



# Impact Report

## A MESSAGE FROM OUR FOUNDER: MAEGAN CAHOON

In the past year, Maverick Learning Center (MLC) has made significant strides in maturing our Mission and are on track with our Vision timeline. The key elements in this growth have been 1) Compassionate Educators, 2) a Sensory Friendly Environment, and 3) a One-of-a-kind Curriculum. Currently in our third school year, our enrollment has increased to 19 students. Concurrent with this, our Board of Directors, which has increased to six members, have been directly involved with pertinent guidance and a focus on our financial component. In September we held our first major fundraiser with a "Back To School Bash" celebrating the start to the third school year in Norfolk. Generous donations have also allowed us to purchase a 15 person "School Bus", affording us greater opportunities for off-site learning experiences and community outings. As of November, we are also on track of attaining our MLC 2024 donation goal. Bottom line is this has been a very successful year, we are growing, our students are learning, and their parents and extended family are very supportive.



### IMPACT SNAPSHOT

93%

Our programs and services consist of 93% of expenses.

19

Enrollment has increased serving the most students and families since inception

8

MLC now serves grades first through eight





FUNDS RAISED AS OF NOV 2024

\$93,895.18

FUNDRAISING GOAL FOR 2024 IS \$100K

PROJECTS	DETAILS	OUTCOME
Transportation	Goal was to be mobile and take our students to off-site learning, sensory, social environments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Purchased a 15 passenger Ford Transit during the summer</li><li>• Attended three field trips and experienced new parks and playgrounds</li><li>• Working on a VA studies program for off-site learning</li></ul>
Classroom Buildout	Goal was to add/buildout another classroom to increase enrollment and serve more students with autism	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Raised funds to purchase an interactive smart board, iPads, sensory items, classroom furniture, and educational supplies</li></ul>
Community Involvement	Bring awareness to MLC by working with other autism programs and meeting with community leaders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Hosted school tours with city council and youth program directors</li><li>• Ladies' brunch at Rustic Spoon</li><li>• Worked with TASA, Tidewater Autism Summit, Surfers Healing, Ernie Els for Autism, &amp; FACT</li><li>• Back to School Bash fundraiser raised \$5k and brought over 200 people to the event</li></ul>
After School Program	Create more social opportunities for students after school	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Partnered with Girls on the Run to host a girls after school program Sept - Dec 2024</li></ul>



We couldn't have  
done it without your  
generous *support.*

Thank you  
to all our donors  
and volunteers.

We would not be able to serve  
autistic students and their  
families without the generosity  
and support of our donors and  
community partners.



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