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James Gurley '26 wins second straight individual state title.



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## FROM OUR LEADERSHIP

### Dear Collegiate Community,

As we reflect on the first half of the school year, I am filled with gratitude for the energy, spirit, and joy that fill our campus each day. We opened the 2025-26 school year with just over 800 students—each one bringing curiosity, enthusiasm, and a genuine love for learning. From our youngest junior kindergartners to our graduating seniors, it has been inspiring to watch our students engage deeply in their studies, care for one another, and contribute to the life of our school.

Our focus on health and wellness continues to guide our work across divisions. Whether it's through mindfulness in the classroom, teamwork on the athletic fields, or creative expression on stage, we are committed to nurturing not only amazingly bright minds but also healthy, balanced individuals. We hosted our first Wellness Fair on November 16 for the greater community and look forward to hosting it annually. It was a wonderful event!

This fall, our students truly shined in every arena by bringing remarkable creativity to the stage with productions like *Into the Woods, JR.*, delivering beautiful and moving concerts, and competing with resilience, heart, and sportsmanship across all athletic fields. We celebrated incredible milestones, including our first-ever boys' cross country team state championship, along with many hard-earned victories. But above all, we've witnessed something even more meaningful: students lifting one another up, embracing challenges, and growing together as a stronger, more connected community.

All of these achievements would not be possible without the generosity of this community through donations to Collegiate. Every contribution makes a difference in our school community. For those who have not given, we hope you will consider making a gift to Collegiate this year.

As we enter the winter season, I am reminded daily of the strength of our Collegiate family—students, faculty, staff, parents, and alumni—who make this such a remarkable place to learn and grow. Thank you for your continued partnership and support.

Sincerely,



Dr. Robert P. Macrae  
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## Upper School Students Receive National Recognition

### National Merit Semifinalists

Congratulations to the following seniors who were recognized as National Merit Semifinalists: **Jacob Holzer, David Laber, Alex Makdah, Aliya Nasim, Lilly Paradis, and Zunairah Sattaur.**

The National Merit Scholarship Corporation recognized more than 16,000 high school seniors as Semifinalists for their exceptional academic performance on the PSAT. These Semifinalists, who represent the highest-scoring students in each state and make up less than one percent of the nation's graduating seniors, have the opportunity to advance in the competition for a National Merit Scholarship.



(l-r) David Laber, Zunairah Sattaur, Jacob Holzer, Aliya Nasim, Alex Makdah, and Lilly Paradis.

### National Merit Commended Students

We are pleased to announce that four seniors have been recognized as National Merit Commended Scholars: **Ava Beckley, Lillian Chung, Ryan Emery, and Eliza Martin.**

We are so proud of all of these students, whose PSAT/NMSQT scores place them in the top 3-4% of test-takers nationwide, recognizing their significant academic ability. This year, 10 Collegiate students were recognized by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation, representing 13% of our 2026 graduating class!



(l-r) Lillian Chung, Ryan Emery, Elizabeth Martin, and Ava Beckley.



Upper School students in the Black Student Union and student allies recently read to kindergarten students.



Eighth-grade students enjoyed bonding during their annual white water rafting trip.



Upper School students in the Me to We club volunteering at the Portland Community Center.

## Our Vision, Our Community: Strategic Plan Update

*By Jim McGuire, Associate Head of Upper School*

This fall marked a significant milestone for Louisville Collegiate School as we officially launched Our Vision, Our Community, our multi-year strategic plan designed to guide the school's priorities, strengthen our community, and position Collegiate for a vibrant future. Since its introduction at the start of the academic year, the plan has already begun to take root in meaningful ways across campus.

The Board of Trustees' Strategic Plan Subcommittee has met twice since August to review progress and ensure the work remains aligned with the plan's guiding goals. During these meetings, the committee conducted a detailed review of all pillars and action items, while also inviting the administrative team members who serve as pillar owners to share updates from their respective areas. This structure allows for ongoing accountability, collaboration, and clarity as the plan moves from vision to action.

At this time, no modifications, additions, or changes to the strategic plan have been recommended. This early stability is a reflection of the thoughtful work that went into crafting the plan last year, as well as the strong alignment among faculty, staff, trustees, and leadership around its key priorities. The current focus is on implementation—ensuring that each pillar is supported with clear action steps, realistic timelines, and the engagement of those closest to the work.

