



“There is hope for your future,  
declares the Lord.”

JEREMIAH 31:17



A REMARKABLE, GOD-CENTERED EDUCATION  
FOR THE YOUTH OF THE CITY

## Annual Report

*August 1, 2010 – July 31, 2011*

# We thank God for you!

## Hope Academy Partners and Donors

*With deepest gratitude here is our roster of donors who sent financial contributions this past year. If you gave a gift between August 1, 2010 and July 31, 2011 and do not see your name, please contact the Office of Development. Dozens of you have also committed goods and time —thank you for your commitment to the youth of the city!*

## Faithful Supporters

### Donors & Partners *gave a gift of*

*any size to Hope Academy.*

*Partners (p. 4) give a gift of*

*\$5,800 to sponsor students.*

### Long-term Partners *have*

*made gifts for at least five*

*consecutive years.*

### Founding Partners\* *have made*

*gifts since Hope began.*

### Legacy Partner Society †

*have made gifts to our*

*endowment or put Hope in their*

*estate plan.*

*See page 9 to learn more about*

*Major and Legacy giving at Hope.*

## Annual Fund:

### *Foundations, Businesses, & Organizations*

Aard Ministries  
Agnes M Bendorf Charitable Trust  
Alongside Services II, LLC

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#### **Kids First Scholarship Fund of MN**

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Riverway Foundation  
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Ammermann, Crystal  
Amstutz, Kalli  
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Anderson, George & Kristine  
Anderson, Cal & Jeannine  
Anderson, Marguerite  
Ankeny, Margie & Pete  
**Armstrong, Mark**  
Asman, Amber  
Austrums, Tim & Erica  
Baer, Joe & Laura  
Baillon, Jean  
Beck, Teresa  
Beck, Daniel & Kara  
Beckley, Casey & Karen  
Becklund, Jill  
Beetner, Douglas  
Befort, William

Bellin, Joseph  
Berge, John & Susie  
Berge, John & Jennifer  
**Bergman, Kevin & Irene**  
**Bergman, Mike & Carrie**  
Bergren, H.E. & Verna  
**Bergren, Paul & Laura**  
Bergren, Theresa  
Bergren, Allan  
Bieber, Bill  
Bierma, Michael & Peggy  
Biewen, Paul & Amy  
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Bird, Thomas & Catherine Shreves  
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Bird, Daniel  
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Booy, John  
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**Boss, Joyce M.**  
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Brotten, Deland & Gloria  
Brown, Russell & Doris  
Brown, Kevin & Jeannine  
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Budlong, Austin  
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**Coughlin, Bob**  
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Dowidat, Daniel  
Drasin, Ellen  
Dye, Bob & Joan  
Dykstra, Molly  
Eastlund, Alan & Tammy  
**Eaton, Jim & Susan**  
Edgersdorf, Richard  
Edgerton, John & Virginia  
**Edgerton, John & Heidi Gesell**  
Egan, Mary Louise  
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Eitrem, Kathy  
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Engebrit, Melanie  
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Engstrom, John  
Erana, Mulu  
**Erickson, Stan & Mary**  
Erickson, Kathy  
Ferguson, Leah  
Fine, Dan  
Flaten, James  
Flaten, Donald & Grace  
Follett, Brian & Mindy  
Forliti, Teresa  
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**Frana, Gary & Jacque**  
Freed, Bob & Miriam Zachary

“Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it.”

PROVERBS 22:6

Dear Friends,

As we enter our twelfth year, our mission in the city is more important than ever. In the face of a continuing economic crisis, the number of inner-city families needing a school like Hope Academy is greater than ever.

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, child poverty rose 56% in Minnesota during the last decade—but even in this adversity, inner city parents are willing to sacrifice to send their kids to Hope. The median household income at Hope is just \$25,000, yet our enrollment soared to 335 (from 280).

With so many families seeking this option, generous giving this year from partners and parents alike helped us build a chapel and locker rooms this summer, preparing our facility to serve 550 students by 2017.

