

Dear Unity Families,

As we wrap up this remarkable school year, I want to take a moment to reflect on all that we've accomplished—together.

Unity's 60th year was one defined by growth, generosity, and deepened purpose. Whether in the classroom, on stage, on the field, or in service to others, our students shined. They are the reason we do this work, and thanks to the strength of our partnership with you—our families—we are building something extraordinary, not only for today's learners but for generations to come.

This year, we focused intently on advancing the four strategic priorities that are guiding Unity's future. I'm proud to share how those priorities came to life in 2024–2025:

## 1. Create new and reimagine existing spaces to directly benefit our students, programs, and the environment:

Thanks to your generosity, we strengthened campus security with upgraded surveillance, new two-way communication devices, and a visitor management system that enhances safety across campus. We are currently revitalizing our cafeteria and adding a beautiful new outdoor dining space. Our music and band rooms are being transformed, enriching the performing arts experience for students. Most importantly, we completed a feasibility study for replacing our temporary buildings with a permanent, purpose-built learning environment—designed to match the innovation and excellence happening in our classrooms every day.

## 2. Grow and strengthen our enrollment and culture of philanthropy to ensure financial stability and a legacy for future generations:

This year's Month of Giving was a true milestone—97% of families and 100% of faculty, staff, and board members contributed to our Annual Fund, which raised \$527,000 in support of all 411 students on campus. Our 60th Anniversary Gala raised \$418,000, thanks to our amazing community of current families, alumni, sponsors, and friends. These achievements not only enhanced our programs but also helped us build financial reserves, securing Unity's strength for the future. Every act of giving affirms belief in our mission—and that collective support amplifies Unity's brand across the greater Delray Beach area.

## 3. Attract and retain the most qualified faculty and staff to deliver an exceptional Unity education:

We are proud to share that Unity achieved record-breaking retention of faculty and staff—a reflection of our commitment to supporting and valuing our team. With tuition aligned to peer schools and support from the Family Empowerment Scholarships (benefiting 263 Unity students), we've been able to offer competitive salaries and benefits. More than that, our teachers grew professionally through dynamic development in literacy, social and emotional learning, STEM,

fine arts, and cross-disciplinary learning—ensuring they continue to inspire and empower every student, every day.

## 4. Equip learners to apply their learning to address new opportunities and challenges, within and outside of school:

We continued our mission to offer a student-centered academic experience by preparing to launch a comprehensive K–5 reading program, investing in iMacs, design software, PCs, and 3D printers, and showcasing student work through multiple Academic Showcases. We also launched our school's chapter of the National Junior Honor Society, deepening our commitment to excellence and service.

On the well-being side, we partnered with the Organization for Social Media Safety to educate parents and teachers on digital citizenship, and our middle school students completed over 2,900 hours of community service. Unity donated 4,990 items to the Caring Kitchen, welcomed workshops from the Kindness Matters 365 team, and became a Certified Kindness School—further proof that our students are learning to lead with both heart and mind.

As we look to the school year ahead, I am filled with excitement and purpose. Our dreams for Unity's future are bold, but they are rooted in something timeless: our mission to educate the entire child—mind, body, and spirit.

Thank you for being part of this vibrant and loving community. I am so grateful for your continued trust, partnership, and support.

Wishing you a joyful and restful summer. We can't wait to see you again soon.

In CommUNITY,

**Genevieve Hoppe** Head of School