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# **DEAR CSFP FAMILIES & FRIENDS**

On behalf of Children's Scholarship Fund Philadelphia (CSFP) and its Board of Directors, we welcome you to our 2013 Student Award Ceremony. Now in the second year of implementing our Campaign for 10,000 Children, we are thrilled to award and welcome our newest class of 2,000 scholarship winners! We also take this moment to mark the many successes our CSFP students have accomplished throughout this school year.

As we celebrate thirteen years of giving families an opportunity to choose a quality education for their children, CSFP has been fortunate to have the support, guidance and friendship of community leaders, partners, corporations and individuals. Together, we are helping to positively impact the future of thousands of children across Philadelphia. Thank you.

We are thrilled to be able to award this year's Citizen of the Year to New Jersey Governor Chris Christie for his extraordinary vision and educational leadership. Since taking office, Governor Christie has made education reform a top priority of his administration, putting forward proposals to turn around failing schools; improve accountability; create a fair and meaningful evaluation system for teachers and principals; and increase parents' options for their children.

CSFP is also excited to honor a long-term friend to the organization and a great community institution, The Philadelphia Phillies, as CSFP's 2013 Corporate Citizen of the Year. Our beloved Phillies have made education and literacy the focus of their community outreach efforts and philanthropy. Under the leadership of David Montgomery, a true Philadelphian and gentleman, the Phillies exemplify the best of what a community citizen should be.

CSFP was established with a clear and simple mission of providing financial access to low-income Philadelphia children to attend safe, high quality, K-8th grade tuition-based schools. Today, we are proud to have provided over 12,500 scholarships and currently have more than 4,500 students receiving scholarships. These children, who have been chosen by random lottery, are enrolled in over 185 area tuition-based schools.

Demand from families desperate for better educational opportunities for their children remains tremendous. This year alone, CSFP received 10,000 applications for its 2,000 new awards. The good news is that there are currently thousands of empty seats in quality private and parochial area schools. We can, and must, do more to help educate Philadelphia children TODAY, when it matters most. **Enjoy today's celebration and thank you for supporting CSFP**.

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**EVIE MCNIFF** *President of the Board* 

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# **CSFP LIFETIME EDUCATIONAL LEADERS**

Since 1999, CSFP has provided 12,500 four-year scholarships to children from low-income Philadelphia families. These corporations and foundations have been educational visionaries and transformational in our community and CSFP's growth. Through their leadership gifts, they have donated over \$26 million dollars and positively changed the lives of thousands of children and families:

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**Closing Remarks** 

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# The Philadelphia Phillies

# **ABOUT OUR HONOREE**

The Phillies family – from the players, coaches and their wives, to the alumni, ballgirls and front office staff – takes great pride in giving back to the community. The entire Phillies organization teams up annually to host a variety of special events and fundraisers, serves dinners to feed the homeless and holds clothing drives and auctions. Additionally, the Phillies donate game tickets, autographed memorabilia and merchandise to support local charitable organizations and fundraisers.

Phillies Charities, Inc. serves as the fundraising arm of the Phillies organization, serving Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware as well as areas near the Phillies' minor league affiliates. Due to strong fan support, various events and raffles contribute substantially to the Phillies Charities Grant Fund. In 2012, approximately \$2 million in grants were awarded.

Education and literacy are at the forefront of the Phillies' community efforts. Introduced in 2004, *Be a Phanatic About Reading* encourages children in kindergarten through eighth grade to read for a minimum of 15 minutes a day to improve literacy and comprehension skills. The Phillie Phanatic visits nearly 30 schools excelling in reading each school year. *Phillies Phundamentals* is an after-school/summer camp program that makes learning fun by using the theme of baseball to teach and reinforce academic skills. Started by the club in January 2001 and run in nearly 20 inner-city recreation centers, *Phillies Phundamentals* educates over 2,500 children aged 6-13 annually. *Teacher Appreciation Night* is an annual event at Citizens Bank Park. On this night ten teachers, selected from thousands of nominations by students, parents and peers, are honored on-field for their dedication to education and their students. Among the many education-based organizations to be the recipients of Phillies contributions over the years are Children's Scholarship Fund Philadelphia, Need in Deed, and Philadelphia Futures.

Under the leadership of Phillies president David Montgomery, the Phillies continue to broaden their community outreach, supporting hundreds of charities and non-profit groups through contributions and other assistance.

