Founded in 2001, Headwaters School is an independent school in Austin, Texas, serving students from early childhood through grade 12.

- 92 full-time faculty
- 9 part-time faculty
- 16% of student body receives tuition assistance
- 3 campuses
- 4 shuttles owned
- 537 students
- 12 buildings owned
- 2 buildings leased

Student-Guide Ratios

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1:3 student to staff advisor ratio – our Middle & High School programs have 30-36 students per grade level.

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Beginning with a Montessori foundation and progressing to the International Baccalaureate® (IB) Diploma Programme, our independent school serves students from early childhood through grade 12. We are inspired, organized, and guided by our Purpose, Promise, and Principles. These ideas serve as the foundation for our daily work.

**Purpose**
We cultivate **identity formation**, foster **empathy**, and embrace **diversity** to bring more **peace to the world**.

**Principles**

1. **Minds On.** Stimulating intellectual work is at the heart of our academic program, which incorporates social, ethical, and emotional development.

2. **Inner Source.** We know and grow each student by tapping the innate wellspring of curiosity about themselves, each other, and the world around them.

3. **Expert Guides.** Our educators design vibrant learning environments while following the lead of each student.

4. **Show Up.** We seek students and guides who are drawn to inquiry, engagement, and self-expression, as they navigate learning within and beyond our classrooms.

5. **All In.** When each of us models these principles, learning becomes lasting and deep.

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Ken and Jana Bodeman
“With the dedication and support of so many of you, we were able to achieve our lofty goals in 2016-2017. We are grateful and humbled. The purchase of the downtown buildings strengthened the roots of our entire school, and was a true milestone in our school's journey.”

Heather Vickers, Board Chair

“What a difference a year makes in the life of a young school! We are now in a position to be both strategic and intentional about our future as we work to achieve our long-term goals.”

Ted Graf, Head of School
Contributions support key elements of the Headwaters School experience across all three of our campuses.
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The picnic is such a fun event. Free, casual, outdoors on beautiful grounds shared by a generous community member. It’s a place where parents, guides, and students of all ages from all campuses are happy to get together and enjoy each other’s company.”

— Kerry Joyce,
Middle School Parent
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NEED-BASED FINANCIAL AID:
We believe socioeconomic diversity enriches the educational experience for all of our students, and we are committed to offering a robust need-based financial assistance program.

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Creek Outdoor Space

FRESH MULCH FOR PLAYGROUNDS AND OUTDOOR CLASSROOMS
The Forward Trip (Middle & High School) and Nature’s Classroom (Upper Elementary)

“The Forward is a place that allows new friendships to be made, games to be played, and love and community to be fostered.”
– Fiona Parkes, 10th grade

TRIP EXPENSES FOR OFF-CAMPUS EXPERIENCES

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Professional Development

“Last year I was able to attend the Hollywood Creative Forum in Los Angeles, CA – and it was life changing. I learned from the researchers and presenters of the ‘Diversity in Hollywood Report’ that having a ‘unit’ or singular conversation about diversity is not sufficient. True integration and dynamic change require a new mindset. I learned so many ways in which we assume incorrectly when it comes to representation in media. I’m so grateful to have the facts and figures at my fingertips now – another reason why these topics are so much better integrated from unit to unit. Every year the Hollywood Creative Forum presents on a new topic accompanied by new expert reports all concerned with increasing diversity in media. It is a noble mission I share as both a filmmaker and educator. I hope to attend the forum again this year to continue this trend of deep empowerment through education and media.”

“In October 2016, several high school teachers attended IB workshops at Rice University during a two and a half day conference. In my workshop, I received really useful guidance from a 25-year veteran of the IB program on curriculum planning, exam preparation, and teaching writing for the Exploration (a 6-12 page explication of a math topic). I also made connections with other IB math teachers and shared resources and techniques that I have used and practiced numerous times since the conference.”

“The Montessorians for Social Justice Conference was an amazing experience. I was inspired, impassioned and determined to bring more social justice education into my classroom after attending the conference. I was fortunate to hear other Montessorians in the of social justice in education speak on topics of Structural Racism, Anti-Bias education, Effective Reading programs for all, Historical Truths and Montessori Roots to name a few. I appreciate the opportunity to have attended this incredible conference, and I look forward to returning next year.”

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SUNSHADES TO MAKE OUTDOOR SPACES MORE PLEASANT

NEW PICNIC TABLES FOR DINING AND STUDYING

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR GUIDES WHO THEN SUPPORT AND INSPIRE EACH OTHER
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“Working on the project for Mobile Loaves and Fishes was a great experience. My son and I are very active in foreign Missions, and it was good to be able to do something here on the homefront. We continue to make the blessing bags throughout the year and pass them out as we drive-through the the streets of Austin. This type of service work shows my son that we are all a part of one village and have to help those in need whenever we can.”

– India High,  
Middle School Parent

Tammy Marshall  
Eduardo and Debra Martinez  
Shannon Martinez  
M Martinez  
Stephane and April Martini  
Claude Martini
### Overview of Audited Financials

#### Income Statement

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**Change in net assets**

- $1,376,371 (2015-2016)

*Includes $523,768 write-off of uncollectable prior year pledges*

#### Statement of Financial Position

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2016-2017 CONTRIBUTED INCOME

Fundraising 2.0%
Events 1.2%
Annual Fund 20.3%
Other 3.0%
Restricted Gifts & Grants 6.6%

2016-17 EXPENSES

General 14.7%
Educational 83.3%
Putting Down Roots Campaign 68.9%
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FRESH CARPETS FOR QUIET AND ACTIVE LEARNING

MONTESSORI WORKS FOR EVERY DEVELOPMENTAL AGE

Springs Classroom
Deep Well Dinner
February 2017

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Amy and Nathan Smith  Jacque and Goodhue Smith  Nina Smith-Gardiner  Laurie Snowden  James Snowden  Joe Sokolik

“We were a new family to Headwaters, and the dinner helped us make stronger connections and feel we were part of the larger school community, bridging the geography of the different campuses.”

– Rixi Melton, Springs Campus Parent
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Oliver and Eleanor Steck and Michele Solberg
Yvonne Solorio
Becka Spellman and Jeremy Burks
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Cambria Stamper

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Hannah Syburg
Ross Taggart and Patricia Prince-Taggart
Caitlynn Taylor
Tea Living
Rosalie Tharp

River Classroom
Amplify Austin Concert
March 2017

“Amplify Austin is an exciting time for students and teachers to share their talents with the rest of the community. I love having such an accepting audience and doing something good for the school at the same time.”

– Lauren Plowman, Headwaters Student
The Headwaters community raised the money to purchase four of our downtown buildings, enabling us to establish a permanent home for that campus and to strengthen the whole school’s financial roots.
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– Arden Egerton,
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