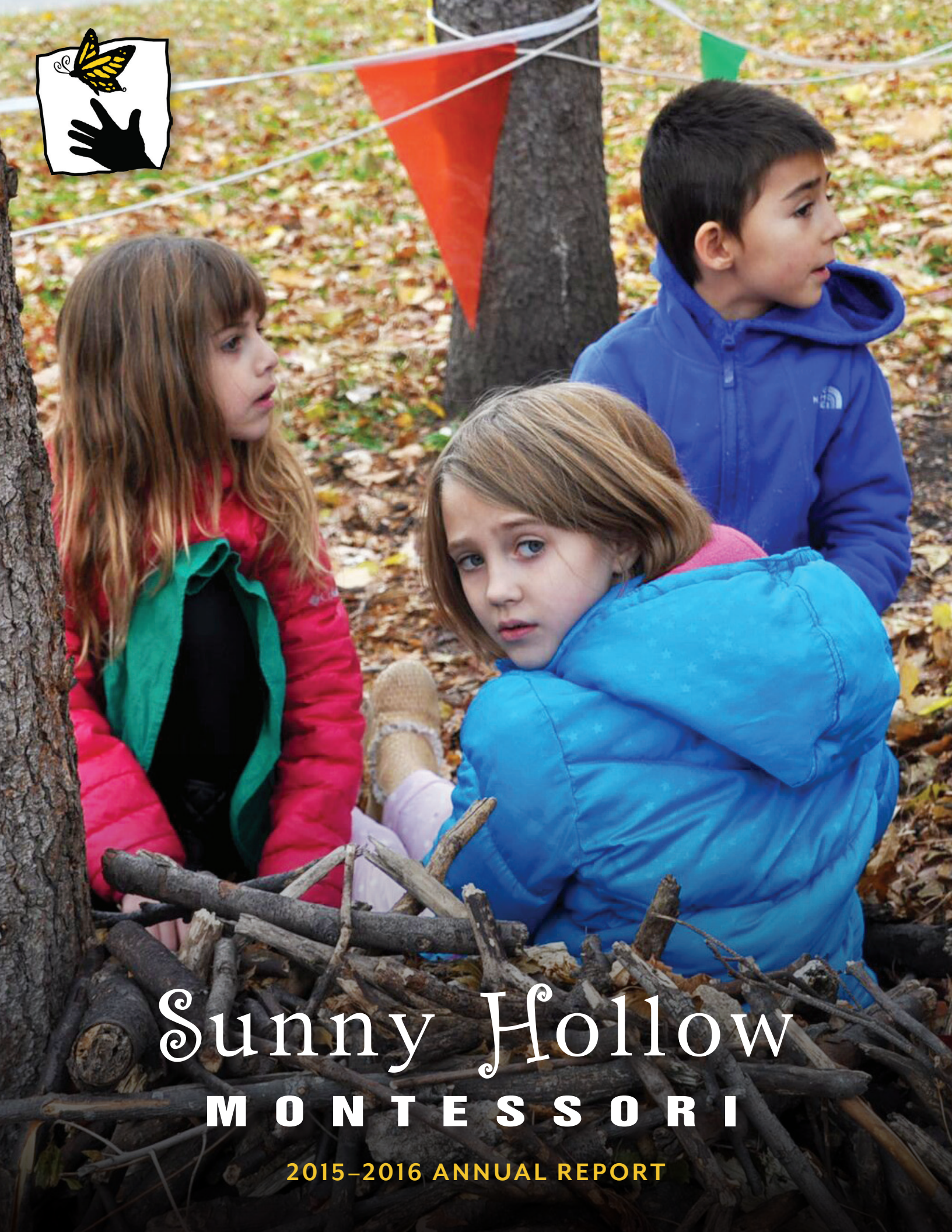


Sunny Hollow

MONTESSORI

2015–2016 ANNUAL REPORT

Notebook
Notebook

Our Journey CONTINUES

Dear Sunny Hollow Community,

This year saw a great deal of activity at Sunny Hollow that moved us toward our long-term goal of "guiding children and their parents through a shared journey from infancy into adulthood."

- The Toddler Community opened its doors in September, fully enrolled. With such supportive parents and talented staff, it feels as if the Toddler Community has *always* been a part of Sunny Hollow. Confident in the integrity of our program, we pursued and received full AMI recognition in February — just five months after launching the program.