# 2013



# CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

# Chris Christie

# ABOUT OUR HONOREE

Chris Christie was sworn in as Governor of New Jersey on January 19, 2010. Since taking office, Governor Christie has taken action on an aggressive reform agenda to restore fiscal integrity and accountability to state and local government; combat New Jersey's highest-in-the-nation property taxes; institute historic reform of the state's pension and health benefits system; and bring about necessary changes to public education in order to identify and turn around failing schools and give every child access to a quality education.

Governor Christie has made education reform a top priority of his administration, putting forward and working for the passage of proposals to turn around failing schools; improve accountability; create fair and meaningful evaluation systems for teachers and principals; and increase school choice in the state's worst performing districts. Governor Christie provided millions of dollars in additional state aid for New Jersey schools, increasing state education funding to higher levels than the day he took office. In August 2012, Governor Christie signed into law landmark bipartisan tenure reform, modernizing the nation's oldest tenure law to increase teacher effectiveness and accountability in the classroom.

Under Governor Christie, New Jersey has drawn national attention for taking on the biggest, toughest challenges facing the state with real solutions and bipartisan cooperation.

Born in Newark and raised in Livingston, Governor Christie has lived in New Jersey his entire life, except to attend college at the University of Delaware. Chris and his wife, Mary Pat have been married since 1986 and now reside in Mendham, where they are raising their four children, Andrew, Sarah, Patrick, and Bridget.



# **OURCITY.**

# CAMPAIGN FOR 10,000 CHILDREN DONOR LIST

On behalf of Children's Scholarship Fund Philadelphia, we thank our donors for their shared leadership, vision and support of our Campaign for 10,000 Children. Since the launch of our Campaign in 2011, 4,000 new students have been awarded four-year K-8th grade scholarships. These scholarships would not be possible without the support of the people listed below\*:

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# **CELEBRATING SUCCESS!**

In honor of Governor Chris Christie and his dedication to providing educational opportunity for all children, the following CSFP alumni, who just graduated from high school, were selected to receive college scholarship awards in his name:

#### **MORAN CHANG**

John Bartram High School Mansfield University

JA'NELL HALL-RAGIN City Center Academy Eastern University

#### JADAE MAXTON

Saint Basil Academy Saint Joseph's University

#### **RICHARD MEISSLER**

Father Judge High School *Manor College* 

#### MEGAN KELLY

St. Hubert Catholic High School for Girls *University of Maryland* 

# **MORAN CHANG**

Moran graduated as the Salutatorian of John Bartram High School, where he also had a perfect attendance record. He will attend Mansfield University this fall. Moran's mother sent him to the U.S. from Jamaica when he was eight so he could get a quality education and escape the obstacles that his family struggled with there, including poverty, violence and drugs. He came to live with his father. After Moran attended a public elementary school, his father reached out to CSFP for help so Moran could attend a quality middle school.

In high school, Moran joined JROTC and Civil Air Patrol, where he became a strong leader and mentor. He earned the Cadet Officer of the Year Award, the Good Citizenship of the Year Award, the Male Shining Star Award and the Billy Mitchell Award. His dream is to become a biologist or a doctor to help save our wounded warriors and invent new cures for diseases and viruses that plague many societies.



# JA'NELL HALL-RAGIN

Ja'Nell graduated from City Center Academy and will start this fall at Eastern University. Ja'Nell is a dedicated student who never allows herself to do the bare minimum.

She volunteers in the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Program and makes her community safer by volunteering for the Philadelphia Collaborative Violence Prevention Center.

> ven with a difficult course load and those volunteer activities, Ja'Nell has found the time to be in the school choir, the drama club, the Varsity Basketball team, the Varsity Track team, her church dance ministry, choir and step team.

# **MEGAN KELLY**

Megan graduated from St. Hubert Catholic High School For Girls with High Honors. This fall she will attend the University of Maryland (as the first person in her family to attend a four-year college) and hopes to use her strong background and love for art and design to study Architecture. This field appeals to her because architects work towards helping design buildings in ways that are more environmentally sustainable and benefit society as a whole.

> Megan's teachers describe her as bright, energetic, and talented. She is a School Ambassador, a member of the field hockey team and received the Art Award from Moore College of Art & Design. Although interested in art and design, Megan also plans to participate in ROTC during college, because she feels it would help her grow as a person and leader. Megan credits CSFP with providing critical support to her family so she can attend quality schools. There she was able to grow and form a solid foundation of integrity on which she can continue to build.

