





a message from Our Headmaster

This year, we've combined our Oasis magazine and our annual Gratitude Report into one issue. We're grateful not just for the generous monetary donations from parents, grandparents, graduates, faculty and staff, and friends, but also for all of the other contributions you all have made to life at ESA. Within these pages, we invite you to join us in celebrating the 2023-2024 school year.

On June 1st, 59 seniors crossed the stage and became ESA alumni. Congratulations to the Class of 2024! When I meet up with ESA graduates on road trips, out in the Acadiana community, and at their class reunions, they usually ask me if ESA is still the same. And, of course, the answer is yes, and no.

As you'll see in these pages, our students and teachers are exploring the challenges and possibilities of AI. They're producing films and researching ways to grow beneficial algae in space. We're tracking our seniors' college acceptances on a Google map, as well as with pins in the bulletin board in Mr. Berthelot's office. So in some ways, no.

At the same time, you can still walk into our classrooms and find teachers and students engaged in critical thinking, hands-on exploration, and creative problem-solving. We've maintained our participatory athletic program that welcomes every student to be a part of a team, and our teams continue to compete successfully. ESA Performing Arts presented two fantastic musicals, with lower, middle, and upper school actors and crew members. We've revived our speech and debate program after a twenty-year hiatus, and our competitors are already excelling. Our arts, athletics, and academic programs continue to challenge students to think and to thrive as individuals. Our students continue to believe they can learn anything. So in other ways, yes.

A few years ago, we asked students, teachers, and alumni for input as we created a master plan to revive the Cade campus. Working with architects, we have focused on updating the campus to support the incredible work our students and teachers are doing, but also to maintain the things we all love — the open spaces, the individual classroom buildings, and the feeling of blending into the landscape of this amazing setting.

We have been in the quiet phase of a capital campaign to raise the funds necessary to start the work of renewing the Cade campus, and we are ready to begin construction on the first two classroom buildings! I want to thank Drs. Chris Herrington, '99, and A'Dair Williams Herrington, '00, for their commitment to the campaign throughout the last school year. We will have more information about the campaign and the plans for the Cade campus in the next few months as we prepare to take our efforts public and ask you all to support us in preserving what we love about ESA and preparing our school for the future. Areté!

Paul Baker, PhD Headmaster, ESA



The Episcopal School of Acadiana Class of 2024

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Legacy Graduates

The addition of these five legacy graduates brings the total number of ESA legacy graduates to 41.

Patrick Fitzgerald, son of Judge Charlie Fitzgerald, '92 Parker Leger, son of Robbie Leger, '94 Evan Lipari, son of Kelly Curtis Lipari, '85 Camille Movassaghi, daughter of Eric Movassaghi, '91 Carli Stelly, daughter of Brenda Ahrabi Stelly, '85

2024 Awards

Headmaster's Award - Anna Breaux
Bishop's Medal - Maria-Sofia Sotiropoulou
Tom Olverson Award - Owen Broussard
Faculty Awards - Allison Aucoin and Hailey Britton
Bishop and Mrs. Henton Award - Henry Fuller
Shriner's Patriotism Award - Adleigh Caldwell and Jacques Gachassin
Daughters of the American Revolution Award - Alex Trahan

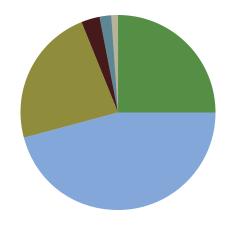
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A Tradition Continues

In May, the Class of 2024 traveled to France and England, where they visited the Louvre, the Musee d'Orsay, the Eiffel Tower, Versailles, Montmartre and Sacré Coeur, Chartres, Normandy, Stonehenge, Westminster Abbey, Trafalgar Square, the National Gallery, the British Museum, and Canterbury. Side trips by different groups included a Manchester United v. Manchester City football match, a performance of *Much Ado About Nothing* at the Globe Theatre, an Eric Clapton concert at the Royal Albert Hall, and high tea!

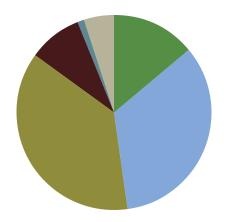




Total Gifts 2023-2024

Annual Fund	25%
Capital	46%
Restricted	23%
Endowments	3%
Falcon Club	2%
Parent Group	1%

Total - \$1,455,975.00



Constituency Giving

Alumni	14%
Current Parents	34%
Grandparents	37%
 Parents of Alumni 	9%
Faculty/Staff	1%
Others	5%

Smedes-Jardine Legacy Guild

The society, named in honor of Mrs. Smedes-Jardine, who donated the property for ESA's Cade campus, honors individuals who have provided for the school through deferred gifts such as bequests, life insurance, annuities and trust agreements.

Martha B. Brown

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Long-term appreciated stocks and other securities may be transferred to ESA. The donor may avoid capital gains taxes upon sale of the stock and be able to claim a charitable deduction.



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Gifts of real estate can include a personal residence, a vacation home, a farm or ranch, income-producing rental property, or undeveloped land. Depending on the value of the real estate, the donor may be able to realize a charitable tax deduction and also avoid capital gains taxes.

Easy Ways to Make Your Charitable Gift



Bequests

A bequest through a will is the most common form of planned giving. This is an attractive option for donors who wish to retain control of their assets during their lifetime and assist ESA at a future date. Bequests may designate a specific dollar amount, a percentage, or the residual of an estate after taxes, expenses and family needs are met. Important estate tax savings may be realized through this type of gift.



Retirement Plan and IRA Designations

A donor may designate ESA to receive any remaining assets from an IRA or other qualified pension or profit-sharing plan. The donor maintains access to funds throughout his/her lifetime, and later gifts are deducted from their taxable estate. This may provide considerable tax savings to the donor's heirs.



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An individual may contribute a paid-up lite insurance policy, buy a new policy, or contribute an existing policy to ESA. In addition, a donor may add ESA as a partial beneficiary to an existing policy. The donor may benefit from an immediate tax deduction or other more complex tax benefits, depending on how the insurance is given.



