



As fellow parents and your annual fund co-chairs, we cannot thank you enough for the care, energy, and time you are currently devoting to your child(ren); we can relate! Combined, we have benefited from this wonderful, inviting community for nearly ten years and feel a sense of gratitude for how Northwest has been able to pivot to a remote learning environment so seamlessly and successfully.

We are in challenging times. The faculty is enveloping the opportunity to live up to the school's mission and mentor well-rounded, global citizens who will go out in the world with integrity and care for themselves and others. The annual fund, [Uniquely Northwest](#), enables us to actively help ensure our children get the most out of their experience.

This fund supports all that we do at The Northwest School. In addition to covering budgeted costs, the funds raised through Uniquely Northwest allow the school to meet unexpected expenses with the confidence that we can take every opportunity to provide the best education available for each student.

This year's annual fund is essential to the health and wellbeing of our school as we continue to navigate and anticipate unforeseen costs. Despite our students being online at this point in the academic year, annual expenses have not decreased. In fact, as we strive to keep our community whole, we have absorbed additional expenses including additional professional development; increased HVAC equipment, cleaning supplies and services; and a new health coordinator to help us manage through these unprecedented times. More significantly, our families have asked for and received additional financial aid; we currently provide more than \$3 million to families who need the extra support for their child(ren) to remain in our community.

We recognize that it isn't easy for everyone to give right now. We also know that Northwest is a caring community that supports one another in times of need. [We hope that all families will join us by contributing to the annual fund if possible](#) – and celebrate all the good that comes from your support. Please donate what you can. Gifts of every amount are welcome and valued.

Sincerely,



Julie Lyss
Annual Fund Co-Chair
Parent to Aviva '25



Emily Raymond
Annual Fund Co-Chair
Parent to Sophie '21 & Ella '22

P.S. Save the date! Donors of \$2,500 or more are invited to the annual Celebrate Northwest Leadership Dinner on April 22, 2021. [Give today](#)