# JADAE MAXTON

Jadae graduated from Saint Basil Academy and will be attending St. Joseph's University this fall. In addition to being on Principal's List for all four years, she received the Extraordinary Service Award for her involvement in Student Council, Youth Ministry, and Current Events Club. Jadae is also a dedicated volunteer and mentor in her community. She has participated in various programs, such as Spark the Wave Camp, Face-to-Face Camp, and Philabundance.

After years of watching her mother as a live-in nurse struggle to make a living and to find time to spend at home, Jadae decided to pursue a career in medicine. Last summer, Jadae took part in an educational volunteer program with Thomas Jefferson Hospital. She hopes to major in Biology and perhaps become a doctor. She credits CSFP with allowing her to obtain things she didn't think were possible. Without the scholarship support, her mother could not afford to give Jadae the private school education that has made her the person she is today: one excited for her future.

# **RICHARD MEISSLER**

Richard graduated from Father Judge High School with a perfect attendance rate (a goal he set for himself in his freshman year). He will be attending Manor College in the fall and hopes to major in Business, because he would like to start his own business and help other families with tuition like how CSFP helped him. He has received the Crusader Scholar of the Quarter Award and Second Honors. Richard is also involved with S.A.D.D. (Students Against Destructive Decisions) and CNN/ PAX, the televised morning announcements program at Father Judge.

Richard is a very goal-oriented person, who at the age of seven overcame a dangerous brain condition. This experience taught him perseverance. Richard's teachers believe he has all the attributes that will make him a success, namely motivation, respect for self and others, selfconfidence and enthusiasm for learning.

# STUDENT AWARD WINNERS

### THE 2013 STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT 8TH GRADE AWARDS

Nominated by their schools, these CSFP scholarship students who graduated 8th grade this month, are honored for their outstanding contributions to school and their academic achievement.

CHRISTOPHER BURGOS St. Veronica School

SAPHARI EVANS St. Rose of Lima School

THAI HUA Visitation B.V.M. School

KARLEIGH KEEN St. Martha Parish School

BRANDON KILSON Timothy Academy

BENNY MAI Holy Redeemer School

**HOPE SAWYER** *Holmesburg Baptist Christian Academy* 

AMANDA TAN Our Lady of Port Richmond School

**ROCHELLE WARREN** *St. Malachy School* 

THOMAS WOJNAR St. Monica School

# STUDENT AWARD WINNERS

THE 2013 STUDENT AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO SCHOOL THROUGH SERVICE TO COMMUNITY, POSITIVE LEADERSHIP, SCHOOL SPIRIT AND ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

#### AMIRRAH CONDE

1st Grade Visitation B.V.M. School

**SUFYAN MUHAMMAD** 3rd Grade *Villanova Academy for Honor Studies* 

# JASON COOK

7th Grade *St. Martin de Porres School* 



# **TEACHER OF THE YEAR AWARDS**

#### CHARLES ARROYAVE Holy Cross School

Mr. Arroyave teaches middle school Math and is known for his ability to try new and innovative ways to meet his student's needs. He works extra hours every day to reinforce the academics of the school's enrichment program and tutors students on weekends when they need extra support. Mr. Arroyave still finds time to watch his student's sports teams play and keep up with past students.

#### GERALDINE DRUMMOND St. Rose of Lima School

Next school year, Mrs. Drummond, a Kindergarten teacher, will complete her 50th year teaching. During her distinguished career, she has taught all primary grades and served as principal of St. Charles Borromeo School and vice-principal of Cecilian Academy. Her consistent classroom procedures, gentle guidance and exemplary instructional practices mean motivated and successful students: her Kindergarten class this year scored in the 93 percentile in Reading. Mrs. Drummond also serves as a mentor to new teachers and is quick to volunteer her time and talent for planning special school events.

# PARENT OF THE YEAR AWARDS

#### LISA ELDRIDGE St. Raymond School

Ms. Eldridge, a single mother of two children, has dedicated herself to her children's school through numerous volunteer efforts. Most impressive is her resurrection of an inactive parent organization called P.I.E.C.E. (Parents Involved in Encouraging Children in Education), and her help with the school's accreditation process and fundraising.

#### TUNG NGUYEN Visitation B.V.M. School

Mr. Nguyen believes in education and he demonstrates that by volunteering all his extra time at his children's school. All four of his children have attended Visitation B.V.M. School, and since his first son (now at Temple University) attended, he has tirelessly helped out with whatever the school needed.



