

- 2 On the Job
- 4 Student & Staff Highlights
- 6 Annual Report, Financial Support & Endowment Update
- 8 Homecoming 2022

ANNUAL REPORT & NEWSLETTER

Working Wonders



PHILIPS ACADEMY GRADUATES

# Working Wonders

ON THE JOB



Tyler at The Humane Society



Eddie at Chick-Fil-A



**Savannah at Publix**



**Lexi at ZABS Place**



**J.P. at Bitty & Beau's**



**Bethany at Bojangles**



**Davis at Harris Teeter**



**Philip at CLT Christian School**



**Jack at KPMG**



**Brad at UPS**

# Student Highlights

## John

John is a well-rounded young man who embodies our school motto "Real Learning For Real Life".

John graduated from Philips Academy. Currently, he is enrolled in his second year at Bridges. He is a leader-an example and friend to all. John participates in many community outings, overnight experiences and is earning a certificate in Next Up.

John is dedicated to his fitness. He spends a lot of time at the Harris YMCA, especially swimming 40 laps/day 5 days/week. John managed the indoor waterslide there for 18 months through early 2020. He has competed in Special Olympics for many years, medaling in most swim contests especially the 1000-yard freestyle.

John works part-time at The Giddy Goat Coffee Roasters in Plaza-Midwood. His co-workers say "John brightens everyone's day.... He never stops working... Give him a new job and he is on it!"

Hi mom shares, "Pat and I are so proud of John's focus and attitude towards his work. He loves his job and the people on his team. Philips Academy's curriculum prepared him well for the skills he needs." - Nina Sheehan



On the job with Giddy Goat



Pool time at Harris YMCA



Belisle House Overnights

## Bethany

From the start, she had one main goal in mind, to attend college, and she accomplished it.

"The Bridges program was an integral step in solidifying our confidence in Bethany's ability for successful independent living away from home. She gained many skills and experiences from the community and vocational outings... she demonstrated the most growth through her participation in the overnight programs. The practical experience of being away from home, preparing meals, and handling group living situations provided a smooth transition to dorm living. She has been given several opportunities to put into practice what she learned from the self-advocacy and setting boundaries lessons. Bethany's experience at Bridges prepared her to follow her dream of going to college like no other option we found. We have no doubt that the BRIDGES program truly bridged the gap from high school to Winthrop THINK college." - Amy & Mike Dobson

"I enjoy my classes and I am getting all the help that I need. I really love Winthrop a lot! I am so happy here and there are so many things to do! Every day is a good day." - Bethany



On campus with other THINK College students



First Day at Winthrop



Working at Board of Elections

# Staff Highlights

## New Teachers



Left to right: Patty Bullock, Rebecca Shoniker, Kelly Viola, Ashton Dockery

## New Leadership Team



Left to right: Deborah Hofland, Executive Director; Amy Firth, Admissions Director; Paige Ross, Transition Coordinator; Cathy Breeden, Curriculum Director; Joe Steven, Program Director

## Board of Directors Update

### Welcome New Board Members:

Eric Banks and Dale Sarjeant

### Thanks for your service:

Dr. Paul Galentine



## EARLIER THIS YEAR WE SURVEYED THE STUDENTS ABOUT THEIR EXPERIENCE AT PHILIPS ACADEMY

I FEEL SAFE AT SCHOOL

100%

MY TEACHERS CARE ABOUT ME

100%

I AM LEARNING IMPORTANT THINGS AT SCHOOL

100%

I HAVE FRIENDS AT SCHOOL, STUDENTS ARE KIND TO EACH OTHER AND HELP ONE ANOTHER

90%

WHEN I'M AT SCHOOL I FEEL  
(TOP THREE CHOICES)

