Introducing the

Legacy Society

SEQUOYAH SCHOOL

Your *Legacy*, Sequoyah's *Future*.

Since its founding in 1958, Sequoyah School has evolved from a cooperative elementary school to a multi-campus K-12 independent school. While it has grown in size and scope, it has never strayed from its mission of providing an education that challenges the mind, nurtures the heart, and celebrates human dignity. Sequoyah is a special community, and one that we want preserved for generations to come. Now, through Sequoyah's Legacy Society, supporters like you can make a planned gift that preserves your family's legacy and ensures our future.

Why are planned gifts important?

The highly competitive nature of the independent school landscape, coupled with the ever-increasing cost of living in Los Angeles, make financial sustainability more vital than ever for our school. Growing endowments, nourished through bequests, buttress our indexed tuition program and our faculty compensation. Both of these endowments support mission-critical initiatives at Sequoyah: socioeconomic diversity and transformational teaching.

Today's planned gift supports tomorrow's Sequoyah School

Planned giving is giving in perpetuity. It creates a legacy, and allows you to live on by supporting an organization you care about.

There are many ways to make a planned gift:

- **Include Sequoyah School** as a beneficiary in your will or trust.
- **Designate Sequoyah School as a beneficiary** of your retirement or financial account (i.e. bank, investment, life insurance) by logging into your account and specifying a percentage for Sequoyah. (Check with your accountant for the ideal asset to bequeath.)
- If you're 70½ or older, **make an IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution**, avoiding taxes on as much as $111,000 a year.
- **Make outright or deferred gifts** of real estate, business interests, or personal property.
- **Consider giving appreciated assets,** such as publicly traded stock, which allows for certain tax advantages.
- Give through a **Donor Advised Fund**.
- Ask us about other charitable giving vehicles like **Charitable Remainder Trusts**.

Donors of all ages and income levels have pledged planned gifts to Sequoyah School. Your gift—as simple as checking a box to add Sequoyah as a beneficiary—can be of any size to help us build long-term financial stability and successfully grow our endowments.

Join the Legacy Society!

With your commitment, you become a member of the Legacy Society, a special community of donors who believe that progressive education transforms lives.

Sequoyah's Legacy Society recognizes individuals and families who have included the school in their estate plan. Members receive recognition on our website and in our annual report. They will also receive special updates and invitations.

All revenue from legacy gifts are directed to our Faculty Compensation Endowment or our Fund for Access, unless donors expressly state otherwise.

Our promise to you

Since 1958, Sequoyah School has delivered upon its mission and held true to its values. We will continue to hold up the founding values of our school as we grow and evolve.

Simple bequest language is available at **sequoyahschool.org/plannedgiving**

To share your intent to donate or learn more about the Legacy Society, contact **Lee Taylor**, Director of Advancement, at leetaylor@sequoyahschool.org.

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