- Right on schedule — following the addition of a second Lower Elementary in 2013/2014 — we prepared for the opening of a second Upper Elementary in September 2016. Hiring a new teacher, modifying the classroom space, and purchasing all the materials and furnishings of a Montessori elementary classroom kept us busy.

- We moved forward on our Junior High planning, including an announcement that we would be forming a Task Force to explore pedagogical and facility models of Montessori Adolescent Programs. The program planning is a multi-year effort working towards the planned start of the Junior High in the fall of 2019.

- In support of global citizenship, our sixth graders participated in the Montessori Model United Nations 2016 New York City Conference as delegates for the Republics of Haiti and Ghana. The exciting culmination of months of research and writing was our students presenting position papers and debating the issues of global cyber security and small arms trade. Alongside Upper Elementary Montessori students from schools around the world, our students achieved conflict resolution in support of peaceful change.

A phrase that resonates with us at Sunny Hollow is "growth mindset." It applies to children, adults, and organizations alike. As we grow and change, we embrace our successes and our failures as opportunities to make changes, bounce back, and build resilience and flexibility. We continue to be attentive to refining and enhancing our existing classroom/outdoor environments and AMI Montessori programs as we continue to grow and change.

The Sunny Hollow community grows stronger as we move together toward an exciting future.

Sincerely,

RENEE CAMPION, Head of School
KIMBERLY MILLER, Chair, Board of Trustees

Here, you get opportunities to **make mistakes and try again.**

I like that you get to **work at your own pace.**

I would definitely stay through Junior High if I could.

You can make bad choices and **be forgiven.**

It's like **being in a big family.**

I have been here my whole life. They teach you **peace and kindness** and manners. Not just academic stuff.

You learn how to **take care of yourself.**

I have learned to own up to my pieces of conflict.

I will remember my trip to New York for MMUN for the **rest of my life.**

I was nervous about making friends. **Now I have friends who help me.**

REFLECTIONS

THOUGHTS ROOTED IN THEIR CASA AND LOWER ELEMENTARY YEARS

Take advantage of your time at Sunny Hollow. You'll regret it if you don't.

DON'T PROCRASTINATE!

Trust yourself. You'll most likely be right.

Help someone. **It will make you happy.**

Always be a good leader.

Always feel **ready for a challenge.**

As long as you **laugh at their jokes and play their games**, you'll make friends easily.

Writing is not that bad if you **just do it.**

ADVICE
FROM UPPER ELEMENTARY

Finances

SUNNY HOLLOW MONTESSORI
STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION
JUNE 30, 2016 AND 2015

Assets

	2016	2015
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	$893,378	$886,380
Accounts Receivable	47,690	32,534
Prepaid Expenses	23,023	18,387
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	964,091	937,301
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT		
Office Furniture and Equipment	33,309	18,967
Classroom Equipment	88,179	47,806
Leasehold Improvements	496,359	353,524
Vehicles	55,448	N/A
TOTAL PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT	673,295	420,315
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(453,525)	(389,988)
NET PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT	219,770	30,327
OTHER ASSETS		
Security Deposits	1,042	1,042
TOTAL ASSETS	1,184,903	968,670

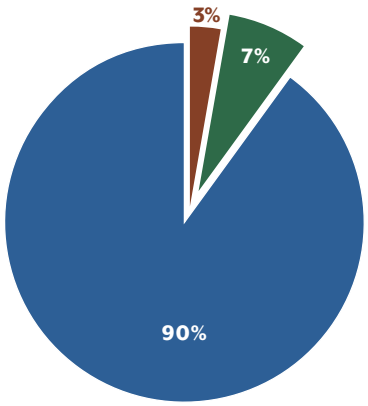
Liabilities and Net Assets

CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses	107,720	82,684
Current Portion of Note Payable	27,050	21,098
Deferred Tuition Income	46,605	30,311
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	181,375	134,093
NOTE PAYABLE, NET OF CURRENT PORTION	13,684	22,275
TOTAL LIABILITIES	195,059	156,368
NET ASSETS		
Unrestricted	915,242	707,642
Temporarily Restricted	74,602	104,660
TOTAL NET ASSETS	989,844	812,302
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	$1,184,903	$968,670