Across campus, pillar owners have been meeting with faculty, staff, students, and other stakeholders to begin advancing the action items outlined in the plan. These conversations have sparked productive collaboration and have helped us take the first steps toward realizing the plan's goals—from strengthening student experience, to deepening community partnerships, to enhancing operational excellence.

A more comprehensive progress report will be shared with the community at the State of the School on January 22, 2026. This event will provide an opportunity to explore the work in greater depth and highlight early milestones. Stay tuned for additional details about the program.

As the year progresses, the Strategic Plan Subcommittee will continue its regular meeting schedule to monitor progress and ensure the work remains responsive to our community's needs. We look forward to sharing continued updates as Our Vision, Our Community comes to life—guided by the collective commitment and energy of everyone who makes Collegiate such a special place.





## UPCOMING EVENTS

### STATE OF THE SCHOOL

January 22, 6:00 p.m.  
Thornton Dining Commons

### COMMUNITY WELLNESS SERIES EVENT

January 27, 8:15 a.m.  
Thornton Dining Commons

### THE ENCHANTED GARDEN GALA

February 21, 6:00 p.m.  
Mary Rodes Lannert Athletic Center

### COMMUNITY WELLNESS SERIES EVENT

March 17, 8:15 a.m.  
Thornton Dining Commons

### SPRING OPEN HOUSE: PROSPECTIVE FAMILIES

April 15, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

### COLLEGIATE DAY OF GIVING

April 21

### COMMUNITY WELLNESS SERIES EVENT

April 21, 8:15 a.m.  
Thornton Dining Commons

### 64TH KINDERGARTEN DERBY

April 30, 10:30 a.m.  
Campus Field

### COLLEGIATE 110TH COMMENCEMENT

May 22, 1:00 p.m.  
St. Matthews Baptist Church

*For a complete list of upcoming events, visit [louisvillecollegiate.org](http://louisvillecollegiate.org).*

## AROUND COLLEGIATE

### Collegiate Welcomes Grandparents and Special Friends

In November, we were delighted to welcome grandparents and special friends to campus for a joyful morning together. A heartfelt thank-you to **Angie McDonald**, grandparent of Nolan '33, for serving as our guest speaker and sharing her meaningful reflections. We loved celebrating with our community during the Thanksgiving program and classroom visits—it was truly a special day!



### Collegiate Partners with Louisville Rowing Club

Collegiate Athletics is excited to announce our partnership with the Louisville Rowing Club. Our crew program was founded in 1996 by **Tori Murden McClure '81**. It has provided hundreds of students with a fun and unique competitive experience that has led to countless memories and connections.

This year, we are partnering with the Louisville Rowing Club to provide coaching, equipment, competitions, and community for this program.

This has allowed us to reopen crew to our Titans as well. **Riley Kerber**, the Head Coach of the LRC Juniors program, is overseeing our crew program through this partnership. Tori Murden McClure '81 described Coach Kerber as one of the top junior rowing coaches out there. We are happy to provide this opportunity for our crew program and rowers!



# Fall Athletics: A Season of *Mudita*, Memories, and Milestones

## Historic 2024 Fall Athletic Season for our Amazons and Titans

By Paul Augustus, Director of Athletics

What an incredible fall season it has been at Collegiate. From the first whistle to the final finish line, our student-athletes have truly embodied *mudita*—the joy in others' success. The stands were packed, the cheers were loud, and the school spirit was contagious! With 73% of our Middle School students and 60% of our Upper School students competing in a fall sport, this season was a true celebration of community, growth, and pride in wearing blue and gold for the Titans and Amazons.

### AMAZON CROSS COUNTRY

The Amazon runners raced to a KHSAA Region 3 1A Team Championship, led by individual regional champion **Margaret Dulaney '27**. The team, which consisted of **Mary Thomas Kute '27**, **Nora Lam '28**, **Elizabeth Dietz '30**, **Moirra Karr '29**, **Hayley Wachsman '26**, and **Alice Lam '28** took home the region title. Dulaney, Kute, N. Lam, Karr, Wachsman, and A. Lam finished 6th at the KHSAA 1A State Championships, with Dulaney earning a medal with an impressive 9th-place individual finish. Their teamwork, determination, and positivity defined their season.

