

Our yearly campaign for vital, operational support

\$325,000 is our annual goal

Raleigh Charter is committed to an educational model defined by *small classes taught by experienced, passionate, dedicated teachers*.

We have seen great success using this model and it continues to be a critical part of our mission. However, these small classes and experienced teachers come at *a significant financial cost*.

Every year, *low per-pupil allocations* and the *uncertainty of state and local funding* challenge our budget and our ability to plan.

Your donations play *a critical role in our ability to maintain this model* and we are fortunate to have a long history of strong support from our families. We encourage you to be part of this tradition of giving by donating to RCHS today.

Your Phoenix Fund contributions allow us to...

- Keep class sizes small
- Pay the salaries of our dedicated teachers and staff
- Provide our classroom resources such as technology, textbooks and basic supplies.
- Pay expenses for our school building including utilities and maintenance.
- and so much more!

Scan to watch a video about the Phoenix Fund





We strive for 100% participation from our current families.

Every gift of every size makes a difference! No gift is too large or too small. Ready to support RCHS now?
Use the QR code to donate online!



In addition to the Phoenix Fund, we encourage you to support...

The Foundation Campaign Investing in Our Teachers, Securing Our Future

www.raleighcharterhs.org/foundation-fund

Separate from the Phoenix Fund, our Foundation Campaign is a special multi-year initiative with the purpose of raising funds to pay off the bond on our building so that we can raise teacher salaries to the highest level of the local pay scale. Since 2021, our community has raised more than \$1,145,000 towards the \$1,500,000 goal. Donations to the RCHS Foundation will enable us to raise teacher salaries this school year. Your continuing support is needed to ensure we can sustain the salary increase, provide bonuses, keep up with the growing costs of benefits, and maintain our school building for the longterm.

We ask current parents to please support the Phoenix Fund. If you can do more, your additional gift to the RCHS Foundation will help our school now and into the future.

Your continued contributions to the Foundation Campaign are needed because...

Public education funding remains low.

- When adjusted for inflation, average teacher salaries have decreased by more than 5% in the past 10 years.*
- N.C. ranked 43rd in the U.S. for teacher pay and 36th for per-pupil funding for the 2023-24 school year.*
- Wake County provides a salary increase for National Board Certified Teachers, which means many RCHS teachers are making 5-7% less teaching at RCHS than they would in the Wake County Public School System.
- Additionally, RCHS teachers are not part of the State Retirement plan.

RCHS teachers are highly-qualified, experienced, and dedicated.

- 70% of RCHS teachers hold advanced degrees
- RCHS teachers have an average of 19 years of classroom experience
- More than half of our teachers have taught at RCHS for 10 years or more

*National Education Association (NEA) Rankings & Estimates Report, April 2025.

$Fall\ 2025$ Matching Gift Challenge

Last year, an alumni family generously matched \$250,000 in donations... and now they are offering to do it again!

Gifts or pledges of \$10,000 (or more) received by Dec. 31, 2025 will be matched!

If you are interested in discussing a gift or pledge towards this challenge please contact Margaret Barnett. (Contact info below)

Have questions or want to learn more about supporting RCHS?

Contact Margaret Barnett '08, Director of Development & Communications, at mbarnett@raleighcharterhs.org or 919-715-1155.