Antilles SCHOOL

Guide to Giving & Getting Involved

Through volunteer opportunities, special events, and fundraising efforts, Antilles provides a variety of ways to become involved!

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Antilles School is committed to the pursuit of educational excellence and a purposeful life. We foster a sense of community, embrace diversity and creativity, seek to develop the whole child, and prepare students for success in college and beyond.

Year after year, Antilles families come together to create an environment where every child has the opportunity to flourish. This shared commitment is at the heart of everything we do.

This guide is your first step to understanding the many ways you can be part of this vibrant community. It explores the different avenues for philanthropic support, from annual giving to capital campaigns.

Imagine the impact:

- Financial Aid: Your support allows us to offer the Antilles experience to a broad range of families, ensuring a diverse and enriching environment for everyone.
- Professional Development: Your contributions empower us to attract and retain the most exceptional teachers who ignite a passion for learning in our students.
- Capital Giving: These gifts help us transform our school, creating cutting-edge spaces and resources that fuel innovation and student success.

Your Involvement Matters!

Becoming a volunteer is another beautiful way to get involved. With hundreds of opportunities to share your talents and passions, we know you'll find a way to make a difference, big or small.

We are incredibly grateful that you've entrusted us with your child's educational journey. Together, we'll continue a legacy of excellence for nearly 75 years – inspiring young minds to chase their dreams and make a lasting impact on the world.

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Where Families Make a Difference

A strong school community is built on the collective effort of parents, guardians, and loved ones who believe in our mission and want to see our students flourish. That's where the Antilles Parent Association (PA) comes in. More than just a volunteer group, the PA is an extension of your family at Antilles.
pa@antilles.vi | antilles.vi/families/parent-association







The PA has three core purposes that directly benefit our students and school:

- **Supporting School Goals:** We work hand-in-hand with the school to raise vital funds and resources, ensuring every student has the tools they need to succeed.
- **Empowering Educators:** We create a supportive environment where our dedicated teachers can excel and inspire our students.
- **Building a Thriving Community:** From fun-filled events to heartwarming traditions, we foster a sense of belonging and connection for all our families.



Ready to get involved? We have a diverse range of opportunities waiting for you!

How to Get Involved

Join the Parent Association

Initiatives include:

- Teacher Appreciation Activities
- Back to School Events
- The International Dinner
- Trunk or Treat
- The Holiday Bazaar
- GrandFriend's Day
- Carnival Children's Parade Troupe
- Recycling Initiatives
- Athletics Program Support
- Campus Volunteer Projects
- And More!

Lead the Charge: Join the Annual Fund Class Captain team and champion our fundraising efforts.

Unleash Your Creativity: Help plan our signature event, the Antilles Spring Gala! This annual event is a cherished tradition, where over 300 parents, grandparents, alumni, faculty, and friends come together for a night of fun, connection, and giving back. Every volunteer, every donation, every attendee plays a vital role in making the Gala successful!

What Impact Does My Contribution Make?

The Antilles Annual Fund benefits every student, every day.

The Annual Fund is the cornerstone of philanthropy at Antilles. Every contribution, regardless of size fuels our ability to:

- **Support a robust professional development program:** We recognize that a culture of professional growth and continuous improvement is a path to job satisfaction that helps us attract and retain world-class educators.
- **Offer value-added experiences:** From field trips, guest speakers, hands-on learning programs, cutting-edge lab equipment, and other innovative resources, your support ensures our students continue to benefit from these enriching opportunities.
- **Empower students through Financial Aid:** Thanks to your generosity, nearly 40% of Antilles families benefit from our need-based financial assistance program.

By investing in Antilles School, you're investing in the future. You're helping us build a generation of leaders who will positively impact the world.