### TITAN CROSS COUNTRY

Dominant from start to finish, the Titans captured both the KHSAA Region 3 1A Team Title and the 2025 KHSAA 1A State Championship! **James Gurley '26** claimed his second straight individual state title, leading a powerhouse lineup that included **Everest Snyder '27**, **Hayden McIntosh '30**, **Arlo Harvey '30**, **Raphael Velinov '28**, **Ryan Wachsman '29**, and **Leo Hasselbacher '27**. Their unity, depth, and resilience made Titan history, with our first-ever boys' cross country team state title!

### AMAZON FIELD HOCKEY

The Amazon Field Hockey team capped an impressive season by reaching the quarterfinals of the KHSAA State Tournament for the fourth straight year, finishing with a hard-earned 9-9-3 record. Despite battling numerous injuries, the team's



Congratulations to Margaret Dulaney '27 and James Gurley '26 for winning the individual regional championship.



resilience shone through as players stepped into new roles and delivered key wins over North Oldham, Mercy, South Oldham, Atherton, and rival KCD, solidifying their place as a top-five team in the state. **Lillian Chung '26** earned 2025 Defensive Player of the Year honors and a spot on the Apple All Tournament Varsity Team, while **Jillian Hamilton '28** and **Abby Ridge '28** were named to the Region 3 All Tournament Team, and **Kayla Holzer '29** received Apple All Tournament JV recognition. Chung, **Claire Lococo '26**, and **Eliza Lewis '27** were named to the All State First Team, and **Laurel Jane Nelson '28**, **Rebecca Reale '27**, and Hamilton earned Second Team All State honors. From the Field Hockey Frenzy to the Champions Trace Invitational and the annual Gateway Tournament in St. Louis, the program continued to elevate its presence at both the state and regional levels.

### AMAZON GOLF

The Amazons made their mark as All "A" Region Champions and went on to finish 8th at the All "A" State Tournament. The squad included: **Heidi Mitchell '27**, **Alexandra Scharfenberger '28**, **Addy Blieden '28**, **Naomi Linville '28**, and **Nessa Kaplan '28**, all whom showed remarkable consistency and composure. A special congratulations to Heidi Mitchell, who advanced all the way to the KHSAA State Championship final round!

### TITAN GOLF

The Titans had an exceptional season, capturing the All "A" Region Championship and earning a third-place team finish at the All "A" State Tournament. Led by **Jacob Holzer '26**, **Taiten Luehrs '26**, **Thomas Lewis '27**, **Scott Davis '27**, and **Leo Cha '29**, the team demonstrated poise, precision, and teamwork from start to finish.

### AMAZON SOCCER

Amazon Soccer capped off a solid 8–6–3 season as the Region 7 All "A" Tournament Runner-Up. Notable wins came against Presentation, Whitefield, Eastern, Fern Creek, and Butler. **Brooklyn Haraden '26**, **Hannah Rairick '27**, and **Taylor Wozniak '26** earned All "A" Region Tournament Team honors, with Haraden also named to the All District Team. This fall also marked the final season for **Coach Thomas Travis**, the program's founder, who guided the Amazons for 21 seasons and 348 games. His legacy of passion, mentorship, and family was remarkable, and we are excited for the next chapter of the Amazon Soccer program.

### TITAN SOCCER

The Titans finished 18–4 as All "A" Region Champions, All "A" State Classic Champions, and 7th Region Runner-Up. Honors poured in: **Max Shelley '27**, **Thomas Weinrich '26**, **Neal Wantye '26**, and **Bennett MacGregor '26** made the All "A" Region Team; **Andrew Caborn '27**, **Max Shelley '27**, **Ashwin Muralidharan '26**, and **Noah Hayden '27** were All "A" State Tournament selections; and Weinrich earned All "A" State Classic MVP. Thomas Wienrich, **Carter Sipes '26**, and Andrew Caborn were named to the All District tournament team, and Muralidharan, Weinrich, and Wantye were selected to the All Region tournament team. Weinrich was the 7th Region Offensive Player of the Year. All 7th Region first-team selections went to Weinrich, Shelley, and Caborn; second-team selections went to MacGregor and Sipes; and Muralidharan was an honorable mention. Finally, **Caborn**, **Shelley**, and **Weinrich** were named First Team All-State, and Weinrich has been selected to play in the prestigious High School All-American Game. A legendary fall for Titan Soccer!