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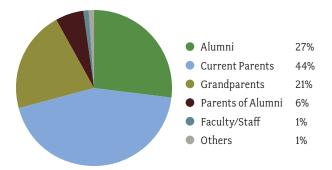
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Class of 2026	Julie and William Kyle
Class of 2025	Jennie and Brad Pellegrin
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The following donors made gifts of \$5,000 or more to ESA's 2023-2024 Annual Fund. Supporting the Annual Fund gives the school maximum flexibility to respond to current year needs and priorities that directly impact the student experience. The school highly values donor confidence in its ability to allocate charitable dollars where most needed, as well as having the faith in the school's mission that these gifts represent.

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ESA gratefully acknowledges the following donors for their gifts during the 2023-2024 school year in support of the Annual Fund. These unrestricted gifts are the second largest source of funding, after tuition dollars, and make up the difference to balance the budget.

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Where Tech Can Take Us: Across all divisions, students collaborate and create with AI.

Along with paintings, photographs, and ceramic pieces, our Visual Arts department submitted a new kind of artwork to UL's Next Gen High School Juried Art Exhibition this year. Junior Luke Schwarz's submission consisted of a projector displaying "A Construction of Flowers," an AI art piece that generates never-before-seen flowers in real-time using a DCGAN (Deep Convolutional Generative Adversarial Network) generative AI model, sourcing imagery from over 200,000 examples from 7,000 species.

While the emergence of AI and ChatGPT has raised concerns for educators, students and teachers have jumped into using AI tools to create. In the fall, third through fifth-grade AI Adventure enrichment cluster members explored a range of AI platforms, such as ChatGPT, Scratch, Craiyon, Code.org, and TeachableMachine. They invited experts to share information about various platforms and how they use them. At the end of the semester, the cluster team hosted an AI Lab to teach third, fourth, and fifth graders about accessing the tools and using prompts for drawing, animating, and writing.

In teacher Missy Gates' senior literature class, The Science in Science Fiction, students took up the challenge of creating alien creatures and settings that could be central to a sci-fi book or movie. Drawing on their studies in the class and what they've learned in ESA science classes, the students worked in groups to develop detailed information about their imaginary life forms, including physical characteristics, reproduction, energy sources, respiration, communication, home environment, and how the creatures traveled to Earth. To create illustrations of the creatures and their homes, the seniors practiced writing prompts that would generate AI images. Through multiple iterations, they learned how to refine their prompts to match their imaginations.

A new club gives middle schoolers the tools to soar.

The Middle School Electronics and Design Team built their own racing drones and tested them around campus. In the process, they learned basic electronics skills and gained background knowledge in aviation and the physics of flight. Thanks to teacher Bullard Jones for providing these students with the opportunity to tackle this new challenge together!

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Planning for a Greener Downtown

a partnership that could make a difference to the local community

Juniors and seniors in environmental science classes spend quite a bit of time collecting data and learning from experts at local lakes and waterways, but this spring, one project took students to an unlikely area - downtown Lafayette. After researching ecoengineering techniques, members of the class drafted letters to Lafayette's Mayor-President detailing plans to make downtown Lafayette more sustainable and to increase biodiversity. Seniors Adleigh Caldwell and Millie Gros hoped to turn their ideas into reality, so they sent in their letter, which proposed decreasing temperatures and increasing pollinators through:

- cascading vertical wall planters that transport water through gravity
- rooftop gardens
- planters with a variety of vegetation that would attract different species of insects and animals and potentially provide homegrown produce
- · trees for shade
- · rain gardens in parks, and
- · an island for animals.

Last spring, the girls sat down with members of the Mayor-President's team: Jackie Vargas Beitia, Regulatory Compliance Supervisor; Bess Foret, Environmental Quality Manager; Jessica Cornay, Chief City Engineer; and Caylee Deshotel, Senior Communications Specialist, to discuss their proposal. The officials were excited about many of the ideas, and hope to partner with science department chair Christina Hidalgo's future ESA environmental science students to see some of Millie and Adleigh's projects installed downtown, starting with vertical planters on walls throughout the area.

"It was such a good experience," said Adleigh, who plans to study architecture and historical renovation. "They're more educated in this area than we are, and were able to give us honest feedback."

While the government officials were impressed with the quality of the research, they pointed out that the girls hadn't prepared a budget, and that funds are often limited for environmental projects. They also discussed regulations, and codes that must be considered, as well as the challenges of generating interest among businesses that don't always see the benefit of the proposed changes. The conversation gave Adleigh and Millie insight into things they'd never considered, such as the extent of the various interests and government roles involved in urban planning.

"The partnership would be a great opportunity for ESA students to work with local government and to see environmental science concepts out in the real world," said Millie. While she plans to study medicine, Millie loved having the chance to meet with professionals making progress in their field and to provide a start for a project that could make a difference to the local community.

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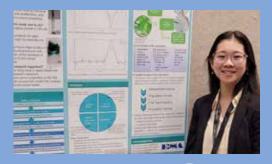
Three ESA veterans have become department chairs this year. Congratulations and thank you to these leaders overseeing faculty, curriculum, student progress, and so much more!

Dr. Missy Gates, English Christina Hidalgo, Science Bill Wood, Social Studies

While outgoing chairs **Andy LeGoullon** and **Garrett Rosen** '97 will continue teaching at ESA, **Dr. Delecia Carey** is retiring from teaching and preparing for another opportunity to serve. We're incredibly thankful for her years of guidance as English department chair, advisor, accreditation manager, class dean, mentor, and friend. Farewell and happy retirement, Dr. Carey!

We've also bid farewell to **Kathleen O'Shaughnessy**, who has retired after serving as Lower School Admissions Coordinator for several years. We're grateful to Ms. O for her many years of service to ESA as a middle school English teacher, Lower School Head, and admissions team member. In her place, **Beverly Burgin** will move from her role as Lower School science teacher to Lower School Admissions Coordinator and Director of Parent Engagement.

Finally, we wish our best to retiring staff members Assistant to the Head **Sharlene Dubois** and Cade Campus Receptionist **Kathy Back!**



Out of This World Research:



This ESA senior is growing lifesaving algae in conditions that mimic those in space.