This spring, we will graduate our first class of seniors—and we trust in the Lord to honor his promise to inner-city families: “Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it” (Prov. 22:6).

Through the sacrifice of parents, staff, and our partners, God is fulfilling his vision to grow oaks of righteousness in the inner city who work for justice, economic opportunity, racial harmony, hope for the family, and joy in the community.

As you read through this report, would you join me in asking God how he may be calling us to continue to provide Christ’s hope to the youth of the city?

Warmly,



Russ Gregg  
Head of School

“**Hope is completely different.** Here, I am loved by my teachers, my classmates, and we can openly seek after God. **My dad hasn’t been in life, and so teachers are important role models for me.** In 8th grade, Mrs. Pearce stayed after school regularly to help me with math—and I remember she called her kids to tell them she would be late. I couldn’t believe it... My mom got laid off recently, and so it’s tough, but **she says the Hope bill is the best one she pays each month.**”

**Teia Mosley, 10th grade** at Hope since 6th grade



### School Administration

Russ Gregg, Head of School  
Hugh Brown, Athletics Director  
Debbie Harris, K-5 Dean of Curriculum/Instruction  
Dan Olson, Director of Development & Operations  
Nathan Ziegler, M.Ed., Upper School Principal

### Board of Directors

**Chair**  
Jeffery Bird, JD, President, The Brehm Group  
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Rich Cammack, chair	Mary Marsden
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\*This committee assists in the growth of the Partner Program of Hope Academy. To learn more, contact Dan Olson. E-mail: dolson@hopeschool.org phone: 612-721-6294





“This summer, the father of my two sons was sentenced to 28 years in jail for shooting me and my sister in front of my kids... Finding Hope Academy has been so important for our family—for our healing, learning to trust our heavenly father, and to walk in obedience. At Saturday School last year, Mr. Gregg taught on doing family devotions—so we started them. **I tell everyone that I know about Hope Academy. It is the best school I can imagine for my children.**”

**Tyler Dixon** mother of Alyanna (4th), Zaron (K), and Corde

## Our Five Core Strategies

### 1. Faith-based Education

We never grow tired of saying that the hope of Hope Academy is God. Classes gather for worship, and our curriculum is informed by God’s Word. While we admit students and families who are not believers, teachers and staff seek to shepherd the hearts of every student, that they would become more like Christ—the master teacher.

### 2. Discipline & High Expectations

As a ‘no excuses’ school, our disciplined culture is oriented around character and achievement. We employ regular standardized testing, and utilize a rigorous classical curriculum. Starting in 4th grade students take Latin. Our upper school students study our Western classical heritage, and take college preparatory math and science.

### 3. Parental Involvement

Excellence is only possible when parents are involved in their children’s education. Parents at Hope are required to participate in six school events every year, stay current on tuition, and volunteer regularly at the school. If parents don’t attend mandatory events, they have two weeks to make it up, or their kids must stay home from school.

### 4. More Time on Task

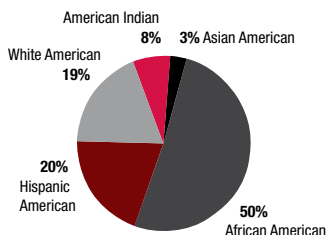
More time in the classroom helps urban youth excel academically and experience diverse extracurriculars. Our school year runs 185 days—with a mandatory summer session.

### 5. An Efficient Model—Affordable for All

Most private schools charge tuition to cover 90% of costs. In order to serve low-income families, at Hope nearly 90% of the cost of education comes through generous giving from our Partners (see page 4).

## ENROLLMENT DATA

### Student Ethnicity



### Tuition Assistance

Cost to educate one student	~\$7,100
Average family pays*	\$900
Other scholarships	\$400
Partner Program (see p. 4)	\$5800

\*Family share is on a sliding scale between \$600-\$6000.

### Enrollment

2009-2010	250
2010-2011	280
Current	335

### Economically Disadvantaged\*

2009-2010	69%
2010-2011	70%
Current	73%

\*This is determined by economic eligibility for the Federal free and reduced lunch program.

