Mission
Cultivate in every MSLF child a life-long love of learning.

Vision
To evolve in relevant and measurable ways the principles of Montessori education for the benefit of the children of the 21st Century.

Values

Excellence in Education
We achieve excellence in education by inspiring children toward their full social and intellectual potential. We will continue to attract, support and retain the most qualified classroom directors from both AMS and AMI to insure a complete prepared environment and optimal learning experiences.

Respect for the Child
We respect each child and are committed to guiding each student on his other own individual path to independence and intellectual development.

Self-Development and Self-Knowledge
We value learning in prepared environments as a way to promote natural curiosity, self-development, and self-knowledge.

Appreciation of the Natural World
We value the outdoor environment as a way to cultivate the child’s inborn appreciation of nature and human beings’ age-old role as stewards of the natural world.

Diversity and Cooperation
We value carefully balanced classrooms which provide diversity in age, background, and skill level as a way to teach cooperation, mutual respect, and peaceful resolution of conflicts-critical skills of effective citizens in a democratic society.

Engaged Communities
We value the active involvement of family, faculty, and friends.
Greetings from MSLF!

It is my pleasure to write you as we reflect on Montessori School of Lake Forest’s historic 50th year in 2016-17 and I look forward to another great year together in 2017-18. This is our family’s seventh year at the school and we remain incredibly proud to be part of this wonderful and caring community.

As I wrote to you last year, we refreshed our five-year strategic plan during the 2015-16 school year. The cornerstone of our philosophy is our mission: “To cultivate in every MSLF child a lifelong love of learning.” Our philosophy not only speaks to providing a high quality education, but also to developing thoughtful, engaged citizens and kind, caring, and happy children.

The three main elements of our strategy are to provide an exceptional school experience, grow and develop the MSLF community, and build a sustainable institution. We used the occasion of our 50th anniversary to continue building out these elements, with a particular focus on sustainability, and ensuring the successful operation of our school for the next 50 years.

To this end, I want to thank our Treasurer, Brad Patrick, and his colleagues on the Finance Committee for their outstanding work to develop a five-year financial strategy for the school. This strategy provides a blueprint for our ongoing management of the school’s financial affairs for years to come. As part of this strategy, we were pleased to approve the expansion of our Toddler program with the new third room opening this year. This program has historically operated at or near capacity and has been an exceptional feeder into the upper levels of the school, providing an essential element for long-term success.

One of the ways we continue to gauge that success is through our annual parent survey. Last year’s survey showed continued increases in response rate, and an overall satisfaction level above 95% (rated 4 or 5 out of 5); our third straight year of improvements. Much of that success is due to the tireless commitment of our Head of School, Ann Jordahl, and our amazing team of teachers and staff who provide an exceptional Montessori education for our children. I want to thank them for their dedication and enthusiasm for making MSLF the wonderful, caring institution it is today.

I also want to thank our highly talented volunteer board. We have had a number of new directors join our board over the last year, and I am very pleased with the high caliber and diverse backgrounds of the directors we continue to attract. These members of the MSLF community are incredibly dedicated to the school’s success and it is an honor to serve with them.

Serving on the board is of course just one way to get involved with the school. MSLF really is a place where you get out of it what you put in. The more involved you are as a family, the more you will benefit, and the stronger our community will be. This involvement can take many forms: serving as a room parent, attending school events, helping with a school outing, and much more.

Finally, I would like to take this chance to ask for your support of our Annual Giving Campaign in the fall and our Hope and Promise Benefit in the spring. These two events help fund many improvements in the school, and we are once again hoping to achieve the community’s 100% participation, with all staff and families giving at the level they can afford. This level of participation from our own community is often a requirement for us to access additional funding from various community foundations.

I want to sincerely thank everyone for choosing MSLF for your family. You are part of a wonderful and unique institution. Thank you for your support!

Sincerely,

Court Carruthers
Board President
Dear Members of the Montessori School of Lake Forest Community,

MSLF turned 50 years old in 2016-17, and it was KIND of a big thing!

