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Greene Street Friends School



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A DECADE OF LEARNING, GROWING, AND JOY: Reflections from Our Executive Director

Ten years ago, Horizons at Greene Street Friends School began partnering with local schools to bring students to our campus for six weeks of learning, growing, and joy. During my first year here as Executive Director, I have witnessed committed teachers who are passionate not only about educating children but also about cultivating relationships that create safe environments for risk-taking and developing a growth mindset.

During the Summer 2025 session, students swam, coded, learned from NFL players, photographers, and physical therapists, strengthened their math and literacy skills, shared their talents, and much more. It was especially heartwarming to see last year's graduates return to work as classroom assistants.

This program could not be successful without the dedication and hard work of the board of directors, teachers, and all staff members. To the families who trusted us with their children, I hope we have done well by you. Thank you for your support—without you, we would not exist.

As the summer programming has come to an end, we look forward to what the school year and next summer will hold.

Dr. Adicia Cohen-Johnson
Executive Director



BETTER TOGETHER: THE MINDS THAT DRIVE OUR MISSION

“I’m grateful for Ms. Victoria because she pushed me [a lot] and I was happy to have her by my side when I needed it the most - and I want to say thank you.”

- Asir Miller

Horizons GSFS

Class of 2025

Leadership Team

Dr. Adicia Cohen-Johnson - Executive Director
Jhannell Malcolm - Lower School Program Director
Barbara Bond - Upper School Program Director
Adia Harmon - Horizons Program Assistant



Lower School Lead Teacher (LT) | Associate Teacher (AT)

PreK LT - Kassandra Rivera	PreK AT - Kyle Bushnell
Kindergarten LT - Sobeida Soto	Kindergarten AT - Maddy Dews
1st Grade LT - Matt Thornton	1st Grade AT - Zipporah Brown
2nd Grade LT - Eric Brown	2nd Grade AT - Joy Brown, Xavier Taylor
3rd Grade LT - Nicole Jamieson	3rd Grade AT - Monica Peters

Upper School

4th Grade LT - Madeline Curry	4th Grade AT - Amanda Price
5th Grade LT - Jordan Grier	5th Grade AT - Gabriel Valdez
6th Grade LT - Hydeia Byrd	6th Grade AT - Lila Jones
7th Grade LT - Victoria Brown	7th Grade AT - Lisa Laverty
8th Grade LT - Tyree Evans	8th Grade AT - Mikyla Grant

Specialists

STEAM: Lisa Laverty
Yoga/PE: Victoria Matthews
Coding: Togetherhood
SEL/Family Engagement: Teeyrah Thomas
Literacy Specialists: Dacey Jackson, Sophie Sepel, Tess Culp
Math Specialist: Mike Dinan

Floaters: Sunny Finney, Eric Olivera, Correan Johnson
Intern: Quincy Dews | **Nurse:** Pam Kennedy
Swim Manager: Ludwig Soza | Thrive and Dive (Swim Instructors)



SUMMER PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS:

Learning Reimagined

HIGH SCHOOL PILOT

This summer we were overjoyed to welcome back four alumni from our very first graduating class (C/O '24). These bright and talented scholars returned to spend another summer with us as part of the city's Career Connected Learning PHL program (C2L-PHL). This program provides paid work experience and career exploration opportunities for youth and young adults, connecting classroom learning with real-world experiences. For each of them, this marked their very first work experience and we are extremely proud they chose to begin building their professional foundation here at Horizons. Thank you Rakeem, Ryan, Zahmiya, and Anajah for your hard work and commitment this summer. We are better because of all of you!



ENRICHMENT

In addition to receiving academic support in literacy, math, and writing, students attended weekly field trips that provided an opportunity to expand their knowledge base while socializing with peers. Lower School engaged in weekly cultural and educational assemblies, while Upper School participated in weekly career days where they heard from business managers, sports medicine professionals, NFL players, financial advisors and photographers.