# **ESSAY CONTEST WINNERS**

KINDERGARTEN - 2ND GRADE

ELIJAH ROMAN Spring Garden Academy *First Place* 

RAFAEL CARGUA-BUESTAN Visitation B.V.M. School *Honorable Mention* 

#### CANDELARIA BEATTY

DePaul Catholic School *Second Place* 

MAIYA FINCH Calvary Temple Christian Academy *Honorable Mention* 

3RD - 5TH GRADES

MIKAYLA LANTZ St. Peter the Apostle School *First Place* 

JARED NOEL St. Cecilia School *Honorable Mention* 

6TH - 8TH GRADES

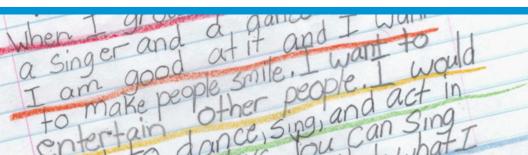
ERIN MCDEVITT Our Lady of Calvary *First Place* 

AMEESHA HARRISON St. Rose of Lima School Honorable Mention SHECHINAH GORRELL Calvary Temple Christian Academy Second Place

**TRAVIS SHORT** St. Thomas Aquinas School *Honorable Mention* 

NILE BAYARD Germantown Friends School Second Place

**ROBERT TORRES** St. Peter the Apostle School *Honorable Mention* 



# WHEN YOU GROW UP

WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO WHEN YOU GROW UP? DESCRIBE WHAT YOUR LIFE WILL BE LIKE IN 20 YEARS. DREAM ABOUT WHAT YOU LOVE TO DO. DESCRIBE IT.

"I enjoy playing baseball and I love growing tall... When I grow up I will believe in doing good." ELIJAH ROMAN 2nd Grade

"My dad inspired me a lot throughout my life. My dad is a former cop. He got hurt on duty which is why he had to retire. This broke my dad's heart because he loved his job. He will do anything and everything to make sure we have everything. For instance we get a good education. My dad is a great inspiration and good example for me. I hope that I can be like him when I am older because he is my hero." **ERIN MCDEVITT** 8th Grade

"When I grow up I want to be an Explorer...But before I do that, I have to study hard and finish school to be a great Explorer!" RAFAEL CARGUA-BUESTAN 2nd Grade "When I grow up I want to be a judge. When people do bad stuff I want to talk to them." MAIYA FINCH Kindergarten

"When I grow up I want to be a singer and a dancer because I am good at it and I want to make people smile. I sing any time I can and get inspiration from my mother." SHECHINAH GORRELL 3rd Grade

"My future depends on the choices. Today's choices decides for tomorrow. My future, in twenty <u>years, we will - I will -</u> have to see. Will it be one of love and prosperity Or one of hate and destruction? This all depends on the choices I make. But now, all I can do is hope, pray and make good decisions." NILE BAYARD 7th Grade

# WHAT DOES MY FUTURE LOOK LIKE?



# **ART CONTEST WINNERS**

KINDERGARTEN - 2ND GRADE

CHRISTIAN COLLINS DePaul Catholic School *First Place* 

MAXIMUS MENNA St. Gabriel School *Honorable Mention*  **ELIJAH BETTIS** St. Francis de Sales School *Second Place* 

JIGME THUPTEN Miquon School Honorable Mention

#### 3RD - 5TH GRADES

THANH NGUYEN Visitation B.V.M. School *First Place* 

MOLLY KILLION Presentation B.V.M. School Honorable Mention JOSHUA SMITH St. Gabriel School Second Place

**CONNOR SIEMIEN** St. Laurentius School *Honorable Mention* 

#### 6TH - 8TH GRADES

MICHAEL FISCHER, JR. St. Dominic School *First Place* 

DREW NATALE St. Gabriel School Honorable Mention MICHAEL LEOPANTO St. Gabriel School Second Place

VICTORIA TRAN St. Martin of Tours *Honorable Mention* 



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Founded in 1998 Ted bv Forstmann and John Walton, CSF is the only national K-8 scholarship organization in the country. Since our inception, CSF has provided scholarships worth \$524 million, changing the lives of 130,000 low-income children. A quality elementary education is not only in the vital long-term interest of each child who is helped; it is also vital to the health of our nation.

Together, we can give parents a choice and children a chance... *today*.









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# PA TAX CREDIT PROGRAM

## PENNSYLVANIA SCHOLARSHIP TAX CREDIT PROGRAMS FOR BUSINESSES AND BUSINESS OWNERS

## YOU CAN REALLOCATE YOUR PA CORPORATE TAX LIABILITY AND HELP A LOW-INCOME CHILD GET A QUALITY EDUCATION.

Both the PA Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) and the newer PA Opportunity Scholarship Tax Credit (OSTC) provide companies with a 90% tax credit against Pennsylvania corporate income tax or personal income for pass-through entities for donations made to approved, non-profit scholarship organizations.

