify, and organize it, and then make final edits and add personal touches before sending it. At the same time, the saying also carries an important moral directive: Keep human agency and intellectual integrity in the foreground of our work. Again, LCS's mission is anchored in living, growing students. Accordingly, academic excellence is not a static bar to hit but a practice of being increasingly capable and ready to learn. This perspective gives us a valuable means to engage with and evaluate generative AI's value within our work here: If it's opening pathways to meaningful and repeatable learning for students, it is potentially "good"; if it's fostering passivity, the offloading of cognitive effort, and deceit, it is likely "bad."

Over the past three years, Collegiate has taken tangible steps to define our approach, boundaries, and expectations regarding AI. We held our first faculty professional development on AI in the fall of 2023 to raise awareness and encourage responsible curiosity. During our ISACS Self-Study, multiple faculty committees named AI as an emerging institutional question. Later, the ISACS visiting team reinforced the need for a clear school philosophy and policy. In fall 2024, we formed an ad hoc committee of teachers, administrators, and technology staff to develop AI policy recommendations, which led to handbook updates adopted in spring 2025. Since then, faculty have continued the work in departments, grade-level teams, and workshops, with particular attention to assessment design: How do we create learning experiences that invite authentic thinking rather than easy cognitive outsourcing? Most recently, we have taken extra time to note what we are seeing from students in grades 8-10 and to consider which AI-related learning outcomes we may want to intentionally coach and foster, as well as which expectations, responsibilities, and boundaries we need to underscore systematically year to year.

What we see in these grades is neither utopian nor dystopian. **Barbara Pino '09**, English instructor and eighth-grade team leader, notes that many of her students are "excited to work with generative AI when permitted to enhance discovery, organize notes into cohesive study guides, and brainstorm potential essay prompts before a test." At the same time, she has been struck by students' caution, too: "They don't automatically view generative AI as an authority, but rather a way to bounce around ideas."

In the Upper School, we see some noteworthy extensions of this kind of collaboration with tenth-grade students who used an AI coding tool to convert an old television into a mounted wellness installation displaying positive affirmations, in a ninth-grade student building a robotic arm from scratch with 3D-printed materials, and in the Capstone team's creation of an AI-supported application to help students and faculty learn about and sign up for our recent day of presentations. At the same time, faculty have anxieties about how AI affects students' daily practices and attitudes toward learning and "doing

school.” Boundaries and the reasoning behind them matter a great deal.

**Abigail O’Brien**, English instructor and ninth-grade dean, cautions that AI-generated text can make writing appear “magical and effortless,” obscuring “the care and craft” students need to develop as young writers.

**Dr. Alessandra Link**, history instructor and ninth-grade advisor, worries that digital engagement “erodes our abilities to maintain deep focus.” At the same time, Mrs. Pino observes that many students are “very protective of their learning” and hesitant to “hand the reins over to a Large Language Model.” **Emily Conn**, science department chair and eighth-grade advisor, adds another important dimension: Students are increasingly aware of AI’s environmental costs. They are “much less likely to use it frivolously” than expected.

What lies ahead is steady, ongoing discernment. We are currently developing an initial framework of AI-related learning outcomes, especially for late Middle School and early Upper School students,

who are closest to the age at which many chatbot tools become available to them. That framework focuses on three essential areas: understanding the basic logic of algorithms, data prediction, data collection, and reinforcement learning; recognizing the genuine utilities of AI, like brainstorming, organizing, scheduling, summarizing, scaffolding, and coding, and its real cost/risks, including misinformation, counterfeit media, shallow output, and the outsourcing of important cognitive practice; and thinking ethically about honesty, authorship, environmental cost, digital citizenship, and the kind of world students want to contribute to building.

By the middle of their Upper School experience, we want students to be able to describe, evaluate, and apply these ideas with increasing independence and integrity. That will require continued faculty learning, careful assessment design, clear expectations, and ongoing judgment. Throughout this process, as we strive to do with all things, Louisville Collegiate School will remain anchored in its living mission and guided by our Cornerstones.



## Collegiate Lifers

*Congratulations to our Collegiate Lifers, students who have been a part of the Collegiate family from Junior and/or Kindergarten through twelfth grade: Payton Becker, Jack Blythe, Sirius Brooks, Ryan Emery, Levi Gladstein, Addison Haller, Reese Hamilton, Jude Hoskins-Harris, Jordan Jones, David Laber, Alexis Lerner, Claire Lococo, Alexander Makdah (not pictured), Eliza Martin, Rosie Miller, Will Preston, and Taylor Wozniak.*

# Graduation and Honors Day Ceremonies Celebrates Students and Faculty

At the close of each school year, Collegiate celebrates and honors students and faculty achievements at each divisions Honors Day and Commencement ceremonies. Please join us in congratulating the following award recipients.

## GRADUATION DAY

Helen Kent Longley Chair for  
Distinguished Teaching

**Lori Trexler**

The Katherine McCracken Davis  
Distinguished Teaching Chair Award  
Alumni School Spirit Prize  
William M. Street Head of School Award  
Speed Medal

**Selene Weightman**  
**Hayat Ahmed '26**  
**Cameron Kiefer '26**  
**Alexander Makdah '26**



*Sarah Allen '98, Jacob Holzer '26, Hida Gudmundsson Davis '69, and Paul Augustus*

## UPPER SCHOOL

University of Louisville  
Yarmuth Book Award  
University of Michigan  
UVA - Jefferson Book Award  
Yale Book Award  
Princeton University  
Harvard/Radcliffe Prize  
Book Award  
Smith College Book Award

**David Berzansky '27**  
**Felix Ding '27**  
**Sherlyn Choi '27**  
**Everest Snyder '27**  
**Elina Sulkowski '27**  
**Leo Hasselbacher '27**  
**Darrien Morris '27**

Tenth Grade Math Award

Eleventh Grade Math Award

Twelfth Grade Math Award

Stern Medal:

**Lillian Chung '26, Leo Hasselbacher '27, David Laber '26, Alexander Makdah '26, and Aliya Nasim '26**

**Devon Boyer '28**  
**Eliot Gatton '28**  
**Leo Hasselbacher '27**  
**Everest Snyder '27**  
**Brooklynn Haraden '26**  
**Jordan Jones '26**

## ENGLISH

Ninth Grade English Award  
Tenth Grade English Award  
Eleventh Grade English Award  
Twelfth Grade English Award  
Flexner Creative Writing Award  
Henry Septimus Gray Speech Award

**Catherine Burstein '29**  
**Zephyr Sohi '28**  
**Elizabeth Voss '27**  
**Eliza Martin '26**  
**Ryan Emery '26**  
**Mary Najjar '26**

## SCIENCE

Honors Biology Award  
Honors Chemistry Award  
Physics Award  
Bausch and Lomb Science Medal  
Upper School Science Award  
Marybelle Bloch Science Award

**Halle Schuster '29**  
**Devon Boyer '28**  
**David Laber '26**  
**Leo Hasselbacher '27**  
**Alexander Makdah '26**  
**Ava Beckley '26**

## FINE ARTS

The Campbell Drama Award  
Wendy MacLean Bell Music Award

Class of 1932 Art Prize  
Instrumental Music Award

**Alexis Lerner '26**  
**Isabela Nibur '26**  
**James Gurley '26**  
**Mattea Troost '27**  
**Lillian Chung '26**  
**Aliya Nasim '26**

## WORLD LANGUAGE

Upper School French Award  
Upper School Spanish Award  
Anne Prince Award  
Global Seal of Biliteracy:  
**David Berzansky '27, Leo Hasselbacher '27, Claire Lococo '26, and Bennett MacGregor '26**

**Jacob Holzer '26**  
**Ryan Emery '26**  
**Alexander Makdah '26**

## HISTORY

Ninth Grade History Prize  
Tenth Grade History Prize  
United States History Prize  
US History Scholar Award

**Josh Farmer '29**  
**Malak Alsorougi '28**  
**Elina Sulkowski '27**  
**Lilly Paradis '26**

## SPECIAL AWARDS & RECOGNITION

DAR Good Citizenship Recognition  
Inner Fire Award  
The Burgess Davis Sportsmanship Award  
Alumni Association Athletic Award

**Ryan Emery '26**  
**Leek Ajack '28**  
**Jacob Holzer '26**

## MATHEMATICS

Ninth Grade Math Award

**Halle Schuster '29**  
**Molly Swansburg '29**

**Jordan Jones '26**  
**Thomas Weinrich '26**

## LOWER SCHOOL

Ms. Beasley's Cornerstone Award  
**Henry Posner '34**  
 Ms. Dunman's Cornerstone Award  
**Hossana Ayele '34**  
 Mr. Petti's Cornerstone Award  
**River Staton '34**  
 The Alumnae School Spirit Prize  
**Morgan Maxwell '34**  
 William M. Street Head of School Award  
**Emma Bowling '34**



Senior Iron Amazon/Titan Award:

**Hayat Ahmed, Evan Chisholm, Lillian Chung, James Gurley, Brooklyn Haraden, Cameron Kiefer, Meredith Holbrook, Alexander Makdah, Alexis Lerner, Vivienne Linville, Claire Lococo, Eliza Martin, Abby Mobley, Aliya Nasim, Isabela Nibur, Lilly Paradis, Hayley Wachsman, and Taylor Wozniak**

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|-------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Brittany Wish Bevin Award                 | <b>Akur Ajack '27</b>      |
| Marilyn Foulke Community Service Award    | <b>Hayley Wachsman '26</b> |
| Lee Davis International Studies Award     | <b>Cyra Neimat '26</b>     |
| The John A. McCarthy Prize                | <b>Hugh Bird '26</b>       |
| Carolyn Morgan Spirit of Creativity Award | <b>Mary Najjar '26</b>     |
| Lampton Cup                               | <b>Eliza Martin '26</b>    |
| Class of 1986 Award                       | <b>Rosie Miller '26</b>    |
| The MacKelcan Award                       | <b>Ryan Emery '26</b>      |

## MIDDLE SCHOOL

|                                              |                                   |                                        |                             |
|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| English Award                                | <b>Ellie Bishop '30</b>           | Student Progress Award                 |                             |
| Sarah Kelly Beard Prize for Creative Writing | <b>Mia Joseph '30</b>             | 6th Grade                              | <b>Presley Hampton '32</b>  |
| Louis McGalliard Smith Writing Award         | <b>Elliot Swaminathan '30</b>     | 7th Grade                              | <b>Cooper McDonald '31</b>  |
| Art Award                                    | <b>Giulia Vemuri '30</b>          | Most Improved Student Award            | <b>Maggie Coole '30</b>     |
| Drama Award                                  | <b>Adam Kramer '30</b>            | MS Effort and Achievement              | <b>Eleanor Abney '30</b>    |
| Dorothy S. Gilsdorf Vocal Music Award        | <b>Adara Khan '30</b>             | The Rick Haas Leadership Award         | <b>Lena Dwenger '30</b>     |
| Instrumental Music Award                     | <b>Cecilia Scharfenberger '30</b> | The Leonardo da Vinci Award, 5th Grade | <b>Logan Fowler '33</b>     |
| Young Artist Award                           | <b>Lena Dwenger '30</b>           | John Herzfeld Award                    | <b>Jay Coy '31</b>          |
| French Prize                                 | <b>Giulia Vemuri '30</b>          | Arnold E. Holtberg Award               | <b>Finnegan Lierley '30</b> |
| Spanish Prize                                | <b>Cara Yao '30</b>               | The Elizabeth Stirling Tate Award      | <b>Matoki Butler '30</b>    |
| Mary Rodes Nash History Award                | <b>Ford Johnston '30</b>          | Alumni School Spirit Prize             | <b>Amelia Hunter '30</b>    |
| Lucille Edwards Crosby Mathematics Award     | <b>Matoki Butler '30</b>          | William M. Street Head of School Award | <b>Adara Khan '30</b>       |
| Mathematics Award                            | <b>David Xu '30</b>               |                                        |                             |
| Science Award                                | <b>Luka Sulkowski '30</b>         |                                        |                             |
| Athletic 7th Grade                           | <b>May Davis '31</b>              |                                        |                             |
| Athletic 7th Grade                           | <b>Walter Harris '31</b>          |                                        |                             |
| Athletic 8th Grade                           | <b>Julien Bahouth '30</b>         |                                        |                             |
| Athletic 8th Grade                           | <b>Nylah Fowler '30</b>           |                                        |                             |
| Gaunt Cup 6th Grade                          | <b>Myles Stivers '32</b>          |                                        |                             |
| Gaunt Cup 6th Grade                          | <b>Isabel Thomson '32</b>         |                                        |                             |
| Character & Citizenship, 5th                 | <b>Juliet McNally '33</b>         |                                        |                             |
| Character & Citizenship, 5th                 | <b>Dean Marechaux '33</b>         |                                        |                             |
| Character & Citizenship, 6th                 | <b>Scout Evans '32</b>            |                                        |                             |
| Character & Citizenship, 6th                 | <b>James Faurest '32</b>          |                                        |                             |
| Character & Citizenship, 7th                 | <b>Addie Rankin '31</b>           |                                        |                             |
| Character & Citizenship, 7th                 | <b>Sadie Golden '31</b>           |                                        |                             |
| Character & Citizenship, 8th                 | <b>Abigail Veliquette '30</b>     |                                        |                             |
| Character & Citizenship, 8th                 | <b>Georgia Rudwell '30</b>        |                                        |                             |