## REBUILDING A FOUNDATION OF TRUTH

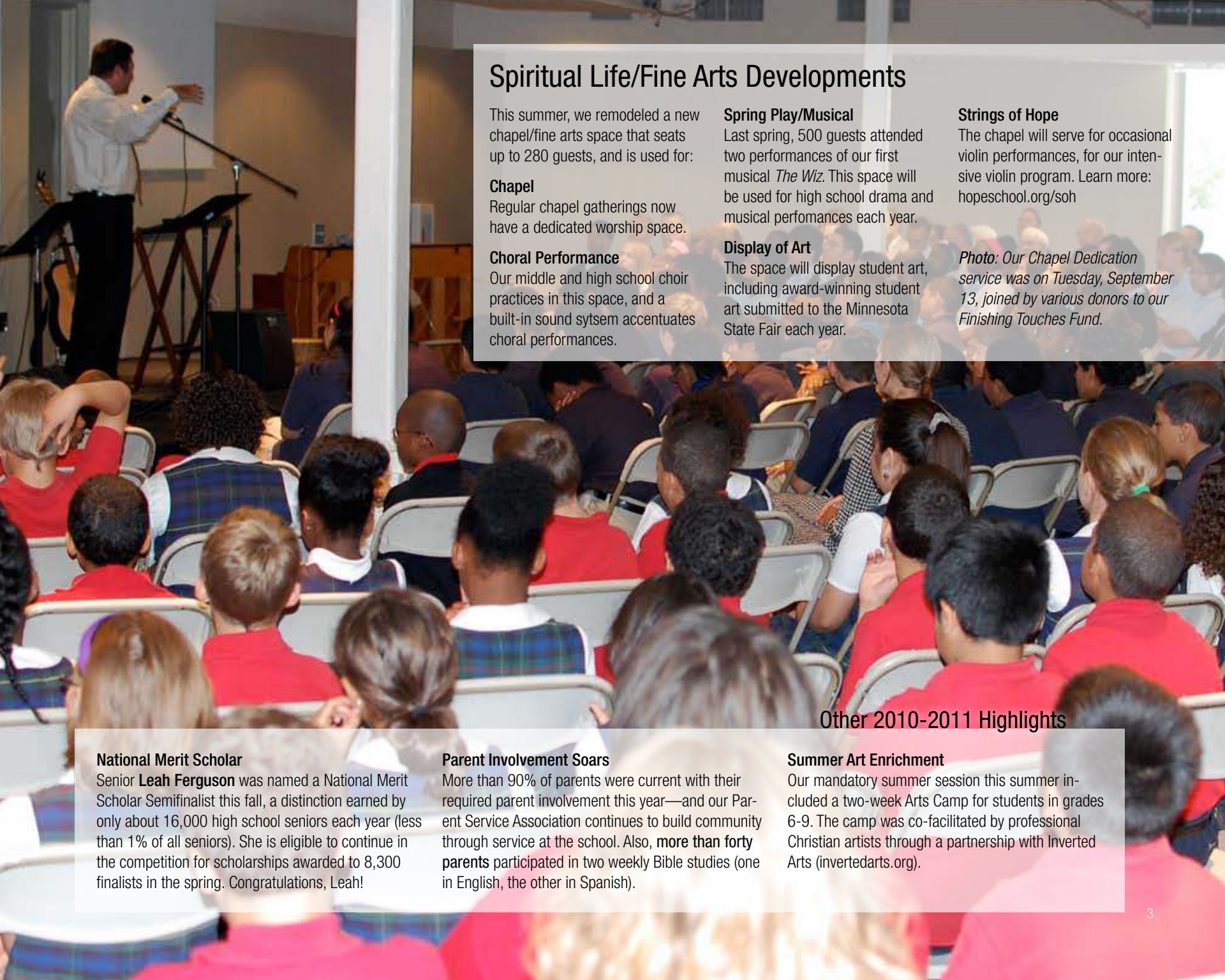
Some leaders suggest **more money** will stem the urban education crisis. Yet per pupil spending in U.S. public schools has increased by 123% since 1971. Over that same time, reading scores of high school students have not improved at all. In fact, recent data shows that only 12% of African-American 4th grade boys read at grade level.

