



STRATFORD FRIENDS SCHOOL  
ANNUAL REPORT

2019 - 2020



# VALUES

- Living our Quaker values: Simplicity, Peace, Integrity, Community, Equality and Stewardship
- Empowering students with the skills to be successful learners
- Educating the whole child
- Respecting individuals and their learning styles
- Teaching students to advocate for themselves
- Providing children with a voice in our community
- Supporting children's creativity
- Keeping up with current education research
- Fostering a love for learning
- Finding the Light in everyone
- Never giving up

Stratford Friends School educates elementary through ninth grade students with language-based learning differences through a structured, multisensory program that celebrates students' strengths, builds self-esteem, and develops self-advocacy. Guided by Quaker principles, the school provides individualized attention and instruction in a safe, intimate, and caring environment.

# MISSION

Dear Friends,

The 2019-2020 school year was one of the most challenging years in the history of American education. Thank you to the Stratford Friends Community for your strength, patience, and support! Together we continued to meet the needs of our students virtually and in person.

The 2019-2020 school year led all of us to lean into our Quaker values and "finding the light in everyone". In the midst of a pandemic the light of SFS shined bright. Our teachers worked hard to provide virtual lessons and a smooth transition to a new model of learning for our students. Our students rose to the challenge of virtual learning. They came to class, they participated, and they achieved! Let's not forget the parents and grandparents who found a way to balance work and home life while supporting their student with virtual instruction. It sure was a year we will remember!

We are so happy that with our health and safety plan and the dedication of our teachers we have been able to provide in person classes from the start of the 2020-2021 school year. 2021 has had an optimistic start as we see health care workers across the country roll up their sleeves for their vaccine. The Stratford Friends School Community is strong and together we have and will continue to push through this challenging time.

May you stay safe and be well!

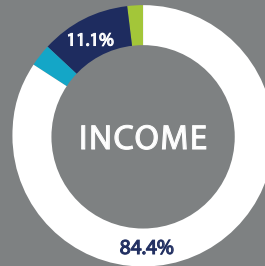
Jill Dougherty  
Head of School



# FINANCIALS

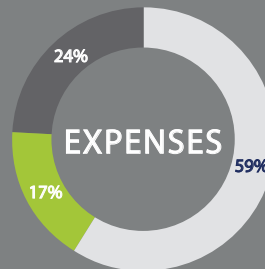
■ Tuition & Fees	\$2,809,834
■ Auxiliary	\$91,339
■ Contributions	\$368,557
■ Investments/other	\$58,464

**TOTAL \$3,328,194**



■ Program Services	\$1,861,332
■ Supporting Services	\$539,514
■ Facilities	\$754,643

**TOTAL \$3,155,489**



For the 2019-2020 Financial Report, income from tuition and fees shows net value.



The Stratford Friends School Board of Trustees, like all others this year, have had to adjust and pivot as they continued to support SFS in providing the exceptional educational opportunity for their students. During the 2019-2020 school year, the Head of School, administration, faculty, and staff have shown incredible dedication and perseverance to our community. Their continued resolve to work through the ever-changing challenges of the pandemic while meeting the academic needs of our students was truly inspiring. The Board of Trustees were honored to be a part of the process in guiding the school in their preparation and execution of what was needed to keep our community healthy and safe during the pandemic.

As this was uncharted territory for all, we are thankful to our fellow Board members who gave freely of their time, skill, and knowledge to provide guidance and support to Jill Dougherty and the administrative team. As we move forward, the Board will continue to help the school grow and serve the needs of our students and entire SFS community.

In 2020 - 2021 we welcomed two new Board members, Amy Sgrignoli and Mathew Heckendorn. They will bring to Stratford Friends School additional talent and experience and will be an amazing asset as we continue to meet the challenges and changes that lie ahead of us. With a focus on our mission and Quaker principles of integrity, simplicity and equality of all the Board will continue to serve and support Stratford Friends with an inner light.

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Michele Reichow  
Mark Harbison

