

# STEVENSON

ROBERT LOUIS STEVENSON SCHOOL



ANNUAL REPORT  
2022-2023

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# Thank You!

Dear Stevenson Community,

With gratitude and appreciation, I'm pleased to share the 2022-2023 Annual Report, acknowledging everyone who supported Stevenson from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023.

Stevenson's program thrived during this record-breaking year of philanthropy. We offered our families expanded opportunities to receive support in the form of lectures, book talks, support groups, and working groups. Our unique academic therapeutic program included a robust schedule of guest speakers and visiting professionals, field trips throughout New York City and beyond, graduation and post-secondary support through our Transition Coaching Program, and numerous opportunities for students to connect and engage with each other. Support from the Giving Tree at our 2023 Benefit, *An Evening on the Hudson*, provided athletics equipment, art materials, science equipment, funding for student events, and more.

Giving to Stevenson means investing in the success of our students. I am proud to recall the many ways in which our students expressed themselves this year, enriching Stevenson and our community at large. From performing original work at Mosaic, to acting in plays, to volunteering on community service trips, to participating in conferences and symposia, our mission to propel students towards postsecondary independence was evident in their hard work.

As youth mental health challenges continue to rise, your support enables us to continue meeting the increased need for Stevenson's strong therapeutic program in an academic college prep environment.

On behalf of the students, faculty, and staff, thank you!



Chris Ongaro, Ed.D.  
Head of School



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# BY *the* NUMBERS

**\$176,669**

raised to support Stevenson

**0** families

turned away from Stevenson due to financial need

**\$3 million**

in merit based scholarships awarded to the Class of 2023

**100%**

of students who applied to college were accepted

**50%** of Stevenson students participated in athletics

**55** college acceptances among the Class of 2023

**3** special events

offered to Stevenson families via the Speaker Series

**21** clubs offered to nurture students' interests

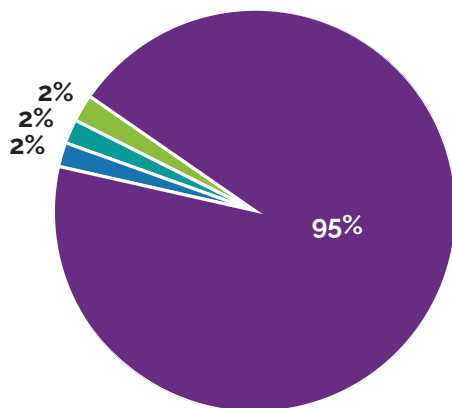
**2** students

invited to perform at the All City Storytelling Slam run by *The Moth*

**2** Student events and **1** parent event

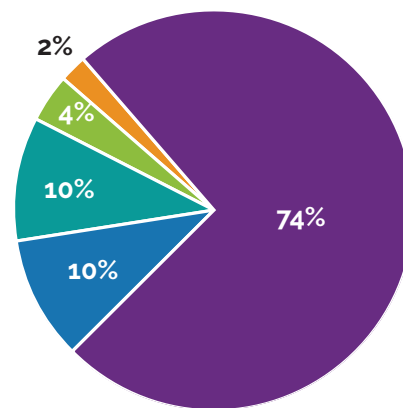
hosted by the Stevenson Parents Association

REVENUE



■ School Year Tuition    ■ Donations  
■ Summer School Tuition    ■ Miscellaneous

EXPENSES



■ Salaries and Benefits    ■ Administrative Expenses and Professional Fees    ■ Staff Professional Development  
■ Building Expenses and Maintenance    ■ Miscellaneous

