



# Capital Campaign Growing Up Great !

MILLWOOD  
School



## Mission Statement

- The mission of Millwood School is dedicated to the growth of each student in a supportive environment that challenges the intellect, develops the body, and fosters moral values.

## Vision Statement

- Millwood School produces accomplished, well-rounded, and resourceful graduates who measure up to their potential, lead principled lives, and strive to make the world a better place.

## Philosophy

- Millwood believes that each child is unique and that no two children learn in exactly the same way.

## Guiding Principles

We believe in:

- A sustained commitment to academic excellence
- Small classes and instruction tailored to the needs of each child
- Great teaching
- A richly-textured curriculum that includes foreign languages, technology, art, and music at every grade level
- Building a genuine sense of community among Millwood parents, students, and faculty
- Encouraging the exploratory spirit that leads to successful creativity and a lifelong love of learning
- Preparing students to speak confidently in front of groups
- Open and responsive communication with families
- Frequent opportunities for students to develop leadership skills
- The personal growth that comes from healthy athletic endeavor. Our sports teams are available to every eligible middle school student who wishes to join.
- Providing dedicated faculty, staff, administrators, and trustees
- Shaping people of character by upholding high standards of honesty, integrity, and mutual respect. The Millwood Big Ten is the code we use to practice these values every day.
- Admitting and serving students of any race, religion, and national origin

Millwood School admits students of any race, color, national, and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admission policies, tuition assistance, athletic and other school administered programs.



*Dear Friends of Millwood:*

Since our founding in 1989, we have been successful in fulfilling the mission of Millwood School through dedication and hard work. For 19 years we have remained focused on the big picture of creating a school program and campus that fosters an exceptional education. We are very proud of our graduates, the scholars, leaders, and athletes, who have gone on to high school and college with their Millwood lessons serving them extremely well.

We have been able to grow up in such fine fashion because of the continued support of a large circle of family and friends. We are positioned to take the next step in achieving our master plan. We need your support to realize the benefits from this *Growing Up Great* campaign. By constructing the next building, further developing the site, and creating an additional athletic field, we are continuing our growth in the way we intended. The building will house the middle school and the first upper school students.

The *Growing Up Great* campaign will provide the funding for the next step of our growth. We invite you to help us grow through your generosity and support of this campaign. Your gifts will make a difference to alumni and to current and future students. You have the opportunity to make the Millwood community greater, stronger, and more proud than ever.

Sincerely,

Edward Barden  
*Capital Campaign Chair*

Louise Bagwell-Robinson  
*Head of School*

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## Growing Up Proud...

Seeing a need for an independent school in Chesterfield County, Dr. Louise Bagwell-Robinson dedicated herself to the realization of a dream: to establish a local learning environment where children are nurtured, challenged, and encouraged to reach their highest potential. Her vision was fulfilled in 1989, with the founding of Millwood School on a small tract of land with three trailers and 20 students.

The foundation of Millwood School is the belief that each child is unique and that no two children learn in exactly the same way. We offer individualized instruction and attention in small classes. In a relatively brief time, we have earned a reputation for having a challenging and diverse curriculum, rigorous academic programs, well-trained faculty, fiscal stability, and a value structure that promotes honesty, integrity, and respect for others. Millwood School is accredited through the Virginia Association of Independent Schools and has become an educational leader in the metro Richmond area.



We outgrew our original trailers and relocated to a former office building on Genito Road in Brandermill in 1992. Continued growth prompted a successful capital campaign that enabled the purchase of the school's permanent campus, a 57-acre parcel adjacent to Woodlake, and construction of our first academic building, Cornerstone Gymnasium, athletic field, and multi-purpose building (Robinson Hall). The recent purchase of 25 additional acres has expanded our beautiful campus to approximately 79 acres. These new facilities opened in 1998.

As Millwood thrives, the need to expand our facilities once again is very apparent. We need to move ahead with the next phase of development - construct the next building of our master plan, and expand our athletic fields. This new phase is essential for the school's continued growth and creates the space for the founding upper school students. The new building will give students in grades 6-8 a permanent home and serve as the first building of Millwood School's upper school. And it will free up classrooms in the original academic building in order to accommodate additional sections of JK-5 students.