Others suggest that **restructuring** is the solution. Charter schools, for example, are free of many constraints of public schools. Though some show promise—nationally only 17% of charter school students outperform students in surrounding public schools. Charter schools are similar to rearranging the deck chairs on the Titanic. Avoiding the iceberg requires a sharper change in direction.<sup>1</sup>

God has led us to take a **more radical approach to this crisis**. We see the crisis gripping our city and country as a symptom of a greater problem: **a famine of foundational truths**. We seek to grow **oaks of righteousness** by training hearts and minds within a God-centered view of life.

To do this, we have adopted **five core strategies** to foster hope in God and close the achievement gap between white students and students of color.

<sup>1</sup> For per pupil spending and charter school results see *Time* Magazine, Sept. 20, 2010. On test results, see “Test Scores Reveal Wide Achievement Gap for Black Male Students,” *New York Times*, November 9, 2010.



## Spiritual Life/Fine Arts Developments

This summer, we remodeled a new chapel/fine arts space that seats up to 280 guests, and is used for:

### Chapel

Regular chapel gatherings now have a dedicated worship space.

### Choral Performance

Our middle and high school choir practices in this space, and a built-in sound system accentuates choral performances.

### Spring Play/Musical

Last spring, 500 guests attended two performances of our first musical *The Wiz*. This space will be used for high school drama and musical performances each year.

### Display of Art

The space will display student art, including award-winning student art submitted to the Minnesota State Fair each year.

### Strings of Hope

The chapel will serve for occasional violin performances, for our intensive violin program. Learn more: [hopeschool.org/soh](http://hopeschool.org/soh)

*Photo: Our Chapel Dedication service was on Tuesday, September 13, joined by various donors to our Finishing Touches Fund.*

## Other 2010-2011 Highlights

### National Merit Scholar

Senior **Leah Ferguson** was named a National Merit Scholar Semifinalist this fall, a distinction earned by only about 16,000 high school seniors each year (less than 1% of all seniors). She is eligible to continue in the competition for scholarships awarded to 8,300 finalists in the spring. Congratulations, Leah!

### Parent Involvement Soars

More than 90% of parents were current with their required parent involvement this year—and our Parent Service Association continues to build community through service at the school. Also, **more than forty parents** participated in two weekly Bible studies (one in English, the other in Spanish).

### Summer Art Enrichment

Our mandatory summer session this summer included a two-week Arts Camp for students in grades 6-9. The camp was co-facilitated by professional Christian artists through a partnership with Inverted Arts ([invertedarts.org](http://invertedarts.org)).



“Getting kicked out of Hope in 6th grade was a wake up call. I wasn’t challenged at the public school I went to, and **there was so much peer pressure to get involved with bad stuff.** I realized what a privilege it was to be at Hope—and I was desperate to come back. I was readmitted last year, and God is humbling me, and I am so grateful to be here. **My mom and I are so grateful for Partners who make it possible.**”

**Nehemiah Beckstrand, 8th grade** at Hope since 5th grade

## Development Report

### WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A PARTNER

“It is a privilege to provide an inner city student with the kind of faith-based foundation that I received. I hope many more inner city kids can have the same opportunity.”

- Matt Birk, Center  
Baltimore Ravens, NFL  
**Partner since 2006**

“From the early days of KeyStone, we knew we wanted to partner with organizations who were values-based, and who were making a difference in our city. No one is doing that better than Hope.”

- Marcia Ballinger & Bob Schoenbaum  
KeyStone Search, LLC  
**Partner since 2002**

“What could be better than knowing inner city youth are building a faith based on God’s truth about repentance, forgiveness and salvation through Christ! Hallelujah!”

- Mike Brocker, CLU, ChFC  
Legacy Wealth LLC  
**Partner since 2004**

“Nowhere has my giving been more rewarding...When I consider the self-sacrifice by the faculty and staff, and think of the drifting and failure following public education, my support is little enough.”