Siyeon Joo, '25, has been conducting independent research to investigate how Lyngbya, a filamentous genus of cyanobacteria, could grow on the International Space Station. The species of algae Siyeon chose to study produces anti-cancer cyanotoxins, and she hopes her research will prove its usefulness in maintaining the health of astronauts on the ISS. Under the mentorship of science teacher Brittany Grissom, Siyeon experimented with temperature, light control, and humidity. In the spring, she added the condition of microgravity to the list, with the help of equipment on loan from a University of Louisiana professor.

In November 2023, Siyeon presented her research at the Annual Meeting of the American Society for Gravitational and Space Research in Washington, D.C. She spent the week attending sessions, asking questions in breakout rooms, and connecting with the students, professors, and professionals there.

"The conference tested my confidence in my ability," she says. "It was impactful in making connections and in finding my voice in talking about my current research and what it might entail in the future." She added that the conference opened her eyes to what's out there in the world of space research, and she especially enjoyed being able to hear about research before it's published.

"It was more exciting than looking at a classified document," Siyeon says. By becoming a part of the conversation early, Siyeon was thrilled with the ability to see the work of other scientists while they were still accepting input and while the studies could still be modified. "It brought me into being a contributor for the process," she says. "It was very enriching."

In networking with undergraduate and graduate students, as well as industry professionals and government researchers, Siyeon was surprised that they wanted to know more about her and to help her continue to grow in the field. "They want to see you succeed." Siyeon says. "It ties back to how ESA functions as a community."

Find more videos about Siyeon's experience on our website.



Henton Society

Named for Bishop Willis R. Henton, first bishop of The Episcopal Diocese of Western Louisiana and Chaplain Emeritus of ESA and his wife, Mrs. Martha Henton, the Henton Society recognizes the most loyal supporters of the Annual Fund, the school's annual campaign for unrestricted support. The Hentons were devoted financial supporters of the school from its start. This giving society recognizes donors who have given to the Annual Fund for three or more consecutive years. Faithful support of the Annual Fund is a hallmark of the strength of our community.

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A Tradition of Adventure

The location may be different, but ESA eighth graders still take part in an annual outdoor adventure that has been part of ESA tradition since the school's earliest years. In October, the Class of 2028 headed to North Carolina for backpacking in Pisgah National Forest, rock climbing, and rafting on the Nantahala River. Another ESA tradition that has grown out of the trip — writing about the experience in English class and sharing some of the stories and lessons in chapel. See more photos and excerpts from their stories on our website.

I'm always so focused on the next thing that I never take time to slow down and think. This trip made me love life again and want to experience everything and live life to the fullest.

— Molly Granberry, '28



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What Would Beavers Do?

Through their study of animals, the students in Ms. Milissa Ross's PK3 class were captivated by the remarkable ability of beavers to construct dams and lodges for their habitat. To further explore the life of beavers and to learn how lodges are made, Ms. Milissa provided a way for the students to build their own dams and lodges.

Imagining themselves as beavers, the children gathered sticks, twigs, leaves, rocks, dirt, and grass from around campus. Before they started building, they explored the materials, drew their design ideas, and explained them to their teachers. On building day, each group of two or three experimented with different ways to use the materials gathered to craft a dam that would hold water on one side to protect the beaver's home. Rather than giving directions, the teachers gave the students the time and space to explore the task with their partners. Ms. Milissa was surprised at how much the students communicated through their actions in working with the materials, rather than by speaking.

"The children found joy in creating and connecting with one another as they worked together, and each object they used expanded their thinking," she said. "A project like this demonstrates how capable, curious, and interdependent young children can be when given the opportunity."

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Ella Walton, swim and track & field

ESA is ranked as the 10th best overall high school sports program in Louisiana in the 2024 MaxPreps Cup competition!

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Performing and Visual **Arts Highlights**

"Captive," a film by Sadie Ross, '24, was selected for the Purple Sky Film Festival and Prague International Film Festival, and was a Global Shorts award winner for the film.

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Looking Up for Inspiration

Third, fourth, and fifth graders in the Student Leadership Cluster turned to experts close to home - Upper School Student Council members to learn how they lead. Enrichment clusters, one of the pillars of the Lower School's Schoolwide Enrichment Model, give first through fifth-grade students the chance to explore a topic by learning from experts in the field and practicing their work methods. Third, fourth, and fifth graders in the Student Leadership Cluster turned to experts close to home - Upper School Student Council members - to learn how they lead.

The younger students interviewed STUCO president Anna Breaux, '24, and other members of the executive team about how to best serve the interests and needs of a student body, how to approach teachers and administrators, and how to implement their ideas. The cluster members created a student survey and gave all first through fifth-grade students the chance to respond. Armed with the results and a formal proposal of their plans, they approached Lower School Head Elizabeth Pham.

One of the results of their efforts was the approval of one Free Dress Day per month for the last three months of the school year. While the Lafayette Campus had spirit dress days on which students were allowed to wear spirit t-shirts with uniform bottoms or jeans, they'd never had Free Dress Days like the Cade Campus.

To roll out the plan to the lower school community, the cluster members researched all free dress guidelines in the middle and upper school handbooks, adapted them to the lower school, and presented a fashion show to highlight them. The three Free Dress Days in the spring semester were a huge hit, and it looks like a new tradition has been born!



(left to right) Abby Thibodeaux, Ellie Gates, Ainsley Bourgeois, Paxton Fischer, and Ivy Anseman

ESA Speech and Debate is Back!

After a twenty-year absence, ESA Speech and Debate is back in action and already succeeding at the highest level! Paxton Fischer, '27, qualified for the 2024 National Speech & Debate Tournament, held in Des Moines in June. One of only two students from Louisiana, and 100 from throughout the country, Paxton participated in the Congressional Debate category.

In chapel in the spring, team members, along with coach and social studies teacher Rex Jones, gave demonstrations of the different speech and debate events, including impromptu speaking, congressional debate, dramatic interpretation, and Lincoln-Douglas debate.