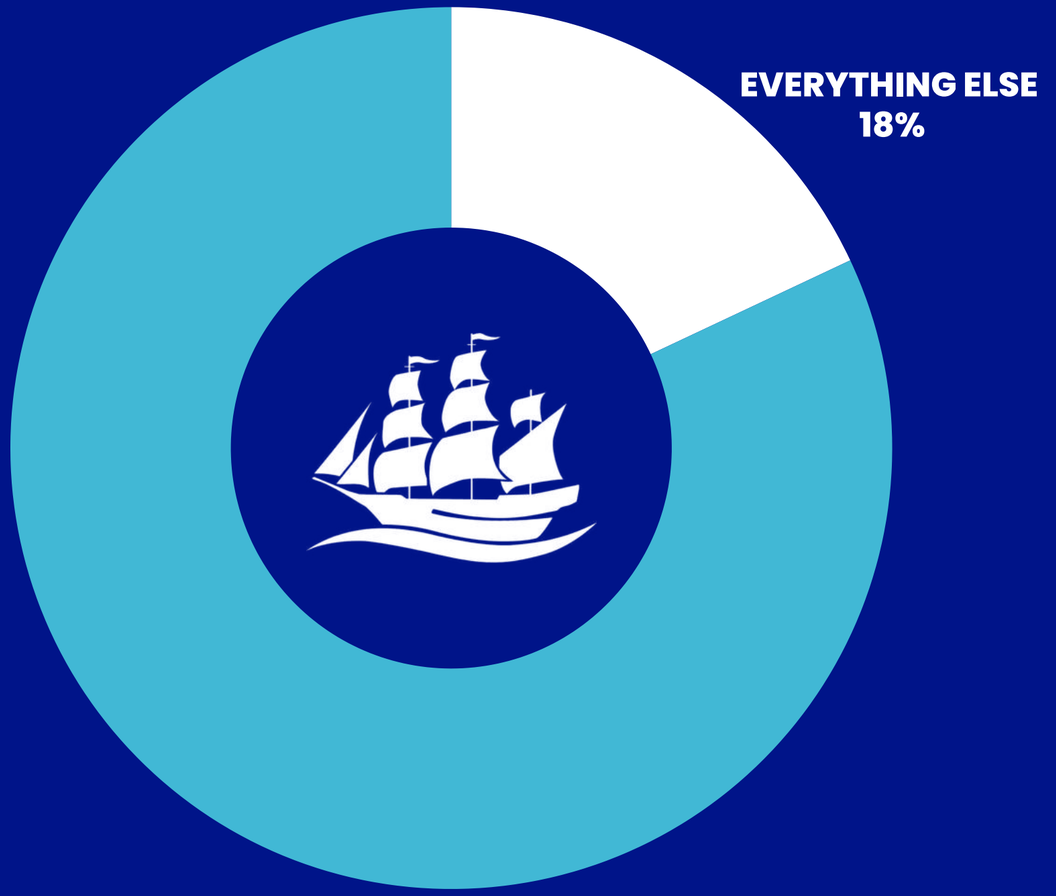
Your Support Matters

At Antilles, we believe in the power of education to transform lives.

But, a truly exceptional education requires more than textbooks and classrooms. It thrives on community, on the shared dream of nurturing bright minds and compassionate

Did You Know?

Tuition alone doesn’t cover the entire cost of an Antilles education





FAQ’s

Why is the Annual Fund important?
The Annual Fund benefits every child, every day, at Antilles School. Donations go directly into this year's operating budget. The Annual Fund is crucial to the health of the school and enables us to provide a supportive, inclusive learning environment for all our students, where they are challenged academically and supported emotionally.

Isn’t tuition enough to cover these costs?
Tuition alone does not fully cover the cost of an Antilles student’s education. The Annual Fund helps bridge the gap between tuition revenue and the actual cost of running the school, allowing us to keep tuition increases moderate while still offering an exceptional education. We believe that a quality education should be available to all students of every socioeconomic background.

How can I support the Annual Fund?
Every gift, no matter the size, makes a difference. Your contribution helps us to provide essential resources, support our faculty and staff, and enhance the overall educational experience for our students. You can choose to make a one-time gift or establish a recurring donation.

Ways to Give

Check or Credit Card

Gifts may be made by check, or credit card. The easiest way to make your gift is by visiting our **online giving page antilles.vi/give** to donate by credit card. For EFT or wire transfers contact the Advancement Team.

Checks should be made payable to Antilles School and dropped off or mailed to:

Antilles School
Office of Advancement
7280 Frenchman Bay
St. Thomas, VI 00802

Stocks or Securities

A gift of appreciated stock generally offers two-fold tax savings: avoiding capital gains tax on the increase in value of the stock and providing an income tax deduction for the full market value of the stock at the time of the gift. If you would like to make a gift of stock, please contact us at advancement@antilles.vi or 340-776-1600 x1800.

In-Kind

Gifts of personal property are welcome if they can serve a worthwhile purpose for the school, can be sold for cash, or can offset a previously planned expense.

Matching Gifts

Many employers will match employees' donations. Matching gifts are a great way to increase the impact of any Annual Fund gift. Ask your employer if they are willing to match your contribution to the Annual Fund.

Pledges/Recurring Donations

Pledges, which can be made at any time, giving you the flexibility to pay in installments or in one lump sum before June 30. Families receive participation credit once the pledge is made. You can make your pledge on our online giving page.

Planned Giving | Deborah Finch Legacy Society

A planned gift is a contribution that is allocated at a future date. Donors may make gifts through their estate planning vehicles that designate Antilles as a beneficiary. Planned giving helps donors make transformative gifts that may also provide significant tax benefits to their estates.

Antilles School is a 501(c)3 non-profit.
All gifts are tax-deductible as permitted by law.
Antilles School's tax ID number is 67-0250379


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Calendar of Giving & Engagement

AUGUST/SEPTEMBER
VOLUNTEER

Volunteer for the Parent Association or the Spring Gala Committee. Learn about the Annual Fund.

OCTOBER/NOVEMBER
GIVE

Make a gift or pledge your support for the Annual Fund. Join our kick-off event for Founders' Day on October 4.

DECEMBER-MARCH
PARTICIPATE

From the Holiday Bazaar and GrandFriend's Day to the Jog a Thon and the Bubble Run, there are always opportunities to stay involved!

APRIL
ATTEND

Our annual Spring Gala is held during the first weekend in April. Don't miss the best party of the year!

MAY
APPRECIATE

Teacher Appreciation Week is the first week of May and Spring Giving Day is our final push to meet Annual Fund goals.

JUNE
CELEBRATE

As the school year wraps up we celebrate the graduation of our seniors and welcome them to the community of proud Antilles alumni.

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