### AMAZON VOLLEYBALL

The Amazon Volleyball program delivered a memorable 10-8 season, and created electric home match atmospheres thanks to our amazing student supporters. Big wins over Fern Creek, Waggener, Highlands Latin, Fairdale, and Jeffersontown highlighted their grit and growth in just the second year of this program. The team was powered by an incredible 11 seniors, including standouts **Jordan Jones '26**, **Abby Mobley '26**, **Jordan Boyer '26**, **Bella Zamanian '26**, **Ava Beckley '26**, and **Izzy Nibur '26**, with rising talents **Devon Boyer '28**, **Reagan Vermost '27**, and **Nylah Fowler '30** making key contributions. Jordan Jones earned both All District and All "A" Region Team honors.

### A SEASON OF MUDITA

From the golf greens to the soccer pitch and across the cross-country trails, our fall athletes embodied what it means to take joy in one another's success. Thank you to our coaches, families, fans, and—most of all—our student-athletes for making this season unforgettable.

# Endowment in Action: How Do You Inspire Lifelong Learning? First, you model it: Professional Development at LCS

By Clay Gahan, Dean of Faculty

“No tears in the writer, no tears in the reader. No surprise in the writer, no surprise in the reader.”

These declarations come from Robert Frost’s influential essay “The Figure a Poem Makes” and articulate well the importance of authenticity when we aim to communicate something truly valuable. Poets cannot expect their readers to be moved or compelled to new discoveries if the poets themselves

are not able to capture and bear out those feelings themselves when conceiving their poem. There is a responsibility of conviction that the poet needs to bring to their work if they want to communicate something important. The same is true for teaching. When a student initially falls in love with a particular subject or a new idea, it is very often after that student has been in the midst of a teacher or other adult demonstrating that kind of passion and care for a

subject. Put simply, students can absolutely tell when their teacher is still an enthusiastic learner or not.

Louisville Collegiate School is replete with lifelong learners. It is evident around campus and was apparent over the past year as our faculty took advantage of an impressive variety of professional development opportunities. The math department and several Lower School teachers traveled together to the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics Annual Conference in Kansas City last February.



World language teachers gathered at the Kentucky World Language Association last fall, and several also attended the Southern Conference on Language Teaching in Nashville, gaining new insights into the potentials and challenges posed by the proliferation of A.I. technology and into creating multi-tiered support systems to meet the differing proficiency levels within a world language class.



Our arts faculty were active this past spring as well, participating in the National Art Education Association’s National Convention, the Kentucky Music Educators Association Annual Conference, and Sing! Dance! Play! Live in St. Louis. This past September, four members of the science department traveled to the Smoky Mountains next weekend for a workshop at the Tremont Institute to explore with science teachers across the country how to use nature as a tool in the classroom. We also saw two Innovation Grants in the science



department take shape—one to realign our Lower School science curriculum with the most current Next Generation Science Standards and the second to review and refresh the Conceptual Physics course in the Upper School.

Beyond work in specific disciplines, Collegiate teachers took part in the Independent Schools Association of the Central States (ISACS) Annual Conference, the School Library Journal Summit, the Association of Independent School Admission Professionals Annual

Institute, the ISACS New Teacher Institute, and the Social Media for Schools Retreat. As Collegiate teachers have done in the summers over the past decade, two faculty members traveled to Arusha, Tanzania, to work with students and teachers at The School of St. Jude. Several faculty members also contributed to the broader education community by presenting at conferences, judging robotics competitions, and pursuing graduate and doctoral studies.

We are a community where curiosity, reflection, and growth are core values. We are a stronger school when our faculty and staff model these values. As seen above, that is happening in abundance here at LCS, and we embrace the responsibility to sustain that dedication in the months to come and the opportunities it opens up for our community.



## New Year - New Sport - Try Squash!

Experience the excitement of **Louisville Community Squash** — your new home for fitness, community, and competition! **Join now and enjoy a FREE one-month trial!**

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Scan the QR code to learn more — game on!



## THE GLENMARY SHOP

**Visit the Glenmary Shop to purchase polos, sweatshirts, and spirit wear!**

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 at [ceasley@louisvillecollegiate.org](mailto:ceasley@louisvillecollegiate.org).

