



The Girls' Middle School



ANNUAL REPORT 2019 - 2020



FROM THE RED COUCH Jennifer Ayer, Head of School, enjoys moments of connection with and inspiration from our joyful students and alums in the GMS Community. Though this year has thrown some curveballs, the community has stayed resilient, determined, and best of all, united. [#togetherGMS](#)



Dear GMS Community,

We started the 2019-20 school year with a remarkable event called *Dining with Empathy*. National champion slam poet, Andre Bradford, a.k.a. S.C. Says, joined our student body and a gym-full of parents, board members, and staff to share food and stories. The experience gave us an opportunity to celebrate shared values, build trust, and strengthen authentic relationships. Little did we know how valuable those connections would be in the coming months.

On Friday, March 13, 2020, life took a turn that would have been hard to imagine in January. For the safety of our community, we closed the school on Friday and began remote instruction the following Tuesday. On Wednesday, the county shelter-in-place order went into effect. Seemingly overnight, we found ourselves reimagining the concepts of school, work, and home. And still, as a community, we found connection, learning, and laughter.

[GMS Teachers](#) remain as committed as ever to engaging our students in meaningful learning. [GMS Students](#) have jumped into a new form of learning with earnestness and remarkable adaptability. [GMS Parents](#) are partnering with us to refine what it means to support students and families from afar. [GMS Trustees](#) are steadfast in their oversight of both the financial health of the school and meeting the ever-evolving needs of the community. [GMS Alums](#) are demonstrating long-term commitment and engagement in giving and volunteering. [GMS Alum Families](#) continue to contribute as volunteers and philanthropists to the GMS community after graduation. [GMS Staff](#) have become experts in video conferencing and public health.

We must acknowledge the deep generosity of this community and how they came together — before and after this crisis. Together we:

- Raised \$2,492,420 for the school and celebrated another year of [100% philanthropic participation](#) by our board, staff, and current families.
- Raised \$822,595 through [The GMS Fund](#) to provide the critical operational support that enriches the experience of every GMS student every day.
- Raised \$1,171,064 in major gifts and contributions to the [Bennett Scholars Program](#), even after canceling our much anticipated Bennett Scholars Breakfast.
- Supported 26% of our student body with [financial assistance](#) including 28 Bennett Scholars, to ensure that a GMS education remains accessible to families.

The pages of this annual report are filled with photos from the first three-quarters of our school year. Seeing our students running across the turf together fills me with joy, hope, and resolve. I invite you to celebrate this community with me and reflect on our shared experience and strength.

With deep gratitude,

Jennifer Ayer, Head of School

THE GMS EXPERIENCE

NO LIMITS LEARNING At GMS, learning is integrated and holistic — math happens in the art studio and on the skate ramp, science classes wrestle with environmental ethics, and social emotional learning happens on the athletic field, in the woodshop, and riding the waves.

Our programs focus on building creativity, self-awareness, and confidence so our girls are ready to make a positive contribution. When the spring semester abruptly moved to remote learning, our computer science classes joined the conversation about how online platforms can effectively meet the needs of students —and then set out to find solutions that would make the online experience better for everyone.



SKATEBOARDING



INTERSESSION ART



WOODWORKING



ROBOTICS + COMPUTER SCIENCE



SURFING

Empathize, Imagine, Create

PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT SOLUTION STORYBOARDING WITH COMPUTER SCIENCE TEACHER KYLIE JUE

Sixth-grade Computer Science teacher Kylie Jue brought her experiences leading a remote GMS classroom to Stanford University this spring as she prepared to receive her Masters in Human-Computer Interaction.

Realizing that student voices were missing from the conversation about remote learning, Kylie and her two Stanford classmates wanted to explore the questions: *How are students handling the remote learning platforms that shelter-in-place necessitates? Which features of the technology and interactions are working for them? Which aren't?*

To answer these questions, Kylie turned to her 60 GMS sixth graders. For their culminating computer science project, sixth graders were asked to explore the challenges their classmates faced during remote learning and invent a tool to improve their online school experience. Kylie describes the project's aim "to empower the students and show them that they have the capacity to change technology and influence the development of the tools they are using."

Over the course of three 40-minute remote class periods, students used the co-design principles of Empathize, Imagine, Create (see box below) to create a prototype of a remote learning platform. From streamlined assignment lists to solutions for

time-management and working offline when wireless fails, our sixth grade computer scientists impressed Kylie with the depth and sophistication with which they tackled the project. They were addressing problems and frustrations they were grappling with every day — so the solutions were personal and precise.

