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FROM THE HEAD OF SCHOOL

Dear Families and Friends,

I am delighted to share Undercroft Montessori School's **2023-2024 Impact Report**, highlighting our commitment to an authentic Montessori education.

Throughout our 60-year history Undercroft has remained dedicated to fostering curiosity, creativity and discovery in every child. This past year has been no exception, with our community embracing our values wholeheartedly.

Some highlights of the 2023-2024 school year include our middle schoolers excelling in our local Tulsa Science Fair, winning several awards and showcasing their passion and ingenuity. As well, we were proud to celebrate our largest graduating class ever! Congratulations to all our students and guides on their outstanding achievements.

These accomplishments speak to the dedication and commitment of our entire community – students, parents, faculty and staff, and supporters alike. Together we have created an environment where every individual is empowered to thrive and succeed.

As we enter our 60th anniversary year celebration we are filled with optimism and excitement. With your ongoing support and partnership, we will continue to inspire the next generation of leaders, innovators and lifelong learners.

Thank you for entrusting us with the education and care of your children. Your steadfast support and belief in our mission is invaluable.

With immense gratitude,

Nancy Davis
Head of School

Grandmother to Mia (5th year), Olivia (2nd year), and Phoenix (2nd year)



HIGHLIGHTS

Enrollment was full at every level with our largest 8th year graduating class in the history of Undercroft!



Faculty started the school year energized, having completed an unprecedented degree of summer professional development, including completion of a Masters' Degree in Montessori Education and Leadership; Middle School Math Certification; and AMS Teacher Education Instructor Academy to name a few. Six of our guides were engaged through the summer in Montessori teacher training in Tulsa; two piloted new innovative summer camps for our upper elementary students, and one was accepted to present a workshop at the national AMS conference on how to build resilience for faculty and students.



We enjoyed a visit from accomplished Undercroft alumna, Maya Wei-Haas '98, a PhD in Earth Science and an award-winning author, who presented a collection of rocks and read her recently published book **What a Rock Can Reveal** to our lower elementary students.



Four Undercroft Middle School students presented their independent research projects in the Tulsa Regional STEM Alliance Regional Science Fair (TRSA). Each won awards, and two qualified to participate in the Oklahoma State Science and Engineering Fair in the spring. This was the first year Undercroft students entered their work in the TRSA, which is a qualifying event for the Oklahoma State Science and Engineering Fair (OSSEF), and is recognized by the International Science and Engineering Fair (ISEF).

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Dear Undercroft Community,

What a privilege to convey my appreciation for your unwavering support of Undercroft Montessori School. Through the collective efforts of our community, we raised more than \$140,000 during 2023-2024. This significant achievement was made possible through the generosity of donors like you who supported both our Annual Fund and our spring event, fUNDERaiser.

Undercroft's annual fund serves as the cornerstone of our philanthropy, providing unrestricted dollars that enable us to maintain the excellence of our educational programs and to plan for the future of our school.

Our March 2024 fUNDERaiser – **Après Ski** – was a resounding success! This event, always wildly popular with our extended community, not only raised crucial funds but also provided an opportunity for us to come together and celebrate the vision and values that unite us at Undercroft. Hats off to the many, many volunteers who made this a memorable evening.

Your collective generosity underscores your belief in the transformative power of a Montessori education and your commitment to shaping the future of our students. On behalf of the Board of Directors, faculty, staff and students, I extend my heartfelt thanks for your steadfast commitment to our school. Together we are making a profound and lasting impact on the lives of our children – and the broader UMS community.

With deep appreciation,

Robert Thomas

President of the Board of Directors

Proud Parent to Grayden '21 and Beckett (6th year)



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