Finances

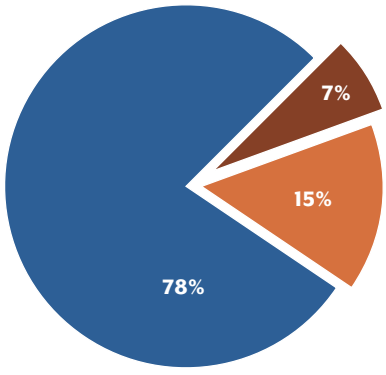
SUNNY HOLLOW MONTESSORI
FROM STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES AND FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES
JUNE 30, 2016

Revenue Sources

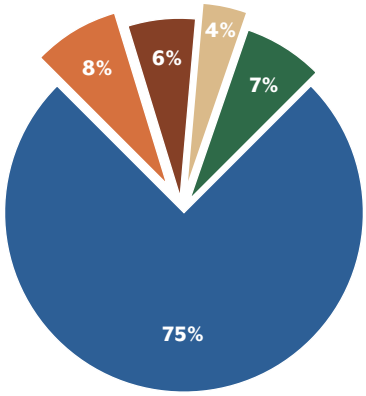


- Tuition
- Grants
- Fundraising and in-kind donations
- Other income (0%)

Expenses



- Program
- Management and general
- Fundraising



- Salaries and benefits
- Rent and occupancy
- Fundraising (non-salary)
- Classroom / education
- Other operations

The three most important things I learned this year: inequalities, cubing a decimal value, and ratio and proportion algebra.

Something that I feel was hard at the beginning of the year was math, **but now it isn't!**

This year I learned **exponents, order of operations, and fraction math problems.**

I am a lot better at geometry now.

At the beginning of the year, I was afraid of hard math. Take multiplication, for example. Last year, I wouldn't have known what 9 x 3 is, **but now I just know it's 27.**

One thing I've learned from being in this class for two years is do your math. If you don't, **Flopsy will come up to you and lick you as a reminder.**

MATH

A FAVORITE SUBJECT OF REFLECTION

GIVING at Sunny Hollow

The generosity of Sunny Hollow families and its extended family of grandparents, alumni families, aunts, uncles, friends, corporations, and foundations during 2015 / 2016 was exceptional. Donations and grants support Sunny Hollow's commitments to create and sustain beautiful environments and to provide students with exceptional experiences that emphasize exploration, discovery, and collaboration.

SUNNY HOLLOW STUDENTS BENEFIT ENORMOUSLY FROM YOUR SUPPORT. THANK YOU!

THE SUNNY HOLLOW FUND

Sunny Hollow Families and Staff

Anonymous (10)
Linda Alter Capell
Lisa Alter Capell
Julie Renee Carlson Amirayan & Kev Amirayan
Alejandra Ayala
Sharon Baglyos
Abby & Nick Boetticher
Heather & John Brockman
John & Laura Broghammer
Craig Caligiuri
Craig & Hilary Caligiuri
Renee Campion & David Walsh
Devavani Chatterjea & David Matthes
Tammy Clemens
Gillett Cole
Janelle Dahmen & Phil Jakopin
Cynthia & Parry Dilworth
Julia Stein Dittberner & John Dittberner
Jon Donaldson & Becky Koshnick
Meghan & Joshua Drivdahl
Sara Erickson & Nick Vogenthaler
Buffy M. Ess
Betsy & Tyson Ester
The Fertig Family
Aly Folin & Tiger Lunney
Katie & Erik Fratzke
Catherine Geier
Sibyll Goetze
Sylvie & Brian Grahan
Kate & Derek Gregoire
Kristin & Shawn Grider
Siira Gunderson & Mike Geise
Dr. & Mrs. Gurvich
Del & Gail Hansen
Joe Hayes & Jane Tigan
Andreas Hipple & Marisa Vargas
Tricia & Jeremy Hipps
Marguerite Hoogs & Ryan Sewell
Mary Irey
Rachel Kerr & Maximiliano Bezeda Vierma
Beth Klakoski
Jason & Scharlemann Klapste
Jon & Amy Kotch
Brenda Kowske & Aaron Bowser
Michael Kreisler
Alicia & Susan Lane-Outlaw
Ursula Lang & David Peterson
Justice & Joanna Lindell
Darius Lloyd
Katie London
Kane & Christina Loukas
Christy Love
Nicole Lynskey & John Wells
Sara Martin & Timothy Kohls
Gregg & Karis Mast
Peter McLaughlin & Nancy Hylden
Kimberly & Mike Miller
Heather Mista
Kevin Mummey & Lynn Slobodien
Mike & Amy Newton
Ted Niblett & Marissa Hendrickson
Brooke Nielsen
Tara Norgard & Kevin Skow
Burt Nordstrand Family Fund
Kristen & Terry O'Brien & The Hoeschler-O'Brien Fund
Jayne Sommers & Matty O'Reilly
Ryan & Kellie O'Rourke
Jessica Ostrov
Mustafa Ozer
Vanessa Padua-Evans & Eric Evans
Lannette Peterson
Anne & Scott Pollock
Kate & Bobak Razavi
Brian & Meghan Riley
Christine Schmidt & Andy Greene
David Shubat
Laura & Greg Smith
Joy and Matt Summers
Deepthi Tarigopula
Jonathan & Jennifer Taylor
Hazel Theis
Woody Theis
Jenny Thompson & Bob Peskin
Brandon & Kimberly Towns
Eryn Trimmer
Graham Waibel
Natalie Jule Buttler Waibel
Robin & David Wright
Brooke & Sean Young
The Zaslofsky Family