Some of those frustrations Kylie and her students were able to solve with other creative solutions. Kylie explains how in the first weeks of shelter-in-place, it was a struggle to communicate with many students across many platforms.

Working together, Kylie and her students transitioned to remote group work that was more reflective of their in-person collaborative learning style.

Every class began with an invitation for students to find their in-person table groups online and figure out the day's challenges together. This collaborative approach to solving the challenges of remote learning provided a natural segue to their final project.

Kylie and her classmates presented the GMS students' final projects to their class at Stanford and have connected with the Google Classroom team to share their findings. Meanwhile, Kylie is focused on continuing to build equity and agility into remote learning models. She is ready to continue working collaboratively with other GMS teachers and classes to find ways to partner and change technology and our use of it to meet our student needs.

CODE GMS Sixth Grade Computer Scientists propose new and improved remote learning platforms — taking remote learning into their own hands.



EMPATHIZE

In their four-person "table" groups, students interview each other to learn how the experience of shelter-in-place and remote learning was alike and different for each of them.



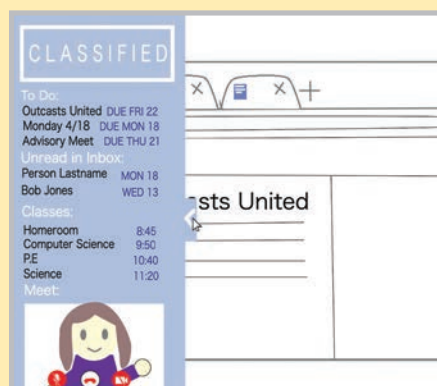
IMAGINE

They explore and identify commonalities of their experiences and brainstorm ways to solve common pain points.



CREATE

They create a prototype of a new (or improved) learning platform. Using media of their choice, they tell the story of someone using their proposed concept. Student groups use a variety of methods from Scratch, Wix, Canva, Unfold Studio, and Google Slides — and present their projects to the entire grade.



Using Scratch, a coding platform, GMS students imagine new ways to manage hectic online class schedules and workflows.

THE GMS SPIRIT

SAFE, HANDY, AND HARDY As GMS faces the unexpected realities brought on by COVID-19, we are thankful to be a part of a community that has actively joined together with a sense of shared purpose. Through innovative programs, reimagined learning experiences, and proactive support protocols, we are dedicated to the continued growth, engagement, and well-being of our students. Thank you to our faculty, staff, students, and families — you truly embody the GMS Spirit.



FACULTY PERSPECTIVE

Andi Barlas, Director of Social Emotional Learning

As I look back on the last months of the 2019-20 school year, I recall my first thoughts, “what a daunting undertaking.” It was too easy to focus on what was missing: my students, their faces, their laughter, and their banter.

However, as our SEL classes unfolded each week, although not in our traditional circle, I looked forward to seeing their faces on Zoom, their pajamas, what they were eating for breakfast, and their stuffed animals. I met siblings and pets. I was a guest in their home and invited into their lives.

There were some shifts in the curriculum, but SEL continued to address social and emotional learning with check-ins, creative role play, videos and yes, the anonymous question box.

As the 2020-2021 year begins and we enter into this tenuous territory, I am wedded to the excitement and wonder of a new school year, and always, leaving room and space to acknowledge our losses. As I grieve, I continue to love life. I am energized by the desire to seek possibility and opportunities to teach, learn, and recreate our SEL classes.

The song goes, “Que sera sera, what will be will be” and although the future is not ours to see, we can act as a collective community to take care of each other and ourselves, and feel gratitude for what we have: a strong and loving community.



PARENT PERSPECTIVE

Rafia Chaudhry, Parent ‘20 (pictured left, with I-Hsien Lee ‘21 and Rosa Castañeda ‘19)

When schools closed, we all initially assumed that the shelter-in-place would be for a few weeks, but that clearly changed. What I appreciated was that from day one, the focus the teachers had was to continue with the curriculum, not just pass the time until things resumed back to normal.

The teachers offered a much needed shelter within the school community during such uncertain times.

I believe the students learned from their teachers and advisors to adapt quickly and be fully functional. This unique experience offered an opportunity to grow and learn (albeit sometimes different lessons than those that were originally planned). My daughter, Yasmine, along with her classmates, learned firsthand to be resilient, flexible, empathetic, and most importantly to rise to the occasion during challenging times. Such a valuable perspective for when they become women.

When I think of GMS, I think of a place where girls thrive under any situation, a place where they are taught to make it work and rise to challenges. Everyone should feel really proud that they embodied that spirit and passed it on to some very fortunate girls.