**Headmaster's Circle: \$25,000+**

In Memory of Diane Cavanagh Tyson

**Leadership Council: \$10,000+**

Patty Lifter and Mark Visaggio

**Blue & Gold Association: \$5,000+**

Donna Astion and Michael Fricklas

Benevity

Daniel Ellis

Brian O'Donoghue

Law Offices of Michelle Siegel

Lawrence and Alice Weiner

**1908 Society: \$1908+**

Jonathan Bernstein

Amy and Christopher Hagar

Wendy Lee-Calamera and

Pablo Calamera

Leila and Richard Mansouri

Eric Moser

Camila Pastor and Stephen Maharam

Denise Person

Susie and John Rolander

Mary Ross

Mary Ellen and Rand Scullard

Paul Wexler

**Stevenson Club: \$1,000+**

Lisa Bennett and Nick Dolin

Lori Quinn Dannheim and

Eric Dannheim

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Sean Solis

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Angela Weir

John Williams

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Heidi and Ben Arthur

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Lisa Badner

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Hyla Bauer

Jennifer Baum

Kate Bostock and Jesse Shefferman

Jacqueline Buros and Erik Novik

Mollie Cantor and Barry Negrin

Dara Caponigro and David Steinberger

Andrea Chowansky

Amy Chowansky

Aftan John and Karen Chowansky

Victoria and David Colby

Donald J. Damico

Benjamin Davis

Eugene Dayanghirang

Allissa and Bradley Delman

Andrea Dresner Lewis and Roy Lewis

Richard Ehrlich

Yael Eisele and Aaron Dyer

Jeffrey Eisenberg

Lana Farina and Dorian Santiago

Joann Figueroa

Laura Glick

Emily Goodman and Joe Kaufman

Dev Gopalan

Jay Grushkin

Kia Christina Heath

Sara and Daniel Held

Richard Herman

Donett Huggins

Elizabeth Johnson and Neal Bradsher

Randy Kabat

Anne Kochanski

Iris Korman and Barry Sher

Serena and Daniel Krombach

Laura and Chris Lee

Ninat Lekagul

Rae Meadows and Alex Darrow

Jessica and Steven Nelson

Harvey Newman

Mandy O'Hara

Heidi Olson

Chris Ongaro

Deborah Ongaro

*Our generous*

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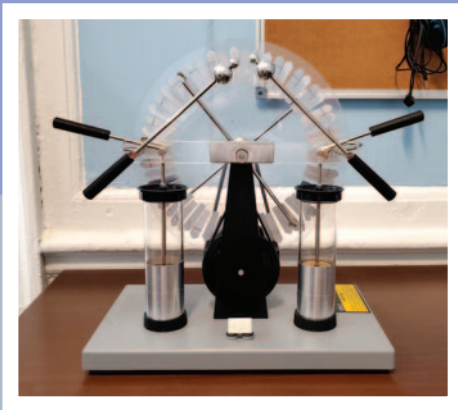
# DOLLARS *at* WORK

Fundraising has provided many things for Stevenson staff and students this year. **The Giving Tree** at the 2023 Benefit gave donors the option to buy a "leaf" and fund a specific need at the school, and Annual Fund donations cover additional costs. Here are a few examples of things that were made possible by our generous donors this year.

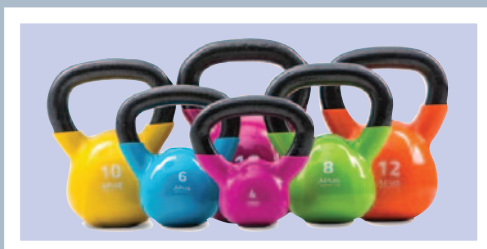
## Art Supplies



## Physics materials like the Wimshurst Machine, Photogates, and Sensors



Athletics equipment like kettlebells, and new soccer uniforms (coming this fall!)



# 2023 BENEFIT

Thank you to everyone who helped make Stevenson's 2023 Benefit, *An Evening on the Hudson*, a sold-out success, raising over \$73,000 to support Stevenson.

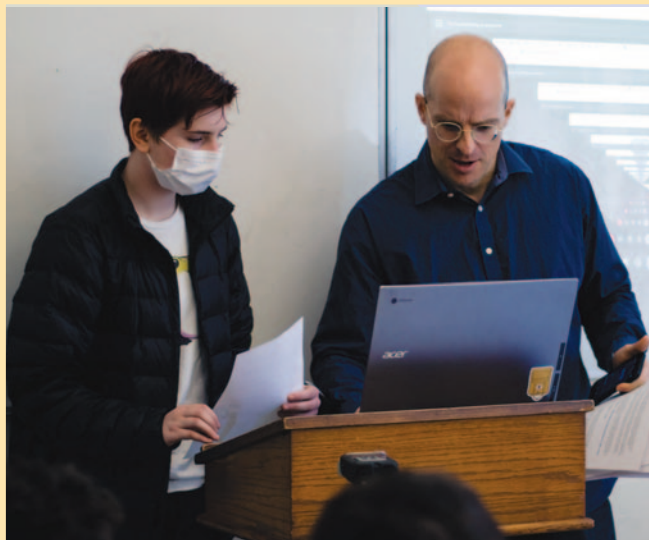


# YEAR *in* REVIEW

## EVENTS

### Symposium on Computer Science and Student Mental Health

Stevenson hosted our first **Symposium on Computer Science and Student Mental Health**. The Symposium took place under the direction of Adam van Auken, Director of Technology. Four guest speakers gave presentations on various topics about the interplay between student mental health and computer science. Students also gave presentations on technological solutions they have developed to ameliorate various student mental health issues.