We are equally proud of the ESA Quiz Bowl team for earning a spot at the Small Schools National Competition in May.

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Illuminating College Admissions ESA's new college counselor, Marshall Gray, introduced a series of College Talks to educate parents about the college admissions process, standardized testing, financial and merit aid, and more. In February, he hosted an evening event with Mr. Heath Einstein, Vice Provost for Enrollment Management at Texas Christian University, who spoke to students and parents about today's college admissions landscape. Mr. Einstein offered advice on how to find a school that's a good match and how to approach the application process. One of his messages: College admissions officers know the strength of ESA's curriculum. While TCU's admit rate for 2023 was 42%, the university admitted 80% of the ESA students who applied.

Mr. Gray tracked the Class of 2024's acceptances on a Google map. Use the QR code to see the map, and the 109 colleges and universities across the United States and internationally, that offered the 59 graduates spots in their freshmen classes and more than \$7.3 million in merit aid.

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Honoring The Rev. Charles Rodney Smith

Last year, we were delighted to honor ESA's first headmaster, The Rev. Charles Rodney Smith, during chapel in Cade. Dr. Baker, along with former faculty member Cabell Tutwiler and alumnus Bill Lasseigne, '85, welcomed Fr. Smith back to ESA. Fr. Smith spoke about the school's first year in the First Baptist Church basement in Lafayette, the move out to the Cade campus, and the impact of our caretaker, Mr. Sidney Hebert. He described bringing the whole school together in the Old Chapel each day, and the role of expeditional education in the ESA curriculum. Thanks to Bill for spearheading the tribute! Use the QR code to find a video of the event.



1992

Mandi Guillotte Pooler was named Town Planner Publisher of the Year at the national conference in Cleveland, Ohio. Mandi publishes nine editions with a total distribution of over 95,000 calendars.

1993

Dr. Ted Veillon, Jr. was featured in an article in *The Advocate* about Louisiana's infant mortality crisis and the doctors who are making a difference. Ted, a maternal-fetal medicine specialist at Women's Hospital in Baton Rouge, flies around the state to see patients with high-risk pregnancies who otherwise wouldn't have access to such specialized care.

1995

Preston Robinson's firm, Robinson+Kennedy, earned a Reed Award for Best Biographical TV Ad.

1997

Lindy Blevins is Chief People
Officer at Upperline Health
based in Nashville. Her hobbies
include watching the Disney/
Pixar assortment of kids movies,
playing trains and cars, and doing
art activities with her two children,
Thatcher, 5, and Temple, 3. On
occasion, she finds the time to read
books for pleasure.

Ryan Brashier graduated from the University of Mississippi's MBA program this summer. He is still writing original music and playing shows around Colorado with his band, Stocks (@playthestocks). Ryan has two daughters, Charlotte, 8, and Mary Ryan, 5. Some of his favorite memories at ESA were in Madame Garboushian's classroom, and he says that's why he named his first daughter Charlotte Cecile.

Scott Chappuis recently became Vice President and Director of Design at Architects Beazley Moliere. ESA Cross Country alumnus **Meyer Friedman** has been named to the
New Orleans Track Club's Hall
of Fame.

Natalie Rabalais House earned a BA from Clemson University and an MEd from Winthrop University. She began working as an elementary math instructional coach for Kershaw County School District in August 2023 after teaching middle school math for 22 years. Having worked in public schools, Natalie says that the ESA experience is truly unique. "When I tell friends and coworkers about the field trips (like to Europe and GlobeTrek), daily chapel, and the close relationships between students and faculty, they are amazed. I look back fondly on the dedication of our teachers, who made sure we had solid experiences to develop our whole selves, not just our academics," Natalie says. She has two boys, Carter, 15, and Parker, 10, and spends a lot of time on soccer fields with her oldest son.

1998

Matthew Mahony is the Principal of Summer Creek High School at Humble ISD.

Erin Pate Romero is serving as the marketing director for Cadence Insurance, a Gallagher company. She and her husband Blake are the parents of three current ESA Falcons, Coen, Ian, and Jackson. You will most likely find them supporting the Falcons at the soccer field, basketball court, or baseball field. "Experiencing ESA through our children and watching them grow and become stewards of our community is most rewarding," says Erin.

Matthew Soulier lives in Houston, and has three sons ages 13, 11, and 6. He is a Vice President at PERC Engineering, a private midsized engineering and consulting group in the Energy Industry.

Eleanor Tutwiler Macken, '98
earned a BA from Middlebury
College and an MA from Western
Carolina University. Eleanor says,
"I remember every teacher I had at
ESA -- they were really dedicated
and caring people, and gave so

much of their time and energy to help me and my peers learn and develop into inquisitive and active young adults. I am a teacher as well, and so they clearly had influence over me (as did my dad). I talk to my kids a lot about my time playing soccer and volleyball at ESA and being part of the State Championship teams! Coaches Rhoades, Quoyeser, Campbell, and Broussard, as well as Mr. Pee, will always have a place in my heart. I also talk a lot about the Outing Club and the crazy adventures we took, led by my father, especially to the Rio Grande and to the Chattooga River in Georgia. Those adventures influenced a number of my early jobs (raft guide and outdoor leader and camp counselor) and are probably the reason that I now live in the mountains of North Carolina and take every opportunity that I can to hike and boat, and to teach my kids how to become outdoor adventurers. I also love to tell travel stories about when Mrs. Bacque took the art club to Italy and when we traveled to France and England my senior year."

Avery Alpha is Principal Deputy

Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis at the U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

Elizabeth "EB" Brooks spent 18 years helping to save and build Moncus Park. Now she lives in Colorado, where she is consulting and enjoying all of the access to outdoor adventures in her free time.

Brandon Brown is the Chief CRNA (certified registered nurse anesthetist) at Touro Infirmary. He lives in New Orleans with his wife and three children. Brandon's vivid ESA memories: daily bus rides with Sandy from Lafayette to Cade, memorizing the prologue to *The Canterbury Tales*, outdoor chapels, and shirt tails being cut off!