Rafia Chaudhry's daughter, Yasmine Haque, graduated with the Class of 2020. Hear her perspective on remote learning and the resilience of her classmates on page 10.





TRADITIONS Each year, GMS welcomes the legendary **Masankho Banda** to campus to teach the girls traditional dance and drumming. Students learn and perform songs and dances from Malawi, Zimbabwe, Nigeria, and South Africa. Masankho's work aims to bring about peace and social justice through cultural understanding. In 2001, he was awarded the Unsung Hero of Compassion by His Holiness the Dalai Lama.

After a spirited week of dance and cultural instruction, the community gathers to celebrate with an all-school performance.

Questions from the Heart

TALKING IT OUT AN IMPROMPTU SUMMER CAMP FOCUSED ON CONVERSATIONS ABOUT RACE, CREATED BY JOY XU, 8TH GRADE HUMANITIES TEACHER

What inspired you to create a camp about antiracism?

At the end of the school year, when the most recent Black Lives Matter protest was beginning, I was struck by how many students were craving space to grapple with the emotions of what was happening. I created the camp as a way for the students and me to consider big questions and build a deeper understanding of concepts like systemic racism, privilege, and antiracist allyship.

I named the camp after the book *Courageous Conversations About Race* by Glenn Singleton who has done tremendous work with social equity in schools.

Did anything surprise you about the experience?

I was surprised by how much exposure the students already had with the concepts in the camp and how aware they were about the Black Lives Movement and what it means to be an ally. We began our work in a different place than I expected because so many of them had already started having these conversations with each other, friends, and their families.

What have you taken away from the experience of these conversations?

What is striking about working with the students through this is the amount of vulnerability and courage it takes to approach these questions from the heart. It's hard to share personal stories of race and privilege, sit with discomfort and build understanding. I keep asking myself, how can we help ourselves and our students build understanding so we have the conviction and knowledge to take action?

Looking ahead to the 2020-2021 school year, what is something you are committed to focusing on?

I want to make sure every student feels safe and a part of the community at all times next year. When we had to switch to remote learning this spring, I missed the everyday interactions with students that aren't focused on curriculum. We want to find connections that build the trust and groundwork for us to move from understanding facts to relational knowledge in the classroom.

What is it about the GMS Spirit that helps us adapt to thrive during challenging times?

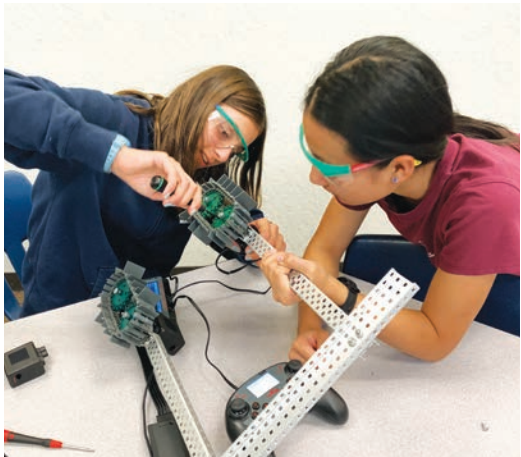
Part of the GMS Spirit is this attitude of taking stock of a situation, rolling up our sleeves, and getting to work. I often tell my students that we are doing the best we can with what we've got. There is also a deep kindness in the community. Those moments of small kindnesses with each other go a long way to help everyone through.

Only at GMS

These signature experiences and traditions encourage girls to dig in, push boundaries, ask questions, speak up, create, and celebrate.



LIKE A BOSS Entrepreneurial Class, taught by **Alice Chang**, is a 7th-grade rite of passage, where students work in teams to design, create, sell their own products, and ultimately pitch their business to a panel of Silicon Valley venture capitalists (listed on page 24).



SPACES FOR MAKERS GMS is well known for hands-on projects where students learn quickly to solve problems and express themselves in creative, innovative, and sometimes messy ways — in the woodshop, art room, outdoor spaces, and anywhere inspiring.



LA POESÍA EN ESPAÑOL

16TH ANNUAL SPANISH DECLAMATION CONTEST

The Spanish Poetry Contest celebrates Hispanic culture and the Spanish language and inspires appreciation for Hispanic poetry. This wonderful opportunity is open to both native speakers and non-native speakers — from beginners to experts. Students from around the Bay Area are invited to gather at GMS to perform. Many thanks to our esteemed judges Alejandra Bologna Zubikari, Maria Marroquin, Alma Rosa Ruelas, Luis Vizcardo, and Loren Cruz.

