BERTSCHI SCHOOL

Annual Report of Giving 2016/17

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Hello from the Bertschi Student Council!

We are 17 students in grades 2 through 5 elected by our peers to serve as a voice for our community. We want to share what makes our school special and why we love coming to school every day.

At Bertschi, learning doesn’t feel like learning, it feels like fun! We are lucky to have science, robotics, art, and music where we get to explore, question, and create in a supportive and yet challenging environment. We have access to technology that includes digital cameras, coding software, robots, and computers...wow! One council member says, "being in school is almost better than being at home on the weekend." We don’t think you hear many kids make that kind of declaration.

Our teachers are another part of what makes Bertschi so special. They listen. They care. They help us figure out the answers to our questions on our own. They support us through difficult times and cheer us on to do our best. They empower us, every step of the way. We feel comfortable to be ourselves, take risks, make mistakes, and most of all to keep learning. At Bertschi, it feels like anything is possible.

On behalf of all Bertschi students, thank you for your support. Our school would not be the unique, dynamic, nurturing educational institution that it is without you!

A note from Rafael....

Dear Bertschi Families and Friends,

Our 2018+ Strategic Plan describes the daily experience of Bertschi as a “celebration of childhood.” We know that a joyful daily experience in community with others is a precursor to learning. You pass through our front gate, and you know you have entered a special place, a village that is caring for each child and all children. Kids at Bertschi believe that anything is possible because their ideas are recognized as worthy and essential to both teaching and learning.

So allow me to echo the words of our Student Council: thank you! Thank you for your time, talent, and financial support that is helping us to raise the next generation of global leaders.

Rafael del Castillo
HEAD OF SCHOOL
Operating Summary

ENDOWMENT FUND SUMMARY

Brigitte Bertschi Financial Aid Endowment $1,853,867
General Endowment $1,362,018
Sarah M. Hughes Memorial Endowment $740,486
Faculty Compensation Endowment $252,639
Professional Development Endowment $155,145
Access Ability Endowment Fund $27,659
Total $4,391,814
Endowment Distribution FY17 $112,236

Endowment Value as of 6/30/2017
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MISSION
Bertschi School educates children to become compassionate, confident, and creative learners in a global community.

VALUES
Our community values integrity, inclusiveness, respect, diversity, and a commitment to sustainability.

DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION STATEMENT
Bertschi School values diversity and believes engaging our differences makes us better and stronger. We welcome and honor the unique contributions of people from all racial, ethnic, religious, socioeconomic backgrounds, gender identities, learning styles, physical abilities, and sexual orientations. Our commitment to equity drives us to be inclusive and diverse in all areas of our school.