



Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow











ONE MISSION, ONE LEGACY!







HEART

MIND



WORDS





## **Leading with Legacy Love**

Year 20 has begun with strong momentum, and we already see clear evidence of our three guiding pillars: **LOVE. LEARN. LEAD.** 

Every day, our scholars arrive eager and excited, knowing they belong and that they are growing intellectually. In the classroom, our kindergarten teachers are connecting lessons to real-world experiences, such as a recent field trip that brought learning to life, and our Middle School science teacher is leading hands-on labs.

Our community members are also exemplifying the LEAD pillar. Two standout examples I want to highlight include our Scholar Ambassadors, who have led recent school-wide events, and the Parent Council, which recently led a valuable workshop for families on supporting scholars with IEPs.

This newsletter offers a brief glimpse into the many opportunities we provide our scholars to help them envision their futures and begin charting their paths.

We do this work in partnership with so many of you, and I deeply appreciate your continued support and involvement. Please mark your calendars for our second annual Legacy Builder Sneaker Ball on April 25 from 6 pm to 11 pm at Garfield Park Conservatory. We are excited to come together as a community to celebrate our shared work. We truly believe that we are better together.

In Community,

Liz Goss
Executive Director









#### LEARNERS ARE LEADERS

As we wrap up Trimester 1, I'm thrilled to reflect on our scholars' incredible progress! We began the year strong by focusing our scholars on staying in their B.A.G. (Behavior, Attendance, and Grades) and are proudly celebrating those who consistently meet and exceed expectations.

In October, we recognized the hard work of 90 scholars in grades K-8 by rewarding them with tickets to explore Navy Pier and experience the Centennial Wheel. This celebration honored their commitment to upholding our 4 Legacy Anchors: Hands, Heart, Mind, and Words.

Among these outstanding scholars were two Legacy 8th graders who recently became recipients of the prestigious Daniel Murphy Scholarship Fund. With support from community activist and former Daniel Murphy scholar Aisha Oliver, we guided Teagan M., Avani F., and their families through the competitive application and interview process. Out of hundreds of applicants, our outstanding Legacy scholars were awarded scholarships to their top-choice high schools. The award will provide academic, financial, and mentoring support throughout their college years into their careers. Please join us in celebrating Teagan and Avani!

Every Legacy scholar is dedicated to building their legacy and committed to being their personal best. Our scholars and families understand the benefit of a quality educational experience; with your ongoing support, we will continue to equip each of our young leaders with the tools they need to thrive and shape a brighter future for all!

Sheila Foster Principal





# Legacy Alumni Are Changing the World!

#### **Markayle Tolliver**

Legacy Class of 2013 Holy Trinity High School, 2017



- Western Illinois University, 2021, Bachelor of Arts in Broadcast Journalism and African American Studies
- **Current Profession:** Project Manager, Office of the City Treasurer
- How did Legacy prepare you for your future?
   Legacy equipped me for the future by preparing me
   academically for a rigorous curriculum, helping me
   develop empathy to understand various perspectives,
   and fostering cultural acceptance of people from
   diverse backgrounds.
- What advice would you give current Legacy scholars?
   I advise current scholars to avoid procrastination and to fully utilize Legacy's resources throughout high school and college.
- What do you want your personal legacy to be?
   I want my personal legacy to be one of a change-maker and an advocate for those who are underrepresented in our community. I aspire to be known and remembered for my community involvement, my compassionate spirit, and my genuine care for all people.
- Why should people support Legacy Charter School?
   People should financially support because Legacy is a
   unique institution on the Westside dedicated to shaping
   and molding young Chicagoans into the best versions of
   themselves, and empowering them to make a positive
   impact on their communities and the world.





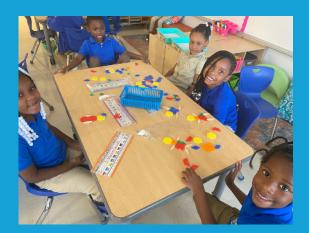
#### In The B.A.G.

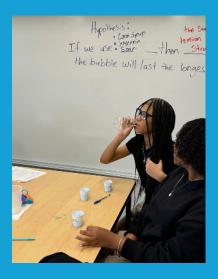
High expectations and high support promote a climate and culture that celebrates Legacy scholars being in their B.A.G.

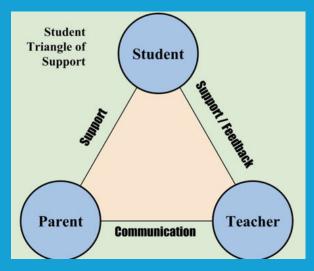
Behavior, Attendance, & Grades





















It takes a village!



## Thank you for supporting our first Read-A-Thon Fundraiser!









With your encouragement, we raised close to \$5K, and Legacy scholars read 30,000 hours during our 2-week campaign!



**Your Support Matters!** 



## Career Day was a hit!











Our younger scholars learned from community helpers, and our scholar ambassadors moderated panel discussions for the middle school. The panels featured entrepreneurs and variety of professionals, including an attorney, a funeral home owner/ professional singer, a media personality, and technology leaders.

# Legacy Scholar Ambassadors Are Leading the Way















Legacy Scholar Ambassadors serve as school docents as part of their leadership training. A special thank you to Alderwoman Scott, Senator Collins, Dentons, past and present Legacy board members, and other supporters for encouraging our young leaders.





## Kicking it with the Bucket Boys Chicago!

















After joining a Legacy assembly, the famous Bucket Boys Chicago invited a few scholars to shadow them for their rehearsal and performance at a Bulls game at the United Center!





## Congratulations, Legacy Lady Lions on a winning season!















Legacy Volleyball had an historic 7 - 0 season!
Way to go, team and coaches!



# Save The Date Legacy Builder SNEAKER BALL FUNDRAISER

Friday, April 25, 2025 | 6 - 11 pm Garfield Park Conservatory 300 N. Central Ave Chicago, IL

Scan the QR or click the link to purchase your ticket today!

<u>Legacy Builder Sneaker Ball 2025 Eventbrite</u>





Sponsorship opportunities are available Contact yvette.warren@legacycharterschool.org





### There is no us without you!

## As little as \$20 can make a big difference in the life of a young scholar.

- \$20 provides art supplies for one Legacy scholar
- \$200 buys one instrument for Legacy's music program
- \$400 pays for uniforms for a Legacy sports team
- \$500 provides bus transportation for a class study trip
- \$800 covers the cost of one teacher to lead the 8th-grade college tour
- \$1,200 provides a light dinner for one Family Learning Night
- \$1,400 covers the cost of one teacher for a ten-week after-school enrichment program
- \$3,000 buys ten laptops used by Legacy Middle School scholars

As the cost of providing a quality education increases, your support is more important than ever.

Become a monthly donor today!

## **Continue the legacy!**

**Donate Today!** 







#### YOUR SUPPORT MATTERS!



## MAKE A DIFFERENCE BY SUPPORTING LEGACY SCHOLARS TODAY!

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