“Learning a language is learning culture at the same time. This event allows us to celebrate and unite as we enjoy students from diverse races and cultural backgrounds reciting a Hispanic poem entirely in Spanish. It is an honor to coordinate this and introduce my language’s heritage to new generations.”

— Verónica Meza, GMS Spanish Teacher

PIVOT POINTS TO REMOTE LEARNING

Responding to a crisis as a school goes beyond academics. Teachers and staff at GMS went the extra mile to infuse a little joy and attend to the social and emotional well-being of the students. Also, read about Walter On Wheels, the GMS Mobile Library, on page 26.

GMS Administration

PROGRAM SUPERHERO It's hard to adequately describe the contributions that **Laura Reeve**, Assistant Head of School, made to the GMS experience during our pivot to remote learning in March and now, as we launch a new school year. From meeting with every teacher one-on-one, to recreating our schedule multiple times for every possible scenario, she has maintained superhuman levels of humor, grace, thoughtfulness, and patience.

"Laura brought both her extensive experience as an engineer and as a teacher to capture the GMS experience through remote learning. She listened intently to teachers and students and made compassionate decisions, deftly balancing the needs and worries of every member of the GMS community." — Jennifer Ayer

For Laura, the hardest aspect of Remote Learning is not having the everyday connections that come from passing people in the hallways. However, students can now



often see her wandering through Zoom "school" and popping into remote classrooms. Ready to find opportunity in every challenge, Laura reflects how inspiring it has been to see, "the GMS spirit of innovation as teachers and students are keeping learning alive and continuing to make those vital connections in the virtual world."

GMS IT Department

ON THE ROAD AND ON CALL **Alberto Oseguera** and **Manuel Zapata** made various home visits (with all health and safety protocols in place!) to ensure our families, faculty, and staff had adequate internet service and new equipment to improve the remote learning (and teaching) experience. They made countless calls to help directly assess, troubleshoot, and resolve issues.

"There were days when Alberto worked around the clock. He and I talked on the phone one evening and I found out he hadn't stopped to have dinner. He only quit when his dog was begging him for a walk." — Tricia Kellison

SUMMER REORG Abandoning the normal summer laptop maintenance schedule, the Tech Department accommodated GMS students who needed laptops for summer programs and welcomed incoming sixth graders with laptops for day one of Orientation for remote learning.

RESEARCH AND TRAINING With new platforms such as Zoom and QuickTime, and existing platforms being used in new ways, Alberto and Manuel quickly researched apps, resolved security concerns, and demonstrated new technologies.

GRADUATION DREAM TEAM Along with **Tiffany Chao**, **Simone Hedinger**, **Tricia Kellison**, **Walter Mayes**, **Aria Raynoha**, and **Esther Selk**, the Tech Department helped deliver a seamless and celebratory Class of 2020 Virtual Graduation. It was a behind-the-scenes operation any local broadcaster would envy.

GMS Student Services

Tiffany Chao, Director of Student Services (and organizational mastermind), brought GMS into our homes during Shelter-In-Place, including these efforts:

- » Created 50 Daily Bulletin videos to kick start every morning — with a live broadcast with student guests on Fridays.
- » Organized the delivery of Graduation and End-of-Year packages sending 13 GMS drivers to 185 homes in 38 zip codes.
- » Worked with the Student Council to celebrate the faculty and staff through a live assembly with art, videos, and speeches.

"During remote learning, Tiffany held the student community with great compassion and humor. Her creative ideas for connection kept us whole and laughing no matter the distance between us." — Laura Reeve





2020

THE BOLD AND BRAVE

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLASS OF 2020

VOICES OF RESILIENCE

Yasmine Haque '20

"When you walk into a classroom and see girls talking to each other about the solution to a problem or one of their classmates' writing, you see the spirit of the Class of 2020 at its best. **Even through online school, the spirit of the Class of 2020 remained the same and came out stronger...** I want the Class of 2020 to be remembered as the class which was inclusive and embraced everyone for who they were. I want them to remember everyone laughing together, the support system we built together. The way we all stood by each other and overcame the difficulties that life threw at us."



*8th-graders studying Mexican culture during Intersession and performing in *The Sound of Music*, the GMS annual musical.*



GMS IN HER WORDS

EXCERPTS FROM GRADUATION SPEECHES

"These couple of months have made me realize so many things about our class: we're strong — really, really strong. Thanks to GMS, we've learned to keep striving and to never give up... GMS has pushed me to do things that are a huge part of who I am. I've found my true passions that I was too shy to face. GMS has been such an open, inclusive environment that will stay with me for the rest of my life. I'm so grateful for everyone: my teachers, all the faculty and staff, and most importantly, my peers."

