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End of Year Giving Campaign

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For our nearly 400 students and their families, Horizons Greater Washington is a partner in providing life-changing opportunities. For our students, Horizons is not just a summer or school year program. It is a place they return to year after year to build community and confidence.

At Horizons, our whole-child approach to learning includes a combination of academics, swim instruction, field trip experiences, and guest speaker events. This approach exposes our students to new opportunities and ensures that they are better prepared for the school year ahead. This work is especially important as we continue to see the impacts of COVID-19 and learning loss.

None of this success would be possible without the support of our Horizons community. During this season of giving, can we count on you?

With your [support](#), we can reach our goal of raising \$85,000 to strengthen our response to our community's needs and provide our students with the tools

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Gifts for Good at St. Patrick's

Saturday, December 10th marked the return of the Gifts for Good Fair at St. Patrick's Episcopal Day School. During the fair, students raise money for their selected charitable causes by educating attendees, requesting donations, and providing token gifts to represent their organizations.

Horizons was thrilled to take part in this community event and to partner with Lyon Bakery once again. Thanks to the generosity of the St. Patrick's community, Horizons was able to raise \$1,000 during the fair.

Spring Saturday Academy



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Academy.

The spring session will include our youngest students in grades 1-4 and will focus on building foundational reading and math skills, as well as self-regulation, emotional processes, and social skills.

Programming for alumni and caregivers will be offered as well to focus on addressing the information gaps that our families face in accessing key school year support and resources and providing our alumni with the mentorship and resources needed for high school and beyond.

Round trip transportation and all supplies and meals will be provided to remove any barriers to participation, encourage attendance and retention, and ensure that our students are fueled to learn.

Volunteer Opportunities



We are incredibly grateful to our volunteers and the impact they have on our students, operations, and success. Volunteer opportunities for our Spring Session which will begin in March 2023 are now open.

To sign-up and receive information on volunteering for the Saturday Program, please [click here and complete the form](#).



Sydney Britton had one of her first opportunities to serve as a lead teacher in a classroom teaching with Horizons. Six years later, Sydney has expanded upon that foundation as the H1 teacher at our St. Patrick's site and the newly appointed Assistant Site Director. Each summer Sydney asks her students to think and write about what they hope and dream to accomplish during the summer program. It's a goal that can seem far off to them at the time. By the end of the summer program, Sydney's students are able to revisit these projects and are able to see that what they dream for themselves is achievable and that they can have ownership in their learning. It's an experience that Sydney is grateful for.

"I am forever grateful to have had the opportunity to become a part of the Horizons' community. To be a part of a community that supports educational equity in an environment where it is also possible to grow professionally and build lasting relationships with colleagues and students is what keeps me coming back summer after summer."

To hear more of Sydney's story, please click on the video above.

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Upcoming Events & Dates

- **December 31:** Horizons End of Year Campaign Closes
- **March 4:** Kickoff of Horizons Spring Saturday Academy
- **March 11:** Build-A-Book

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