## Growing Up Sound...

Now in our 19<sup>th</sup> year, Millwood School is growing up proud, growing up strong, growing up sound. Our continuous growth and change continue to reflect the school's mission to promote growth and self-confidence in each student by providing a nurturing environment which challenges the intellect, develops the body, and fosters moral values. This mission will guide our next phase of development as well.

Millwood School owes much of its success to the generosity and support of our families, patrons, and donors who can take pride in knowing that they are helping us meet an overwhelming demand for excellent independent education in our community. Now we need even greater support to reach the next level of excellence.



Growing Up Sound!



## Growing Up Great...

The current Capital Campaign for Millwood School, "Growing Up Great," will help provide the funds necessary to expand our facilities and give students the space and resources they need to explore, learn, and grow. Your gift will help us achieve this goal and promote our students' **growing up great!**



### Immediate Needs

Millwood School's goals are identified in our Long Range Master Plan.

The needs facing us today are to:

- Construct a new Middle/Upper School building \$3,000,000
- Construct an additional athletic field \$200,000
- Prepare the construction site \$500,000

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| <b>Grand Total</b> | <hr/> \$3,700,000 |
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### Campaign Goal

We are striving to raise \$2,000,000 of the required funds through this campaign.

The remainder of the funding will come from a bank loan.



## When Will We Start?

As soon as possible! We plan to break ground in June 2008. We plan to hold a ceremonial breaking of the ground and the bulldozers will arrive over summer.

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## Athletic Field

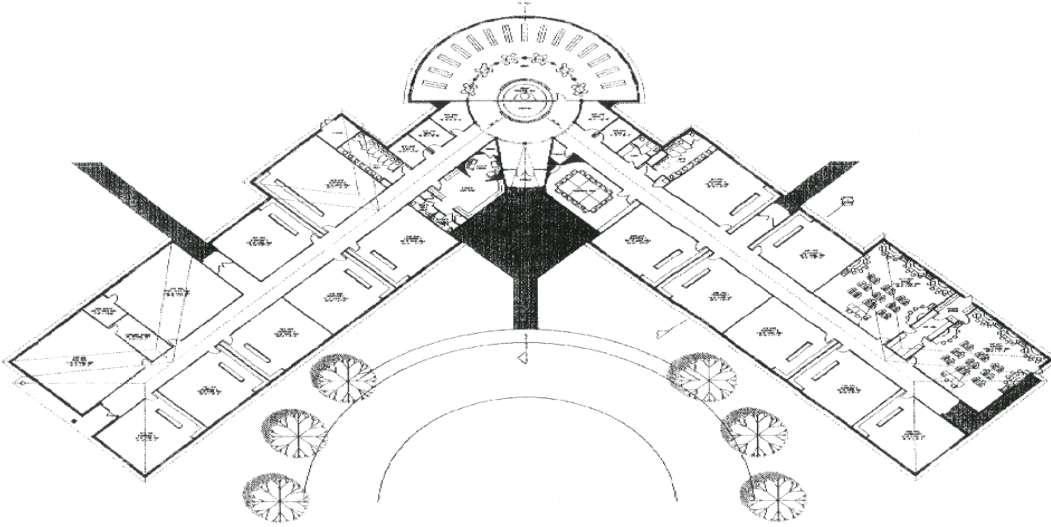
In order to fulfill our mission, Millwood needs additional athletic resources to complement the new building. A new athletic field will serve as the arena for physical education classes and extracurricular sports programs, including soccer and field hockey. It will give students a chance to develop strong, healthy bodies and allow our Bobcat teams to compete on nice fields.



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## Academic Building

The new building will house 13 classrooms, a state-of-the-art library/media center, two science laboratories, a band room, chorus room, technology center, art studio, board room, and health clinic, as well as administrative offices and ample storage space. The design of this new facility meets our needs for academic resources, safety, and efficiency. Its infrastructure will support the technology of tomorrow.



The new facility will be the permanent home for students in grades six through eight, allowing them the room they need to pursue and achieve excellence. The building will also serve as the first location for Millwood's upper school students.

