



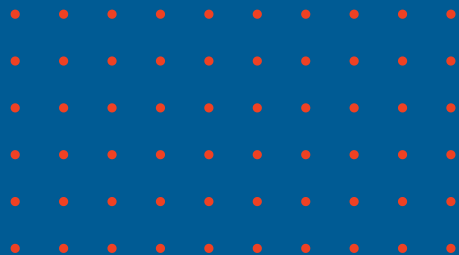
A HOME FOR  
BARNSTORMER ATHLETICS

## OUR STORY



Thaden School, an independent school in Bentonville, Arkansas, opened its doors to 50 students in the fall of 2017 and will enroll 550 students at full capacity. Our school is named in honor of Louise Thaden (1905 – 1979). Born and raised in Bentonville, she was a proud Arkansan and one of the greatest aviators of her time.

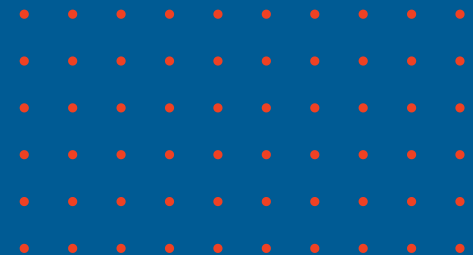
Her pioneering and innovative spirit inspired us to create a school that gives students roots and wings as they build strong foundations and soar to new heights in pursuit of their dreams.



## OUR STORY

Today, Thaden has over 300 students in grades 6-12 who are empowered to think ethically, critically, and creatively through independent and collaborative work.

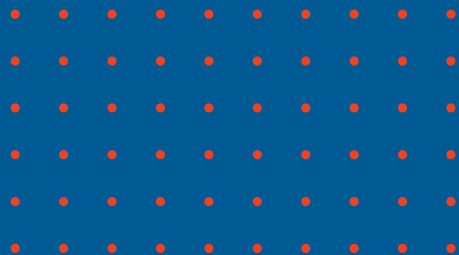
Students are encouraged to see connections among the humanities, sciences, and mathematics as integrated disciplines in the search for knowledge and meaning.



## OUR MISSION



Our mission is to provide a balanced and challenging education that ignites in our students a passion for discovery and learning, prepares them to succeed in college, and inspires them to lead lives of integrity, purpose, and responsible global citizenship.



## COMMITMENT TO DIVERSITY



### STUDENTS

- 35% of Color
- 50:50 Girl/Boy Ratio
- 19% of Students from Washington County
- 12 NWA Cities and Towns Where Students Reside
- 75% of Families Receive Need-Based, Indexed Tuition

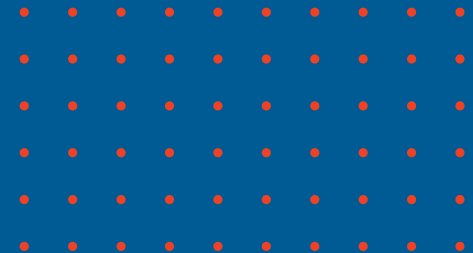
### LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

- Average Class Size: 15 Students
- 9:1 Student/Faculty Ratio
- Average Number of Students in Each Faculty Advisory: 7



### FACULTY

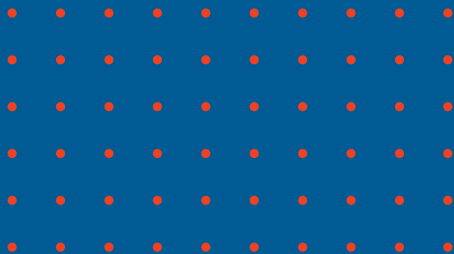
- 53 Faculty Members
- 25% of Color
- 28 States and 6 Countries of Origin



## ROOTS AND WINGS

Thaden School enhances our community by attracting the most talented young professionals to Northwest Arkansas, and by offering equal access to our region's most distinct and diverse educational opportunity.