- P. Dan Gilbert, CEO  
Gilbert Mechanical Contractors  
**Partner since 2000**

“No other cause gives my wife and me greater joy because we know our gifts transform the lives of children.”

- Brian Sullivan, Chairman/CEO  
SterilMed  
**Partner since 2000**

“It is a gift to be a part of such a transformational ministry.”

- Ken & Ruth Johnson  
Brighter Building Maint., Inc.  
**New Partners in 2010**

“Hope changes lives and I get to be part of it. What a great delight!”

- Claudia Oxley  
US Bank  
**Partner since 2000**

“Hope Academy is having a life-changing effect on hundreds of people, and I am one of them. Their ministry has challenged me to be strong and courageous as I serve Christ in my world.”

- Jeff Siemon  
Search Ministries  
**Partner since 2000**

“Hope Academy has proven to us that whole life discipleship in Christ—and the hope it holds for the future—is most successful in the inner city with the foundation of a Christian education.”

- Anonymous  
**Boaz Partners in '09-'10**

## Partner Sponsorship Program

At Hope, *not a single student is turned away for lack of funds.* It is our **Partners** that make this possible.

**Partners** *give a gift toward a full (\$5,800) or half (\$2,900) student sponsorship. Many sponsor multiple students.*

**Donors** *give a gift of any size.*

**Volunteers** *serve inner city youth.*  
Contact Mary Brown at  
612-721-6294 ext. 115 or  
mbrown@hopeschool.org.

Visit [hopeschool.org/giving](http://hopeschool.org/giving) to learn more.

# GROWING HOPE

FOR THE YOUTH OF THE CITY

OUR MISSION ON A LARGER SCALE

In March of 2011, we launched our **Growing Hope Campaign**, with a vision that by 2017 we will be a sustainable, God-centered, college-preparatory school educating 550 inner city students in grades K-12.

The four goals of Growing Hope are:

**Goal 1:** Prepare our facility for 550 students  
*Phase I: Building Purchase, \$1.6 million, complete!*  
*Phase II: Locker Rooms/Chapel/Carpet, \$640K, complete!*  
**Phase III:** Gym Upgrades (\$120,000 by May 2012)

**Goal 2:** Double our Partner Program to sponsor 200 more inner city students by 2017

**Goal 3:** Endow the education of 100 students with a new **Legacy Partners Endowment Fund** (see p. 9)

**Goal 4:** Ensure that Hope graduates can afford and navigate college.

Read the Board of Director’s entire **Long-Range Plan** at [hopeschool.org/giving](http://hopeschool.org/giving).

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To learn more about sponsoring students, Boaz giving, and other ways to give, contact Dan Olson, Director of Development at 612-721-6294 ext. 106 or [dolson@hopeschool.org](mailto:dolson@hopeschool.org). Also, visit us online at [hopeschool.org/giving](http://hopeschool.org/giving).

# Financial Information

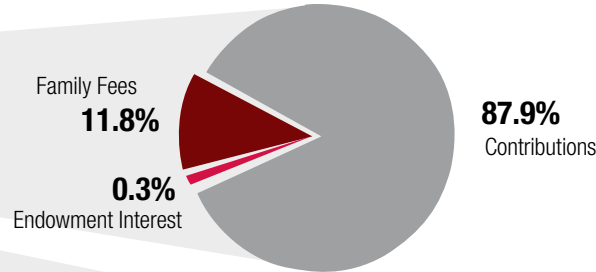
*Unaudited Financials*

## Statement of Activities

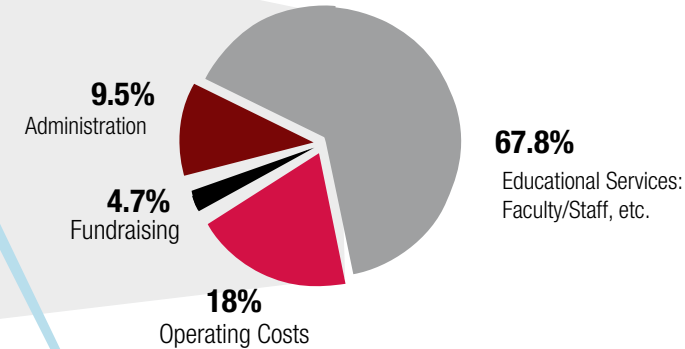
August 1, 2010 - July 31, 2011

### Operating Financials

<b>Income</b>	
Family Fees (Tuition & Other Fees)	\$ 249,515
Endowment Interest	6,151
Annual Fund Giving (Partners, etc.)	*1,852,427
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>2,108,093</b>



