

One test of the correctness of educational procedure is the happiness of the child.

-Maria Montessori



I look back on my experience at LCS with immense gratitude. It is a community based on a pure love and appreciation of learning. I had no idea how lucky I was at the time, but I certainly do now!

-Sallie Bonamarte, LCS alum

**LAKE
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2011-2012 ANNUAL FUND

THE LAKE COUNTRY SCHOOL ANNUAL FUND SUPPORTING THE JOY OF LEARNING

In this age of education reform, the happiness of the child is often overlooked. Montessori recognized happiness as an important indicator of effective education. She knew that children immersed in meaningful work, making exciting discoveries, and engaged in self-construction are happy children.



At Lake Country School, parents often tell us their children love coming to school. The happiness of Lake Country students comes from Montessori education done right. It is a pedagogy that deeply respects every child, meets children's developmental needs, and makes for happy, engaged, and intellectually curious students.

Your gift to the Lake Country School Annual Fund supports an educational philosophy that provides the foundation for students to become happy, productive, and engaged members of their local and global communities. Isn't that really what education is intended to do?

When you support Lake Country School, you support a model for education that really works; a model that promises a better future for our students and our world. Please give generously to the Lake Country School Annual Fund.

Thank you,

Paulette Zoë
Principal



PS. "Outcomes" are a popular measure of educational effectiveness. Among Lake Country's outcomes are our graduates. They are prized and successful in high schools, go on to respected colleges and universities, and their careers and life experiences are richly varied and inspiring. Time and again, our alums tell us that Lake Country School had the greatest educational impact on the persons they've become. They're happy, too!

I/WE PLEDGE A GIFT OF

- \$125 \$250 \$500 \$750 \$1,000
 \$1,500* \$2,500 \$5,000 Other \$ _____

Gifts of all sizes are deeply appreciated and are fully tax deductible.

**The difference between tuition and the cost to educate each LCS student.*

IN SUPPORT OF

- The area of greatest need Montessori programming
 Tuition assistance Teacher compensation
 Classroom materials, furnishings and technology
 The Land School Other _____

Should a fund become oversubscribed, Lake Country School may direct funds to undersubscribed areas of greatest need.

Name(s): _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

PLEDGE PAYMENT INFORMATION

I/we will pay this pledge:

- By check (*the most cost-effective way to give!*)
 On the website (www.lakecountryschool.org - Click on "Giving to LCS")
 By credit card: VISA MASTERCARD
 Card # _____ Exp. Date _____
 Through electronic fund transfer (EFT) from my bank
 (*Please complete transfer authorization form on back of pledge card.*)
 Directing my United Way or Community Shares giving to LCS.
 (*Contact your Human Resources department for instructions.*)
 Transferring securities
 (*Development Office will contact you with transfer instructions.*)

PLEDGE PAYMENT SCHEDULE

- Payment enclosed
 I we/will make a one-time payment on _____
 I/we will make pledge payments of \$ _____
 Quarterly Monthly Other _____
 (*Please plan to complete your pledge by June 30, 2012, the LCS fiscal year end.*)

OTHER IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS

- Lake Country School is included in my/our estate plans.
 Send me information about including Lake Country in my will/estate plans.
 My employer, _____, will match my/our gift.
 (*Please include your company's matching gift form, available from your Human Resources office.*)

Thank you for your support of Lake Country School!

Lake Country's mission aims to prepare students for LIFE. LCS students are often noted for extremely high competence in an area of specialty. But this is less extraordinary. More unusual is their generally competence in many, many, many areas. Expert specialists are impressive, but relatively common. But Renaissance citizens are in short supply!

-Paul Dosh, LCS alum/current parent

MAKE GIVING EASY!

Set up a monthly Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT) to support Lake Country School.

EFT Authorization Form

Please transfer \$_____ monthly to the Lake Country School Annual Fund from my:

Checking Account

Savings Account

Routing Number: _____

Account Number: _____

Frequency of deduction: (*check only one*)

Semi-Monthly - 1st and 15th

Monthly - on the 1st

I authorize Lake Country School and Vanco Services, LLC to process debit entries to my account as outlined above. I understand that this authority will remain in effect until I provide reasonable notification to terminate the authorization, which I may do at any time.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