Shome Dasgupta's novel about muumuus and an underground auctioning club called *The Muu Antiques* was published in 2023 by Malarkey Books, and his collection of prose - both creative nonfiction and fiction - called *Histories* of *Memories* was published by Belle Point Press in 2023. In the summer of 2024, Belle Point Press is publishing a collection of



A SHARED EXPERIENCE

Over the years, hundreds of ESA students have attended Camp Hardtner, a ministry of the Episcopal Church and "a Christian community that comes together for one week every year to play, laugh, cry, sing, and worship in the eyes of God." This year, 30 current ESA students, as well as alumni serving as counselors and volunteers and children of alumni have connected at Camp Hardtner in the Piney Woods of central Louisiana.

"My experience at Camp Hardtner was one full of love." says Andrew Crochet, '25.
"I started this summer, which could seem a little bold, but I was so happy to find so much welcome and community waiting for me, as well as a lot of fun."

Louisiana-themed short stories called *Atchafalaya Darling*. Shome is serving as a guest judge for The Wavelengths Chapbook Contest in the summer as well. His work was most recently anthologized in *Best Small Fictions 2023* and nominated for Best of the Net 2024.

Louis David has been selected as New Orleans Business Alliance's President and CEO.

2000

Faith Choate Roy received bachelor's and master's degrees from UL Lafayette in Communicative Disorders. She is a licensed Speech-Language Pathologist and has been working in nursing home settings for the past 17 years. After serving as Director of Rehab, for the past three years, Faith has been the VP of Operations for Essential Rehab Solutions, a contract therapy company partnering with nursing homes across Texas and Louisiana. She and her husband Bryan married in ESA's Henton Chapel fifteen years ago, and have two daughters, Ella, 12, and Amalie, 9.

Lindsay Meador Young attended
Loyola University in New Orleans
for both her undergraduate and law
school studies. She is a shareholder
and attorney at Galloway Johnson,
and serves as the president of the
Lafayette Bar Association. Lindsay
loves going to the gym, living in
the country, raising chickens, and
spending time with family and
friends. She is an ESA parent with a
son, Carson, in first grade, and says
it has been a great way to see fellow
alumni who are also current parents.

2001

Danny Bourque was the team choice award winner in the Hum3D Sci-Fi Industrial Zone 3D competition.

A motion graphics designer and animator, Danny was one of 17 artists with work on display at the Constellations International Festival in Metz. France.

Anna Mary LeBlanc Walker is the founder and principal consultant for AM/PM Solutions & Services. She says, "I continue to be a life-long student with a growth mindset and interested in just about everything, which I fully attribute to ESA.

It helped make me a great fit in my role as a part-time instructor with the Center for Nonprofit & NGO Studies at Northern Illinois University." Anna Mary married in 2010, and has three young boys, Foster, 9, Deacon, 5, and Holden, 3, who fill her days (and laundry room) with purpose.

Leila Sahni has a BS in chemistry, an MPH with a specialization in health promotion, and a PhD in epidemiology. She is an Assistant Professor at Baylor College of Medicine, where she is an infectious disease epidemiologist with research interests and expertise in disease-based surveillance, pediatric infectious diseases, vaccine effectiveness, and vaccine hesitancy.

Chelsea Staires Sun and her family lived in Barcelona, Spain, for the 2023-24 school year to adventure, learn, and grow together. Chelsea says, "We've been fortunate to visit many countries and multiple continents. We have a strong drive to raise conscientious, open-minded global citizens. I credit this, in no small part, to my world-expanding

Senior trip to England and France with ESA many years ago!"

2002

Kady Bourgeois Van Hook is a fulltime mother to daughter Rachel, 9. She says her latest challenge is teaching first grade as a maternity leave substitute at St. Francis Episcopal School "Not a day goes by where I don't feel the impact of ESA teachers in some way. I carry y'all in my heart," says Kady.

Alix Gonsoulin married Joseph Morris in May of 2023. She is the VP of Product Operations at Stuller.

Farouki Farouki, the New Orleans-based firm founded in 2015 by interior designer Caroline Landry Farouki and her husband, architect Sabri Farouki, was featured in Architect, the journal of the American Institute of Architects. The Faroukis were named Architect's Next Progressives. Caroline earned a B.A. in environmental studies with a minor in architecture from Washington University in St. Louis, and an MFA in interior design from SCAD.

Casey Sollberger is the father of two wonderful boys, and is teaching middle school engineering electives at David Thibodaux STEM Magnet Academy.

2003

Danielle Menard Broussard earned a bachelor of science degree in Architectural Studies from UL Lafayette. She has been married to her husband Beau for 18 years. Her daughter, Emily, is studying Diagnostic Medical Sonography at LSU Eunice and is an accomplished flutist. Her son, Bienvenue, is a freshman in high school and plays on the North Vermilion JV Soccer Team. Danielle and Bienvenue both became US certified soccer referees last summer.

Corey Hebert graduated from UL Lafayette with a BA in Philosophy, from Tulane Law School with a JD, and from the University of Edinburgh with an MSc in Epistemology, Ethics, and Mind. He describes one of the highlights of his time at ESA: "I was going down the final zipline over the lake at the GlobeTrek camp, and there

was a camp counselor at the end to throw us a rope and bring us in. I accidentally kicked him into the lake when I tried to catch the rope, and got stuck in the middle of the zipline. Coach Rhoades was there to throw a rope over the zipline and hold down the end in case anyone got stuck, but couldn't get it over because he was laughing too hard."

Janie Lopez List recently wrapped up managing a \$75M fundraising campaign for a new pediatric mental health hospital. Janie's favorite ESA memories: The trips to NOLA for volleyball state championships were the best - the decorated bus, rolling down the grassy hill, the visual sessions right before the big game, etc.

Stephen Shirley has a degree in mechanical engineering and an MBA from the University of Denver. He still lives in Colorado, where he enjoys trail running, rock climbing, and playing in the mountains.

Katie Tutwiler Colby graduated from Scripps College with a BA in European Studies, and from the University of New Orleans with an MBA. Katie says, "I've recently

learned how to play pickleball and to ride my bike with no hands! I've also started playing volleyball again with colleagues at work. On another note, although neither of my kids have grown up in Louisiana (4 & 7 years old), I am quite proud that they both LOVE gumbo."