<b>Expenses</b>	
Administrative	\$ 199,231
Fundraising	98,941
Operating Costs	
Building Operating Expenses	349,770
Maintenance	26,189
Educational Services	
Faculty/Staff	1,285,269
Instructional Costs / Supplies	93,409
Athletics/Activities Equipment	6,031
Transportation	17,760
Tuition Work-Off	6,589
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>2,083,189</b>



<b>Increase in Cash</b>	<b>\$ 24,904</b>
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### Capital (Finishing Touches Fund)

<b>Income</b>	
Capital Contributions (pledges/gifts)	\$ 642,801
<b>Expenses</b>	
Chapel, Locker Rooms, New Carpet	**638,270

### Building Financials\*\*\*

<b>Income</b>	
Hope Academy	\$ 349,770
Teen Challenge TCMI	139,044
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>488,814</b>

<b>Expenses</b>	
Admin	27,277
Utilities	285,861
Maintenance	159,671
Insurance	14,292
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>487,101</b>

### Statement of Financial Position

July 31, 2011

#### ASSETS

Current Assets	\$1,415,775
Fixed Assets	1,870,201
Other Assets	305
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>*3,286,281</b>

#### LIABILITIES & EQUITY

##### Liabilities

Total Liabilities	1,438,609
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##### Equity

Total Equity	1,847,672
<b>Total Liab. &amp; Equity</b>	<b>3,286,281</b>

\*On July 31, this included two zero interest mortgages on our facility (\$1,425,000), Capital funds that have since been spent (\$575,000), and about \$700,000 total in our growing endowment (\$500,000) and operational reserve (\$200,000).



\*This amount is gifts made to the 2010-11 school year. Some 10-11 gifts are made before the fiscal year begins; also, early gifts made toward the 11-12 school year have been omitted. \*\*Only \$65,270 was spent before July 31, 2011. Most expenses for the chapel and locker rooms were incurred after July 31, 2011.

\*\*\*Hegenes Management manages building and the Building Financials on behalf of Hope Academy, with financials then combined at year end.

NOTE: The figures here are meant to show the basic inflow and outflow of cash during our fiscal year. It does not include non-cash items like in-kind contributions, nor does it include the value of government services received like Title I and Title II. Hope conducts an annual audit of its finances (not finished at the time of publication). Complete audited financial statements are available for review. Contact the Development Office for more information.



“Five years ago, I moved in with my grandparents while my mom struggled with addiction and **I didn’t do so well in school.** She went through Teen Challenge, and now is staying clean and is getting a second chance at being my mom. When I got in to Hope, we all cried with joy—I feel like I’m getting a second chance too. **Every day I look around and can’t believe I go to a Christian school.**”

**Trez Hinton, 7th grade** new this year

**W**e hear stories like Trez Hinton’s so often here at Hope Academy. Students who struggle with adversity often begin to thrive spiritually and academically at Hope—with God’s help. The education of inner city youth is one of the most

## Closing the Achievement Gap

significant social justice issues of our day. The results below are an incredible testimony to how God-given giftedness is being nurtured at Hope, where we are committed to character formation and academic excellence.

Only about 40% of students of color in Minneapolis graduate from High School, and 80% of these graduates will only read at the 8th grade level.

Yet at Hope Academy nearly all students are thriving regardless of income level or ethnicity—and Hope Academy High School is building on this excellent foundation, and preparing our students for a God-glorifying future.