### SCHOOL HOURS

**Mondays: 7:30 – 8:30 a.m.**

**Wednesdays: 2:30 – 3:30 p.m.**

**Thursdays: 7:45 – 8:30 a.m.**



## Recommend a Future Student

As you know, Collegiate provides an exceptional educational experience for junior kindergarten through 12th grade students. Contact our Admission Office at 502.479.0378 if you know someone searching for a school where their child will be known, challenged, encouraged, and loved.

Invite them to our Spring Open House and to visit campus to see what makes Collegiate a special place!

### Spring Open House

April 15, 2026

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

### Admission & Ninth Grade Merit Assessments:

January 10 or 24, 2026



## Dear Fellow Alumni,

At the midpoint of the 2025-26 school year, the Upper School's theme "Year of Connection" reminds us that our alma mater is more than a place—it's a living network of relationships that stretches across generations. This year, the Alumni Association has embraced that spirit by putting connection into action.

In August, we launched **TAPESTRY**, a mentorship program that paired all 75 seniors with alumni mentors. Already, we're seeing meaningful conversations, practical guidance, and genuine relationships take shape at the very heart of what connection looks like in practice. We look forward to sharing more stories in the next edition of *The Bulletin*.

September's **Alumni & Faculty Celebration** and its after-party at TEN20 Craft Brewery offered a joyful opportunity to reconnect, honor our award recipients, and celebrate the values that unite us.

This fall and over Thanksgiving break, we welcomed six milestone reunion classes back to Louisville—a joyful opportunity to reconnect, share memories, and show current students how deeply Collegiate relationships endure. We're so grateful to the classmates who made these gatherings possible: **Lindsey Schell '95** and **Krissy Davis '95**; **McCauley Williams Adams '00**; **Laura Schumann Crawford '05** and **Austin Levine '05**; **Nora Inman '10**; **Genevieve Anderle '15**, **Cole Lancaster '15**, and **Emily Wolff '15**; and **Eleanor McLaughlin '20** and **Molly Fitzgerald '20**. Thank you for bringing your classes together and helping make each reunion such a success!

December brought several cherished traditions: "**Donuts & Dona Nobis**" on the morning of December 19, followed by alumni leading *Dona Nobis Pacem* at the Holiday Program. We also hosted the Alumni Basketball Games, dedicated to the memory of **Henry Walter '13**, on December 21. On March 13, 2026 we'll gather for the second **Alumni Authors & Artists Luncheon**, continuing a tradition that highlights the creativity and accomplishment of our alumni.

We're also pleased to welcome seven new members to the Alumni Association Board: **Rachel Waterfill Bridges '03**, **Leah Burke '18**, **Michael Cook '01**, **Dorin Keith '05**, **Shaheen Khan '02**, **Blake Levine '03** (Treasurer), and **Natalie Sams '14**. Their energy and perspective are already helping us build new pathways for engagement and connection.

Please visit our alumni events page to stay informed about upcoming opportunities. Every connection strengthens our community. I encourage you to get involved in whatever way you can—and to reach out with ideas or events you'd love to see take shape.

With gratitude,



Mark Bowling '03  
Alumni Association President



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## Celebrating Connection: Alumni and Faculty Come Together for an Unforgettable Evening

The 2025 Alumni and Faculty Celebration was an evening to remember—filled with laughter, big hugs, and joyful reunions that reflected the true heart of Collegiate. Alumni, current and former faculty, families, and friends gathered to honor the people and stories that continue to make our community so special. Guests enjoyed reconnecting and reminiscing, celebrating the shared experiences that define Collegiate's enduring spirit.

We were proud to recognize this year's honorees, whose achievements and service exemplify the excellence and values of our school: **Jennie Eilers Gerard '62**, Distinguished Alumni Award; **Brittany Fitzpatrick '05**, Young Alumni Achievement Award; **Kelly Estep**, Collegiate Service Award; **Rick Haas**, Faculty and Staff Legacy Award; and **Haji Abdikadir '18**, Athletic Hall of Fame Award.

A special moment of the evening came as alumni shared personal tributes to recently retired Middle School teacher Mr. Rick Haas, expressing their gratitude for his lasting influence on generations of students and colleagues.

Thank you to everyone who joined us and helped make the celebration so memorable. Your presence brought warmth, joy, and connection to an unforgettable night.



