

SPRING CELEBRATION 2024 FACT SHEET

Auction Facts

Purpose: The annual benefit is one of the school's most important fundraisers. Donations and money raised are integral to realizing a shared vision: providing needed funds to increase the diversity of our student body, enabling us to attract and retain the best teachers, and ensuring that Long Ridge can continue to provide the formative education that students and alumni have valued for over 85 years. Our last annual benefit, thanks to the generosity of our community held in 2023, raised over \$60,000, and in previous years we have raised over \$140,000.

Who it Helps: Your children! Through tax-deductible donations of goods and services, you can help close the gap between the school's operating expenses and tuition revenue, helping us continue our over 85-year tradition of providing a pioneering approach to nursery and elementary education. Through this approach, we've empowered and challenged generations of students from all walks of life to excel through progressive, inquiry-based learning. All of our resources go towards the youngest learners; our teachers, parents, alumni, grandparents, and community come together to invest in our students' academic, social, and emotional growth.

Attendees: Long Ridge parents, alumni parents, staff & teachers, trustees, and community members.

What: Online and Live Auction and Benefit

When: Friday, May 17, 2024

Where: The Long Ridge School, Stamford, CT

Long Ridge Facts

At The Long Ridge School, our teachers, parents, and children collaborate to develop a lifelong love of learning in all our students. We are the only independent school focused exclusively on early childhood and elementary education in the region. Our students excel through inquiry based, personalized learning in a joyful, safe environment. Long Ridge's expansive, 14-acre wooded campus is home to a close-knit, inclusive community, where students of all backgrounds take their first steps toward becoming compassionate global citizens. Through an always-evolving progressive approach, our teachers nurture each student's strengths and interests, build confidence and leadership skills, and foster academic, social, and emotional development—and future success.

The School: An independent, coeducational day school enrolling from 2-years old–grade five.

The Students: Long Ridge currently enrolls 70 children from diverse economic, racial, religious, and social backgrounds.

Head of School: Carissa Lewis