2004

Emily Burgin Richard lives in Baton Rouge with her husband Ryan and their four children. She works as a dermatologist at The Baton Rouge Clinic. Emily says, "I have wonderful memories of my years at ESA. The education I received there prepared me for a career in medicine, and I learned many valuable life lessons from my experiences in athletics."

Alex McVeagh earned a B.S. in Economics from Vanderbilt and a J.D. from Vanderbilt Law School. He was appointed by the Tennessee governor as a county judge in 2017 to hear civil and criminal cases. Alex founded and presided over a Drug Recovery Court, and was re-elected in 2022. In March 2024, he was elected to serve as a state trial court judge.

2005

Kimia Ghalambor Cressy graduated from UCLA in Business Economics, Accounting & French, and earned a J.D. from UCLA Law School.

Natasha Manuel Mattappally

lives in New Orleans, where she completed both college and law school. After practicing law, she earned a master's in elementary education, and currently teaches sixth-grade ELA. She has three children and a dog, and she and her family love traveling and spending time together.

2006

Eleanor Brown was appointed Director of Sustainability by Southworth Development, a global real estate developer of golf and private club communities. Eleanor earned a B.A. in Marine Science and Environmental Studies from the University of San Diego, a J.D. from Louisiana State University Law School, and an LL.M. from the University of California, Berkeley with a focus on energy storage for water conservation.

Nick Eure works in Sanctions
Compliance for the multinational
investment bank and financial
services corporation Citigroup. Nick
earned a degree in finance from
Stetson University in 2010, and
stayed in Florida for Stetson Law
School, completing his J.D. in 2013.
And yes, he still plays soccer!

2007

Tim Rinaldi is the Executive Director of Miles Perret Cancer Services in Lafayette, and is the father of four boys.

2008

Dr. Pete Croughan is the Deputy
Secretary of the Louisiana
Department of Health. Pete
graduated from Yale University
with a degree in History of Science
and Medicine. He earned an M.D.
from the University of California,
San Francisco, and completed an
internal medicine residency at
Harvard Medical School Massachusetts General Hospital.
Pete worked with the Louisiana
Department of Health from 2017
to 2020 as Policy Director, Chief



HOUSTON ALUMNI GATHERING

In 2023, we spent a beautiful Sunday afternoon in Houston catching up with Kristen Rice Smith, '06, Elson Smith, '06, Michelle Reynolds Clark, '00, Lyle Williams, '88, Marcy Mayers Laviage, '91, Elise Mayers Bouchner, '87, Kady Bourgeois Van Hook, '02, Becky Anderson Clarke, '83, Lex Pierre, '09, Holly Miller, '89, Mandy Cedars Stevens, '01, Rick Miers, '01, and Alexandra Hales Elizondo, '03. Thanks to Marcy for hosting us in her home, and to Holly and Kady for co-hosting!

of Staff, and Special Advisor. After finishing his residency, he worked as an addiction and internal medicine physician at the Acadiana Area Human Services District in Lafayette and Crowley.

Corey Jones co-founded the firm E Squared Ventures with partner Stephanie Dorsey in 2020. The firm invests in food and agriculture companies, using technology to change those industries.

Meaghan McCarron Savoy is the owner of La Femme Lingerie in Lafayette and was a Top 20 Under 40 Acadiana Leadership Award honoree.

2011

Bill Croughan is completing a PhD in Neuroscience at the University of California, Berkeley. His dissertation focuses on memory and how our memories are formed.
Bill completed his undergraduate work in 2016 at Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh, where he studied Math and Computer Science.
Music is still a passion for Bill, too!

2012

Katherine Faul Boustany taught ESA's chemistry classes for a day last year, and will return as a full-time chemistry teacher for the coming year. Katherine earned a bachelor of science degree in biomedical science from Texas A&M, and a master's

degree in respiratory therapy from UT Health in San Antonio, one of only eight schools in the country that offer the degree at the masters level. She began her studies at UT Health in 2019, and trained in some of the most acute Covid units in the country, including a rotation in the NICU and PICU at Johns Hopkins. She has been working as a respiratory therapist with Ochsner Lafayette General in the adult ICU and the bronchoscopy suite. On her day as a sub, she discussed acidbase balance with our chemistry students, and had them interpret patient data to understand how blood chemistry affects the body.

J.J. Jacquet connected with members of the Food Around the



Max Kallenberger, '09, and Fallon Foti Kallenberger, '09, welcomed identical twin boys, Henry and Owen, on May 24, 2023, in Austin, Texas. The twins arrived prematurely at 34 weeks and were admitted to the NICU, where Maddie Schutte Hazel, '11, served as their primary NICU RN for their three-week stay. The Kallenberger twins went home healthy!

Max Kallenberger, '09, Fallon Foti Kallenberger, '09, Maddie Schutte Hazel, '11 and the Kallenberger Twins

World enrichment cluster, a group of lower school students exploring careers in food. J.J. works at The Palm, a steakhouse and Italian restaurant in New York City. In answering the students' questions, he shared that he attended the Institute of Culinary Education in New York, and completed an externship at The Palm that led to a full time job. He prepares everything from homemade meatballs and three cheese dishes, to tuna and lobster. His advice for the cluster members: "How much you apply yourself and care about what you're doing is how much you get out of it."

2013

Micah Nicholas, Executive Director of the American Red Cross, was a Top 20 Under 40 Acadiana Leadership Award honoree!

Elizabeth Shensky Hansen is making a name for herself in her hometown of New Iberia. Featured in *The Advocate*, Elizabeth explained that she attended Florence University of the Arts in Italy for a one-year program in the university's School of Food and Wine Studies. She worked as a pastry chef at Soho House in New York, a members-only club and hotel in the Meatpacking District, then made ice cream, doughnuts, and more on Cape Cod before returning home to bake for her parents' restaurant, Caribbean Ice Company.

2015

Mateo Atwi, '15, and his brother Tiago, '14, have launched US Frame Company, a division of BOXY Construction, to produce metal framing for construction projects. They are based at the Port of Iberia.