During the 2016-17 school year, we celebrated our Golden Anniversary by doing what we have always done: providing excellent Montessori education to many fortunate children from birth to 15 years, and preparing to do the same for many more years.

• We hosted two academic fairs that showcased our students’ grasp of the world around them. At the Science Fair, students explained dissections, presented a room-size scale model of the solar system, demonstrated effects of light pollution, explained plant genetics research and the periodic table, demonstrated a potato battery, a miniature trebuchet, and an analysis of string theory. At the History Fair, we reviewed strong historical research and dioramas, many timelines, in-depth studies of the ancient world, and the concept of family as a Toddler’s introduction to a sense of time and identity.

• Record numbers of trainees and practicing teachers visited to observe our excellent teachers and our state of the art Montessori indoor and outdoor learning environments.

• Visiting consultants were deeply and openly impressed with the quality of our entire community’s commitment to Montessori principles.

• We launched our Kindness Campaign to give back in gratitude for the many good things which have come to the school and its families. Among many other efforts, children, parents, and teachers participated in donating to food pantries, supporting a foster child, and performing acts of kindness large and small for pets, neighbors, and friends.

• We supported our own and the larger community by offering viewings of "Screenagers: Growing Up in the Digital Age" and by co-hosting the One Earth Film Festival.

• Our Parent Education Sessions offered meaningful engagement as parents shared what was really on their minds.

• We served families from 30 zip codes and our retention rate continued to grow while testimonials continued to flow in.

• Our Toddler program continued to support a wait list, so we launched our plans for opening a third Toddler room.

• Our alumni parent body continued to increase, as alumni of all ages continued to return and to give back in exciting ways.

• We enjoyed our fund raising and friend raising initiatives and all-school events such as picnics, The Whoot, and the Benefit were well attended and lots of fun.

• Our volunteer community continued to grow, in size and strength. Under the strong and supportive leadership of Board President Court Carruthers, our dynamic Board of Directors oversaw ambitious strategic planning initiatives. We fostered a very effective Development Committee and launched an ambitious Grant Proposal Group, and our Room Parents oversaw many festive classroom related activities, thank you one and all— we could not do it without your kind guidance and support!

As our 50th year drew to a heartwarming close at our Stepping Up and Graduation Ceremony in June, we knew that we are all here for the same reason: Each one of us is looking for excellent Montessori education and a community where we can walk our talk. And we know that this is what we find here at Montessori School of Lake Forest.

Thank you for celebrating MSLF’s 50th birthday, and thank you for partnering with me to launch the next 50 years of excellent Montessori education in the service of “the love of learning”!

My best wishes to you all,

Ann Jordahl
Executive Director
Montessori School of Lake Forest
At the end of the school year, the MSLF community gathers to celebrate the accomplishments of the students who are ready to step up to the next level. Our Primary classes gather together to celebrate and present the “Key of Knowledge” to those children who complete the full Primary program cycle. Our 3rd Year Lower Elementary children prepare for their “Stepping Up” ceremonies, giving speeches in front of family and friends. And our 6th Year Upper Elementary students and Adolescent Program graduates are celebrated at the end of the school year, during the graduation ceremony.

We congratulate the following students who “stepped up” to the next level at the end of the 2016 – 2017 school year:

**Primary to Lower Elementary**
- Reagan Ackerson
- Nicholas Allegretti
- Liam Anderson
- Mahira Bhalla
- Collins Carver
- Eli Davis
- Sasha Edelberg
- Charlotte Engel
- Luca Federighi
- Lucian Fiore
- Madeline Fredricks
- Heracles Gerbin
- Sonny Goodman
- Katie Hoi
- Aras Kalniunas
- Maria Korczak
- Sage Kudesh
- Sebastian Micle
- Anthony Piscitello
- Aaliyah Smith
- Jaiswaroop Sridhar
- Hunter Stewart
- Nola Stodard
- Nikolai Würfel

**Lower Elementary to Upper Elementary**
- Katherine Lynch
- Valor Cutaia
- Reese Hubbard
- Tristan Padilla
- Tiana Tillman
- Linus Diaz
- Maya Wadhwani
- Braydon Wright