*Sarah Nash Bumpas '96, Ford Johnston '30, and Mary Nash*

# Spring Successes Reflect the Best of Collegiate Athletics

By Paul Augustus, Director of Athletics

This spring, a simple scene unfolded across Louisville Collegiate School's campus: students gathered in circles, laughing together and keeping a hacky sack in the air. In an age often dominated by screens and digital distractions, these spontaneous moments of connection became a fitting symbol of what makes Collegiate Athletics so special.

At its core, athletics is about much more than wins and losses. It is about belonging, teamwork, perseverance, friendship, and the shared joy of being present with one another. Those values were on full display throughout an exceptional spring season for our Amazons and Titans.

The Amazon Lacrosse team delivered another outstanding campaign, finishing with a 16-5 record and advancing to the regional finals in both the district and state tournaments. The Amazons captured the prestigious Braveheart Tournament championship with a 6-4 victory over Assumption and earned impressive wins over Oldham County, Ballard, and Bowling Green during postseason play. Strong leadership from a talented group of upperclassmen helped propel the team to one of its most successful seasons in recent memory.

Titan Lacrosse also enjoyed a strong season, finishing 9-7 and advancing to the district championship game. The Titans secured key victories over Atherton, DuPont Manual, and Shelby County while continuing to build momentum for the future under a core of dedicated student-athletes.

On the track, Collegiate athletes reached historic heights. The Amazon Track and Field team captured a Regional Championship, while both the Amazon and Titan squads produced record-breaking performances throughout the spring. **James Gurley '26** delivered one of the most remarkable seasons in school history, setting school records in the 1600-meter run, 3200-meter run, and steeplechase before earning a KHSAA State Championship in the 800-meter run. **Lilly Paradis '26** broke the school record in the triple jump twice, including a record-setting

performance at the state meet. Additional school records were established by **EJ Lawrence '28** in the shot put and **Margaret Dulaney '27** string performances at both the Regional and State Championships. Gurley was also recognized as a Kentucky Boys Positive Athlete Award winner, highlighting both his athletic excellence and character.

The Amazon Tennis program celebrated tremendous postseason success. **Addie Gragg '27** and **Kennedy Gragg '27** finished as regional runners-up in doubles before advancing all the way to the semifinals of the KHSAA State Tournament. **Margaret Schulte '27** also qualified for the state tournament and advanced to the quarterfinals in singles competition. **Ava Beckley '26** was recognized with the Region 7 Sportsmanship Award, exemplifying the values that define Collegiate Athletics.

Titan Tennis also enjoyed a successful season under first-year Head Coach **Kenny Marcum**. The team earned notable victories over Bullitt East, Eastern, and Ballard while showcasing a promising group of returning players who will continue to strengthen the program in the years ahead.

Collegiate Crew completed an exciting first season in partnership with Louisville Rowing Club. The partnership expanded rowing opportunities to both Amazons and Titans, with student-athletes competing in regattas across Tennessee, and Ohio. With no seniors on the roster and strong participation from both Middle and Upper school students, the future of the program is bright.

From championships and school records to emerging programs and meaningful friendships, this spring demonstrated the power of athletics to bring students together. Whether on the field, court, track, water, or simply in a hacky sack circle between classes, Collegiate students continued to embody the spirit of connection, teamwork, and excellence that defines our community.

## 2025-2026 YEAR IN REVIEW

26

Varsity Sports

85%

Students Played  
One or More Sports

136

Middle & Upper  
School Coaches

3

All 'A' Region  
Champion Teams

5

KHSAA State  
Individual Titles



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## COMING SOON NEW LCS WEBSITE

Get ready — a brand-new Louisville Collegiate School website is launching this summer! Featuring a bold new look, dynamic design, streamlined navigation, and an enhanced user experience, the new site will make it easier than ever to stay connected, explore campus life, and celebrate the incredible stories that make Collegiate so special.

We can't wait to share it with you!



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## Dear Fellow Alumni,

What continues to stand out about our alumni community is simple: We show up for one another. This year's inaugural TAPESTRY mentorship program clearly demonstrated that. Over 70 alumni volunteered their time to connect with seniors, offering advice, perspective, and a listening ear. For the alumni who participated, I hope it was a rewarding experience. For the students, I hope it was a reminder that they do not face what comes after Collegiate alone. A heartfelt thank you to **Catherine Gatewood Easley '02**, **Sara Gahan**, and **Michael Cook '01** for making this program a reality.



