

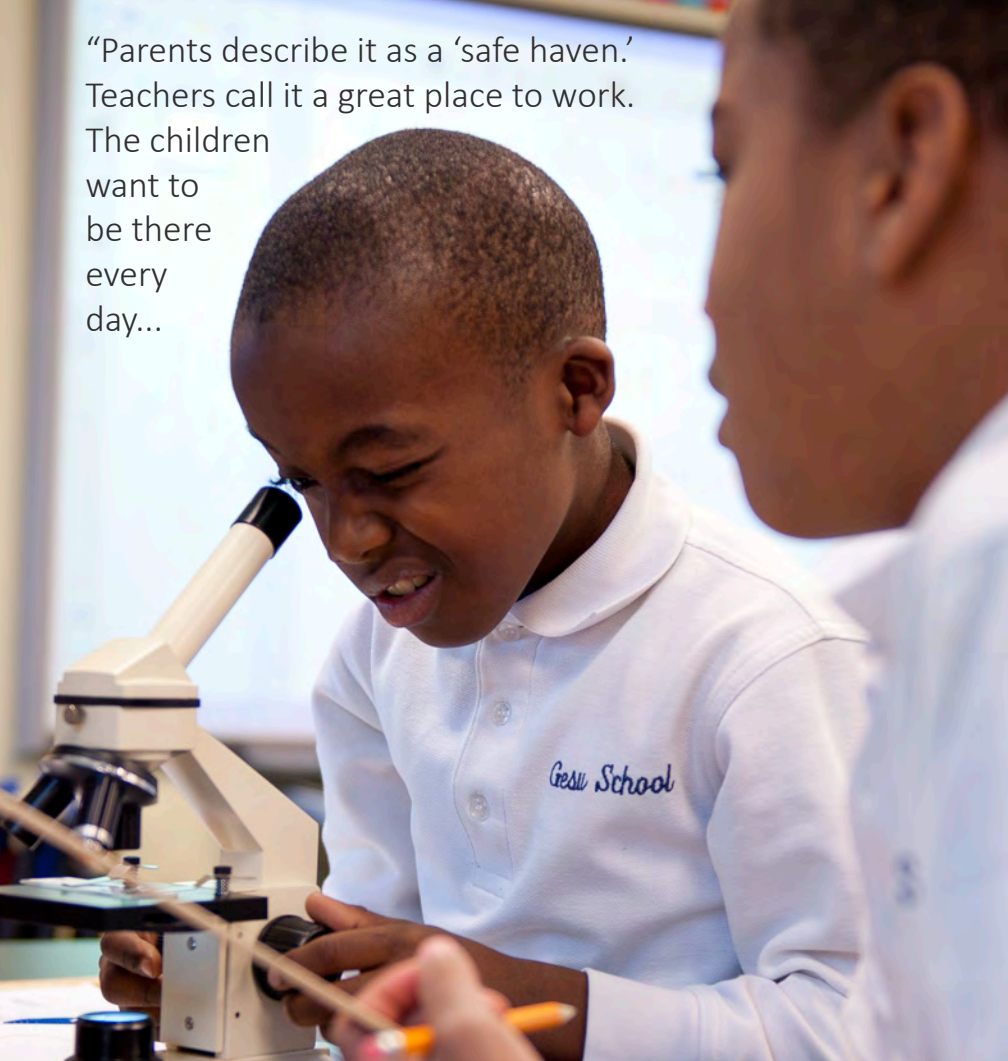
*You are invited to* **GROWING  
GREATNESS**

A gala to benefit the children at Gesu School



May 2, 2013  
The Hyatt at the Bellevue

“Parents describe it as a ‘safe haven.’  
Teachers call it a great place to work.  
The children  
want to  
be there  
every  
day...”



*Greatness* is **GROWING** at the  
**Gesu, ONE CHILD AT A TIME.**”

— Rev. William J. Byron, SJ



# *Gesu School is* GROWING GREATNESS

in Philadelphia's inner-city neighborhoods

Gesu School is an independent Catholic school, grades pre-K to 8, educating North Philadelphia's children in the Jesuit and IHM traditions. With your help, Gesu School empowers students to break through the barriers that confine them in order to realize a brighter future.