**Upper Elementary to Adolescent**
- K. Aning
- Kiera Block
- Harrison Moore
- Robert (Alex) Swearingin

The Adolescent Program also celebrated the following 8th Year students who “stepped out” at the end of the school year:

- Nabeeha Haider
- Emma Schaff

We are also pleased and proud to announce the graduation of the Montessori School of Lake Forest Class of 2017. Bridget Block, Milana Henry, David Korn, and Benjamin Zitzewitz graduated as a 9th Year students on June 8, 2017.

Congratulations to all!
ANNUAL GIVING
The Montessori School of Lake Forest’s Annual Giving Campaign is the foundation of the school’s fundraising activities. Tuition covers only 90% of annual budget requirements, and the remaining 10% comes from generous donors. MSLF asks “every family, every year” to commit to the school by supporting Annual Giving. Each contribution makes it possible for MSLF to continue providing exceptional education programs and a diverse socio-economic learning environment. MSLF proudly serves families from 30 zip codes.

We are pleased to report that MSLF raised $83,162.00 during the 2016-2017 Annual Giving Campaign. Generous gifts were given by the Board of Directors, faculty and staff, grandparents and parents. The participation rate was 100% from teachers and staff and 71% from current MSLF families. The funds raised supported capital improvements to the school as well as programming across the divisions.

Thank you for participating in the Annual Giving Campaign. Together, we make a difference for MSLF and its children... now and in the future.

BENEFIT
At the Hope & Promise Annual Benefit our community comes together for a meaningful and relaxed evening of fun where we raise supplemental funds to support special programming, learning environments, and continuing education for teachers. Many parents, teachers, and businesses work together to prepare for the event. Students also get involved as they showcase their talents in the creation of classroom projects. These one-of-a-kind treasures are always a hit!

The 2017 Hope & Promise Annual Benefit was a huge success! The MSLF community gathered at our Laurel Drive Campus for an evening of food, drinks, fun and giving! Being at our school was the perfect venue, and there was wonderful community spirit as we celebrated our Golden Anniversary.

Together we raised $85,611.94 that directly benefitted our students and our school, as well as provided essential equipment and materials.

SUPPORTING MSLF
Each school year, MSLF holds two major fundraising initiatives: the Annual Giving Campaign and the Hope & Promise Annual Benefit. The school also thrives on significant parent involvement such as Room Parents, Benefit Committee volunteers, Spirit Week volunteers, volunteers throughout the school year and other spirit driven initiatives.

www.mslf.org/give-today/
PARENT VOLUNTEERS

Room Parents
Head Room Parent  Christine Alevras
Toddler 1         Annabelle Ioannides
Toddler 2         Jodi Shakin
Primary 1         Jennifer Polacheck
                   Ioana Savos
Primary 2         Hope Allegretti
                   Helen Gerbin
                   Teresa Pavelich
Primary 4         Jessica Federighi
                   Nicole Korczak
Primary 5         Hope Allegretti
Lower El 1        Kirstin Carruthers
                   Dean Shaffer
Lower El 2        Tanya Hinkle
                   Ping Wright
                   Daniela Würfel
Upper El          Tamara Mannelly
                   Kristyn Moore
                   Asiya Mulani

Benefit Committee
Kirstin Carruthers, Event Chair
Kathleen Marino, Faculty Chair/Director of Development
Christine Alevras, Committee Chair
Helen Gerbin, Committee Chair
Hope Allegretti
Laura Fosselman
Ioana Savos Micle
Asiya Mulani
Monica Pearson
Jennifer Polacheck
Kelly Rynes
Daniela Würfel
The number 50 has been the magic number for Montessori School of Lake Forest this year, as it celebrated its 50th anniversary and decided to give back to the community. Beginning last September, the school launched its Kindness Campaign, challenging itself to participate in 50 acts of kindness, one act of kindness for every year the school has been in existence. 