Our curriculum is designed to create pride in and connection to our region that is carried forward by our students and graduates who are continuing their studies all over the country.



## ROOTS AND WINGS

**50**

Enrollment size  
Fall 2017

**28**

First graduating  
class size

**2021**

First graduating  
class

**304**

Current  
enrollment

**75%**

Families receiving  
need-based  
Indexed Tuition

**6 to 12**

Grades served

**550**

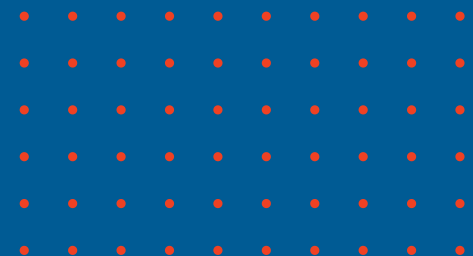
Projected  
enrollment at  
full capacity

**8**

Blocks from  
Bentonville  
Square

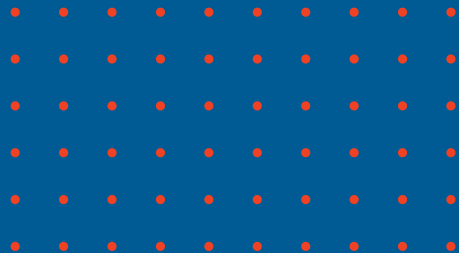
**15**

Miles of  
underground  
geothermal piping



## OUR CHALLENGE

At the core of Thaden School's mission is a commitment to balance that takes many forms. Athletics and physical education programs that build confidence and character through competition and meaningful participation is an integral part of that balance. Approximately 80% of Thaden students participate in sports which include: Basketball, Volleyball, Soccer, Cross Country, Track and Field, Mountain Biking, Gravel Cycling, and Ultimate Frisbee.



## OUR CHALLENGE

As Thaden grows, the need to provide student-athletes with a space on campus is critical to advance the health and wellness of our student body. The facility will enhance our holistic approach to education and ensure that the quality of our athletics programs are commensurate with our world-class educational programs.