SWIMMING

All students PreK to 8th grade received swim instruction 3 times per week throughout the 6 week program. One highlight of the summer was seeing our 4th through 8th graders participate in the regional Horizons Swim Meet. Students demonstrated perseverance and resilience as they made their way down the lane. We received many compliments in regards to the spirit and support of our youth as they held up signs and cheered on their peers. We are thankful to Thrive and Dive and Lasalle University that helped make this possible and to Horizons Greater Philadelphia for organizing the event.



SUMMER PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS:

Learning Reimagined

PROJECT-BASED LEARNING SHOWCASE

Students in Pre-K through 8th grade applied their summer learning in an end of program project based learning project. Families were in attendance as students showcased everything from dioramas about animals to poster boards that examined how various neighborhoods changed over time, including the price of real estate.



ANNUAL TALENT SHOW!

The talent show allowed students to demonstrate their talents while being encouraged by their Horizons GSFS peers and community. They danced, sang, balanced water bottles on their heads, stepped, and cheered.



SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL LEARNING



Students received instruction in social-emotional health twice per week. They learned various strategies to calm their minds and bodies as they applied what they learned from our SEL curriculum, Stepping Stones and Hello Insight.



FIELD TRIPS

- Awbury Arboretum
- Germantown Cricket Club
- Independence Seaport Museum
- La Salle University
- Horizons Regional Swim Meet
- Philadelphia Zoo
- Please Touch Museum
- The Franklin Institute

ASSEMBLIES

- Briar Bush Nature Center
- Cheltenham Youth Tennis
- U.S. Tennis Association (USTA)
- Los Bomberos de la Calle
- Treehouse Books
- Quiver Farms



CAREER DAY

Kate Easby
Sports Medicine Engagement & Outreach Athletic Trainer Liaison
Children's Hospital of Philadelphia

Mark Webb and D'Andre Smith
National Football League

Maani Waldor, Director of Development and Communications
Jeff Perkins, Interim Director of Finance
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Photographer | Financial Advisor | Photographer

Coach Jim Ellis
Founder and Coach, PDR Swimming



Driving Progress: Our Impact by the Numbers



137 STUDENTS SERVED

91.2% STUDENT ATTENDANCE

8,220 MEALS SERVED

60 SEL HOURS

74% STAFF RETENTION

7 NUMBER OF FIELD TRIPS



Horizons students, on average, gain 6-10 weeks in reading and math each summer.

Student Growth (Weeks)	HGP (2023-25)
EARLY LITERACY	12.7
READING	9.5
MATH	9.5



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GRADUATION DAY: Celebrating Our Second-Ever Cohort of Graduates!

On August 1, 2025, we celebrated our second graduating class of 8th graders who are now officially headed to high school! It was a day filled with joy, pride, and reflection as we honored the incredible growth and perseverance of these amazing students.

Please join us in congratulating Koi, Dean, Amira, Malachi, Asir, Kailey, Kuvell, Alayshia, Taylor, and Kyseem who each received awards of esteem for their many academic and personal achievements during their time with Horizons at GSFS! We're so proud of all they have accomplished and we'll be cheering them on as they take their next steps with courage and confidence.

To the parents, caregivers, and families of our graduates: THANK YOU for trusting us, showing up, and pouring into your students year after year. Your support has been the foundation of their success. We're honored to have walked alongside you through this journey, and we can't wait to see what's next for each of these bright young minds.

To our incredible teachers and program staff—past and present: THANK YOU for your time, your heart, and your unwavering commitment to these students. You've guided, challenged, and uplifted them—and this moment is a reflection of your care and belief in what's possible. This graduating class is stepping into high school with the tools, confidence, and encouragement they need because of you.