“[The Kindness Campaign] marked the 50th anniversary of the school,” said Kirstin Carruthers, a volunteer who helped lead the Kindness Campaign. “We wanted a way to celebrate what we are and who we are and involve everyone related to the school... We could have done an event or something else, but the school itself is really [focused on] giving back and helping others, so we brainstormed and thought, ‘Well why don’t we give back to the community?’ and we set the goal of 50 acts of kindness, one for every year.”

The idea was simple. Students, faculty, staff and families were asked to complete a few acts of kindness as a way to give back to the community. The school also organized a few events to give back to organizations in the area. The school’s mission to complete the 50 acts of kindness was to teach the students what it means to give back and to learn about a variety of organizations.

The school completed the official 50th act of kindness on August 16 by harvesting produce in the school’s garden and donating it to the Community Care Center, a food pantry in Mundelein. Participating students spent the day with Outdoor Classroom Director Julia Lunn, completing this 50th act of kindness.

Carruthers said donating the produce as the final act of kindness was “the perfect fit because [produce] is not something people at the food pantry generally get to enjoy.”

Now that the school has completed its 50 acts of kindness, they are beginning to see the results of their dedication to helping others.

“Although it didn’t start as a goal of the 50 acts, it was one of the most significant results: the students saw that their actions and contributions really do matter, and realized that they can make a difference, a real difference in the world,” Carruthers said. “[The Kindness Campaign] inspired many to talk about what they would do next — and many are already on to other acts of kindness.”

http://www.mslf50.org/kindnesscampaign/
https://mslf.smugmug.com/MSLF-Kindness-Campaign/
The Hope & Promise Annual Benefit is the school’s largest fundraiser. On April 22, 2017 MSLF celebrated its 50th Anniversary with the benefit held at the Laurel Drive Campus - and it was “Kind of a Big Deal”.

Fifty years ago, a group of dedicated parents with a vision got together and opened our doors to the first class of MSLF students. In 2016-17, we celebrated their work and the 50 year milestone, as a new group of parents came together to sustain the legacy for the students of MSLF, who are always the next generation of critical thinkers, independent spirits, inspired leaders, peacemakers, and stewards of kindness.

The theme “Kind of a Big Deal” kicked off during Spirit Week with the launch of our “Kindness Campaign” and was embraced throughout the year by students and families who practiced acts of kindness both in our school and in the many communities where our MSLF families live. Children of all ages proudly reported their acts of kindness, and celebrated the acts done by others. MSLF students learned firsthand what a profound impact they have in their communities.

Each year, every class creates and donates a one-of-a-kind item that is offered in our benefit auction. This year, each class enthusiastically created a “Peace of Art.” The children were so excited about peace, kindness and stewardship that the classroom projects created were a natural and beautiful culmination of our campaign. Children were so proud to share their works of ‘peace.’

**Fund-A-Need**

Each year, the Benefit includes a Fund-A-Need in support of a specific school initiative. This past year, the focus was to continue to equip and improve our outdoor classrooms, creative movement program and resources, culinary program, theatre and arts education, and extracurricular options, and provide necessary upgrades of Montessori materials across all levels and subjects. The Fund-A-Need raised an impressive $42,330, providing the highest quality learning materials for students of all ages.

Thank you to all our dedicated volunteers, faculty, staff and students. This event would not have been possible without the generous contributions of time, talent, money, and auction items by many people and organizations. Thank you to all, and especially to our Event Chair, Kirstin Carruthers, for working tirelessly to teach us all that MSLF and kindness are “Kind of a Big Deal”.