(l-r) Jennie Eilers Gerard '62, Kelly Estep, Brittany Fitzpatrick '05, Rick Haas, and Haji Abdikadir '18



(l-r) Cecilia Long, Susan Maxwell, Betsy Stern, Wendy Martin, Christina Clifford



(l-r) Bessie Snyder Tyrrell '62, Evie Day Butler '62, Betsy McElwain Johnston '62, Jennie Gerard '62, Suzanne Helm Blake '62, and Sally Van Winkle Campbell '62



## Honoring Voices, Preserving Stories: The Women in History Oral History Project Continues

By Catherine Gatewood Easley '02, Alumni Relations

Now in its second year, the Women in History Oral History Project once again brought generations of Collegiate alumni together to celebrate the stories that define our school's enduring spirit. In October, 28 alumni spanning the classes of 1947–2016 participated in this meaningful exchange, connecting virtually and in person to share their memories, milestones, and reflections on leadership and community.

The event paired alumni from across the country with Upper School students in Dr. Alessandra Link's Women in History class, who spent weeks preparing by visiting The Filson Historical Society and researching both Collegiate's past and the backgrounds of their assigned alumni. These thoughtful interviews culminated in student presentations over lunch, where they shared what they learned about Collegiate's history and the remarkable alumni who have shaped it—from women who attended during Collegiate's all-girls era, to some of the first men to graduate, to a member of the school's 100th-year graduating class.

The morning was filled with laughter, insight, and gratitude—a vivid reminder that the strength of Collegiate lies in the stories and connections that unite us across generations.



The class visited The Filson Historical Society, where they explored Collegiate's archival materials and prepared for their interviews using original records and primary sources.

### ALUMNI INTERVIEWEES

*Thank you to our alumni who participated!*

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 Mona Willig Powell '65  
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 Lindsey Schell '95  
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 Deborah Topcik '94  
 Louise Rapp Wall '47  
 Laura Wells '92



Amy Cabrera '26, Laura Wells '92, and XiuXiu Collier '26



Salem Gudmundsson '26, Merrell Grant '74, and Jordan Boyer '26



Mona Willig Powell '65 being interviewed by Upper School students.



Blaise Saufnauer '26, Gabe Fritz '93, and Blair Samuels '26

**SAVE The DATE**

Saturday · February 21, 2026 · 6 PM

THE ENCHANTED GARDEN

2026 GALA

Drinks & Dinner · After Party Dancing  
Bourbon Pull · Live & Silent Auction · Raffle Prizes

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Alumni Authors and Artists Luncheon

March 13, 2026, 11:30 a.m.

### Alumni Connection Photo

March 19, 2026, 9:30 a.m.

### KCD VS LCS Pickleball Night

March 31, 2026, 5:00 p.m.

### Alumni Association Luncheon in Honor of the Senior Class

April 24, 2026, 12:00 p.m.



A picture-perfect day on campus! Alumni with students at Collegiate returned for this year's Fall Festival—a joyful reminder of how the Collegiate experience comes full circle, bringing together past and present in a day filled with sunshine and smiles!

## 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!



## IN MEMORIAM



*Robbie Adelberg '03*

*Sallie Bingham '54*

*Edith "Dee Dee" Bell Lyon '48*

*Leslie Miller '72*

*Sara Allen Moody '68*

*Gabriel Starks '07*



*Middle School students presented Into the Wood, JR.*



## Support Collegiate with a legacy gift to the Speed Legacy Society

Named for the school's founders, Virginia Perrin Speed (1879-1968) and her husband, William Shallcross Speed (1873-1955), the Speed Society consists of individuals and families who make a legacy gift to Collegiate's planned giving program.

### JOINING THE SPEED SOCIETY

Planned gifts can provide a variety of benefits which may include life income, continued use of gift property, an avoidance of capital gains tax and immediate tax deduction.

Contrary to popular misconception, nearly everyone can make a planned gift to Louisville Collegiate School at some level and a multitude of simple options exist:

### BEQUEST

Making a bequest to Louisville Collegiate School can be easily accomplished by including a few sentences in a will or Revocable Living Trust. Bequests are flexible and can be adjusted-perhaps for this reason, 75% of planned gifts come in this form! Legal and financial advisors will know how best to structure a will to meet a donor's financial needs.