#### BY COMBINING THESE TAX CREDITS WITH DEDUCTIONS FOR GIFTS TO CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS, THE PROGRAMS CAN BE VIRTUALLY COST- FREE.

More than 3,000 businesses have redirected over \$350 million in tax dollars to educational organizations that provide students with access to quality schools. A business or any of its subsidiaries can receive up to \$750,000 in tax credits annually per program for a total of \$1,500,000 in tax credits.

SAMPLE TAX CREDIT CALCULATION		
DONATION	\$50,000	
90% PA TAX CREDIT	\$45,000	
FEDERAL SAVINGS (NET @35%)	\$1,750	
SAVINGS	\$46,750	
NET COST FOR DONATION	\$3,250	- INSTEAD
PROVIDES <b>32</b> CSFP SCHOLARSHIPS		OF PAYIN \$50,000
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WHAT ARE EITC AND OSTC?

Under EITC, companies can apply either for credits to donate to scholarship organizations or for credits to donate to enrichment programs. OSTC is more targeted. Donations can only be made to scholarship organizations that provide financial assistance to children trapped in the 15% of lowest-performing public schools in PA (nearly half of these failing schools are in Philadelphia). The FY13 EITC tax credit bank is currently fully utilized, but the OSTC tax credit bank has over \$35 million in tax credits available NOW. New tax credits will be available on July 1, 2013 for both programs. **CSFP is an approved scholarship organization under both EITC and OSTC.** 

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#### THE CHALLENGE

We are failing our children and our city's future. Nearly half of Pennsylvania's lowest performing public schools are in Philadelphia. **THE CURRENT PHILADELPHIA PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION RATE STANDS AT ONLY 55%.** In 2012, less than half of Philadelphia's 11th graders performed on grade level in Reading, and only one-third performed on grade level in Math.

Effective reform of urban public education is exceedingly complex. IN THE MEANTIME, WE ARE LOSING A GENERATION OF CHILDREN TO A FAILING SYSTEM. Most impacted by this situation are children from lowincome families who do not have financial access to a quality tuition-based school. Yet, today, there are thousands of empty school seats in hundreds of private and parochial schools able to better meet the educational needs of children.

# THE SOLUTION: CHILDREN'S SCHOLARSHIP FUND PHILADELPHIA

CSFP's need-based, lottery program is simple, and it works by providing children with a strong educational foundation for their future. IN FACT, OVER 95% OF CSFP ALUMNI, WHO LEAVE OUR PROGRAM IN 8TH GRADE, GRADUATE HIGH SCHOOL PREPARED AND ON TIME, AND 90% WERE ENROLLED IN COLLEGE WITHIN ONE YEAR OF GRADUATION.

- CSFP allows families to choose which school best suits their needs. CSFP is not affiliated with any particular school, religion, educational philosophy or political group.
- CSFP's focus on K-8th grade allows children to build critical academic and social skills early and better ensures long-term success.
- All CSFP scholarships are need-based, awarded by random lottery, not just to those at the top of their class.
- CSFP provides the scholarship to the family as a whole for up to three children.
- Contributions to CSFP are a highly leveraged and effective investment in the future of a low-income child. All families co-contribute a minimum of \$500 to their child's education. All individual and foundation gifts are further matched (4:1) by our founding partner, CSF National.

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Children's Scholarship Fund Philadelphia gratefully acknowledges the tremendous support of its Board of Directors. Thank you for your dedication to our mission and to serving families and children in Philadelphia!

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Children's Scholarship Fund Philadelphia's sound fiscal management practices and commitment to accountability and transparency have earned it the highest rating (4 stars) from Charity Navigator, America's largest independent charity evaluator.

# "Children's Scholarship Fund Philadelphia's coveted **4-star rating** puts it in a very select group of high-performing charities."

KEN BERGER CHARITY NAVIGATOR President and CEO

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Children's Scholarship Fund Philadelphia is a privately funded program whose mission is to provide financial access for children from low income families to attend safe, high quality K-8th grade schools. These four year scholarships are all need-based and awarded by random lottery.

Currently more than 4,500 children have a CSFP scholarship to attend a private or parochial school. CSFP has awarded more than 12,500 scholarships chosen from 125,000 applications since 1999.

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