

# HAWTHORN

LEADERSHIP SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

## YOUR INVESTMENT MATTERS

We came together around a vision of creating an all-girls public school - a school that would provide a college preparatory education to young women living in the City of St. Louis. And now, five years into the school's history, the vision is more vivid than ever.

## WHO WE ARE, WHO WE SERVE, & WHAT WE DO



Focus on STEM



Student-to-teacher ratio of 10:1



First all-girls public school in Missouri



Sponsored by Washington University



College-prep embedded ACT class for juniors, full-time college counselor, campus visits

158

Average number of students served each school year



Community Eligible Program: All students receive free breakfast and lunch



Hawthorn students are residents of the city of Saint Louis and have come from each of the 19 zipcodes.



Affiliate of the Student Leadership Network/Young Women's Leadership Network

## WE UNDERSTAND

- The middle and high school years prepare students both academically and in the social/emotional sphere for future success.
- A public all-girls school, with no admission testing and no tuition, is now an option for young women and their families living in the City of St. Louis.
- Education is the most powerful tool to eradicate the burden of generational poverty.
- Building a talent pipeline, particularly in STEM fields, and engaging partners in this effort is essential to St. Louis employers.
- A high quality school in North St. Louis can be a bright spot in the educational landscape of our city.



## WE TAKE ACTION

### In 2013-2014 we:

- ★ Assembled a Board of Directors
- ★ Affiliated with the Young Women's Leadership Network
- ★ Contracted with Washington University to serve as our charter school sponsor
- ★ Hired a principal
- ★ Purchased and renovated a building
- ★ Developed an engaging academic program
- ★ Envisioned a unique school culture

### In 2015 we:

- ★ Launched Missouri's first all-girls public school, enrolling 6th and 7th grade girls



### Over the following years:

- ★ We grew the school by one grade a year and this school year, we have 110 students in grades 6-11. We will graduate our first class in 2021!

## WE TAKE PRIDE

### IN OUR STUDENTS

Their accomplishments, the obstacles they are overcoming, the young women they are becoming

### IN THE INSTITUTION

We are building for future girls

### IN OUR TALENTED & COMMITTED STAFF

Who show up every day to support student growth

### IN OUR CITY

As it continues to address inequity and improve opportunities for all citizens



## WE INVEST

- The St. Louis community committed resources to launching Hawthorn, investing in the school's mission and in the vision of what could be.
- That investment has changed from an idea to a reality; real girls, real families, real potential.
- Quality education is expensive. Quality instruction, curriculum, social services, facilities... all require a continued commitment of resources.
- We invest in the institution, to ensure its stability and longevity, we invest in our students as individuals reaching their full potential, we invest in building a pipeline of future employees, and we invest in North St. Louis as the home to this important work.

### SCHOOL BOARD

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Rachana Creeth  
Nikki Doughty  
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### FOUNDATION BOARD

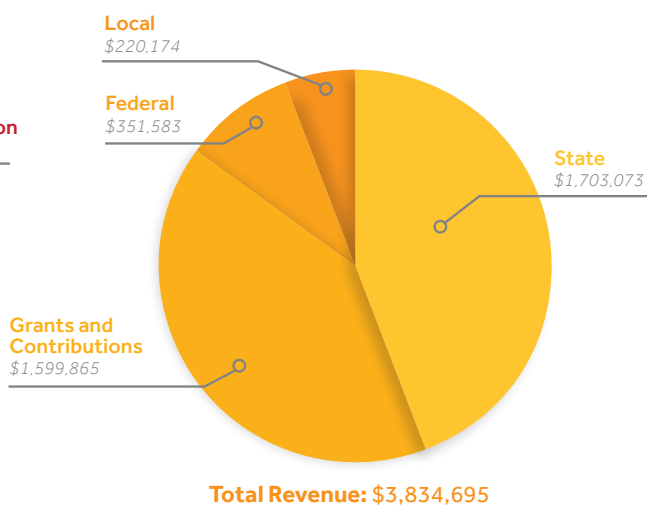
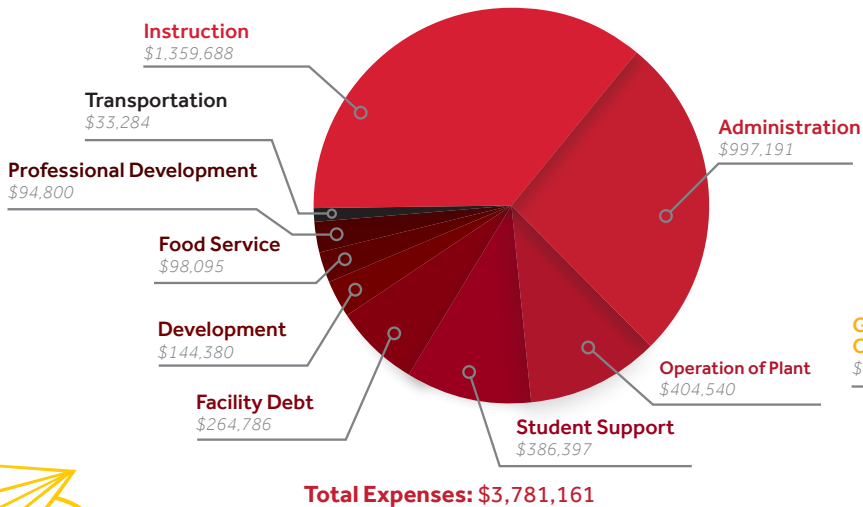
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## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF REVENUES & EXPENSES

HAWTHORN LEADERSHIP SCHOOL FOR GIRLS AND HAWTHORN LEADERSHIP SCHOOL FOUNDATION



Dear Friends of Hawthorn,

Thank you for the warm welcome I've received since I arrived in May as Hawthorn's new Head of School. The Hawthorn community extends well beyond our students, families and staff; the work we are doing at the school impacts the present and future of St. Louis as we prepare our girls to be leaders in their families, neighborhoods and city. Thank you for supporting our mission and investing in the future of the school and our wonderful students.

I'm proud of the strength of the academic program and school culture that have come together at Hawthorn. Our students continue to progress toward their goals and our talented faculty and staff are supporting them along the way, while holding expectations high. Even though we are making great progress, I am not satisfied. We will continue to work with a sense of urgency as we grow and strengthen our young school.

Thank you for supporting our mission and for joining us in this important journey,

Daphné Robinson  
Head of School

Dear Friends,

We're pleased to provide this snapshot of the 2018-19 school year, realizing that the current school year is well underway! The St. Louis community has continued to invest in Hawthorn with inspiring generosity and genuine enthusiasm and encouragement. Thank you to all of our donors who truly make possible our unique program.

Hawthorn's mission is to prepare young women for success in college and careers and to take on leadership roles in their communities. When we opened in 2015 with 6th and 7th grades, we had a vision and now, with girls in 6th - 11th grades, that vision is even more vivid, embodied in our girls who are growing into their futures before our eyes. You have invested in Hawthorn alongside our students, their families, our faculty and staff. The investment is paying off as our students do the real work of growing up.

Thank you for believing in the transformational power of quality education. On we go!

Mary Stillman  
Founder