### LIFE INSURANCE

Whole-life insurance policies represent a valuable opportunity to make a major gift that benefits both the donor and the school in many ways. It is incredibly simple to name the School as a beneficiary on your policy.

### RETIREMENT PLANS

Naming Collegiate as the beneficiary of a retirement plan (IRA, 401K, or 403B) is an easy and tax efficient way to leave a legacy gift. Given current tax laws, beneficiaries other than spouses may be taxed on the income, but charities such as Louisville Collegiate School are able to receive the full amount of remaining retirement assets.

### OTHER PLANNED GIFTS

A properly chosen planned gift vehicle may offer significant tax benefits and retirement income to the donor, while imparting a much larger gift than imagined.

*To join the Speed Society, please contact:*

### Stephanie Disney

Director of Advancement

502.479.0343 or [sdisney@louisvillecollegiate.org](mailto:sdisney@louisvillecollegiate.org)



### SPEED SOCIETY MEMBERS

*This list reflects past and present members of the Speed Society.*

Anonymous  
Tom and Lisa Tate Austin '87  
Dr. Michael Cunningham and Dr. Anita Barbee Cunningham  
Mark and Kathy Barrens  
Dale and Ceci Conway Boden '85  
Evelyn Day Butler '62  
Drs. James and Mistalene Calleroz White  
Geoff Campbell  
Chenault McClure Conway '59  
Lee\* and Barbara Martin Dudley '57  
Ann Rankin Fleming '85  
Bob and Mary Gatewood  
Ron and Leslie Geoghegan  
Holly Gray '76  
William\* and Mary Collis Hancock '46  
Sarah Harreld '04  
Frances Starks Heyburn '43  
Dr. James B. and Helen K. Longley\*  
Judge Boyce F. Martin Jr.\* and Anne Brewer Ogden '64  
Grier and Ann Martin  
Nancy Doerhoefer Mason '53  
Kent and Kathy Oyler  
Rick and Mona-Tate Willig Powell '65  
David and Towns Richardson  
Mary Winston Richardson '12  
Lee and Babs Rodes Robinson '80  
Joe and Barbara Collis Rodes '52\*  
Ann Hutchinson Sanderlin '47\*  
Louise B. Seiler '53\*  
Edward and Cynthia Skarbek  
Carl and Ellen Thomas  
Evie Topcik  
George and Laurie Camp Vieth '76  
Louise Rapp Wall '47  
Caldwell and Hollis Willig  
Jean Weyer '68

*\*We are honored by the inclusion of Collegiate in the planning of these late members of The Speed Society.*



## THE ANNUAL FUND

TO BENEFIT  
LOUISVILLE COLLEGIATE SCHOOL

### Make a Gift to Collegiate

Every student at Louisville Collegiate School benefits from a strong Annual Fund. All gifts received online or postmarked by December 31 may be tax-deductible for 2025. Gifts to the 2025-26 Annual Fund will be gratefully accepted through June 2026.



## SAVE THE DATE

### Collegiate Day of Giving

1915  
April 21, 2026

## 2005 COMMUNITY PARTNERS

*Louisville Collegiate School would like to thank our 2025 community partners who have expressed their support for Collegiate's students, faculty/staff, programming, and mission.*

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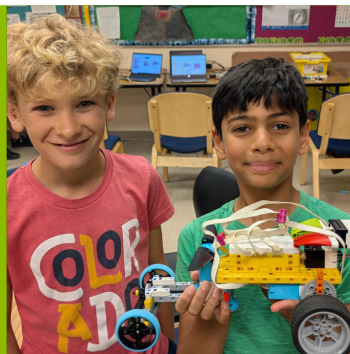
*If you are interested in becoming a Community Partner in 2026, please contact Catherine Gatewood Easley '02 at 502.479.0345 or [ceasley@louisvillecollegiate.org](mailto:ceasley@louisvillecollegiate.org).*

Winter 2025



# SUMMER

## CAMPS AT COLLEGIATE



## Spend the Summer at Collegiate!

### Registration is now OPEN!

Summer Camps at Collegiate are not just about learning and skill enhancement; they are about having a great time! Students aged 4-18 can explore their academic, artistic, and athletic interests in a fun and engaging way. We offer full and half-day camps on campus and at our athletic fields from May 27 to July 24. Some camps even include exciting field trips to local spots around Louisville!