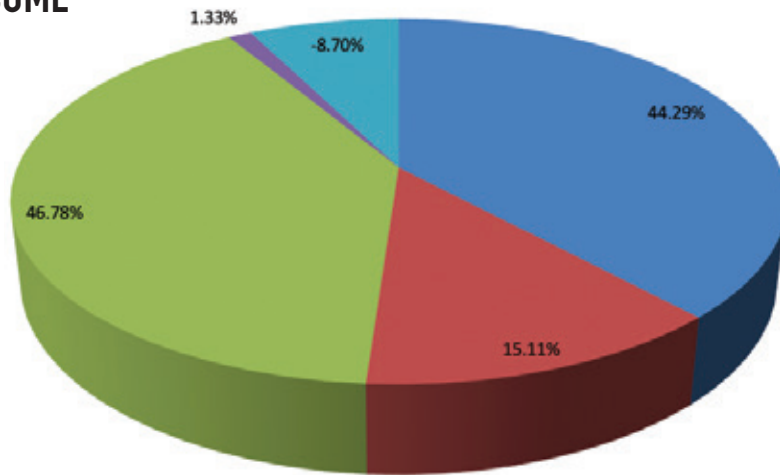
HAPPY  
EXCITED  
CALM

# ANNUAL REPORT

FISCAL YEAR 2021-22

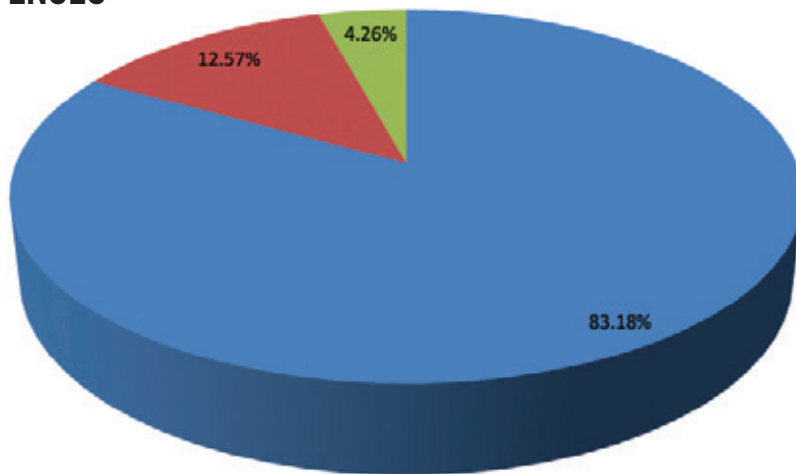
Visit our website for a full report and a full list of school supporters.

## INCOME



- TUITION
- DONATIONS FOR GENERAL PURPOSES
- DONATIONS FOR SCHOLARSHIPS
- GRANTS
- INVESTMENT INCOME

## EXPENSES



- PROGRAM
- ADMINISTRATIVE
- FUNDRAISING

**YOU'RE INVITED!**

**BE A CORPORATE OR INDIVIDUAL SPONSOR FOR**

**Homecoming 2022 | Paving The Way 2023**



### Philips Academy

has always been more than just a school to us. **It is family** — the family who founded the school, the Blount's; the loving and supportive family atmosphere that the staff and teachers create; and the family of students who **learn, grow, and contribute to their communities.**

-Jane and Frasier Ives, School Supporters

# WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL?

Contact Deborah Hofland, Executive Director  
dhofland@philipsacademync.org | 704-365-4533

## Scholarship Endowment

Established in 2021, the Scholarship Endowment plays a critical role in allowing the school to fulfill its mission and ensure long-term financial stability. Endowment funds provide scholarships to students who meet criteria for need-based assistance and brings an education within reach for students who might not otherwise be able to afford it.

For the 2022-2023 school year, initial endowment-based scholarships have been awarded to 24 students who meet established need-based criteria, totaling over \$150,000. Thanks to generous donors, the endowment totals over \$1.3 million now. Gifts of any amount are welcome.

*Learn more on our website under Support Us.*

**The James and Margery Belisle Scholarship**  
**Purviance Family Foundation Scholarship**  
**The James Tyler Smith Scholarship**

### Friends of Philips Academy Scholarship Endowment

Cary and Michael Sherck  
Dowd Foundation  
Howard R. Levine Foundation  
In memory of Irene and P.C. Blount Jr.  
Robert Horner  
Dr. Paul and Barbara Galentine  
Fran and Jim Reichard  
The Richards Foundation  
Jane and Carl Showalter  
Bev and Doug Bradley  
Piedmont Club Foundation  
Nina and Patrick Sheehan  
Sarah and Tim Belk  
Ashley and Grant Armistead

## Ways to Give

Speak To A Class	Internships
Workplace Tours	School Volunteer
Event Volunteer	Employment Opps
Donate Materials or Money	

## Planned Giving

Making a gift to Philips Academy doesn't take great wealth—just a sincere desire to have a positive impact on the lives of children with developmental disabilities. All gifts, large and small, are important to us and are very much appreciated.

By planning a future gift to Philips Academy through a bequest in your will or a gift in your estate plan, you help ensure that our work will continue and that future generations of students will have access to Real Learning for Real life. A legacy commitment is an investment in sustainable work that directly impacts a vulnerable population and transforms the futures of our students for generations to come.

If you've already included Philips Academy in your will or estate plan, let us know! We'd love to officially welcome you to the legacy society. However, should you wish to remain anonymous, we are happy to honor that request.

## Sponsors



Charlotte Women's Club supports our curriculum by funding Literacy Umbrella resources for teachers and students.



Piedmont Club Foundation is a committed and generous supporter. Their gifts are part of our general fund and endowment.



Waterton led school drives at three local properties in August and donated many school supplies.



This new Cotswold restaurant donated 20% of Promo Code sales during our Fundraiser Week.



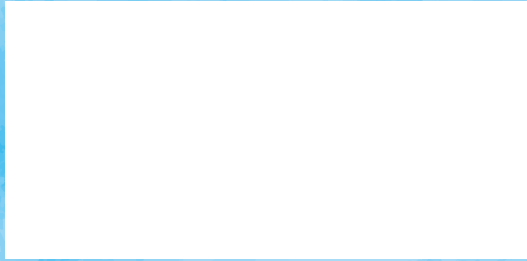
We are grateful to Ross & Witmer for managing the HVAC at Belisle House.



Our thanks to the Cotswold store for event sponsorship and Teacher Workday gift cards.



SHARE Charlotte's SHOP FOR GOOD Week provided Car Wash Kits, Geology Manipulatives, and Classroom Supplies valued over \$1000. Thanks to the shoppers who purchased from our Amazon Wish List.



**CALLING ALL ALUMNI!**

We want to connect! Email:  
[info@philipsacademync.org](mailto:info@philipsacademync.org)



**Largest Student  
Body Ever**



A New Tradition!  
**Homecoming**

October 1-28, 2022

Student FUNdraiser for  
2022-2023 Enrichment Services  
(Formerly Turkey Trot)



2022  
ESTABLISHED 2005



DONATE HERE

[PhilipsAcademyNC.org/homecoming](https://PhilipsAcademyNC.org/homecoming)

*Summer Fun!*

