



# Charting The Course...

After five years as a school, **Our Sisters' School**, an independent, tuition-free middle school for the girls of **Greater New Bedford** sails on and celebrates continued growth and success.



*Our Sisters' School Class of 2013*

“Over the last four years you have been poets, playwrights, artisans, mathematicians and scientists. You have asked great questions and exhibited a willingness to learn. Continue to do so. Some of you may feel nervous about going on to larger schools with hundreds of students filling the halls and classrooms, but I believe you should feel confident. You have built a solid foundation here at OSS; continue to build on that foundation. Continue to set goals for yourselves and believe that you can achieve them. You have what it takes to be successful and I see success in all of you. Leonardo da Vinci said that, “One can have no smaller or greater mastery than the mastery of oneself.” In other words, you are in control of your future. Only you can make your education important and in doing so, you will create your own successes. I wish you all the best in the future; I am expecting great things from you.” *Ms. Wayss, Visual & Performing Arts Coordinator –Promotional Ceremony, June 2013*



## **ANNUAL REPORT**

July 1st, 2012 to June 30th, 2013

### **OUR SISTERS' SCHOOL MISSION**

The mission of Our Sisters' School is to inspire and education middle-school girls from the Greater New Bedford area to reach their full potential in a safe, supportive and challenging environment. Our Sisters' School Provides a quality education and welcomes girls from diverse faiths, races and cultures.

## LETTER FROM THE BOARD

In the cinematic world, this has been the year of “Girl Rising,” a powerful and provocative film which tells the stories of nine young women from various countries around the globe and documents the “strength of the human spirit and the power of education to change a girl and the world.” While the film’s narrative is global in scope, it is also very much the story of what Our Sisters’ School has been accomplishing right here in New Bedford!

Looking back at our recently-concluded fifth year, it is clear that we have much to celebrate. Our admissions numbers continue to increase; last year eighteen fifth graders walked through our doors on opening day. Year by year, we see an increase in applicants as our board members Bernadette Souza, Gail Fortes and Helena Hughes -- as well as our growing cadre of enthusiastic alumnae -- help spread the OSS word throughout the community.

Over the recent academic year, we fine-tuned our teaching model to serve our students more effectively. In response to the manifold challenges of teaching incoming students -- who in many cases lack fundamental learning skills -- the Board voted to add professional teachers to the staff. Our remarkable crew of local volunteers continues to grow, contributing much-needed support in all areas of the school. This year also saw the dawn of the Parent Liaison, a voice in the OSS community for the parents of our students. Our graduating class set off on the next leg of their educational voyage with customary distinction. Several students received full scholarships at outstanding independent schools such as Falmouth Academy, Phillips Exeter Academy & Tabor Academy. Others are attending New Bedford Vocational-Technical School or New Bedford High School. Wherever they are, we are confident that OSS has given them the skills they will need to meet future educational challenges and nurtured in them a love of knowledge that will last a lifetime.

### **Other accomplishments of the past year:**

The finance committee, under Business and Operations Manager Carlene LeBlanc, has kept the school on course and within its operating budget, by no means an easy feat. The committee also recommended that The CommonFund be appointed manager of a portion of the school's Sustainability Fund. Although the task of raising our annual budget remains daunting, the Advancement Committee and Director of Development Abby Magni continue to find creative ways to remind the Board and the community of the importance of investing in New Bedford and the South Coast through generous support of OSS.

### **The year has also seen several transitions:**

Two of our most effective and committed board members resigned their positions. The contributions of JoAnn Tschaen, who served as vice president of the board from its inception, and Toby Baker are immeasurable. As members of the founding board of the school, they have been wise, vigilant and inspirational in their leadership. New Bedford and OSS could not have had more passionate advocates.