*26,236 Square Feet*

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| · 13 classrooms            | · band room              |
| · technology center        | · chorus room            |
| · library/media center     | · board room             |
| · two science laboratories | · health clinic          |
| · art studio               | · administrative offices |
|                            | · storage space          |

## **Naming Opportunities**

*(Subject to the Approval of the Board of Trustees and Availability)*

### ***Academic Building***

For a gift of \$1,250,000 or more, the Academic Building will bear your name or honor your designee.

### ***Academic Classroom Wings***

For a gift of \$750,000 or more, one of the Academic Classroom Wings will bear your name or honor your designee.

### ***Technology Center***

For a gift of \$75,000 or more, the Technology Center will bear your name or honor your designee.

### ***Science Laboratories***

For a gift of \$50,000 or more, one of the Science Laboratories will bear your name or honor your designee.

### ***Library / Media Center***

For a gift of \$50,000 or more, the Library/Media Center will bear your name or honor your designee.

### ***Art Studio***

For a gift of \$25,000 or more, the Art Studio will bear your name or honor your designee.

### ***Band Room***

For a gift of \$25,000 or more, the Band Room will bear your name or honor your designee.

### ***Chorus Room***

For a gift of \$25,000 or more, the Chorus Room will bear your name or honor your designee.

### ***Classroom Sponsor***

For a gift of \$20,000 or more, a Classroom will bear your name or honor your designee.

### ***Athletic Field Complex***

For a gift of \$200,000 or more, the Athletic Field will bear your name or honor your designee.

### ***Board Room***

For a gift of \$40,000 or more, the Board Room will bear your name or honor your designee.

## Ways of Giving to Millwood School

### *Gifts of Cash*

The largest number of gifts made to the school have been in the form of a check written by the donor. Every gift, regardless of the amount, makes a significant difference.

However, other methods may allow donors to give larger amounts and receive more advantageous tax benefits.

### *Gifts of Pledges*

Pledges may be made to the campaign and be paid over a specified number of years. This allows the donor to break up their donation into smaller increments to be paid over time.

### *Gifts of Securities*

Shares of stock that you have owned for a number of years can be a tax advantageous gift to Millwood School. If you have owned stock for more than a year and it has increased in value, you may be considering a sale to realize the appreciation. This will result in your paying a sizable capital gains tax. However, by gifting the stock to Millwood School, you avoid being taxed on the gain, and the charitable contribution that you may deduct is the full market value of the stock at the time of the gift. It is an unique win/win opportunity available within the current tax laws.

### *Gifts of Real Estate*

A residence, vacation home, farm acreage or vacant lot may have so appreciated in value throughout the years that its sale would mean a sizable capital gain tax (similar to a gift of securities). By making a gift of this property, you will avoid the capital gains tax and, at the same time, receive a charitable deduction for the full fair market value of the property. It is also possible to make this gift so that you and your spouse can continue to use it for your lifetimes.

### *Life Income Gifts*

If you own securities which currently provide you with an annual yield, a "life income" gift may be an appropriate way for you to give to Millwood. You can transfer these securities to the school and establish a "charitable remainder trust" or a "charitable remainder annuity trust" that will provide you with a fixed rate equal to or greater than your current return. This income would be paid to you and/or a loved one for life, after which the assets would be distributed outright to Millwood School. Through such an arrangement, you could be increasing your income while still making a meaningful (and tax deductible) contribution to Millwood School at the same time.

### *Gifts-in-Kind*

Gifts-in-Kind are another unique way to make your contribution to Millwood School. Fulfilling the school's needs with products or services affords a golden opportunity to take advantage of the deduction while providing for the school's needs.

### *Gift of Life Insurance\**

A gift of life insurance can provide a significant charitable deduction. You can purchase a new policy or donate a policy that you currently own, but no longer need. To receive a deduction, designate Millwood School as both the owner and the beneficiary of the life insurance policy. Check with your life insurance agent for details.

### *Wills and Bequests\**

When making estate plans, please consider including Millwood School in your will. Bequests permit donors to commit assets which they might need during their lifetime, allow for significantly larger gifts, and reduce estate taxes.

There are many ways to make a gift to Millwood School. We suggest that you consult your attorney, accountant, or tax advisor for additional information and assistance. Keep in mind that the information in this brochure is necessarily general in nature. Consider also the impact of any year-end tax reform legislation.

Thank you for considering a gift to Millwood School.

\*Not eligible for naming opportunities.

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