The Hope & Promise Benefit
Financial Overview

Revenue and Expenses (IN 000s)

Revenue
- Tuition and Fees: 2,683
- Contributions: 87
- Interest Income: 0
- Fundraising: 89
- TOTAL: 2,859

Expenses
- Instruction: 1,698
- Administration: 606
- Facilities: 313
- Interest Expense and Depreciation: 255
- TOTAL: 2,873

Assets
- Cash: 25
- Savings and Investment: 462
- Accounts Receivable: 10
- Prepaid Expense: 35
- Property and Equipment: 3,005
- Bond Escrow: 9
- Loan Costs: 9
- TOTAL: 3,547

Liabilities
- Accounts Payable: 7
- Accrued Liabilities: 38
- Unearned Tuition: 68
- Mortgage Payable: 1,200
- Parent Deposits: 149
- TOTAL: 1,461

Net Assets: 2,085
Total Liabilities and Net Assets: 3,547
**Annual Giving & Benefit Donations**

The following amounts represent donations made in the combined categories of Annual Giving, donations and Benefit purchases. We very much appreciate your generosity and look forward to our community’s support…every family…every year.

### The Golden Beads $5,000-$50,000
- Butler Family Foundation
- Carruthers Family
- Corsiglia Family
- Kane Family
- Liu - Zhuang Family
- Mandarich Family
- David Mandarich
- Mills Family
- Shaffer - Peters Family
- Tom Zengeler

### The Broad Stair $1,000-$2,499
- AbbVie
- Abrams Family
- Anonymous
- Kathleen and Anthony Coughlan
- Erulkar Family
- Fosselman Family
- Gabel Family
- Goodman - Polacheck Family
- Pat Gregory
- Henry - Currier Family
- Huang - Dai Family
- Hubbard Family
- Korczak Family
- Lynch Family
- Jeffrey and Whitney Mills Family
- Padilla Family
- Piccolo - Perez Family
- Serkland - Melichar Family
- Shakin Family
- Stewart - Chang Family
- Thomas Family
- Wadhwani Family
- Wells Fargo
- Thomas and Amanda White
- Woodruff Family

### The Pink Tower $2,500-4,999
- Anderson - Alevras Family
- Patrick and Tamara Burns Family
- Cockrel Family
- Dr. Joe Gordon, DDS
- Ann Jordahl and Steve Sennott
- Mannelly Family
- Micle - Savos Family
- Pat family
- Patrick - Effio Family
- Ritter Family
- Würfel Family

### The Red Rods $700-$999
- Barton Family
- Mark Blutstein
- Fairchild Family
- Honeywell
- Noble Family
- Pavlich Family
- Shevade - Kulkarni Family
- Staples Family
- Brooke Wielde
- Zitzewitz Family

### The Bells $500-699
- Abbott
- Bell - Lewis Family
- Doug and Sarah Cassidy
- Fredricks Family
- Hooke Family
- Konica Minolta
- Mann Family
- Marino Family
- Adam and Barbara Moore Family
- Network for Good
- Rasty Family
- Semmelman & Semmelman LTD
- Thrivent
- Tomori Family
- UnitedHealthcare
- Joel and Kimberly Ward
- Wisneski Family
The Metal Insets $250-$499
Abuaita Family
Ackerson Family
Aguilar Family
Ahern Family
Alegretti Family
Bahrami Family
Bhalla Family
Block - McGuire Family
Eric Carlson
Chubb
D’Ambrosia Family
MacMillin Family
Mulani Family
Myhre - Chen Family
Narasimha – Madamala Family
Oster Family
Pedian Family
Peterson Products
Rieder Family
Rynes Family
Laurie and Tim Shanahan
Snodgrass Family
Dacy Family
Jeff Daube
Edelburg Family
Falbe Family
Filchel Family
Anne Friedman
Gubbels - Scribner Family
Hinkle Family
Kalniunas Family
Claudia Lovelette
Stewart Family
Swearingin Family
John S. Swift Co.
Tennyson Family
Trace Family
Ubell Family

The Number Chains $100-$249
Debra Benes
Thais and Daniel Boddicker
Bohnert Family
Bowkett Family
Linda Brady
Chris and Monika Burns Family
Bagan Family
Jeffrey and Paul Cantor
Cheng Family
Diaz – Robertson Family
Discover
Engel Family
Laura Ernst
Fiore Family
Grum Family
Gutiérrez Montero - Sewell Family
Ardath Hamann and Nicholas Drozdoff
He - Gu Family
Lissa Hektor
Pamela Hettler
Kahn Family
Sonja Koenig
Linda Korbakes
Saachi and Raj Kumar
Lykins Family
Michaud Family
Jayesh and Deepti Patel
Piscitello - Warren Family
Schaff Family
Shaikh - Hammad Family
Song Family
Stodard Family
Strasser Family
Sun – Hu Family
Mary Taylor
Jane Victor
Katherine White