Seeking a new Head of School, the Search Committee did an outstanding job, spending six months reviewing resumes and interviewing highly qualified applicants. Last December, the Board met and voted unanimously to hire Sarah Herman. Sarah officially signed on during the first week of July 2013. She has said that her main objective at OSS is to “polish the jewel” that already exists. And for the existence of that shiny jewel we have to acknowledge the outstanding leadership of Lisa Yates, who left OSS in July to become principal of the Pacheco School in New Bedford. The board recognizes Lisa’s enormous contributions in building the foundations of OSS. With the wind at her back and her hand firmly on the wheel, Lisa guided OSS steadfastly throughout its five formative years.

A tremendous thanks to all our supporters for contributing with passion and diligence to the welfare of the school and for believing that education truly changes the lives of our students, their families and our entire community. Your investment in Our Sisters’ School continues to provide a safe and supportive environment for building life-long learners.

Lisa Schmid Alvord,  
President, Board of Trustees

## LETTER FROM THE HEAD OF SCHOOL

Since the schools inception, I have been a part of all the firsts- sharing my ideas and encouraging our growth while always thinking about the community we are here to serve. It is with great appreciation and humility I share highlights from the year for the last time.

With our third class of graduates recently joining our alumnae body, we are proud of the accomplishments of each and every one of them. The Class of 2013 leaves OSS prepared and ready for the next leg of their educational journey, and we are confident that they will be active members of their school communities next year. Members of the Class of 2013 are attending Falmouth Academy, Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational School, New Bedford Public High School, Philips Exeter Academy, and Tabor Academy. Good luck & congratulations, Class of 2013. On some level, I feel like I am graduating with them!

Our alumnae have visited OSS throughout the school year tutoring, mentoring and sharing stories of their high school adventures. We are proud to share we had 50% of our graduates back to OSS this winter for an alumnae gathering. Thank you Mrs. Knight for all you have done to prepare the Class of 2013 and provide fun opportunities for our graduates to stay connected. Of course, I'll stay connected too!

Thanks to the diligence and dedication to student recruitment, Ms. Santiago helped coordinate the first ever School Choice Fair at the Andrea McCoy Recreation Center providing city students the chance to learn about all the different schools in our community. Thank you, Ms. Santiago for always promoting OSS in our community. Connecting with our community and spreading the good word about OSS is a big part of what makes our work possible.

The crew of OSS volunteers grew this year with 50 new volunteers. Ms. Penny recruited and trained volunteers in the office, as tutors, as lunchroom helpers, and as sports instructors. Thank you to all of you who have given your time to our school and to Ms. Penny for growing our program this year.

This year the OSS basketball team was established; players had a chance to compete in intramural games with four local middle schools. Ms. Canastra built a team of interested students, practiced hard, and held scrimmages in preparation for the BIG games. Thank you, Ms. Canastra for giving our students the chance to show OSS pride and be responsible competitors! Go TEAM OSS!

Tuesday mornings the OSS hallways were alive with song, thanks to the vision of Ms. Brown for an OSS chorus. For the first time in school history, the OSS chorus met weekly, rehearsed endlessly and has performed throughout the year at school, and in the community.

Our 2012 flurry of activity was punctuated by the appointment of our new Head of School, Sarah Herman. Applications from over twenty-five candidates were considered, representing a wide range of backgrounds, educational philosophies and experiences, and the unanimous feeling was that Sarah's passion for educating girls, her commitment to diversity, and her strengths as an inspiring mentor made her the best choice. Sarah has the necessary experience and endless energy to, in her words, "polish the jewel of OSS." She has been searching for a school leadership position where she can work with underserved populations in a school with a clear mission, a commitment to diversity and a student-centered approach to education. She speaks Spanish fluently and is also excited about becoming part of the New Bedford community.

This report is bittersweet for me as I celebrate the schools accomplishments, next steps, and bid farewell to the students, families, staff, teachers, volunteers and many friends of OSS. It has been an honor to serve as the founding Head of School; I will look back on this voyage with great pride and am humbled by the endless support of so many. Thank you to ALL of you who have been a part of the journey, it is my hope you will stay on board for many years to come, the students and school need your expertise, experience and support.