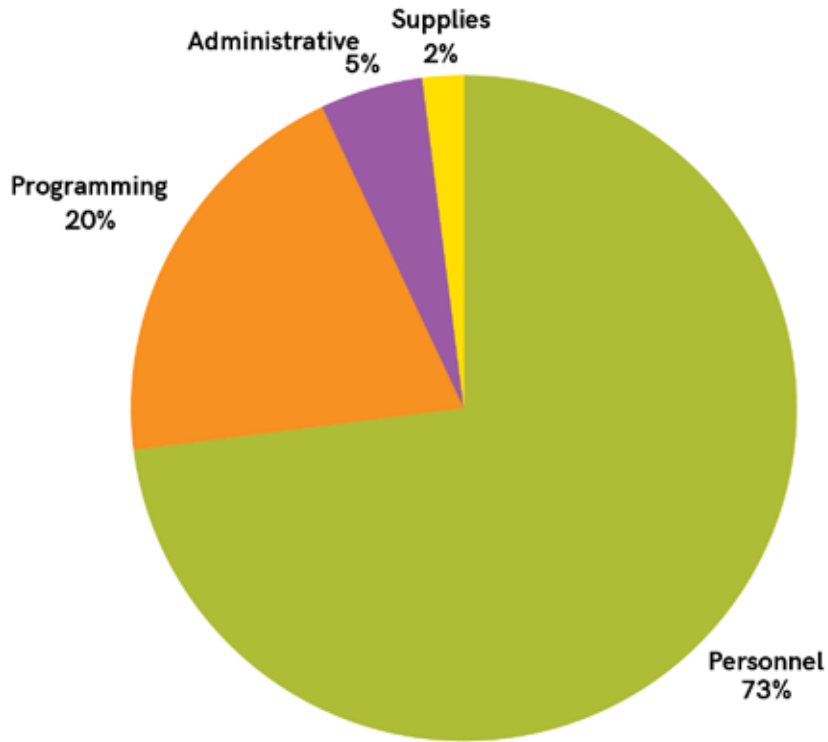


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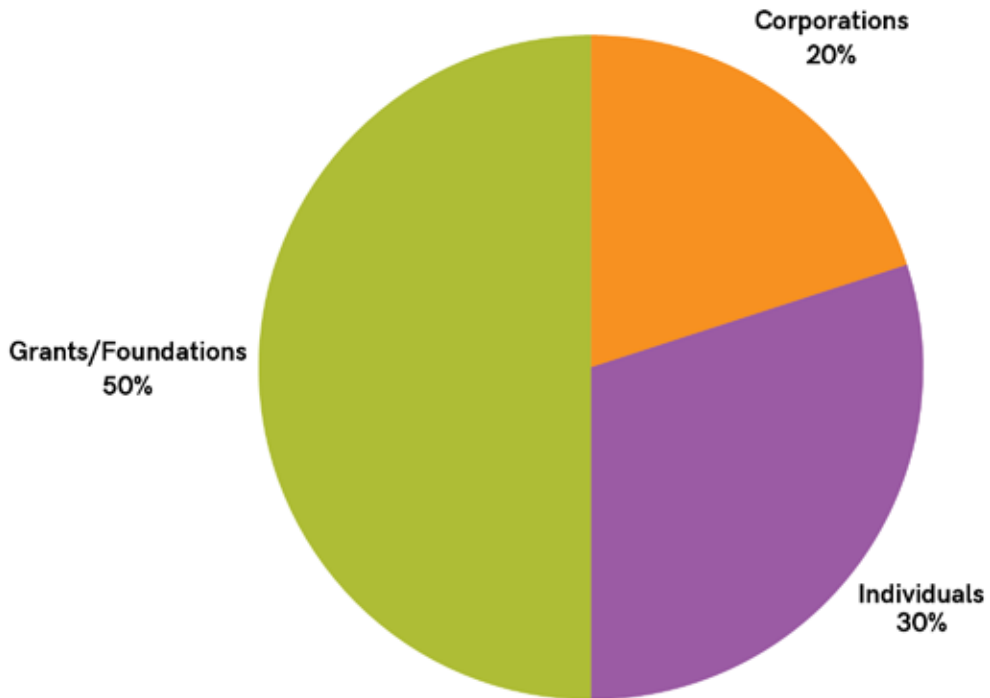
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To Our Beloved Community,



We know that none of this would be achievable without the dedication, generosity, and belief of our community. Your ongoing support fuels every lesson, every experience, and every joyful moment of growth for our students. Together, we are creating opportunities that inspire confidence, spark curiosity, and open doors to brighter futures.

Thank you for being here!



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