- DONNA GARCIA, '20

"At GMS, I found my voice because all our voices are heard. GMS has taught us to be advocates, to be brave, to have courage, and to speak out without fear. Now I am part of this movement. We are all part of this movement."

- BETI ESSA, '20

"When COVID-19 happened, I realized even more how much I loved going to school. I realized that I loved walking through the hallways and seeing the smiles on everyone's faces, saying hi, and talking to teachers and friends in the morning."

- RHEA PANDYA, '20

"GMS is really a strong school, from swarms of bees to wildfire smoke, nothing can shake its spirit."

- SYDNI OUK, '20

"GMS taught me to live by its motto: Be brave. Be bold. Be GMS. At GMS, I have learned to step out of my comfort zone, to stand up for what I believe in, to try new things and pursue my passions, to speak up, and so many other important life lessons. My time has passed so quickly and seems like a blur, but these three years will forever be one of the most important parts of my life."

- SIDNEY LING, '20





TAG ALONG 8th grade art class, led by **Renee Fadiman**, introduces the history and style of graffiti as a vehicle for self-expression. As part of the lesson, each girl selects a word and draws it in her own style — and then, using paint markers, “tags” their work in the Greer Park skate bowl (where graffiti is allowed by the City of Palo Alto).



A NOTE FROM THE GMS BOARD

Dear GMS Community,

As proud GMS alum parents, trustees, and in Megan's case, a staff member and honorary graduate of GMS, together we have been a part of the GMS community for over 20 years. We have seen and helped lead GMS through many changes and navigate tough challenges. And while we are deeply grateful for what this community has accomplished this past year, we are not surprised.

From the very beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, the faculty and staff's response has been to ask, "How can we ensure our students and their families are getting the support they need?" No surprise, as we have seen first hand the lengths that our faculty will go to support a student. And the board of trustees' response has unanimously been, "What can we do to support the faculty and staff?" Again, no surprise. The GMS board is composed of a caring group of current and alum parents, three GMS alums, educators, and community leaders, all with far reaching strategic and professional expertise.

As a board, we recognize that the decisions we make at this critical moment in time will have a significant impact on the life of the school. And we want everyone to know that we are united in our deep love for The Girls' Middle School and its mission. We will see this organization through whatever lies ahead.

In the immediate future, we are considering ways to allocate operational resources and adapt the current school building to our needs as this crisis evolves. We continue to hold the long-term health and prosperity of the school in trust and are committed to delivering our mission of providing a nurturing and joyful progressive education to a diverse group of girls.

We have learned a lot as a governing board and are thoroughly grateful to this community for your generosity, enthusiasm, guidance, and patience. We have faith that together we will continue to learn and thrive now and into the future.

All the best,

Kelli Tomlinson, Chair

Megan Miller, Vice Chair

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A distinguished group of educators and visionaries who support our mission and provide inspiration.

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THE GMS COMMUNITY

THE FOLLOWING PAGES ACKNOWLEDGE THE COMMITMENT OF THIS COMMUNITY — CURRENT AND ALUM PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS, COMMUNITY MEMBERS, CORPORATIONS AND ORGANIZATIONS, TEACHERS, AND ALUMS — IN DELIVERING OUR STUDENTS AN ENGAGING AND ENRICHING EXPERIENCE EVERY DAY.

GIVING LEGEND

- ♥ 20 years
- ♦ 15-19 years
- ★ 10-14 years
- 5-9 years
- ❖ Gryphon Society
- ✿ Mother's Society

Leadership Giving

We are honored to recognize individuals whose cumulative contributions to GMS total \$5,000 and up.

\$100,000 AND ABOVE

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The Eustace-Kwan Family Foundation ★
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THE GMS FUND



The GMS Fund is our annual campaign that provides essential funds for our operating budget and supports every girl's experience. We celebrate another year with our cherished tradition of 100% participation from current families, staff, faculty, and our board of trustees.

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 David and Kimberly Pomeroy
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In honor of Kaira Patel
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 Lavinia Branden
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 Arthur M. Keller
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 Leydy Ovalle and Isaías Lopez
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BENNETT SCHOLARS FUND FOR THE CLASS OF 2023

The Bennett Scholars Program offers thirty high-achieving girls from underserved communities full tuition and the services and resources they need to thrive at GMS. We thank the donors whose generosity was undeterred by the current circumstances that prevented us from gathering for our Bennett Scholars Breakfast. Despite this setback, we celebrate meeting our goal to support the incoming class of 2023 Bennett Scholars for their three years at GMS.