Fair winds,  
Lisa A. Yates, *Head of School*



## List of Schools the Class of 2013 Applied to:

Bishop Stang

Deerfield Academy

**Falmouth Academy**

**Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical**

**High School**

Loomis Chaffee

Middlesex School

Milton Academy

**New Bedford Public High School**

Noble & Greenough School

Phillips Academy Andover

**Phillips Exeter Academy**

St. George's School

St. Paul's School

**Tabor Academy**

Westover School

Wilbraham & Monson Academy

*(Bold letters indicate schools where OSS alumnae are enrolled)*

## HIGHLIGHTS FROM OUR SISTERS' SCHOOL ALUMNAE

"I am currently in the Medical Assisting Program at Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School, playing girl's basketball in the winter and playing lacrosse in the spring." ~ Stanna, OSS Class of 2012

"I recently made honor roll for the second quarter at New Bedford High School. I am passing all my Pre-AP classes with at least a 95 average and I have joined the field hockey, basketball and track teams. My favorite class this year was biology because it is interesting and challenging." ~ Tashi, OSS Class of 2012

"I joined Student Council and have the highest grade of everyone in my English Class. I am in the Culinary Arts shop and received all A's on my latest report card." ~ Khyleigh, OSS Class of 2012

"In December, I attended a conference in Houston on student leadership in diversity. I also went to Florida with the girl's basketball team for a tournament as the team's videographer. This summer, I am travelling to China with my Chinese class." ~ Irene, OSS Class of 2011

"This year I took part in dance & Model United Nations. I was also a tour guide for the Admissions Office at Tabor and served as a global partner to help international students at school. I was also able to study abroad in China for three weeks." ~ Samantha, OSS Class of 2011

"I am on the Dean's Honor Roll, taking French and participating in the girls' basketball program." ~ Tampuson, OSS Class of 2012

"At Lincoln, I auditioned for the Spring play, took Chemistry, Geometry Honors, History & English." ~ Jary, OSS Class of 2011

"Wheeler is great. Over the course of the year, I felt more comfortable and fit in more. All of my classes are interesting and challenging, I particularly like chemistry, painting and hand bells. This year I was co-head of the ECO club and I played soccer, basketball and ran track." ~ Carissa, OSS Class of 2011

"At the beginning of my sophomore year at Andover, I struggled with chemistry. Over the winter I started to excel and now I really love chemistry." ~ Arianna, OSS Class of 2011

## Message to Volunteers

The volunteer community is an integral part of the success of Our Sisters' School. Each year, OSS volunteers carry many different roles during their time at the school. They cover the office, tutor our students, conduct semi-private music lessons, clean the school and give support to the staff and students. OSS volunteers invest time and energy to ensure a successful program for the students and school. Giving back to the community has become part of the educational program OSS has created and our students are reminded how important it is to give back by watching the many volunteers who give their time and energy to the school. We thank each of you for all that you have done and continue to do to make this school and community a safe and supportive environment for learning. If you are interested in learning more about volunteer opportunities please call the school at (508)994-1255.

## Thank you to all of our 2012-2013 volunteers for having such an incredible impact on Our Sisters' School.

Abella-Bowen, Meghan	DePina, Linda	Kane, Richard	Pires, Jocelina
Albert, Meg	Denny, Joe	Kang, Chan	Pires, Tashianna
Alpaugh, Kiley	Duff, Kathryn	Kavanagh, Kathryn	Porche, Cecelia
Alvord, Lisa	Ehrens, David	Keene, Andrea	Poyant, Susan
Alvord, Joel	Eisenberg, Amy	Kennedy, Judy	Prentiss, Dave
Andrade, Nair	Fabian, Betty	Kennedy, Priscilla	Prescott, Bill
Ash, Chris	Faucher, Andre	Kiechel, Steve	Pucello, Jane
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Crosta, Rachael	Hunt, Genevieve	Penny, Maureen	White, Elizabeth
Dabney, Katherine	Jean, Rebecca	Perry, Daniel	Wise, Rachel
DaSilva, Jessica	Jennings, Julie	Perry, Susan	Wood, Victoria
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## COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

Our Sisters' School is fortunate to have a wide variety of committed community partners sharing in the voyage each year. We are grateful to each and every organization for collaborating with us, exposing our girls to incredible opportunities and challenging our students to active members of our local community.