### 2011 Comparative Achievement

### Test Scores: % of Students Performing Proficiently

POV column represents % of students in the school living at or near poverty level

Neighborhood schools	Math	Reading	POV
<i>School Totals</i>			
<b>HOPE ACADEMY</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>73</b>
Anderson Community	19	32	98
Anishinabe Academy	13	30	92
Bancroft Elem.	19	37	86
Green Central Park Elem.	11	25	95
Sullivan Elem.	18	38	89
Whittier International	42	57	68

Neighborhood schools	Math	Reading	POV
<i>Low Income Students</i>			
<b>HOPE ACADEMY</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>100</b>
Neighborhood Schools	21	27	100
<i>African-American/Hispanic/Native American</i>			
<b>HOPE ACADEMY</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>74</b>
Neighborhood Schools	22	26	N/A

### High School Spotlight

**97.1%** of our students with 2+ years at Hope read at grade level.

**88.2%** of these same students are at grade level in math.

Hope students scored average or above average (stanines 4-9) on the Stanford Achievement Test (SAT-10), a norm-referenced test. Public school students achieved a proficient score on the Minnesota Comprehensive Assessments (MCA), a criterion-referenced test. Hope students were tested in April 2011. MCA results are from startribune.com’s school-by-school breakdown. Neighborhood public schools are included based on 1) geographical proximity and 2) similar socio-economic population.



## Athletic Developments

*Alongside girls **soccer**, this fall we relaunched boys **football**, competing against varsity and junior varsity programs around the metro. We also field boys and girls **basketball** teams in the winter, and **baseball** and **softball** teams in the spring.*

*Like with all start-up high school programs, we will grow our programs and play an independent schedule until we can join a conference—hopefully within 3-4 years.*

“Hope staff and athletes will seek to bring glory to God in all of our actions, whether it is riding a bus, practicing, or competing. We strive to live and compete with a level of integrity, intensity, and effort that is consistent with the Christian faith.”

*Excerpt taken from Hope Academy's Upper School Athletics Web site.  
See more at [www.hopeupperschool.org](http://www.hopeupperschool.org).*

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**Freeman, Jim & Carol\***  
**Frischmann, Jaime**  
**Fullerton, Robert & Caroline\***  
 Gallagher, Donna  
 Galloway, Jon & Chris  
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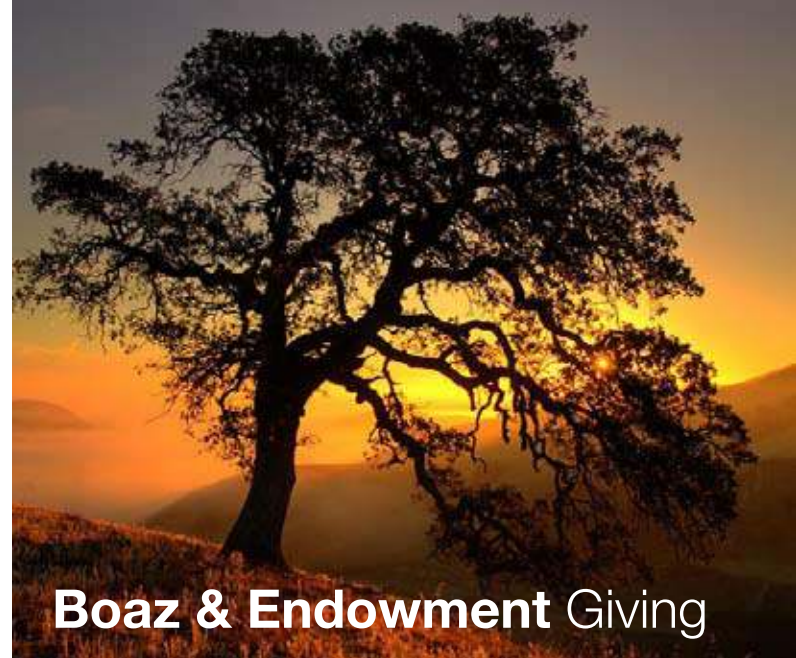
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