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FAMILY SPOTLIGHT A Conversation with Barbara Schneider, Board of Trustee and Parent '15 '17

As a board member, what were your thoughts when schools closed and shelter-in-place began?

My initial thoughts went to the health and safety of our students, faculty, and staff. What is the best course of action to keep everyone in our school community healthy and whole, including those most vulnerable?

After considering the immediate needs, the board considered how to sustain the shared experience of being at GMS and guarantee our students and families the immersive and joyful learning environment that is a hallmark of the GMS experience. And then immediately, faculty members mustered the creativity and flexibility to deliver that experience virtually. Through classes, events, and our virtual graduation, I think we did an excellent job celebrating our girls. We've proven that we can sustain the GMS way.

What is it about the GMS spirit and culture that allowed us to meet our goals and continue to care for our community?

It always starts with the mission. And GMS does an unparalleled job at executing on its mission. GMS brings in families who deeply believe GMS is not just good for their child but that our values are good for the world. Our inclusive spirit encourages students not only to discover their own unique voice and strengths but to see and accept the unique strengths in each other.



At GMS, we're stronger together. The GMS community has an authenticity and an openness that invites learning. I'm a better parent, community member, and person from being at GMS.

What is your hope for next year or what is top of mind as you consider the fall?

My heart goes out to the sixth graders and their families as I remember my own daughters' experience. And I have every confidence that our school will successfully welcome them into the GMS culture and community with creativity and warmth.

I want us to consider all the needs of our families, faculty, and staff — emotional, physical, intellectual, social. Just as in an average year that is jam-packed with labors of love from the faculty and staff, I am filled with appreciation and I want to be sure everyone feels the full support of the board.



Gifts from Current Families



185 CURRENT FAMILIES
100% PARTICIPATION

Class of 2022 Parents

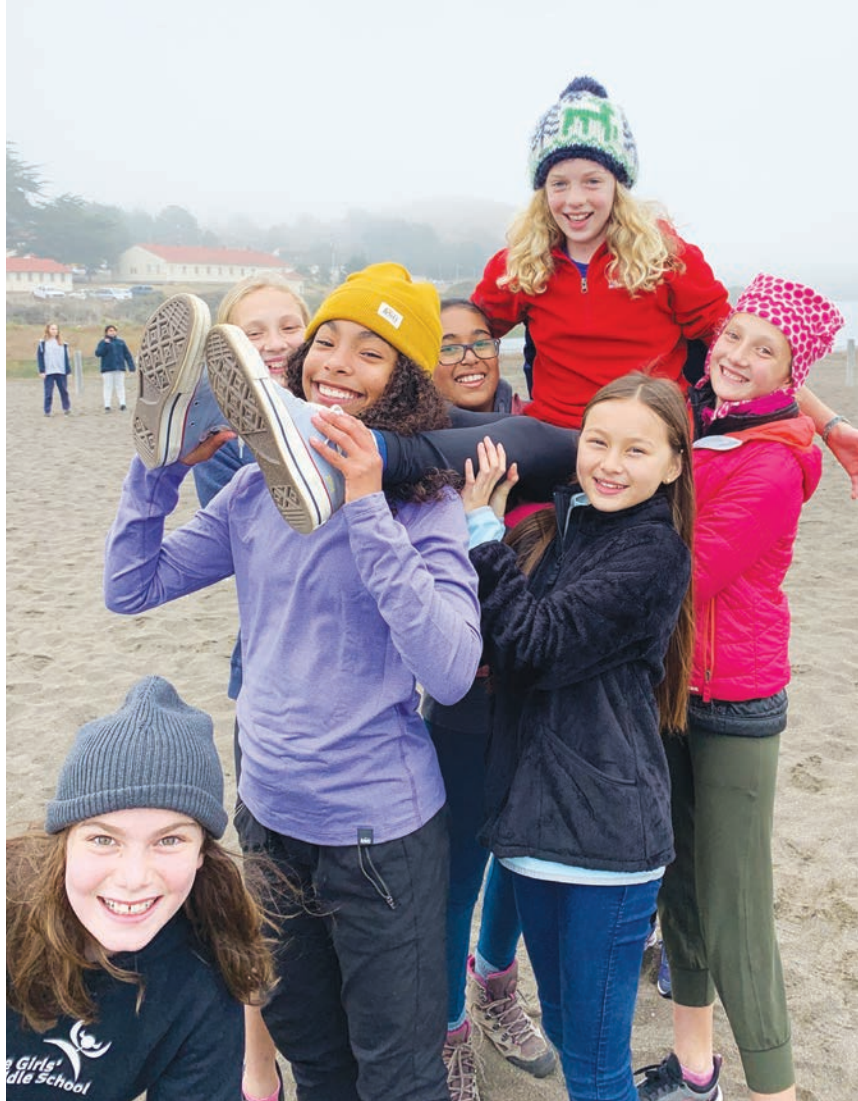
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 Raveena and Garth Ulrich
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GIVING LEGEND