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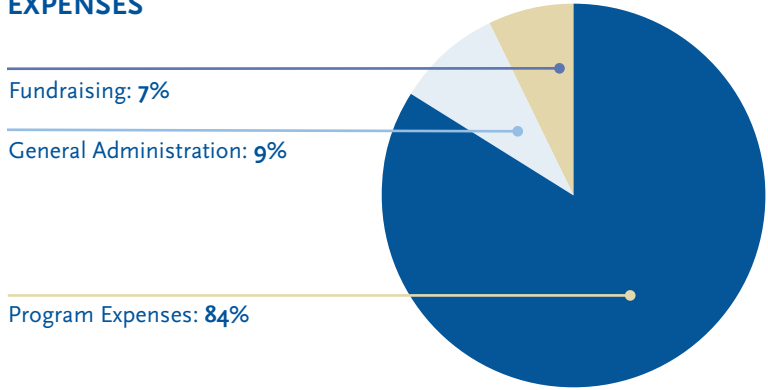
"I am grateful for my piano teacher. She has helped me learn the keys, memorize notes and learn tempo. I appreciate her for taking time out of her Monday for me."

~ Jael,  
 OSS Class of 2014

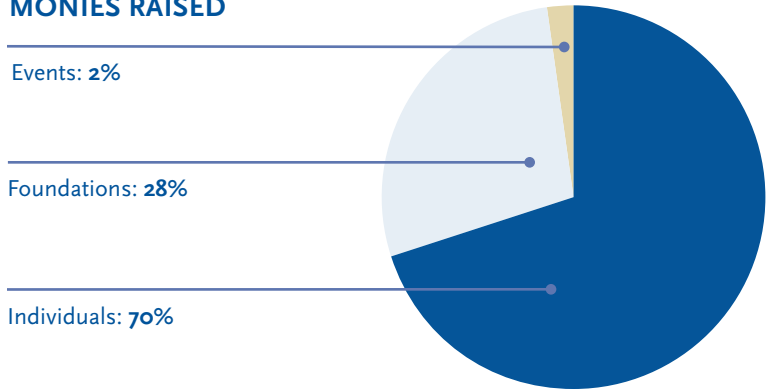
### OSS FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Our Sisters' School has maintained our fiscal course this year and we confidently report that 84% of dollars raised goes directly towards our program expenses. We thank our donors, foundations, grants and community for investing in and believing in Our Sisters' School. As we continue this voyage, we continue to grow our sustainability fund, giving each student the promise of a four year education at OSS. We are deeply grateful for your ongoing support and generosity.

### EXPENSES



### MONIES RAISED



"I am thankful for volunteers because they have helped me accomplish goals I couldn't complete on my own. Volunteers have helped me with my homework and studying. They have helped me pass tests and quizzes with high marks."

~Ava,  
OSS Class of 2016

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## WHITE DRESS *by Trinity Monteiro, OSS Class of 2013*

Fly, fly away  
It's your time;  
You can no longer stay.  
You need to  
Fly, fly away.

This path has been traveled upon,  
marked with good times and bad.  
You are now coming very close  
to the end of this particular part of your life.

There is nowhere to continue on to.  
This journey could only be travelled so far.  
The time has arrived,  
whether it is wanted or not, to-

Fly, fly away,  
Soar on, let go, and continue  
on with your life.

There is no need to forget  
where you have come from  
or who or what has sculpted  
your still forming soul.

There is no need to leave your  
loved ones behind, but they  
can no longer entirely stay.  
Paths have been intertwined  
for so long, you should have  
remembered they would  
soon drift apart.

It may be scary now, but  
there will soon be sunny  
days once again.  
If your loved ones really care,  
they will appear in your  
next, soon to be travelled path.

However, for now,  
I am sorry to say,  
You must,  
I must,  
We must,  
Fly, fly away.

It's our time;  
We can no longer stay.  
We need to –  
Fly, fly, fly away.



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