Gifts of Enduring Influence

The Muhlenberg Society

NAES Endowment for Leadership Development

National Association of Episcopal Schools
We invite you to become a founding member of the Muhlenberg Society, through making a planned gift to NAES. Your enduring gift will help to insure that NAES continues its ministry of service to those who serve Episcopal schools. Just as William Augustus Muhlenberg's influence went far beyond his own lifetime, so your support of NAES, the only organization of its kind that is Episcopal in character and national in scope, will have a lasting impact.

There are many types of planned gifts. They can be as simple as a bequest in your will (a specific amount or percentage) or designating NAES as a beneficiary of an insurance policy or retirement account (403(b), IRA, etc.). If you can make a gift now, but need income for your retirement, you may also consider creating a Charitable Remainder Trust or Charitable Gift Annuity. Any of these options can provide you with important tax benefits.

Gifts of such lasting value are truly an expression of an individual’s desire that the programs, institutions, and values most important to him or her will help to influence and guide future generations.

Founding membership in the Muhlenberg Society is open to individuals who simply indicate to NAES that the association is included in their estate planning. NAES is also happy to direct questions about giving options to those we work closely with at the Episcopal Church Foundation.

**William Augustus Muhlenberg** (1796-1877)

Widely regarded as the father of The Episcopal Church schools movement, William Augustus Muhlenberg founded the first 19th century Anglican school of Christian learning, The Flushing Institute, on New York’s Long Island, was established in 1827 as a boarding school for boys where they would pursue general academics, be nurtured in an environment that stressed moral and spiritual education, while also receiving training for service in the Church. Ten years after its founding, the school expanded to St. Paul’s College. Muhlenberg’s vision and influence quickly spread. In 1842 he participated in the establishment of Saint James Hall near Hagerstown, Maryland, later to become Saint James School. He subsequently left his mark on Episcopal education, directly influencing many of our oldest Episcopal schools, including St. Paul's School in Concord, New Hampshire and Groton School in Groton, Massachusetts.

As NAES Executive Director, Daniel Heischman, observes, “Muhlenberg is as well known for the influence he had on subsequent generations of Episcopal school leaders as he is known for what he himself established. That makes him an ideal symbol and role model for our planned giving program, where we seek to highlight the enduring character of our commitment to Episcopal education, a commitment that lasts in influence beyond our own times.”
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☐ NAES is already in my will or estate plans.

☐ I am willing to be listed publicly as a member of the Muhlenberg Society.

☐ I have included NAES in my will or estate plans but wish to remain anonymous.

☐ I would like to receive additional information about making a bequest or planned gift to NAES and joining the Muhlenberg Society.

☐ I would like to receive information about making a gift to the NAES Endowment Fund for Leadership Development.

☐ I would like to receive information about becoming a Friend of Episcopal Schools.

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Established in 2008, the NAES Endowment Fund for Leadership Development helps ensure that NAES is able to offer professional and spiritual development programs and resources for current and future Episcopal school leaders. As a true endowment, it allows individuals, corporations, and foundations to offer their support, secure in the knowledge that the Association will administer such gifts in a manner faithful to its mission and the wishes of its donors.

Your gift to the Endowment Fund enables NAES to create new programs and resources and to expand such existing offerings as:

- **Biennial Conference**—NAES’ national conference where hundreds of educators and clergy gather as a community and participate in workshops designed to enhance their ministry
- **Leadership & Governance Institute**—regional conferences devoted to training heads, rectors, and board and vestry members
- **Early Childhood Education Program Leadership Days**—regional meetings devoted to training the leadership of programs for our youngest students
- **Heads’ Retreat**—a gathering for spiritual reflection and development
- **ChapToR**—NAES’ annual conference for chaplains and teachers of religion
- **Institutes** for new and aspiring Episcopal school heads
- **Resources** for Episcopal school identity, leadership, governance, equity, and justice
- **Programs** to develop and support leaders of school startup projects and schools serving historically underserved communities, including NAES’ Episcopal Urban School Alliance (EUSA)

No other association is better positioned to speak to the leadership needs of those in Episcopal schools, on a national level, than NAES; we are at the center of one of the liveliest and most important ministries in the Episcopal Church today. Our track record is distinguished; the future demands of us even more.
NAES ENDOWMENT FUND

☐ Enclosed is (our) check for

$__________________________.

☐ I (We) pledge an Endowment Fund gift of

$__________________________.

☐ I am willing to be listed publicly as an Endowment Fund donor.

☐ I wish to be listed anonymously as an Endowment Fund donor.

☐ This gift/pledge is made in honor (in memory) of

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These avenues for giving offer all of us who love, support, and have been deeply touched by Episcopal schools, the opportunity to give back and strengthen NAES in its continuing service to Episcopal schools and Episcopal school leaders. I ask that you join me in supporting both the planned giving program and the NAES Endowment Fund.

**Merrily Dunlap**  
Executive Director Emerita, Commission on Schools of the Episcopal Diocese of Los Angeles  
Past Governing Board Member, National Association of Episcopal Schools

In observing NAES’ work with the Episcopal schools my three daughters were blessed to attend and in serving on the NAES Governing Board, I’ve seen first-hand what a difference NAES can make to its member schools. I’ve given to the NAES Endowment Fund in my Will to help ensure that its critically needed support of Episcopal schools will be available for many, many years to come.

**Judith W. Lineback, Esq.**  
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Past Governing Board Member, National Association of Episcopal Schools

To become a member of the Muhlenberg Society or to make a gift to the NAES Endowment Fund for Leadership Development please contact

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