



The Connection School Annual Fund
Growing Together to Love God and Others

Dear TCS Families,

Witnessing the body of Christ serve in unity after Hurricane Harvey has been truly amazing. This event has been a reminder of the importance of equipping the next generation to be the hands and feet of Christ to wherever God calls them. The Connection School's mission is to partner with parents to disciple a generation to love God with all of their hearts, souls, and minds and to love others as they love themselves. TCS exists to do this by living out our mission through embodying faith, encountering truth, and engaging in community.

With great momentum, we are headed into our fifth year, which is the culmination of the strengthening and solidifying of the last four years. Hiring additional faculty and support staff, growing our volunteer base, and campus improvements are some of the key investments made in preparation for this next leg of our journey.

The TCS Advancement Team is excited to share their plans and opportunities for support and investment in the school's mission. We are beginning this year's Annual Fund Campaign with the goal of 100% participation in giving from all TCS families, faculty, administration and Board of Trustees. With 100% commitment from the TCS community, we will then invite others outside the immediate TCS family to invest. There is no expectation of a specific amount for the annual fund pledge commitment, only the expectation that each family to pray and participate in contributing as God directs. Family pledge participation will be tracked in each child's homeroom until **Friday, October 6, 2017**. After receiving 100% participation in pledging, we plan to celebrate with a school-wide "Wacky Wednesday" fun day on October 18th.

The Annual Fund Campaign will last until October 6th. During this time we will focus specifically on how we at TCS are growing together to love God and others through embodying faith, encountering truth, and engaging in community. We are sending home an Annual Fund packet for each family, which includes a pledge card, a FAQ sheet, and a family prayer and reflection resource called "Table Talk." Please commit to reflect and pray over our school specifically during the Annual Fund. Pledge cards may be returned to the payment box in the main office by October 6th. After the goal of 100% TCS family participation is met, the Advancement Team will be in an optimal position to move forward with plans to share the vision and partnership opportunities with others.

The 2017/2018 Annual Fund is the primary fundraiser this year for TCS families in lieu of a golf tournament or other similar fundraisers. We will be hosting a spring fundraiser as well as offering other opportunities to share the mission of our school with those outside the immediate TCS family. We look forward to sharing the journey of this year with you and to faithfully experience God's provision.

Serving Him with you,

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Head of School