# MESSAGE FROM OUR CO-CLERKS



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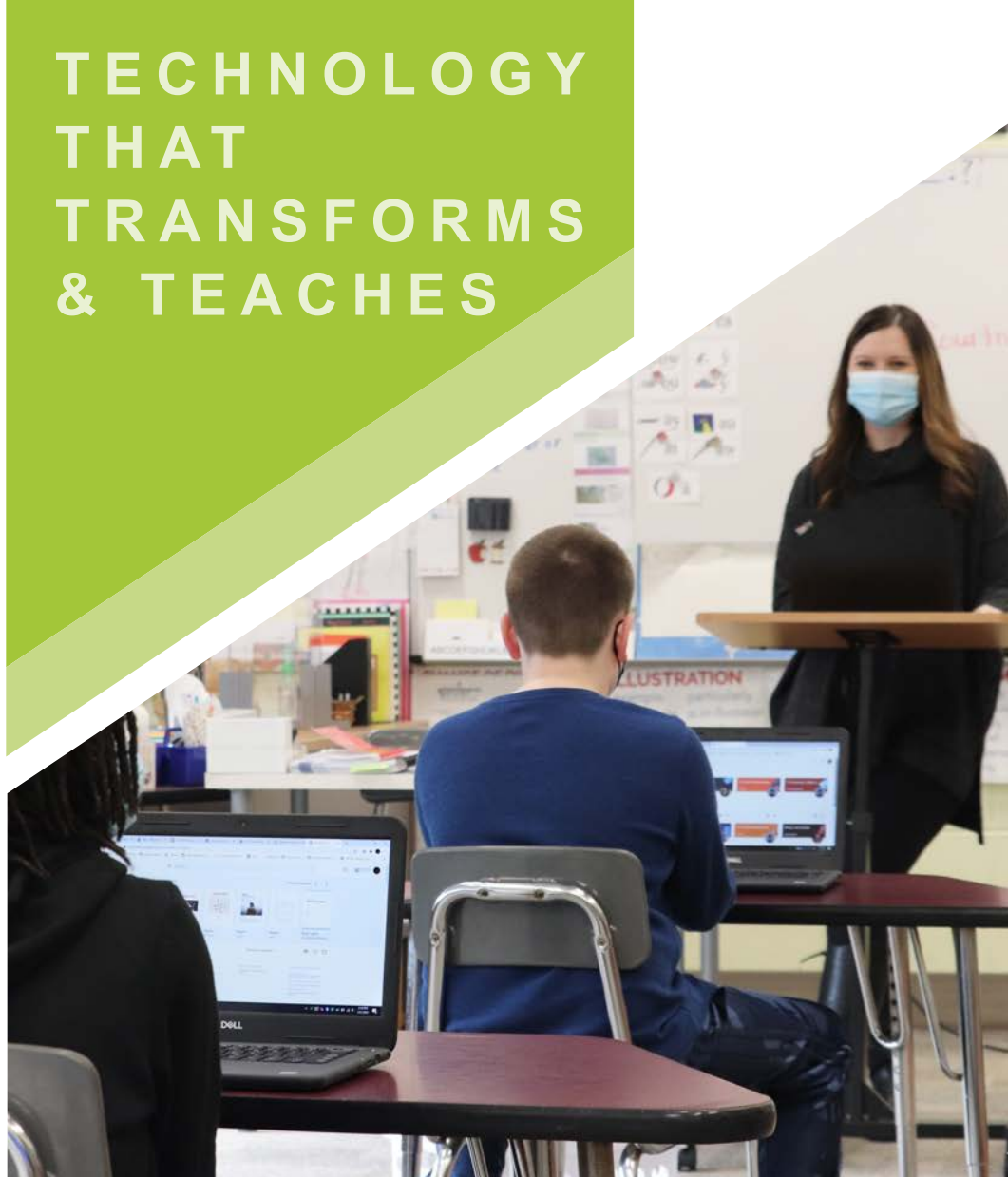
# TECHNOLOGY THAT TRANSFORMS & TEACHES

The Stratford Friends School community stood together in unity for a day of giving on May 5, 2020. Board members, alumni, parents, grandparents, staff, and community supporters showed generosity and kindness through their commitment to our mission and values with gifts to the Stratford Friends School's Technology fund.

#GivingTuesdayNow, an emergency response to the unprecedented need caused by COVID-19 raised over \$44,000 to support the urgent need for upgraded technology such as student and teacher laptops, document cameras, and distance learning software.

Innovation and flexibility became the new norm as teachers and students learned new ways to teach, learn, engage, and connect with each other. The funds raised from #GivingTuesdayNow provided Stratford Friends with the new technology needed to meet the academic needs of our students while balancing the challenges of the pandemic.

Thank you to all of our donors for supporting Stratford Friends School's #GivingTuesdayNow initiative which allowed our student's light to shine bright- both distant and close by.



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# 2019-2020 YEAR IN REVIEW



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|-----------------|----------------|------------------|
| Berwyn          | Douglassville  | Penn Valley      |
| Birdsboro       | Drexel Hill    | Philadelphia     |
| Blue Bell       | Gilbertsville  | Reading          |
| Boothwyn        | Havertown      | Springfield      |
| Brookhaven      | Lansdowne      | St. Davids       |
| Broomall        | Malvern        | Telford          |
| Bryn Mawr       | Media          | Upper Chichester |
| Chadds Ford     | Monte Clare    | Upper Darby      |
| Chester         | Morton         | Wayne            |
| Clifton Heights | Newtown Square | West Chester     |
| Collingdale     | Norristown     | Wilmington       |
| Darby           | Oaks           | Wynnewood        |

**average class size**

**100%**  
**Neurodiversity**

dyslexia, working memory, auditory processing, receptive + expressive language, ADHD, executive functioning, and other differences

**353** YEARS  
**of teaching experience**

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5	6	7	8	9

**grades served**

Integrated Quaker values, daily Meeting for Worship, & service learning

**75**  
**students enrolled**

**9**  
**Accreditations and Affiliations**

- In Person & Virtual Learning
- Social Pragmatics
- Occupational Therapy
- Speech & Language Therapy