### Overall Niche Grade

A+

A+

Academics

A

Diversity

A-

Teachers

A

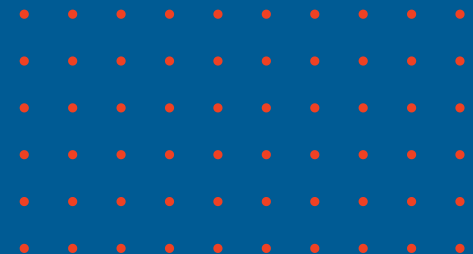
College Prep

A

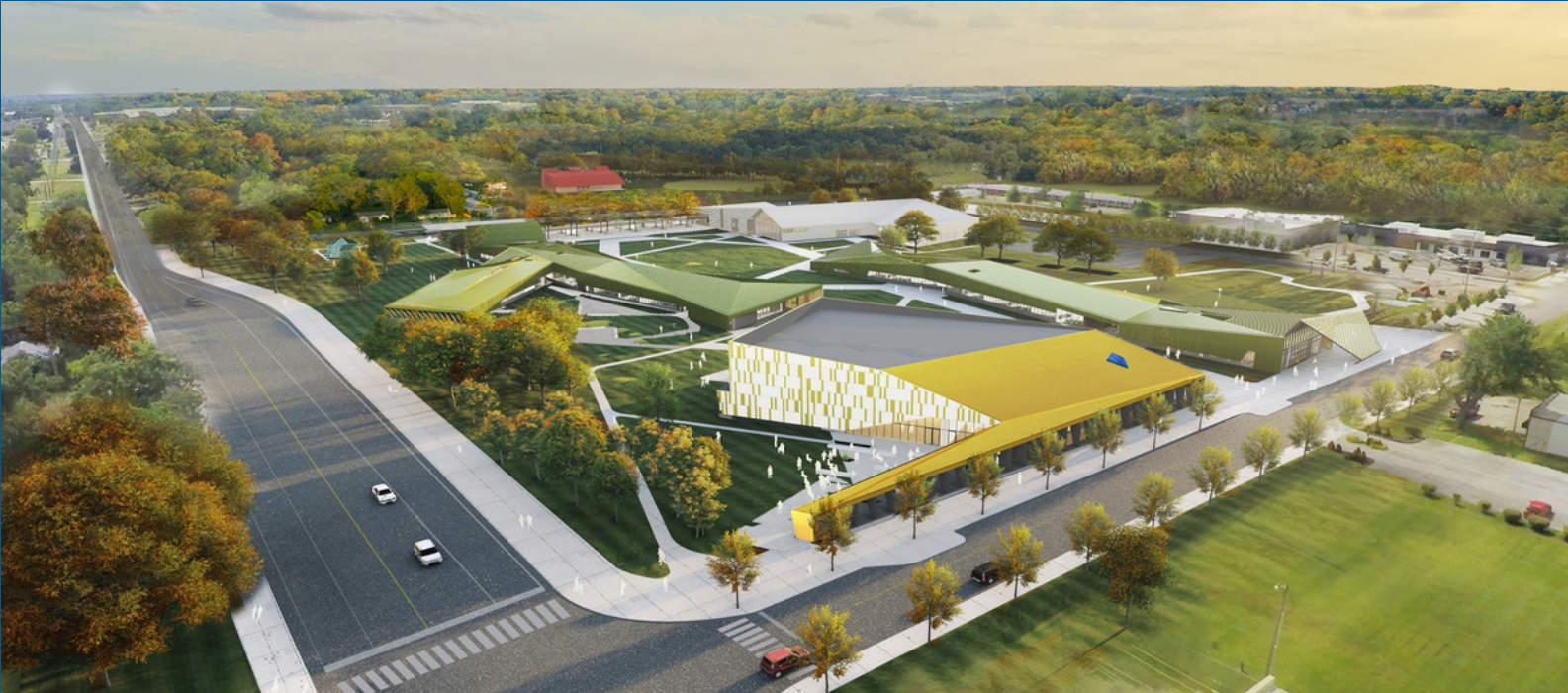
Clubs &  
Activities

C+

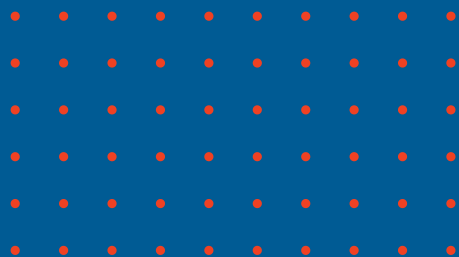
Sports



## MEETING THE NEED



The 30-acre campus, nestled in the heart of Bentonville's Market District, is within walking distance to a variety of educational resources. Designed by an internationally renowned team of architects, the school's first permanent buildings opened in the fall of 2019 and the campus has received numerous architectural accolades.



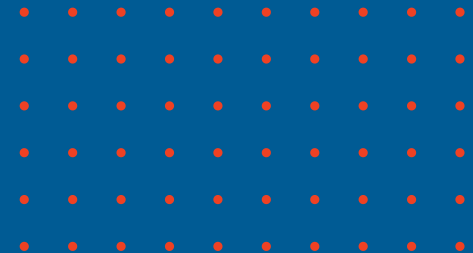
We are proposing a dedicated Athletic Center which will meet the immediate and emerging needs of our student-athletes on campus, and we need your help now.

## WITH YOUR HELP

To help meet this need, we are seeking \$8M of private support from our community. Through this investment, we will all be able to:

- Fortify our integrated curriculum
- Enhance the education of all of our students through holistic programmatic development
- Expand the experience of our beautiful campus with a facility which is akin to the others on campus
- Eliminate travel and logistics barriers for our student athletes and their families
- Deepen our connection to the entire region

Pledge your support for this project today and help us make our students' dreams a reality.



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THANK YOU

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