



# The Exploris™ School

*Empowering Learners to Change the World*

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Dear Exploris Community,

It is an incredible honor to celebrate the 20 year Anniversary of Exploris and plan for the future expansion of our school community. Empowering Learners to Change the World is what sets The Exploris School apart from all other K-8 educational institutions and I am extremely proud to be part of this unique educational model. Our school was founded by a small group of committed parents who were determined to create a school with a global focus. Twenty years later, The Exploris School continues to grow stronger. Our students grow and learn through a rigorous, relevant, relationship based education that is grounded in our core values and focused on tackling global problems.

You have an incredible opportunity to help lead Exploris into the future in our new building which will unify our two campuses and expand our educational mission and vision to support others. The new Exploris home will be part of the City Gateway building which will be a beacon in downtown Raleigh showcasing our commitment to the environment. The new Exploris home will be the first energy-positive building in the Triangle area allowing our students to be part of an innovation that demonstrates our universal commitment to protecting our planet and making our world a better place for future generations. With that in mind, we are also celebrating the kickoff of our capital campaign to support the facility needs of Exploris.

We are asking for your financial contribution to support the development of our new building at City Gateway and to create a Center for Innovation that extends beyond our school. The Center for Innovation will bring leading educators together to help solve global problems and provide comprehensive professional development on our experiential, project-based, global education methods. Your capital campaign contribution will allow us to furnish our classrooms with state-of-the-art technology, collaborative furniture and fixtures, and outdoor learning and play environments for all students to learn and grow to their maximum potential.

We need the continued support of our Exploris family to achieve our goal, which will ensure we can continue to offer our unique educational experience to more families. With your support, we are committed to raising \$1 million by 2019.

You've stepped up to help us before with generous contributions that supported the expansion of our elementary school and we're asking for your commitment again. Exploris has spent twenty years fostering academic excellence and building a solid reputation for responsible fiscal management with your support. Your contribution to our capital campaign will allow us to expand

the reach of The Exploris School by empowering more learners than ever to change the world. We sincerely hope that all families will participate and make a two-year pledge that demonstrates your support and appreciation for the Exploris experience and for the future of our school.

Donations of all levels are needed to help us achieve our \$1 million goal. Our capital campaign welcomes gifts from families, alumni, faculty and staff, friends, and community partners. Tax-deductible gifts can be made online, by check and mailed to the school, or by completing a pledge card. Campaign pledges can be paid in installments over the next 24 months to ease the burden. Donations of stocks or securities are also welcome contributions. Gift recognition and naming opportunities will also be available for unique spaces. Working and giving together will allow us to reach our goal with everyone contributing.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I thank you in advance for your consideration, commitment, and generosity. Your ongoing support for Exploris is so deeply appreciated and will have lasting impacts on our children and on our world.

I look forward to seeing all that we can accomplish in the next 20 years together!

Warmest regards,

*Ellie*

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Executive Director