

# we're all in this together!

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December 1, 2020

Dear Parents, Grandparents and Friends,

In the face of extraordinary challenges, St. Margaret's Day School community has shown amazing resilience, swiftly adapting to provide our children with a safe, healthy learning environment. **We would like to sincerely thank you for your continued support!**

In this unique year, we would like to ask for your help as we **launch the St. Margaret's Day School Annual Fund**. Your contribution to the SMDS Annual Fund is a vital component of our students' success, and your partnership is the most direct way to ensure that SMDS continues to thrive and meet its mission:

*to provide children with an opportunity to learn about themselves and the world around them.*

The Annual Fund helps close the gap between revenue and operating expenses. Your contribution will help...

- support our **faculty and staff**, our school's most important resource
- increase **financial aid** support
- provide the staffing, equipment, and training needed to **keep the campus clean and safe** and to meet new state mandates
- revamp the **outdoor classroom** with amphitheater seating and new musical instruments

We ask that each current family consider a donation that places St Margaret's Day School among their top philanthropic priorities for the year and that is meaningful to them -- every gift matters. Please help us secure gift commitments **by December 18, 2020**.

The consistent support of our school families, parishioners, alumni and friends, ensures our school's stability and sustainability. Thank you for your generosity and enthusiasm for our school!

*Tricia McVeigh*  
Director

*Jennifer Albanese*  
Board Chair

I'm in!

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## 2020 SMDS Annual Fund Pledge Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

I wish to pledge: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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### Contribution options:

- Check payable to SMDS
- Online donation (under payments tab)  
[www.stmargaretsdayschool.org](http://www.stmargaretsdayschool.org)
- VISA    Mastercard    American Express    Discover

Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Your contribution is tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law.

P.S. On March 27, the CARES Act was signed into law to help combat the far-reaching impacts of COVID-19. The CARES Act may be tax advantageous for you, but these benefits apply only in the 2020 tax year. If you take the standard deduction, this year you can take an additional deduction up to \$300 beyond the standard tax deduction.