The willingness to give back and stay connected is what makes our alumni network valuable. Being part of Collegiate does not end at graduation, nor is it defined by a single experience. For some, Collegiate was transformative; for others, it was more challenging. Whatever your experience, you are still part of this community, and we have a place for you.

This will be my final letter as President of the Alumni Association. Serving Collegiate in this role has been a true honor. I'm pleased to introduce **Erin Eggers Fidler '96** and **Emily Arensman '02** as our incoming President and Vice President, respectively. Both bring energy, thoughtfulness, and a genuine commitment to connection. I'm excited to watch them lead our alumni community forward.

Thank you to the Alumni Association board and to the many volunteers who make our alumni events and programs possible. And a special thank you to **Megan Hoskins '94**, who is stepping down after her many years of service to the Alumni Association, including eight as President. Stay connected with fellow alumni and the broader Collegiate community by visiting our Alumni Events page for upcoming gatherings and opportunities to reconnect.

Be sure to mark your calendar for our next Alumni & Faculty Celebration Luncheon on Saturday, November 14. We look forward to celebrating this year's Alumni Awards recipients, listed in the next pages, in a new format. Enjoy free childcare while reconnecting with alumni and faculty from across generations.

If you haven't been involved in a while, please consider this an open invitation to join the alumni LinkedIn group, come to an event, volunteer as a mentor, or reply when another alum reaches out. Our community is strongest when we support one another.

Have a wonderful summer!

With gratitude,

Mark Bowling '03  
Alumni Association President

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## A Celebration of Collegiate Community and Legacy

Each year, the Louisville Collegiate School Alumni Association recognizes alumni, faculty, and community members whose leadership, service, creativity, and commitment reflect the very best of Collegiate. We are proud to honor the following recipients for 2026 and hope you will join us for the re-imagined Alumni and Faculty Celebration on the morning of **Saturday, November 14, 2026**.

This reimagined event will bring together alumni, current and former faculty and staff, parents of alumni, board members, and friends of Collegiate for a joyful morning of connection, celebration, and school spirit. The event will feature the presentation of the annual Alumni Association Awards, a luncheon, opportunities to reconnect with classmates and former teachers, and complimentary childcare to help make attendance easy and welcoming for families. Whether you graduated decades ago or just recently, we hope you will join us for this special reinvisioned tradition celebrating the people who make the Collegiate community so meaningful.

Please enjoy reading about this year's outstanding Alumni Award recipients, whose leadership, service, creativity, and dedication continue to make a meaningful impact on the Collegiate community and beyond. Full biographies of our honorees can be viewed by scanning the QR code.

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### DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARD

#### *Mollie Camentz Turnier '86*

**Mollie Camentz Turnier '86** has built a remarkable career and life defined by entrepreneurial vision, compassionate leadership, mentorship, and a lasting commitment to community. A Louisville native and member of Collegiate's last all-female graduating class, Mollie embraced all aspects of student life during her time at school, participating in field hockey, basketball, Geography Team, Math Team, French Club, and *Pandemonium*. Those early experiences helped shape the collaborative spirit, curiosity, and determination that continue to define her today.

After graduating from Miami University with a degree in Marketing and a minor in French, Mollie began her professional career at Brown-Forman Corporation, where she held several leadership and planning roles before earning her MBA from Bellarmine University. In 1993, she became Owner and CEO of Creation Gardens, helping transform the Louisville-based company into What Chefs Want, now one of the nation's leading independently-owned wholesale food distributors. Under Mollie's leadership, the company expanded across 12 states with 19 distribution centers, serving more than

16,000 customers and employing over 2,200 people. Today, she continues to serve as Board Chair, helping guide the company's continued growth and success.

Beyond her professional accomplishments, Mollie has dedicated significant time to mentoring and philanthropy, supporting organizations focused on entrepreneurship, literacy, and youth development. Mollie is also a devoted mother to her three sons, Maximillian, Stanley, and Theodore, and has remained deeply involved in their schools, universities, and communities over the years. Through her leadership, generosity, and commitment to investing in others, Mollie exemplifies the spirit of the Distinguished Alumni Award and the lasting impact of Collegiate alumni far beyond campus.



## COLLEGIATE SERVICE AWARD

### *Gretchen Rounsavall Clark '67 & Kate Vogt Talamini '67*

For nearly six decades, classmates and lifelong friends Gretchen Rounsavall Clark '67 and Kate Vogt Talamini '67 have embodied what it means to be lifelong members of the Louisville Collegiate School community. Through alumni leadership, volunteerism, mentorship, philanthropy, and a deep love for Collegiate, both women have spent decades strengthening the bonds between generations of alumni and helping the school community remain connected long after graduation.

Known for their warmth, authenticity, and ability to make people feel welcomed and valued, Kate and Gretchen have become beloved ambassadors for Collegiate. Most recently, they recognized an opportunity to create new and meaningful ways for alumni to reconnect with one another beyond traditional programming. Together, they envisioned and launched the Alumni Artists & Authors Luncheon, an event centered around creativity, storytelling, friendship, and shared Collegiate memories. What began as an idea quickly became a treasured tradition, drawing alumni from multiple generations back to campus each year.

Their connection to Collegiate is also deeply personal and generational. Gretchen's family ties to the school span decades, beginning with her mother, Gretchen Collins Rounsavall '35, and continuing through her children and now grandchildren, with multiple generations proudly carrying on the Collegiate tradition. Kate later experienced Collegiate from the perspective of a parent when her son, Harry Talamini '06, attended the school for 13 years, further

deepening her family's connection to the community she had loved since arriving as a shy sixth grader in 1960.

