

GIFTS OF ENDURING INFLUENCE

The Muhlenberg Society

**NAES Endowment
for Leadership Development**



National Association of Episcopal Schools

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An enduring expression of vision and commitment

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.

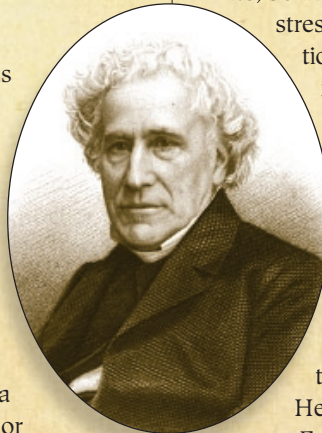
William Augustus Muhlenberg (1796-1877)

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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