2016

Abigail Bullock, CSW, graduated from LSU in December with a Master's of Social Work degree. In 2020, she earned a BA in elementary education with a minor in psychology from Millsaps College. Abby works at



Samantha Schiro, '12

An article by **Dr. Samantha Schiro**, '12, was published in the July 2023 issue of the Journal of Forensic Sciences. The article is based on Samantha's graduate school dissertation focusing on the prevalence rate of posttraumatic stress disorder in forensic science professionals. Samantha commissioned into the Air Force in June 2021 as a captain, her current rank. In 2022, she received a doctorate degree in Psychology (PsyD) from the University of Indianapolis following completion of an internship at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. She is now a fully licensed clinical psychologist, and works as an active duty mental health provider at Sheppard Air Force Base in Wichita Falls, Texas, where she treats active duty military members for various mental health-related conditions.



Caitlyn Eid, '16

Caitlyn Eid, '16, graduated from Lewis and Clark University in Portland, Oregon, in June of 2024 with a Master of Arts in Professional Mental Health Counseling with a specialization in addiction. Before her graduate work, Caitlyn earned a BA in Psychology from St. Edward's University in Austin, TX. She is currently an intern at a detox and residential facility in Washington, where she treats clients and facilitates groups for those battling addiction, and she plans to obtain dual licensure in Oregon and Washington.

Baton Rouge General Wellness Center for Intensive Outpatient (IOP). She says, "The impact of ESA has not only deepened my love of learning, but truly transformed who I am and how I see the world. I would have never been able to gain the opportunities I have nor the qualities within myself that make me who I am today. I always reflect on my times at ESA with gratitude."

Henry Schneider has been awarded one of two Prizes for Academic Excellence and Outstanding Service in Boston University's economics master's program. Henry served as a member of the board of the Graduate Economics Association for the 2022-2023 school year. For his department's Global **Development Economics** (MAGDE) Capstone Project, Henry and his team were contracted by a local government agency in Northeastern India "to study how various economic, social, and geographical factors affected the election of women in tribal communities to hold

administrative positions within their village's public employment office." Traveling in the area for three weeks, Henry and his research partner conducted about 120 interviews with local women and government officials. Henry's studies will continue as he pursues a PhD.

2018

Camille Daigle graduated from LSU in 2022 with a bachelor of science degree and from the University of Vermont in 2024 with a master of science degree, both in Communication Sciences and Disorders. She is a Speech Language Pathologist at Milton Elementary School.

Abigail Kitakule earned a
Bachelor of Science degree in
biology with minors in chemistry
and French from Belmont
University in 2022. She is a
Research Fellow at the National
Institute of Environmental
Health Sciences (NIH/NIEHS)
in the Reproductive and
Developmental Biology Lab.



Dom Berthelot, '1

Dominic Berthelot, '17, graduated from Loyola University College of Law in New Orleans with a J.D. and a Certificate in International Legal Studies. While in law school, Dom was an intern for the 15th Judicial District Attorney's Office in Lafayette and the 22nd Judicial District Attorney's Office in Covington, a summer intern for Justice Jay McCallum of the Louisiana Supreme Court, and a summer clerk for the Honorable Robert R. Summerhays of the Western District of Louisiana. In year three, Dom represented Loyola Law in the John L. Costello National Criminal Law Trial Advocacy Competition held at the Antonin Scalia College of Law in Arlington, Virginia. He and his co-counsel were National Quarterfinalists, placing 3rd out of 12 defense teams and 5th overall out of 24 teams. Dom

was recognized as Best Oral Advocate in the quarterfinal round and was later named Outstanding 3L of Loyola's Trial Advocacy Program. After taking the Louisiana bar exam this July, Dominic is beginning a one-year federal clerkship with the Honorable Jerry Edwards, Jr., in Alexandria.

2020

Isabelle Berthelot graduated from the University of the South, Sewanee with a bachelor of science degree in both Biology and Environmental Studies with honors.

After graduating from Clark
University cum laude with a
B.A. in sociology and a minor in
environmental science, **Charlotte Leavitt** rowed for Clark while
completing an accelerated master's
program in community development
and planning. She was a Regional

Planning Intern at the Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission.

Christiaan Thibodeaux studied mechanical engineering at UL Lafayette and was the President of the Louisiana Engineering Society's Student Section there.

2021

After completing her sophomore year at Tulane University, **Lauren Gachassin** spent the summer as

an intern in the Washington D.C. offices of U.S. Senator John Kennedy. Lauren says the internship provided her with a valuable opportunity to immerse herself in the political landscape and gain practical knowledge in the field. The following fall, Lauren spent a semester at WHU-Otto Beisheim School of Management in Vallendar, Germany.

Luke LeGoullon was a member of the Dream Team, the all-male practice squad that helped the LSU Women's Basketball team prepare

to win the national championship! In his spare time, Luke studies computer science at LSU.

2022

For his gap year, Felix Osborn spent three months in Zimbabwe working on an elephant research project, then traveled to Tanzania, where he helped to set up underwater coral farms and guided tourists on whale shark trips. Next, he worked in Costa Rica for an organization called Rescate, which has a research project with Texas A&M University. Through the project, Felix helped rehabilitate seized macaws and other parrots for release into the wild. Last stop: work on a Mayan archeology project in Belize with the University of Texas at Tyler. Now Felix is at Fordham University, where he is studying environmental science.



Kate Kaufman, '20

Kate Kaufman, '20, graduated Summa Cum Laude from Tufts University this spring with a Bachelor of Science in Clinical Psychology and a minor in Child Studies and Human Development. As an undergraduate, Kate served as Co-President of Ears for Peers, a confidential, anonymous helpline for Tufts students. and worked at the Boston Child Study Center. She is one of 30 students out of 762 applicants to be accepted into a doctorate degree program in Clinical

Psychology at Stanford University's PsyD Consortium. Kate says, "Coming to ESA in the ninth grade was truly transformative for me. ESA was the first place where teachers and faculty challenged me to reach my full potential academically and as a leader, which opened doors and led to many opportunities. In particular, the peer leadership program and ESA Abroad were incredibly significant in helping me to build confidence to venture outside my comfort zone. ESA's high standards for learning certainly prepared me for college, but more importantly, the encouragement and support I received along the way created the foundation for a lifelong love of learning that has followed me through college and will continue into graduate school."



