



A MESSAGE FROM HEAD OF SCHOOL, SHANNON ELDERS

I am grateful

for your support during these extraordinarily challenging times. As difficult as the last six months have been, our mission was not put on hold. In fact, it continues to drive us. Our dedicated teachers and staff worked tirelessly over the summer to ensure a reopening of school with the dual priorities of ensuring the health and safety of our families and preserving the integrity of the FWA experience.



**Thank you again for all you do.
Sincerely,**

Shannon



As you know,

there is no other school which compares to Fort Worth Academy,

and we remain focused on enhancing the FWA experience for our students, faculty and staff. Our highly **personalized and innovative** instruction, combined with our culture of family and connection, provides an academic foundation for lifelong success. Our signature **E.L.I. (entrepreneurship, leadership, innovation) Initiative** challenges, motivates and intrigues our students while giving them the **confidence to succeed** inside and outside the classroom. Our students are **creative, hardworking individuals** who love coming to school each day.

THE POWER OF FWAMILY



Because tuition does not completely fund the cost
of a Fort Worth Academy education,

**we rely on
philanthropic
support**
to make up the difference.



2019-2020 Board of Trustees (for a complete list of members, see page 11.)



EXTRAVAGANZA 2020



"Mad About Science"

'BLAZER GIVING 2019-2020 MADE IT POSSIBLE



WHAT FWA STUDENTS SAY...

"Whatever you want to do, you can!"

--2nd grade student

"I have the best kind of friends and the best kind of teachers."

--4th grade student

"The teachers make what we are learning into something interesting."

--8th grade student



2019-2020

'Blazer Giving supported:

- **Signature E.L.I. (entrepreneurship, leadership, innovation) Initiative** at all grade levels.
- History-making **NASA Educational Downlink** experience for our community.
- Continuation of student-centered **performing arts, visual arts, and athletics** programs.
- **100%** of 2020 graduates accepted and entering their high school of choice.
- **FWA Away:** Unparalleled at-home learning for Spring of 2020.
- The **Bill Broderick Trajectory Program**, which awards nearly full scholarships to motivated and capable students from families of limited means.

38%
'Blazer
Giving

62%
Events

2019-2020
results

FWA MADE HISTORY



The Jan. 2020 NASA Educational Downlink



"It was cool and very exciting!" --8th grade student sharing how she felt when she heard the news about the scheduled NASA downlink

*"You have to keep working to achieve your goal."
--7th grade student reflecting on lessons learned from the event*





'Blazer Giving is

critical to FWA.

If you are in a position to give during this challenging time, there has never been a better opportunity to make an impact on the school.

- **Provide** innovative, evidence-based project-based learning to all students.
- **Expand** our signature E.L.I. (entrepreneurship, leadership, and innovation) Initiative.
- **Offer** small class sizes, which allow for personal attention to all students.
- **Support** our exceptionally talented faculty and staff.
- **Include** offerings ranging from the arts to athletics.



2020 - 2021 Fundraising Plans



With traditional events on hold, we will rely on 'Blazer Giving alone.

2020-2021 plans

100%
'Blazer Giving

We hope you will consider a gift.

Our goal is to reach 100% participation as we approach our broader community for support.



Fort Worth Academy provides an environment where students have freedom to learn in the ways that suit them best. Our family has supported and enjoyed being a part of its welcoming, diverse and inclusive community, and my two sons have both thrived as students here.

*—Sarah Austin, FWA Parent and Board of Trustees Member
(above, with her family)*

'BLAZER GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

INNOVATORS' CIRCLE

All Innovators' Circle levels include, as benefits: a private lunch with Head of School, an invitation to Innovators' Circle Reception, and recognition in our Annual Report. Additional benefits are by level.

Philanthropist \$25,000 and up

Reserved parking space 2020-2021 school year
Reserved seats at 8th grade graduation

Benefactor \$10,000-\$24,999

Reserved parking space 2020-2021 school year
Reserved seats at 8th grade graduation

Visionary \$5,000-\$9,999

Reserved seats at 8th grade graduation

Leader \$2,500-\$4,999

TRAILBLAZERS' CIRCLE

All Trailblazers' Circle levels include recognition in our Annual Report.

Rising Star \$1,000-\$2,499

Developer \$500-\$999

Ambassador \$100-\$499

Advocate up to \$99

**MAKE A GIFT ONLINE OR
USE THE PLEDGE FORM INCLUDED.**

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BLAZER GIVING 2020-2021

You can give your gift by contacting Nuha Lackan
or print and return this page.

Name(s) for
publication: _____

☐ Optional: I prefer to remain anonymous ☐ Optional: I am giving my gift in memory
/honor (circle one) of: _____

Philanthropist \$25,000+ | Benefactor \$10,000-\$24,999 | Visionary \$5,000-\$9,999
Leader \$2,500-\$4,999 | Rising Star \$1,000-\$2,499 | Developer \$500-\$999
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Total Amount: \$_____ to be given as follows:

☐ one-time gift via: ☐ check ☐ FWA Account ☐ Stock/Other securities

☐ installments via: ☐ check ☐ FWA Account

☐ Charge my FWA account \$_____ for _____ months.

All pledges are due at the end of this year's campaign: June 30, 2021.

Please apply my gift to:

☐ Area of greatest need
(including Covid-19
preparation expenses)

☐ Athletics

☐ Fine arts

☐ Science

☐ Bill Broderick
Trajectory Program

Signature _____

Date: _____

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