Gretchen has served Collegiate both professionally and as a volunteer leader, dedicating years to Development and Alumni Affairs while also serving on both the Alumni Association Board and Board of Trustees. Kate's decades of involvement have similarly included alumni leadership, communications, service on the Alumni Association Board and Board of Trustees, and countless volunteer efforts that have helped sustain and strengthen the alumni community over time. Together, they exemplify the spirit of Collegiate through joyful service, enduring friendships, and an unwavering commitment to ensuring that Collegiate remains not simply a school alumni once attended, but a community they continue to call home.



## FACULTY AND STAFF LEGACY AWARD

### *Marti Calderwood*

When Collegiate alumni reflect on the teachers who most shaped their lives, inspired their confidence, and challenged them to think more deeply, Marti Calderwood's name is almost always part of the conversation. Through decades of extraordinary teaching, mentorship, curriculum development, and leadership, Ms. Calderwood left a lasting imprint on generations of students and colleagues alike.

Before arriving at Collegiate, Ms. Calderwood built innovative English curricula and discovered a passion for helping students engage thoughtfully with literature and the world around them. During her years at Collegiate, she developed the school's AP Composition and AP Literature programs while also serving in countless additional roles, including advisor, Mock Trial coach, archaeology

advisor, college counselor, and leader of transformative student travel experiences abroad. Whether teaching British literature, guiding students through college essays, or discussing philosophy at ancient historical sites overseas, she encouraged students to approach learning with curiosity, discipline, and courage.

Ms. Calderwood's influence extended far beyond academics. Alumni consistently describe her as someone who helped them discover their voices, sharpen their thinking, and believe more fully in themselves. Her demanding yet deeply caring approach created classrooms where students felt

challenged, respected, and inspired. Even years after graduation, former students continue to credit her with shaping not only their writing and intellectual growth, but the way they engage with the world itself. Her legacy at Collegiate is one of rigor, compassion, lifelong learning, and extraordinary impact.



## YOUNG ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

### *Rachel Annette Helson '07*

Rachel Annette Helson '07 is recognized for her extraordinary creativity, artistic vision, entrepreneurial spirit, and growing impact across film, theater, fashion, and nonprofit leadership. Throughout her career, Rachel has embraced bold storytelling and imaginative thinking while building a body of work defined by both artistic excellence and meaningful impact.

A graduate of New York University Tisch School of the Arts, Rachel began her career as an actor before transitioning behind the camera as a director and producer. Her work has included feature films, award-winning short films, and projects connected to major entertainment platforms and publications, earning recognition for her distinct visual style and emotionally compelling storytelling. In addition to her work in film and theater, Rachel co-founded Global Game Changers alongside her mother, Jan. Today, the nonprofit's free leadership and social-emotional learning curriculum reaches more than 500,000 students annually across all 50 states and 13 countries, encouraging young people to discover their strengths, serve others, and lead with confidence.

Rachel's creativity continues to evolve across disciplines. Most recently, she co-founded butter x birthday cake, a vintage-inspired jumpsuit brand rooted in individuality, confidence, and artistic self-expression. Whether directing films,

building nonprofit programs, designing fashion, or mentoring young people, Rachel consistently approaches her work with imagination, authenticity, and heart. Her career reflects the very spirit of the Young Alumni Achievement Award and the powerful impact of pursuing a life shaped by creativity, courage, and purpose.



## IN MEMORIAM

*Lindsey Lewis Brooks '64*

*Kitty Smith Camp '44*

*Margaret "Cotton" Cobb Hubbard '64*

*Virginia Rutledge Pearce '49*

*Porter Watkins '62*

## ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

### Carrie Anderson '13

**Carrie Anderson '13** is known not only for her outstanding athletic accomplishments but also for the leadership, humility, sportsmanship, and dedication she brought to every team and community she joined. A beloved member of the Collegiate community, Carrie consistently earned the respect of coaches, teammates, teachers, and peers alike through her willingness to lead, encourage others, and give her full effort in everything she pursued.

During her time at Collegiate, Carrie distinguished herself as one of the school's top multi-sport athletes, earning varsity honors in both field hockey and lacrosse. She served as captain of both teams, earned MVP honors, received Academic All-American recognition, and was celebrated for both her athletic talent and character. Her commitment to teamwork, perseverance, and sportsmanship made her an exceptional representative of Collegiate athletics.

Carrie continued her field hockey career at Sewanee: The University of the South, where she became a four-year starter, team captain, and multi-year all-

conference honoree. Today, she continues to channel the creativity, leadership, and collaborative spirit developed through athletics into her professional life as Director of Nashville Artist Collective and founder of her own custom framing business. Carrie credits many Collegiate teachers and coaches for helping shape her path, particularly **Coach Wendy Martin**, whose mentorship had a profound impact on her growth both on and off the field. Through her athletic excellence, generous spirit, and lifelong commitment to teamwork and community, Carrie exemplifies the values celebrated by the Athletic Hall of Fame Award.



## Alumni Gather in New York City

The New York City alumni event in April was a wonderful success, with an incredible turnout of graduates from many different class years. The event highlighted the impressive number of alumni who have made their way to New York and served as a great reminder of the strong connections and friendships that continue long after graduation. The evening was filled

with great conversation, reconnection, and school spirit. Thank you to everyone who joined us and helped make the event such a success.

Special thanks to **Leah Burke '18**, **Adrienne Gallus '13**, and **Mary Winston Richardson '12** for organizing such a wonderful evening for our alumni community.



William Rue '21, Emilie Garner '20, Izzy Payne '20, Molly O'Grady '20, Charlotte Freytag '13, and Libby Schmelzer '20



Adrienne Gallus '13, Mary Winston Richardson '12, Isabel Boyce '12, Sarah Nugent '13, and Molly Oliver '13



Paige McClellan '17, Isaac Kueber '17, Leah Burke '18, Grant Foley '21, Carter Jay '18, and Annie Oldham '18



## A Tradition of Connection

Each year, the Alumni Connection photo celebrates the generations of families connected through Louisville Collegiate School. Current students gather alongside parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, and even great-grandparents who once walked the same halls, creating a powerful visual reminder of the deep roots and lasting relationships that define the Collegiate community.