Symposium judges scored each presentation based on a rubric, and were proud to name one student as the winner. They will receive mentoring from industry experts to discuss how their idea could be developed towards a working solution.



# YEAR *in* REVIEW

## EVENTS

### Stevenson Mosaic

On a Friday evening in April we gathered with students, parents, and staff for **Stevenson Mosaic**, where students shared their poetry, monologues, songs, and more!



### The Stevenson Art Show

Under the direction of Art teacher Kelsey Hammond, the Art Show showcased multimedia work from a variety of Stevenson artists, bringing together students, parents, faculty and staff on an evening in May.





# YEAR *in* REVIEW

## SPORTS

### Basketball



### Soccer



# YEAR *in* REVIEW

## SPORTS



*Softball*



*Volleyball*

# YEAR *in* REVIEW

## SPORTS

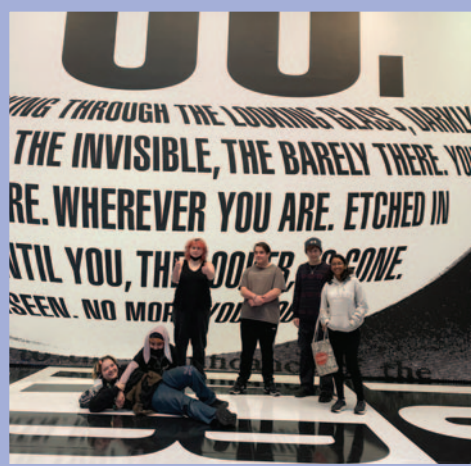
### Track & Field



# YEAR *in* REVIEW

## FIELD TRIPS

### Museum of Modern Art



A trip to the **Museum of Modern Art** turned a group of Stevenson students into lovers of modern art. Students shared that they particularly enjoyed discussing Rosenquist's *F111* and Dali's *Retrospective of the Bust of a Woman*.

### Tree Planting on Randall Island

A group of students traveled to **Randall's Island** for a tree planting and care event. With 6,000 trees to maintain and protect, volunteers help by creating, maintaining, and refreshing mulch rings, around the bases of trees.



### NYC Weather Station



Stevenson *Data & Statistics* students visited the **New York City weather station** in Central Park. Weather data is among the most comprehensive data that is regularly monitored and reported on. Students studied how complex data is translated into easy to interpret maps and charts shown in the New York Times and by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

# YEAR *in* REVIEW

## FIELD TRIPS



### New York Public Library

During a trip to the New York Public Library, students enjoyed the teen center, and were so engaged that they all decided to get library cards. Some even chose to read on the train on the way back to school!

### New York Historical Society



Spellbound by *The Crucible*, Stevenson theater students took a field trip to the **New York Historical Society** to see the exhibit *The Salem Witch Trials: Reckoning and Reclaiming*



# YEAR *in* REVIEW

## FIELD TRIPS

### Metropolitan Museum of Art



Pictured here in front of the Temple of Dendur, students taking the course *History of Human Development and Advancement* went on a field trip to the **Metropolitan Museum of Art**. They examined examples of sculpture, what these artifacts tell us about human technology and development, and how we can use these artifacts to try to understand people throughout time and place.

### American Museum of Natural History

Students enrolled in the *Early Civilizations* history course took a field trip to the **American Museum of Natural History**. As the culmination of their study of early humans, they visited The Anne and Bernard Spitzer Hall of Human Origins. Their classroom studies came to life as they examined fossils, DNA models, and historical artifacts up close. Students reported that the highlight of the trip was

getting the opportunity to meet Lucy, one of the most complete skeletons found to date from the early hominids that lived between 2 and 4 million years ago.





# GRADUATION 2023

On June 15th, Stevenson's Graduation took place at the Society for Ethical Culture.

Congratulations to the Class of 2023! Below is a list of their college destinations.

- Bard College
- Baruch College
- Champlain College
- Drexel University
- Emerson College
- Five Towns College
- Hofstra University
- Ithaca College
- Mt. Holyoke College
- Pace University
- Parsons School of Design
- Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
- Rochester Institute of Technology
- Sarah Lawrence College
- Savannah College of Art and Design
- SUNY Purchase
- Syracuse University
- The New School
- University of Vermont
- Washington University St. Louis





*We need  
your support!*

## WAYS TO GIVE

### Stevenson's Giving Societies:

Leadership - Headmaster's Circle \$25,000+

Leadership - Leadership Council \$10,000+

Leadership - Blue & Gold Association \$5,000+

1908 Society \$1,908+

Stevenson Club \$1,000+

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