

### **VWCS Annual Fund Q & A**

### "How will VWCS use the monetary donations collected for the Annual Fund?"

Each year, donations made to our Annual Fund go toward a specific project for the school. Recent projects include: purchasing iPads and a mobile cart, replacing all equipment in the school Computer Lab, and purchasing technology for new classrooms. The project for the 2015-16 school year will be announced in the fall.

## "How many fundraisers will VWCS have this year?"

The VWCS Support Committee leads several activities during the school year with proceeds benefiting the Annual Fund. Past activities include: *Chick Fil A Family Night, Student Fun Run, Silent Auction, Razoo Online Campaign, etc.* We also have ongoing programs through community partners like Amazon, Publix, Target, Box Tops for Education and Labels for Education. For more information on how you can participate in ongoing programs, please visit our Community Partners page.

# "Why is 100% participation from the VWCS community so important?"

One-hundred percent VWCS family participation in the Annual Fund demonstrates a tangible commitment to the school's mission, both inside our walls and in the surrounding community. Also, foundations and other friends of VWCS look first at the voluntary support provided by the families in our school. This is a key factor in their decision to provide their own financial support through grant and foundation monies.

## "Is my/our contribution to the VWCS Annual Fund tax deductible?"

Yes, your contribution is 100% tax deductible. Contributions dated and mailed by December 31, 2015, are tax deductible for this year. Contributions made in 2016 are deductible in the 2016 tax year.

# "What is an appropriate contribution to the VWCS Annual Fund?"

**Any** contribution, regardless of the amount, will be greatly appreciated. You may fulfill you pledge at once or give over the course of the entire school year. We would encourage you to prayerfully consider the contribution amount that your family is able to commit to.

## "What are corporate matching funds?"

Corporate matching is a way to double your contribution to the VWCS Annual Fund. Not all companies offer this program; however, many mid to large size employers match an employee's charitable donation dollar for dollar. Please note that most companies have a maximum level of matching. If your company has a program in place then please note this on your pledge commitment card; if your company does not have a formal plan, please ask!

#### "Who else can contribute to the VWCS Annual Fund?"

**Anyone** can contribute to the VWCS Annual Fund. Our first priority is to look within VWCS and obtain 100% participation from our families and faculty. However, there are many possible ways to receive contributions to the Annual Fund such as corporate matching programs, friends and relatives of VWCS families and business partners/associates.

## "Is contributing to the VWCS Annual Fund the same as the Georgia Goal program?"

No. Giving to the VWCS Fund is a sacrificial gift whereas contributing to the Georgia Goal program redirects one's taxes to benefit VWCS. Please visit the GA Goal website for more information.

## "How long does the VWCS Annual Fund campaign last?"

The 2015-16 Annual Fund campaign lasts until the end of the school year (May 2016). However, we ask that all pledge commitment cards be returned to VWCS by November 1, 2015 with payment requested by April 30, 2016.