It is always special to welcome alumni back to campus with their own families and to see these connections continue across generations. Thank you to everyone who joined us for this meaningful tradition and helped make this year's photo so special.



*Katherine Brown Wardlaw '09 with daughter Maddie '38, nephew Thompson Brown '33, and niece Charlotte Chapman '33.*



*Laurie Vieth '76 with grandsons Henry Singer '38, and Charlie Singer '36.*

## Share Your News & Update Your Information

We love to share your news with fellow alumni. Please tell us what you have been up to or update your contact information by scanning the QR code or visiting the alumni page on our website at [louisvillecollegiate.org/connect](http://louisvillecollegiate.org/connect). If you do not receive the monthly Alumni eNewsletter, please use that link to update your email address.



Did you recently have a baby? If so, let us know, and we will send you a Collegiate Teddy Bear!



*Sarah Blasi '01 and Beth Blasi Harcourt '04*

## Weaving New Connections Through TAPESTRY

By Catherine Gatewood Easley '02, Alumni Relations

The TAPESTRY Alumni Mentoring Program was created to help Collegiate seniors connect with alumni who remember what it felt like to stand at the edge of graduation—excited, uncertain, hopeful, and full of questions. Through conversations about college, careers, life, and everything in between, the program is designed to build meaningful connections across generations within the Collegiate community. What began as an idea to offer guidance and perspective quickly became something even more special: authentic relationships rooted in trust, shared experiences, and mutual support.

This year, one mentor-mentee pair in particular perfectly captured the heart of TAPESTRY. What started as a simple introduction between alumna **Sarah Nash Bumpas '96** and senior **Bene Dal Bon** evolved into a genuine friendship that neither expected, reminding both women—and all of us—that some of the most meaningful connections happen when people simply show up willing to listen, share, and care.

When Sarah and Bene sat down for the first time through the TAPESTRY program, the initial goal was to offer a bit of wisdom. Bene initially approached the experience with some skepticism, unsure of what the connection would look like. For this particular pair, however, the experience quickly evolved into a balanced, meaningful friendship.

“My first impression was this was something that was going to be fun,” said Sarah, “but I was nervous we would not have enough to talk about.” Bene shared similar concerns before their first meeting, worried the conversation might feel awkward or forced.

Those worries vanished during their first meeting. The conversation felt so natural that Sarah quickly realized she was working with someone special. “Quickly, I discovered that Bene was in some ways more experienced and mature than I was,” she noted. “Bene has such a good head on her shoulders and will be successful in whatever she decides to do.” For Bene, that first meeting was equally assuring, especially as Sarah began sharing funny work stories and her own experience at Collegiate.

A highlight of their partnership was the bridge between Collegiate’s past and present. Sarah brought in physical artifacts to spark conversation, including vintage photos and a ribbon from the Kindergarten Derby. These items



A proud moment as Sarah Nash Bumpas '96 and Sarah Weyrens congratulate Bene Dal Bon '26 after her senior speech.



Tokesha Warner '92 traveled to Louisville to celebrate graduation with her TAPESTRY mentee, Evan Chisholm '26.



Blaise Saufnauer '26 and his mentor, Michael Cook '01, celebrate at the Alumni Association Induction Luncheon.



Natalie Sams '14 and Hayat Ahmed '26 connect before one of their TAPESTRY mentoring sessions.

served as a catalyst for their bond, allowing the two women to compare the school’s evolution over the decades. Their meetings also carried small traditions, as Sarah often brought treats to share, something Bene especially appreciated.

Their connection extended beyond campus too. They stayed in touch throughout the year via email and brunch, swapping stories and photos of their daily lives. The relationship was built on a foundation of low-stakes honesty. “I think it might have been a relief for her to have another adult to talk to,” Sarah shared. “To offer a perspective with no stakes or judgment.” This kind of support offered a new

perspective on the Collegiate experience and helped strengthen a growing sense of connection to the community.

While Sarah joked that her academic help had its limits, "I told her I couldn't help with chemical engineering," she offered something equally vital: a listening ear and a sense of humor. "I was available to talk and make her laugh," she said, noting that she even shared challenges she was facing in her own career.

The year reached a poignant milestone when Sarah returned to campus to watch Bene deliver her senior speech. Seeing her mentee take the stage was a testament to why TAPESTRY matters; it isn't just a program for giving advice, but a space for mutual support. Inviting Sarah to her senior speech felt natural for Bene, marking one of the most important moments of the year and reflecting how much the relationship had grown.

Seeing Bene's readiness for the world gave her mentor renewed confidence in the school's future.



Emily Vieth Singer '07 and Lillian Chung '26 share a conversation during a TAPESTRY meeting.

In the end, Sarah didn't just help a student navigate her final year; she walked away with a new friend and a deeper connection to the Collegiate community. For Bene, the experience also marked a turning point. Having joined Collegiate as a sophomore and initially struggling to feel a sense of belonging, TAPESTRY and her relationship with Sarah helped her see the school in a new light and feel more at home in its community.

Thank you to the 74 alumni who served as mentors this year! Interested in becoming part of the TAPESTRY Alumni Mentoring Program? Whether you are looking to share your experiences, offer encouragement, or simply connect with the next generation of Collegiate students, we would love to have you involved. Scan the QR code to learn more and register to become a mentor.



Alumni mentors joined from across the country, including Elizabeth Post Zalkind '03, who met virtually with Ryan Emery '26.