Piper Leger, '22

Piper Leger is double majoring in psychology and film at the University of New Orleans. She's also providing videography for marketing on the university athletic department's social media and website, and interning at the Nims Center Studio Soundstages in New Orleans.

Piper says, "As a creative, my time at ESA taught me how to integrate my creative side with my ability to think analytically. I now critically develop my creative ideas to make them appealing and impactful. ESA gave me the confidence to face challenges because I learned how to tackle them with a clear mind and a plan of action. I am not intimidated by challenges, and that has helped me thrive away from the ESA environment."



Jennifer Movassaghi Moffett, '98, and Rami Dibbs, '13.

Heading into surgery together: Jennifer Movassaghi Moffett, '98, and Rami Dibbs, '13! Jennifer is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Surgery and Rami is a plastic surgery resident at the University of Texas Medical Branch.



Henry Shuffler, '20, had a fantastic season as one of Tulane pitched for two years at the University of Louisiana Monroe before moving to Tulane, where he is majoring in sociology and taught me the importance of use now both on and off the field. I also learned how to at Tulane."



Morgan Williams, '23, Ursula Quoyeser and Sara Robichaux

2023

Morgan Williams and the beach volleyball team from Texas Christian University were in Youngsville in May for the Conference USA tournament, and they went home as conference champions! Morgan is in the Honors College at TCU, and is double majoring in finance and accounting. Catching up with coaches Ursula Quoyeser and Sara Robichaux, Morgan said, "The skills ESA instilled in me have made the transition to college seamless. My ability to self-start, time manage, and think critically sets me apart. I learned how to build relationships with my coaches and teachers, discuss my goals, take feedback, and make a plan of action to attain my goals. I love my Falcon family!"

Young Falcon Society

The Young Falcon Society recognizes alumni 35 years of age and younger who make a gift of \$250 or more to the Annual Fund or restricted funds. As members of the Young Falcon Society, these young alumni are recognized as leadership donors.

Camden Cornwell, '09 Gus Godchaux, '07 Sam Hebert, '17 Clara Little Frugé, '08 Daniel Frugé, '08 Mary Katherine Loos,'15 Chris Marcotte,'07 Meaghan McCarron Savoy,'08 Micah Nicholas,'13 Frem Reggie,'08 Andrew Reynolds, '06 Mina Ross, '07 Chris Savoy, '07 Whitney Walker Linville, '08

Alumni Donors by Class Year

Gifts to the Annual Fund or restricted funds by alumni convey their ongoing belief in the school's mission and are an expression of appreciation from those who have experienced the benefits of an ESA education firsthand. Gifts from our alumni honor those whose generosity made their time as students at ESA exceptional. Donors are listed by class year in order to encourage participation and class unity.

1983	1990	1998	2003	2009
Court Ramsay	Anonymous	Matt Granberry	Melissa Desormeaux Fuller	Camden Cornwell
-	Angie Delcambre Broussard	Anu Gupta Desai	Josh Guagliardo	
1984	Erin Reed Monica	Elise Johnson Sonnier	Matt Kennedy	2010
Curtis Hudson		Erin Pate Romero	Lizzy LaPointe	Kelly Gambel Karam
Terry Hults	1991		Jenny Melanson	
Jenny Malin Cole	Kenny Boagni	1999		2011
Billy Plauché	Eric Movassaghi	Shome Dasgupta	2004	Chris Beyer
•	Stephen Nickel	Megan Dobyns	Ben Baronne	•
1985	Matthew Williams	Chris Herrington	Emily Burgin Richard	2013
Brenda Ahrabi Stelly		Kat Plumley Roy	Leigh Godchaux	Micah Nicholas
Kelly Curtis Lipari	1992		Navita Gupta Breaux	
Pilar Martinez Morrison	Siao Yong Ly	2000		2015
Jackie Plauché Cagley		Lon Baronne	2006	Mallory Gaspard
	1993	Lacie Montie Chappuis	Andrew Reynolds	Mary Katherine Loos
1986	Lesley Barousse Malinowski	Ashton Reed	Emily Ross Hidell	
Laurie Edler Huffman		A'Dair Williams Herrington		2017
	1994		2007	Sam Hebert
1987	Matt Rainey	2001	Gus Godchaux	
Scott Caradine		Steven Burgin	Chris Marcotte	2022
Elizabeth Turney Ryan	1995	Katie Cooper Kennedy	Mina Ross	Caitlin Cotteleer
	Scott Mayers	Jennifer Desormeaux	Chris Savoy	
1988	Allie Pate Rosen	Graycheck		
Dinky Fuselier		Katie Garrison Habbit	2008	
Scott Yarbrough	1996	Colleen Maley Rothman	Daniel Frugé	
	Tyson Cromwell	Jennifer Mestayer Upshaw	Lauren Guillory Bordelon	
1989		Emily Scott McCall	Clara Little Frugé	
Heather Davis	1997		Meaghan McCarron Savoy	
Holly Miller	Scott Chappuis	2002	Frem Reggie	
	Jerome Moroux	Lindsay Barnes Arrieta	Whitney Walker Linville	
	Garrett Rosen	Angela Granberry Davis		
		Christiaan Mader		
		Trey Miller		



ESA Abroad: Greece

Since its founding in 2009, ESA Abroad has sent over 100 students and 19 faculty members to six different destinations around the world, including Florence, London, Paris, the Galapagos, and Berlin. This year for the first time, the group traveled to Greece and Rome. Social Studies Department Chair Mr. Bill Wood and Upper School Head Dr. Kat Movassaghi led the group through Athens, Delphi, Meteora, Ionnina, Florence, Rome, and Vatican City. The travelers - sophomores, juniors, and seniors - focused on history, culture, and philosophy for a week before the trip, then spent the two weeks of the trip exploring what they studied firsthand.

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