



Quarterly Newsletter FALL 2018

Inspiring. Building. Transforming.

Alisyn Camerota set to kick off Annual Appeal



On November 15th, Horizons at SHU will be hosting its 2018–19 Annual Appeal kickoff luncheon at the Country Club of Fairfield.

Our featured speaker and special guest will be CNN's Anchor of *New Day* and Author of *Amanda Wakes Up*, Alisyn Camerota.

Click <u>here</u> to join us for this inspiring event!

LOOKING AHEAD TO 2019

Summer 2019
Social Emotional Learning

GOLF OUTING



This past June, Horizons at SHU held its inaugural golf outing at the beautiful Great River Golf Course in Milford. The event raised over \$100,000 to support our outstanding academic and enrichment programs.

Mark your calendars for the 2019 tournament on June 25th!





Horizons at SHU is proud to be partnering with Harvard University's Graduate School of Education to launch a program-wide social emotional learning curriculum. This program is being created specifically for our 6 week summer program and is based on the feedback of our teachers, staff and students. By meeting our students' social and emotional needs and helping them to identify their feelings, build relationships and increase frustration tolerance, the children will be able to better focus on learning and enjoy their enrichment activities.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



Horizons at SHU had a total enrollment of 180 students during the 2018 summer

How does Horizons make an impact?

Horizons makes a minimum 12 year commitment to every student when he or she enters in kindergarten. It's this continuity that allows us to change the life trajectories of our students. This year nearly 96% of our students returned to our Summer Program.

Horizons at SHU Students Achieve

This past summer, our students demonstrated significant gains in both literacy and math. They gained an average of 3 months of academic growth over the course of the 6 week program. We help our students maintain this growth with our school year programming and tutoring academy.



\$26,000 RAISED FOR CODING PROGRAM

Through the generous support of our sponsors, Horizons at SHU raised over \$26,000 towards our 2018 Special Appeal. This year's Special Appeal allowed us to expand our STEM curriculum with the launch of a Coding Program in partnership with Apple.

This program expansion allowed students to develop new skills, such as critical thinking and problem solving while working as a team.



OUR NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ON HORIZONS

"Community is at the heart of Horizons at SHU. Each child is met where they are and given what they need to succeed. Our



Meeting Students' Individual Needs

This past year, Horizons at SHU launched a weekend tutoring academy offering an additional 7 academic sessions for the students who need it most. The children receive individualized attention and differentiated instruction so they can improve their skills in a way that fits their learning style.

Horizons in the SHU Community

Horizons at SHU welcomed a number of Sacred Heart University students, including athletes from various teams, to work with our children. The men's Rugby, Football and Swim teams inspired our students through their personal stories and by offering academic assistance. The SHU students created special bonds with the children and helped expand their expectations for their own futures.

classrooms are created for exploration and our children are encouraged to be curious and active learners. It is about the process and each child finding what speaks to them. The children are empowered to explore their interests and be self-confident. They are grounded by a community with a common purpose, set of values and experiences that celebrate diversity."

Jaime Perri, Executive Director

CALENDAR

Check out our upcoming events <u>here.</u>





Why I support Horizons: Teacher Spotlight

"I support Horizons because Horizons is about educating the whole child. We understand that for children to grow academically, they need to be joyful. Horizons brings happiness and education together. It is a place to grow academically and emotionally. The important thing is being who you are, being the best you can be, and doing the best you can. At Horizons, we help our students achieve their goals by giving them the well-rounded support they need, both in and out of the classroom."

Ruthie Phillips - 8th Grade Teacher, 6 years with Horizons at SHU

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