The Binomial Cube $1-$99
Mark and Bev Adamczyk
AmazonSmile
Kathleen and Richard Barton
Dennis and Mary Begalle
Boukhari - Faidi Family
Cathy Byerly
Byk - Maisonet Family
Katherine Carlson
Castellanos Family
Genna Crofts
Cutaia Family
Margo Czechowski
Davis – Lilly Family
Lynn Dolister
Kristin Etchingham
Matt Feddermann
Nancy and Chuck Feddermann
Sonja Feddermann
Federighi Family
Filwett – Levandowski Family
Kevin Gallagher
Gerbin Family
Michaela Giusic
Hammack – Schaefer Family
Kabrud Family
Kudes Family
Victoria Kushnir
Carolyn Lanni
Eva Leung
Leung – Yeung Family
Lidstrom – Murphy Family
Julia Lunn
Monsserrat Mares
Luigi and Carmela Notardonato
Parker – Smith Family
Monica Pearson
Larry Pence
Qiu – Wang Family
Simon – Ritz Family
Srinivas Family
Irek and Margaret Stypik
Veness – Willis Family
Wagner Family
Wright Family
Kathy Willis
Abby Williams
Ben Zeller and Emily Mace
Every effort has been made to ensure that the donors who support the school’s mission are recognized for their generosity. If you have not received proper recognition for your gift in this Annual Report, please accept our apologies and notify our office so that we may correct our records. All gifts listed in this report were received between July 1, 2016 and June 30, 2017.

MSLF is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization. All contributions are 100% tax deductible to the extent allowed by the law. Thank you to the entire Montessori School of Lake Forest Community for your generous support, donations, volunteerism, time, talents, and dedication to our wonderful school. Our strong community is the key to MSLF’s growth and expansion. Our fundraising efforts directly impact our ability to retain and recruit exceptional teachers, enhance our technology and our learning environments, and expand our financial aid program.

Please accept our sincerest “Thank You!”

**Hope & Promise Annual Benefit Donors**
The following people and businesses donated items to the 2017 benefit auction:

| A1 Security Roofing | God’s Graffiti | Got It Maid Cleaning |
| Adrian Nastase | Got It Maid Cleaning | Hard Core Pilates |
| Aiste Kalniunas Photography | Heinen’s | Hop ‘Til You Drop |
| AKS Allure | Illinois Railway Museum | Improv Playhouse |
| Amazing Cosmetics | Inovasi | Intelligent Lighting Creations/Falbe Family |
| Animal Medical Centre at Fort Sheridan | Ireland Heating & Air Conditioning Co. | Jennifer Karnazes-Hernandez/Catering by Kenny |
| Ann Jordahl & Steve Sennott | Jenny Sweeney Designs | Julia Lunn |
| Arthur Murray | Lake Bluff Massage Therapy | Lake Forest Academy |
| Asylum Skate Park | Lake Forest Acute Care | Lake Forest Book Store |
| Bestview International Company | Lake Forest Dental Associates | Lake Forest Hardware |
| Blink Optical | Lake Forest Juice | Lake Forest Park and Ship |
| Bluffington’s Cafe | Lake Forest Open Lands | Lake Forest Pediatric Dentistry |
| Brandon Chartier | Lake Forest Police Department | Lake Forest Sportscars |
| Bunch of Joy/Tropical Trade | Lake Forest Travel Bureau Inc. | Lake Forest True Value |
| Buss Landscape Company Inc. | Lakeside Recreation | Liberty Prairie Foundation |
| Cafe Pomigliao | Libertyville Gymnastics Academy | Maeverly Public House |
| The Carruthers Family | The Mannelly Family | Martha Abelson Photography |
| The Carver Family | The Mibble - Savos Family | Mickey Finn’s Brewery |
| Chalet Nursery | The Perfect Sitting | The Silo Restaurant |
| Chicago Children’s Theatre | The Shaffer-Peters Family | T’s Card |
| Cluckers Charcoal Chicken | Shakou | The Tennyson Family |
| Continental Wall Systems Group, Inc. | Sweet’s Lake Forest | Visual Image Photography |
| Custom Installations | The Initial Choice | Wellness Solutions |
| Deerfield Dermatology | The Other Door | Zeeta |
| Dolce Mia Biscotti | The Perfect Sitting | Zengeler Cleaners |
| Down to Earth Design | T’s Card | |
Board of Directors

