

# DONOR BILL OF RIGHTS

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Philanthropy is based on voluntary action for the common good. It is a tradition of giving and sharing that is primary to the quality of life. To ensure that philanthropy merits the respect and trust of the general public, and that donors and prospective donors can have full confidence in the Seaside School, Inc. (the "School"), the Seaside School Foundation, Inc. (the "Foundation") and the causes they are asked to support, we declare that all donors have these rights:

1. **Mission:** To be informed of the mission of the School and Foundation, of the way each organization intends to use donated resources, and of its capacity to use donations effectively for their intended purposes.
2. **Governing Boards:** To be informed of the identity of those serving on the governing boards for both the School and Foundation, and to expect the boards to exercise prudent judgment in their stewardship responsibilities.
3. **Financial Statements:** To have access to the most recent financial statements for the School and Foundation.
4. **Gift Purpose:** To be assured their gifts will be used for the purposes for which they were given.
5. **Acknowledgment:** To receive appropriate acknowledgement and recognition.
6. **Confidentiality:** To be assured that information about their donation is handled with respect and with confidentiality to the extent provided by law and the policies of the School and Foundation.
7. **Professionalism:** To expect that all relationships with individuals representing organizations of interest to the donor will be professional in nature.
8. **Solicitors:** To be informed whether those seeking donations are volunteers, employees of the School or Foundation, or hired solicitors.
9. **Mailing Lists:** To have the opportunity for their names to be deleted from mailing lists that the School or Foundation may intend to share.
10. **Questions:** To feel free to ask questions when making a donation and to receive prompt, truthful and forthright answers.