



# Riverview School

## Family Association

September 2025

Dear Families,

I am excited and honored to serve as chair of the **Riverview School Family Association (FA)** and welcome you to the 2025-2026 school year! Our daughter Katie is entering GROW II this year and beginning her 8<sup>th</sup> year at Riverview. Over these eight years, we have seen Katie blossom as a student, a friend, a performer and a proud worker in the community. We are confident that it is in large part due to the individualized approach provided by the committed faculty and staff of Riverview. Riverview is truly a unique and remarkable group of people: students, staff and families.

It is the FA's goal to help you make connections to the Riverview community. This year, the Family Association is taking a team approach and I am extremely grateful to the individuals who have agreed to be part of the team:

**Camille Fortunato**, Mom of Anthony, Grade 8

**Paul Melvin and Kim Rader**, Parents of Sydney, Grade 8

**Geline Midouin**, Mom of Sam, Grade 12

**Paul and Rebecca Patterson**, Parents of Maddie, Grade 12

The relationships you develop with other Riverview families will be life-long for you and your child. Here are a few of the ways you can become involved with Riverview and the Family Association:

- Veteran families serve as **Mentors**, offering a point of contact for new families as they join Riverview.
- Families are Riverview's best **Referral Source**, through making connections for the school to prospective parents, feeder schools and professional advisors.
- **Local Volunteer Opportunities** include delivering treats for staff on designated "staff appreciation" days, helping with Fall Family Weekend **Halloween Dance**, volunteering for picture day, donating to our thrift store, etc.
- **Class Agents** make phone calls to fellow parents to ask for their support of the Annual Fund.
- **Gala volunteers** help secure sponsorships, auction items, and assist with set up and decorations.
- Add to the conversation with new thoughts and ideas related to the Family Association and family experience at Riverview on the **Family Association Facebook** page.
- **Host a Regional Reception** or informal gathering of current families, alumni families, and prospective families in your area.
- Help coordinate an on-campus **Family Association event** in the fall or spring.

Please connect with us on opening weekend or any member of the Advancement Team to learn more and find out how you can volunteer. The school will certainly benefit from your expertise, but you will also find that the more you get involved the greater your family's Riverview experience will be.

I look forward to seeing you on campus throughout the year. It will be a pleasure to get to know you through Family Association activities and I hope that you will help us make a difference in strengthening our school. Please feel free to reach out with suggestions, ideas, or questions, and to let us know you'd like to volunteer!

Sincerely,

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