## 2025-2026 TAPESTRY MENTORS

McCauley Williams Adams '00  
Genevieve Anderle '15  
Tommy Beard '14  
Katie Bickel Booker '06  
Mark Bowling '03  
Rachel Waterfill Bridges '03  
Sarah Nash Bumpas '96  
Leah Burke '18  
Elizabeth Chandler '08  
Austin Clark '01  
Jackie Roe Cobb '04  
Dana Lucas Collins '85  
Brian Cook '94  
Michael Cook '01  
Robyn Metcalf Cook '91  
Lacey Campbell Costin '03  
Micah Daniels '97  
Lee Davis '01  
Lizzie Doll '03

Colleen Orr Engel '13  
Liz Ratliff Evans '08  
Brit Fitzpatrick '05  
Chad Gajadhar '91  
Adrienne Gallus '13  
Collin Gallus '11  
Kaywan Ghazi '00  
Carey Faversham Goldstein '90  
Eli Graff '12  
Haniah Griffith '16  
Jennifer Harlan '08  
Sadie Harlan '12  
Collis Hancock Hillebrand '04  
Grace Ishimwe '13  
Scott Jones '01  
Elizabeth Lovett Keshet '02  
Irina Khasin '02  
Regan Kommor '17  
Cole Lancaster '15

Rajani Narasimhan LaRocca '88  
Blake Levine '03  
Rob Linker '03  
Drew Manning '20  
Matt McCall '02  
Justin McLeod '02  
Chelsea Newhall '02  
Gilly O'Leary '16  
Ayodele Osasona '03  
Gracie Oyler '13  
Izzy Payne '20  
Ryan Perry '12  
Barbara Gibbs Pino '09  
Sascha Post '18  
Will Rawley '03  
Leigh Clark Reckner '98  
Leanne Reisz '12  
Mary Winston Richardson '12  
Jared Rouben '00

Garrett Sams '18  
Natalie Sams '14  
James Seiler '11  
Barrett Sellers '97  
Emily Vieth Singer '07  
Charles Stopher '97  
Elle Summerfield '18  
Shelby Summerfield '14  
Pamela Toscano '15  
Tokesha Warner '92  
Lee Wells '03  
Connor White '13  
Russell Willig '01  
Jay Yepuri '90  
Holton Yost '96  
Elizabeth Post Zalkind '03  
Mark Zurada '97

## 2026 Senior Legacy Recognition

One of Louisville Collegiate School's cherished traditions is honoring Legacy students at graduation. Legacy students are defined as current seniors whose parents, grandparents, and/or great-grandparents graduated from or attended Collegiate. Seniors with other family members who attended Collegiate are recognized separately as Collegiate Connections. We are proud to celebrate the Legacy graduates of the class of 2026, along with the names of their family members who have helped continue the Collegiate tradition across generations.



**Mimi Meyer Abbott - 2026**  
Katherine Lynn Abbott - 1990



**Davis Burgess Allen - 2026**  
Sarah Davis Allen - 1998  
Hilda Gudmundsson Davis - 1969



**Ellen Harper Beneke - 2026**  
Ashley Nicole Blacketer - 1990



**Hugh Barnett Bird - 2026**  
Elizabeth Tyler Davis - 1998  
Ann Price Davis - 1969  
Charlotte Williams Price - 1942



**Michael Jude Hoskins-Harris - 2026**  
Anne Megan Hoskins - 1994



**Elizabeth Claire Lococo - 2026**  
Elizabeth Maria Dodd - 1990



**Elizabeth Rose Crittenden Martin - 2026**  
Mavin "Mimi" Brown Martin - 1956  
Anne Brewer Ogden - 1964



**Ruby Rosario Miguel - 2026**  
Suzette Higgins Miguel - 1993



**Abigail Hastings Mobley - 2026**  
Elizabeth Shwab Mobley - 1985  
Deborah Snyder Shwab - 1958  
Lois Keller Wolfe - 1933



**Mary Sophia Najjar - 2026**  
Sarah Metry Najjar - 1989



**Mary May Nash - 2026**  
Richard Hafford Nash III - 1994



**Isabela Marisol Nibur - 2026**  
Lauren Elizabeth Kaplan - 2001



**Isabella Zamanian - 2026**  
Heather Bass Zamanian - 1990

## Alumni Gather for the Authors and Artists Luncheon

Nearly 70 alumnae and friends returned to Louisville Collegiate School for the second annual Alumni Artists & Authors Luncheon in March. It was a special afternoon celebrating creativity, connection, and the lasting impact of the Collegiate community.

Guests enjoyed thoughtful conversation and inspiring reflections from featured speakers **Kathy Cary '72**, **Rachel Grimes '88**, and **Nana Lampton '60**, who each shared stories of their creative journeys and how their time at Collegiate shaped their passions and careers. From early entrepreneurial moments selling chocolate sauce in the halls to performing first concerts in the Auditorium, each speaker reflected on the experiences and encouragement that continue to influence their work today.

Special thanks to the event planning committee, including **Sally Van Winkle Campbell '62**, **Gretchen Rounsavall Clark '67**, **Dana Lucas Collins '85**, **Mary Anne O'Callaghan Cronan '64**, **Kit Davis '69**, **Kitty Davis '70**, **Anita Matton Streeter '74**, and **Kate Vogt Talamini '67**, whose thoughtful work helped bring the event to life. Mark your calendars for 2027's event on March 12, 2027!



*Harriet Dodd Port '58, Elizabeth Farmer Owen '58, Pris Chandler '63, Penelope Tarrant Morton '58, and Virginia "Sister" Kemp Stites '58*



*Kathy Cary '72, Louise Gardner '70, and Julie Farnsley Evans '96 share treasures from Kathy's career.*

## Alumni Association Inducts the Class of 2026

The Class of 2026 was officially welcomed into the Louisville Collegiate School Alumni Association at this year's Alumni Induction Lunch at Gilda's Club Louisville. Seniors gathered to celebrate this exciting milestone over a delicious River Road BBQ lunch provided by **Krissy Davis '95**.

As part of their Alumni Co-Edge experience, students created "Memory Walk" videos around campus, reflecting on the people, places, traditions, and moments that shaped their time at Collegiate. Seniors also recorded fun interview-style videos sharing memories about favorite school lunches, beloved teachers, and what they will miss most about LCS. The Class of 2026 enjoyed watching these videos together

during the luncheon as they reflected on their years at Collegiate.