- ♥ 20 years
- ♦ 15-19 years
- ★ 10-14 years
- 5-9 years
- ❖ Gryphon Society
- ✨ Mother's Society



Alum Reunion 2019



Tania Montoya Block '02 and Kylie Dulin '02

Gifts from Alums

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Madahl Cornejo '07
Sophie Croen McMinimee '02 ❖
Carolyn Cuykendall '01 ❖
Katie Dorogusker '19 ❖
Kylie Dulin '02
Natasha Flowers '08 ❖

Maria Garcia '03 ● ❖
Aline Garcia Sanchez '17
Leslie Garcia Sanchez '18 ❖
Marley Gerhart '17 ❖
Jordan Gersh '13
Daniela Gonzalez '11 ❖
Keely Haverstock '06 ❖
Caitrin Hughes '08 ❖
Emily Laiterman '06 ❖

Jessica Lee '01 ❖
Kate Lewis-Darnall '06
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Shantya Martinez Arriaga '04 ● ❖
Alison McLaughlin '11 ❖
Sarah Miller '03 ❖
Alexandra Mironov '05 ● ❖
Valeria Nava Prado '10 ❖
Alicia Olmos '02

Julia Petersen '07 ❖
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Hannah Schneider '15 ❖
Zoe Schneider '17 ❖
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Cassandra Zawilski '04 ❖



**1013 ALUMS FROM
GRAD YEARS 2001 - 2020**

The Gryphon Society ❖ Honoring alums who have donated at least three years consecutively to GMS.

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Julia Petersen '07
Smriti Pramanick '10

Hannah Schneider '15
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Cassandra Zawilski '04



**25% GROWTH
IN ONE YEAR**

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Allyson and Al Campa

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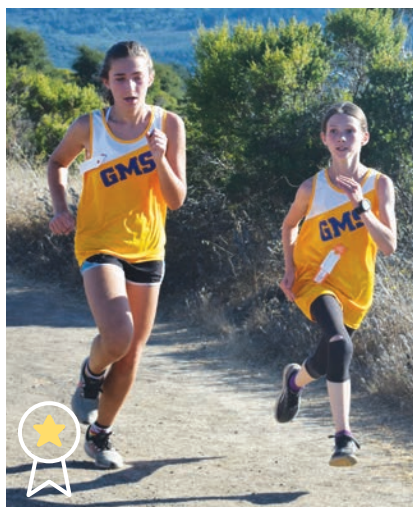
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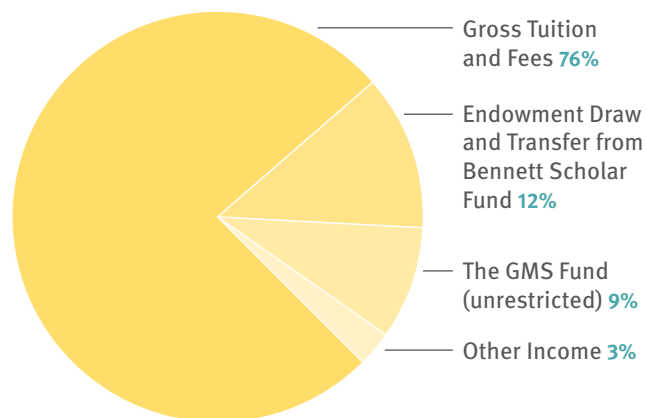
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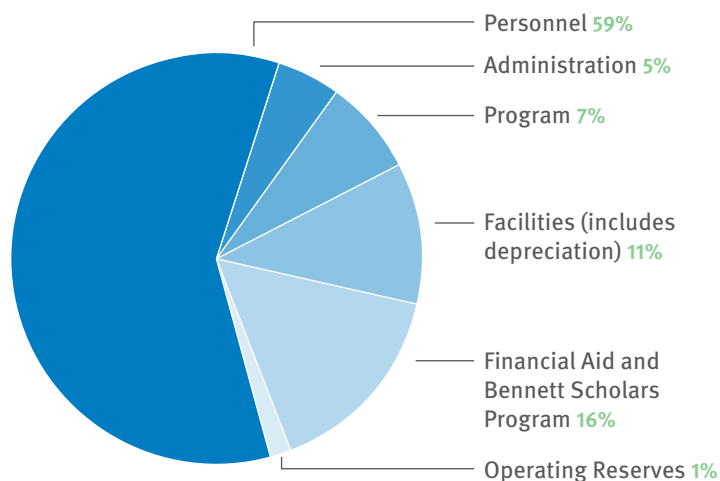
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(FY20 Audited — July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020)

