# GRATITUDE REPORT 2017

You create a world of possibilities for the 410 students of Highland Community School. Thanks to you learning looks different here!



#### 410 students

received individual Montessori curriculum & support thanks to the collaboration of 70 caring staff members.

Highland received a score of **76.8** which "Exceeds Expectations" **76.8** on our DPI Report Card for the third year in a row. This is thanks to our intentional work to close the achievement gap and encourage growth in all of our students' abilities.



Ms. Pat Tabor retired after

30+

years of being a friend & mentor to all Highlanders.

"Highland always your home and friend."

### **EMPOWERING & INSPIRING**

by working together to provide a quality Montessori education.



**52 events** We *love* the dedicated time to come together. 19 graduates were accepted to their choice of high school. **1,000s** of hours of exploration on the Natural Grounds and in the hoop houses, plus during 5 epic overnight camping trips.



D performances by the Highland Community Players deemed the "most inventive theater in Milwaukee."

**10** students partnered with the Haggerty Museum of Art and participated in a community project called (*Re*)*Housing the American Dream.* See more at https://rehousingtheamericandream.wordpress.com/

#### **BECOMING A FORCE FOR CHANGE** by nurturing informed, compassionate life-long learners.

#### 18,135

gallons of water will be diverted from our fresh waterways each year thanks to the addition of the new Discovery Yards along the south side of the school.



**15** boxes and many bags of supplies were collected to support hurricane survivors thanks to a collection organized by four conscientious 4th-graders.

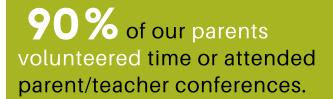
**38** students had the opportunity to expand their horizons by traveling to New York City for the Montessori Model United Nations or to Costa Rica. These students are beginning to understand perspectives that are different than their worldview.



#### MAKING THE WORLD BETTER

by supporting the mind, body, and spirit of one child at a time.





**93** organizations enhanced students' experiences in & out of the building. **100%** of our Parent Board of Directors gave a gift of talent & treasure.

## 1083 gifts

were given to support our students. *Every gift matters!* 



34 Grandparents became involved in their grandchildren's education in a new way by making an investment in Highland.

#### YOU MAKE THIS ALL POSSIBLE!

Thank you for believing in the power of a Highland education. We couldn't do it without you!