Grandparents, Relatives, and Friends

Anonymous (6)
Cathy Gasiorowicz & Bob Beverage
Stephanie Albacete
Molly O'Shaugnessy
Verlynn & Lisa Agrimonti
Dave Bicking
James & Mary Brockman
Robert & Gail Buuck
Sam & Nancy Folin
Sandy Greenquist
Eric & Penny Hoffman
Maren Kunkel
Gerald & Carol Lunney
Karen & Stephan Margolis
Dan & Caroline Mason
Tom & Gloria Mayer
Mary Pat McKasy & Tim Young
Bruce & Barbara Nelson
Marilyn Nevin
Chuck & Cathy Norgard
Bruce & Patricia Orud
Fred & Hattie Ruder
Elena Sunland
Susan Heil
Richard & Diane Wright

Alumni

David Andrews
Elaina Bleifield
Brian & Mary Louise Campion
John Schuerman & Janet Folina
Maggie George & Rebecca Voelkel
Jesse Hennum & Pamela Marentette
Jeff & Diane Hutchinson
Matt & Fiona Kelly
Gitanjali Matthes
Kate & Jordan McGowan
Michelle & Michael McManus
Matthew Slaven & Amy Miller
Mike Christenson & Malini Srivastava
Tohr Vorvick & Sarah Bellefuil

Foundations and Corporations

Ameriprise Financial, Inc.
Pfizer Foundation Matching Gifts Program
Medtronic Foundation
U.S. Bank Foundation
Wells Fargo Matching Gift Program
Hiawatha Education Foundation
Northwestern Mutual Life Matching Gift Program
Chef Tro Enterprises LLC, DBA Gastrotruck
Arts ink, Inc.
KeyBank Foundation
Alice M. O'Brien Foundation
UnitedHealth Group

GALA AUCTION and THE GRASS ROOTS FUND

Brian & Mary Louise Campion
Renee Campion & David Walsh
Cynthia & Parry Dilworth
Jon Donaldson & Becky Koshnick
Nancy Hylden & Peter McLaughlin
Jason & Stephanie Morrissey
Tara Norgard & Kevin Skow
Marilyn Nevin
Lisa Alter Capell
Linda Alter Capell
Julie & Kev Amirayan
Abby & Nick Boetticher
Joanna & Mike Carina
The Fertig Family
Katie & Erik Fratzke
Sibyll Goetz
Siira Gunderson & Mike Geise
Del & Gail Hansen
The Hendrickson-Niblett Family
Jason & Scharlemann Klapste
Jon & Amy Kotch
Justice & Joanna Lindell
Nicole Lynskey & John Wells
Thomas & Gloria Mayer
Kimberly & Michael Miller
Erin Montgomery
The Hoeschler-O'Brien Fund
Angie & Tim O'Bryan
Paul Rauen & Rebecca Green
Brian & Meghan Riley
Christine Schmidt & Andrew Greene
Rene & Rebecca Schwengber
Laura & Greg Smith
Annette & Tom Smith
The Consolidated Fund
Robin & David Wright

Gifts

Box Tops for Education
Holy Land
Lifetouch
Montessori Services
Parkway Pizza
smile.amazon.com
The Red Balloon Bookshop
Target

Please note that we make every effort to ensure that our list of donors is accurate. If we have left you out or incorrectly identified your gift, please contact us so that we can make a correction. Thank you.

Sunny Hollow

MONTESSORI

636 South Mississippi River Boulevard | Saint Paul, MN 55116 | 651.690.2307 | sunnyhollow.org