



# Campaign Update

SUMMER 2019



**125**  
COTTING SCHOOL

★ *Cotting Celebrates Long History of Education*

On June 6th members of the Board of Trustees, parents, staff, and friends of the School celebrated Cotting's 125th and launched its first capital campaign in 30 years to raise \$10 million. Many friends of Cotting came out to enjoy the festivities.



Clockwise from the top left: Lori Campana with Trustee Mike Durkin and his wife, Ann Bersani; Thorndike family members Trustee and Treasurer Emeritus John, Trustee Lanny, Nick and Trustee Joanie Thorndike, and Trustee and Treasurer Emeritus Charlie T. Haydock; OT Audra Hamilton, Teachers Meghan Paull, Lola Piscopo; Parent Mark LaFond checking out the architect's rendering of the proposed new gym; Chair and Trustee Emerita Anne Ogilby, Esq. and Trustee Kathy Martien-Sullivan, M.D.; Brad Perry and Betsy Perry Ball, great nephew and niece of Cotting's first teacher and Superintendent Mary Perry.



# Why We Are Giving to the Capital Campaign: The Lee Family



David with wife, Lucinda, and daughter, Madeline

"I worked for Mr. Cotting early in my investment career and joined the Board of Trustees at his recommendation in 1970. I am proud to be associated with such a well-managed, solid school that does so much good for a special group of people who deserve the best we can give them. This is the school's first capital campaign in 30 years, and it is my privilege to pledge my heartfelt support."

David Lee  
Vice President and Trustee Emeritus  
Cotting School



David addressing the students.

## Numbers Tell a Story *Excerpt from Tim Connelly's remarks at the 125th anniversary and campaign celebration.*

Numbers often tell a story about excellence, accomplishment, sustainability, and impact.

The following numbers also reveal a story about Cotting related to these dynamics. Count as I enumerate:

**6** Headmasters in the 125 years of Cotting School's existence; their long tenure suggests all were the finest at what they do.

**18** Classroom Teachers, plus aides, therapists and staff means a 1:1 student-teacher ratio.

**12** is the number of months in a year that Cotting serves students.

**19** years between the ages of 3-22. Remarkably, on one campus, Cotting serves preschool, elementary, middle, high school and a college clientele.

**50** years of supporting student and alumni athletes combined between Coach Dan Cuddy and Head of Physical Therapy Ginny Birmingham.

For those keeping score, our total is now 105. There are 3 more important numbers to share with you:

**10** = the size of this vitally important campaign - in millions of dollars.

**7** = what has been raised so far.

**3** = what we have left to go.

It all adds up to 125, not coincidentally the number of years this institution has changed lives and offered hope where there was none.

We trust you are moved by our story and mission and that you will join us in making possible this gym and the many renovations it will enable to propel our School forward for the next 125 years!



Timothy J. Connelly  
Trustee, Parent of Alumnus, Class of 2015



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**\$7,200,000**  
Raised as of  
June 12, 2019

**\$2.8 Million**  
to go!