OPERATING INCOME \$8,900,769



OPERATING EXPENSES \$8,811,458



SOURCES OF DONATION INCOME \$2,492,420

The GMS Fund

\$832,971

Bennett Scholars Breakfast and Virtual Spring Event

\$509,047

Other Solicitations

\$1,150,402

USES OF DONATION INCOME \$2,492,420

Support Operating Expenses

\$822,595

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\$1,171,064

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26% STUDENTS RECEIVING FINANCIAL AID INCLUDING BENNETT SCHOLARS



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Thank you to our 2019-2020 volunteers. Your talent, time, and energy provide an invaluable service to the entire GMS community.

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THE BENNETT SCHOLARS BREAKFAST

PRESENTED BY THE GIRLS' MIDDLE SCHOOL

A CELEBRATION OF WOMEN LEADERS

SAVE THE DATE

Thursday, March 18, 2021

For more information, please visit
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FULL SCHOLARSHIP DONORS

We want to acknowledge and thank those who have committed to the Bennett Scholars Program at an extraordinary level. Full scholarship donors provide a scholar with all three years of tuition and the wraparound support that is the hallmark of the Bennett Scholars Program.

BENNETT SCHOLARS PROGRAM

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2023	Anonymous (2)
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2023	Allison Littlefield '03 ● ❖
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The GMS Mobile Library

In the first weeks of shelter-in-place, **Walter Mayes**, GMS Library and Media Specialist, wanted to find a way to serve a community of students, faculty, and families who were negotiating immense change. Without being intrusive, he considered how he could be a resource.

“I realized that my greatest service would be to provide access to the books available to GMS. From there, it was fairly simple.” Walter researched how to achieve a safe and effective library that protected the health of the community and his own. On April 17, the GMS Mobile Library hit the streets.

“Not only was it great that we were still able to check out books during quarantine, but I also really liked how Walter always gave amazing book recommendations. Thank you, Walter!”
— Ariella Sheppard, ‘21



“Getting some time to visit with Walter from our window was a treat for our whole family. It felt like a slice of normalcy.” — Tavi Alcheck, ‘19, ‘21

This fall, Walter continues to adapt the library program to serve the GMS community and will be back on the road.



WALTER ON WHEELS



1,370 miles
FROM BURLINGAME
TO SANTA CRUZ, CA

1 BLOWOUT

495 BOOKS
DELIVERED

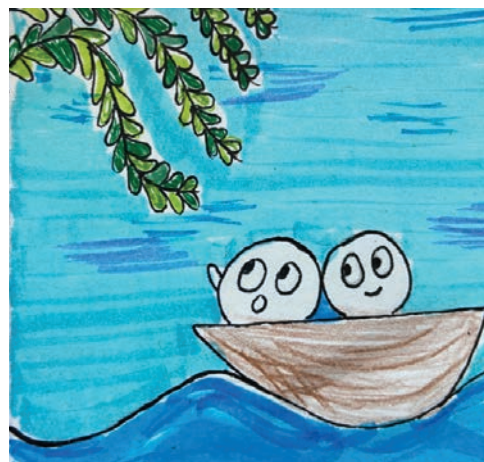


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POPULAR AUTHORS

Rick Riordan, Raina Telgemeier,
Veronica Roth, Jennifer Nielsen,
& Scott Westerfield.

PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT LITTLE BOOK ILLUSTRATION Taught by art teacher **Renee Fadiman**, eighth graders illustrated, wrote, and published their own storybooks. Excerpts shown here by artists (clockwise from top left): Rebecca Donaldson ‘20, Whitney Ross ‘20, Adrianna Fuller ‘20, Samantha Cruz Cruz ‘20, and Juliet Young ‘20.



Be brave. Be bold. Be GMS.

7TH GRADE TRIP TO PINNACLES NATIONAL PARK





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