

December 15, 2016

Rosalyn and Geoff Deigan
4245 Fieldstone Dr.
Gurnee, IL 60031

Dear Rosalyn and Geoff,

Do you feel that every parent should have the choice in the education that is best suited for his or her child? Do you want your child to grow and become a *Natural Leader*?

If you answered yes to either of those questions then, you too share the value that children are our best hope to improve the world.

Your support of Prairie Crossing Charter School makes a difference in the quality of education that is offered in Lake County.

We are making a difference and with your help, we will continue to do so.

Recently, one of our newest parents shared with me that *"PCCS is exactly the right school for our daughter; we are so pleased that we were able to send our child to PCCS"*.

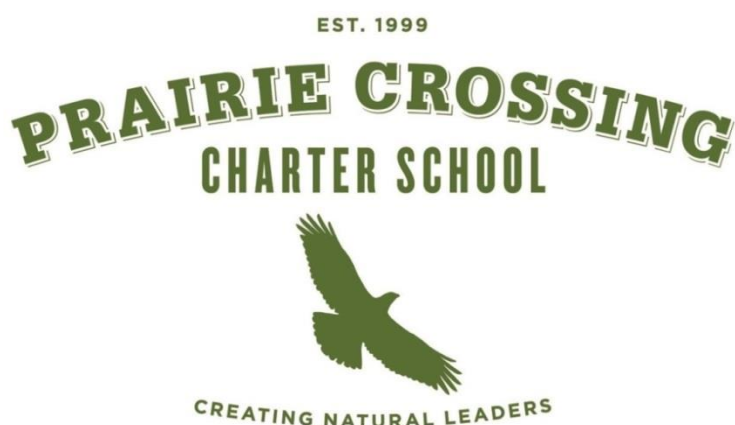
Their child's name was drawn as third on our waiting list during our annual lottery last March. Through a chain of events, they were able to join our school community in September. Since being here, the child has a renewed interest in learning and has went from being an below average student in her previous school, now she is re-energized, loves coming to school and has been a top student since joining PCCS.

"Watching our daughter enjoy PCCS as much as she does have changed our opinion of public schools. When she was enrolled at her other school she was unhappy and reluctant to go to school. Here, she talks about her classes and gym and art and music every day. She loves her classmates and her teachers and even speaks Spanish at the dinner table. If she wouldn't have been able to come to PCCS, we would have spent thousands of dollars placing her in a private school so that she would be given the attention that she needed. You give her that attention every day. We are so grateful that she is learning the importance of caring for the environment and are thrilled that she gets to go outside to learn. My husband and I hope that other students have the opportunity that my child has. Thank you and please let us know if we can help in any way."

PCCS has taken great strides to inform our wider community about the availability to attend our unique public school. In the last 2 years, we have expanded to 99.6% enrollment, being just two students short of being full at every grade band. We have the largest student population in the School's 18-year history and we are continuing to grow.

We know we are helping make a difference in your child's life and appreciate you choosing to be a part of our community.

You are why we are here.





The possibilities and opportunities are infinite yet our resources are not and that is why we need your help. PCCS as a public charter school in Illinois is still underfunded in comparison to the surrounding public schools. For every \$1 non-charter public schools receive to educate their students PCCS gets \$ 0.82.

Today, I ask that you consider investing in our future by giving a tax-deductible contribution to **help us grow the school that we have built together**, so that families and students across Lake County have the opportunity to experience what another one of our family has shared:

"He is so happy to be here. He bounces out of bed every morning so happy to go to school. He hasn't been happy to go to school for years. We are so grateful for the opportunity to send him here and just wanted you to know how happy we all are."

Yet, we can do more. We can reach higher.

With Your Help

Together, we can continue to take our children farther and help them achieve their full potential, developing our children into strong, self-assured adults, ready for high school and beyond.

We will continue to improve our school and our unique environmental learning opportunities; grow our partnerships with outside organizations and create a more robust curriculum for our students; and expand our campus classrooms and sustainable schoolyards.

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Please give generously to help us continue to provide a personalized education where students learn the value of community and environment,

Help us Create the Natural Leader in your child

PCCS fulfills its mission because of you.



Geoff Deigan
Executive Director

Annual Appeal

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