The luncheon was made even more meaningful by the presence of several local TAPESTRY mentors, reminding students that the Collegiate community continues long after graduation. Alumni Association Board President **Mark Bowling '03** shared words of encouragement, while **Catherine Gatewood Easley '02** spoke about ways to stay connected as alumni.

Before leaving, each senior received their first alumni t-shirt and a beautiful alumni julep cup from Stoneware & Co. as a welcome into the alumni community.



## New Legacies Attending Collegiate

We're excited to welcome 16 new Alumni Legacies to Collegiate for the 2026-2027 school year. These are students carrying on a special family connection to the school through a parent, grandparent, or great-grandparent who once walked these halls.

Each new generation of legacy families is a meaningful reminder of the lifelong relationships built at Collegiate. The strong sense of community created by students, families, faculty, and staff is what continues to bring alumni back home to share the Collegiate experience with the next generation.



**Annemarie Brody - 2040**

*Parker Brody - 2004  
Father*



**Cyrus Butler - 2039**

*Alex Ronald Butler '04, Mother  
Mary Boyd Ronald '48, Great Grandmother  
Cornelia Speed Radford '50, Great Grandmother*



**Mae Crawford - 2039**

*Elizabeth "Betty" Downing  
Crawford - 1946  
Great Grandmother*



**Walker Ferris - 2039**

*Kari Anderson Ferris - 2003  
Mother*



**George Glick - 2040**

*Tyler Glick - 2002  
Father*



**Evie Henshall - 2040**

*Annie Oyler Henshall - 2011  
Mother*



**Isabel Jevne - 2033**

*Sally Abell - 1963  
Grandmother*



**Annie Keyer - 2039**

*Emori Keyer - 2008  
Will Keyer - 2008  
Parents*



**Beau Manning - 2039**

*Emma Manning - 2004  
Kyle Manning - 2004  
Parents*



**Winnie McCall - 2039**

*Matt McCall - 2002  
Father*



**Rosa Mae Morse - 2033**

*Jenny Morse - 1995, Mother  
Suzanne Helm Blake - 1962, Grandmother*



**Cooper Pino - 2040**

*Barbara Gibbs Pino - 2009, Mother  
Betsy Pfeiffer Gibbs - 1983, Grandmother*

**Leomarís Pitzer - 2034**

*Kimberly Levin - 1991*  
Mother

**Hoke Vail - 2040**

*Will Vail - 1997*  
Father

**Elouise Wardlaw - 2040**

*Katherine Brown Wardlaw - 2009*  
Mother

**Aviva Windt Sarasohn - 2040**

*Julie Sarasohn - 2001*  
Mother



**COLLEGIATE  
ALUMNI**

## Upcoming Alumni Events

**ALUMNI FAMILY PICTURE**

Lower School Fall Festival  
October 3, 2026

**ALUMNI AND FACULTY CELEBRATION**

November 14, 2026

**ALUMNI GAMES**

November 25, 2026

**DONUTS AND DONA NOBIS**

December 18, 2026

**ALUMNI BASKETBALL GAMES**

December 23, 2026



## THE GLENMARY SHOP

Visit the Glenmary Shop to purchase polos, sweatshirts, and spirit wear! Shop online [glenmaryshoponline.com](http://glenmaryshoponline.com). Items purchased online during the summer can be picked up at school.

**BACK-TO-SCHOOL SUMMER HOURS**

Wednesday, August 5, 3:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, August 6, 9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Friday, August 7, 9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

**COMING SOON**

**Glenmary Shop Custom Order Website -**  
orders will ship directly to your home!

*The Glenmary Shop is the only retail store that donates its profits back to the school. It is managed and operated by Collegiate Alumni. Contact Catherine Gatewood Easley '02 to volunteer in the shop!*

## Two Goals. One Historic Vision.

### 1. A Foundation for the Future:

We are doubling our permanent endowment to ensure Collegiate remains resilient and accessible. Additional support for the endowment is always welcome. Legacy commitments through the Speed Society for planned giving ensures the endowment will continue to grow.



### 2. The heart of our campus, reimaged:

With your support, we will transform our historic Auditorium and front entrance into a 21st-century space for gatherings and performances.

We're excited to unveil our vision of our community's new front doors!



### It's Not Too Late to Support the Inspire Campaign!

Whether you're naming an Auditorium seat, supporting the endowment, or honoring a teacher - your gift fuels the next century of excellence.

*Every Collegiate community member can help pass the torch to the next generation.*

To discuss a multi-year pledge or a \$25,000+ naming opportunity, please contact:

**Stephanie Disney**, Director of Advancement  
502.479.0343 | [sdisney@louisvillecollegiate.org](mailto:sdisney@louisvillecollegiate.org)



# COMMUNITY PARTNERS

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*If you are interested in becoming a Community Partner, please contact **Catherine Gatewood Easley '02** at 502.479.0345 or [ceasley@louisvillecollegiate.org](mailto:ceasley@louisvillecollegiate.org).*



## BACK-TO-SCHOOL INFORMATION

We're excited to welcome our students and families to the 2026-2027 school year! We look forward to a year filled with learning, growth, and meaningful connections. Whether you're returning to our community or joining us for the first time, we're so glad you're here. Our dedicated faculty and staff are committed to supporting each student's journey with enthusiasm, care, and a strong commitment to excellence. Together, let's make this a truly memorable year.

Visit our website at [louisvillecollegiate.org](https://louisvillecollegiate.org) for a complete list of summer reading requirements, school supply lists, and everything you need to return to school!

**FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL: AUGUST 11**



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## OPEN HOUSE INFORMATION

Each year, Collegiate hosts several events for prospective families to see first-hand what makes our school such a special place. If you know someone interested in learning about Collegiate, please share our open house dates and contact our Admission Office at 502.479.0378 or [admission@louisvillecollegiate.org](mailto:admission@louisvillecollegiate.org).

### FALL OPEN HOUSE

Junior Kindergarten-12th Grade  
Sunday, October 18, 2026  
1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