Board Function and Structure
MSLF’s Board of Directors plays an important and precise role in the school's operation. As its governing body, the Board establishes overall policy and assures the financial stability of the school. Its role is strategic in nature. The Board employs the school’s Executive Director, who then employs the administrative staff, faculty, and support personnel. The Board is positioned to think and act from a big-picture, long-range planning perspective, while the administrative staff focuses on implementing our programs and managing our day-to-day operations.

The Board is comprised of current parents, alumni parents, and community leaders, who are recruited for their diverse skills, experience and perspective. The group meets on a regular basis during the year, and its collective expertise is both broad and deep. This year the Board continued to build on the three main elements of the strategic plan: to provide an exceptional school experience, grow and develop the MSLF community, and build a sustainable institution. The Board’s focus for 2016-2017 was on developing a five-year financial strategy for the school, allowing for ongoing management of the school’s finances for years to come, and supporting continued excellence as well as opportunities for growth.

At the final board meeting of the school year on May 18, 2017, the Board thanked three outgoing board members for their dedicated service to the MSLF community: Linda Brady, Jennifer Currier, and Laurie Shanahan. The board also welcomed four new members: Kylie Rasty, Jodi Shakin, Atul Shevade, and Daniela Würfel. Thank you to all who have contributed, and continue to contribute in this capacity.

Your passion for Montessori education makes our school great.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS - 2016-2017

Board Officers
Court Carruthers - President
Kelly Rynes - Vice President
Bradford Patrick - Treasurer
Jennifer Currier - Secretary

Board Members
Linda Brady
Sarah Cassidy
Jennifer Cockrel
Laura Fossleman
Ben Grum
Laura Kosmerl
Tamara Mannelly
Parvez Patel
Dean Shaffer
Laurie Shanahan
Chris Tennyson
Kimberly Wisneski
Thomas Zengeler
The MSLF Team

**Administrative Staff**
- Ann Jordahl
- Larry Pence
- Hope Allegretti
- Kathleen Marino
- Teresa Pavelich
- Kevin Gallagher
- Lynn Dollister
- Ellwyn Bohnert
- Emir Calderon
- Maria de Jesus Rios

**Faculty**

**Adolescent**
- Bev Adamczyk
- Eric Carlberg
- Ann Jordahl
- Devon Mann
- Monserrat Mares
- Steve Sennott
- Danna Victor
- Claire Willis

**Elementary**
- Jeff Daube
- Kathryn Jasinski
- Mary Taylor

**Primary**
- Carolyn Lanni
- Eva Leung
- Tami Levandowski
- Monica Pearson
- Mia Stompanato

**0-3**
- Kristin Caldwell
- Jessica DeBruler
- Ann Jordahl

**Assistants**
- Cathy Byerley
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- Genna Crofts
- Margo Czechowski
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- Pat Gregory
- Tyler Ku
- Jennina Maisonet
- Kimberly Snodgrass
- Diane Urgo
- Jane Victor
- Marta Wagner
- Abby Williams
- Kathy Willis

**Academic Programs & Support**
- Bev Adamczyk: Latin
- Paula Cantor: Learning Specialist
- Brandon Chartier: Outdoor Education
- Helen Gerbin: Physical Education, Movement, Theater
- Linda Korbakes: Speech and Language Pathologist
- Eva Leung: Chinese
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