- Gesu has no selective academic admissions standards; admissions are on a first-come first-served basis, with priority given to our six surrounding zip codes.
- Ninety percent of Gesu alumni graduate from high school on time, while the city's on-time public high school graduation rate is only 61%. More than 68% of Gesu's high school graduates pursue post-secondary education, compared to 46% of the school district's African American graduates.
- Gesu School embraces the Jesuit ideal of *cura personalis*—care of the whole person—and the IHM belief that every child can learn, building academic and social skills, character, and spirituality in students with a range of ability levels and from a variety of faith backgrounds.
- Gesu School's priority service area includes the three poorest zip codes in the City of Philadelphia; tuition revenue covers only a fraction of our costs. Critical financial support from donors and events, like our annual gala, provides our students with a quality, innovative education.

*Will you please join us?*

Please join us for a spectacular evening, including inspiring entertainment by Gesu School's children, cocktails, enticing food stations and the presentation of the Gesu Spirit Medal to

**Rev. William J. Byron, SJ**  
and  
**Ms. Vivienne Lambert Ehret**

**Thursday, May 2, 2013**

Reception ..... 6:00 p.m.  
Performance and Awards ..... 7:30 p.m.  
Dessert & Coffee ..... 8:30 p.m.

**The Hyatt at the Bellevue**  
200 South Broad Street, Philadelphia, PA 19102

**Please respond**

by April 22<sup>nd</sup> using the enclosed card  
or online at [www.gesuschool.org/greatness.html](http://www.gesuschool.org/greatness.html).  
Sponsorships and patron commitments must be received  
by April 15<sup>th</sup> to be included in the program book.

All proceeds help provide North Philadelphia's inner-city children with a quality Gesu education.

## Gesu Spirit Medal Recipients

The Gesu Spirit Medal honors individuals who have shown extraordinary commitment to Gesu School through their loyal advocacy and actions, and who have made a significant contribution to Gesu School's success as a model inner-city elementary school.

Gesu's achievements, its students' scholarship opportunities, its growing Sponsor A Child program, and its thriving library are living tributes to the volunteer service and trustee leadership of **Rev. William J. Byron, SJ** and **Ms. Vivienne Lambert Ehret**.

*“Gesu* has an aura which is contagious; *learning* and *love* tempered with discipline has worked for 20 years.

To be part of this happening has been a *great joy* for me.”

— Vivienne Ehret



To read Fr. Byron's and Ms. Ehret's full bios, and to see the list of past honorees, please visit [www.gesuschool.org/greatness.html](http://www.gesuschool.org/greatness.html)

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Program listing deadline is April 15. RSVP deadline is April 22.

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Name/Business (as it should appear in Gesu publications): \_\_\_\_\_

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Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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- Title Sponsor | \$15,000** (\$14,000 tax deductible)  
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Includes 8 tickets, full page ad in program
- Sponsor A Child | \$6,500** (\$6,300 tax deductible)  
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- Educators Circle | \$5,000** (\$4,400 tax deductible)  
Includes 6 tickets, half page ad in program
- Scholars Circle | \$2,500** (\$2,100 tax deductible)  
Includes 4 tickets, quarter page ad in program
- Patrons | \$500 per person** x \_\_\_\_\_ (#) tickets (\$400 per ticket tax deductible)  
Includes 1 ticket, listing in program
- Guest | \$200 per person** x \_\_\_\_\_ (#) tickets (\$100 per ticket tax deductible)
- I/We cannot attend, but would like to make a donation of \$** \_\_\_\_\_.

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- Please charge \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to my:  Visa  MasterCard  Amex

Name on Card: \_\_\_\_\_

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To purchase tickets online visit [www.gesuschool.org/greatness.html](http://www.gesuschool.org/greatness.html)



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For more information, please contact Brianna Taylor at 215-763-9077 or [brianna.taylor@gesuschool.org](mailto:brianna.taylor@gesuschool.org).

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