Episcopal School of Nashville moves into historic Ross Building

Episcopal School of Nashville inks contract with Metro Nashville to move into historic Ross Building at 1310 Ordway Place in East Nashville’s Lockeland Springs neighborhood.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., July 22, 2020 – Episcopal School of Nashville, an independent school founded in East Nashville in 2015, has secured a lease for the historic Ross Building at 1310 Ordway Place.

Episcopal School of Nashville, at last night’s Metro Council meeting, acquired the lease for the historic Ross Building at 1310 Ordway Place in East Nashville’s Lockeland Springs neighborhood. The facility had been unoccupied since Nashville Classical Charter School’s departure last summer. ESN had outgrown its modular campus at 413 Woodland Street.

“Remaining in East Nashville has always been a priority for ESN, and the Ross School building is the perfect new home for our Purple Martins,” says Harrison Stuart, Head of School for the Pre-K-6 school, and in reference to the school’s mascot. “This building is an answer to many prayers and enables us to become the school we have dreamed of for a long time.”

The historic building, a property of Metro Nashville Government, is East Nashville’s oldest surviving school building. The school’s larger footprint, together with ESN’s traditionally small class sizes, will help advance COVID-19 procedures for social distancing as classes begin this fall. At this time, ESN plans to open the physical campus in Phase III of the Mayor’s Plan.

“This giant leap for ESN represents 7 years of herculean efforts from staff, faculty, supporters, and trustees as well as the leadership and belief of Metro Council members,” says Ketch Secor, co-chairman of ESN. “I am so proud of our little school for making this big move to our new home at East Nashville’s historic Ross School building.”

ABOUT EPISCOPAL SCHOOL OF NASHVILLE

Episcopal School of Nashville is a diverse urban independent school in Nashville, TN, currently enrolling Pre-K through 6th grade. Founded in 2016, Episcopal School of Nashville is the nation’s newest Episcopal school. Diversity, inclusiveness, and a sense of community are vitally important at ESN. We know that all persons are special in the eyes of God; therefore, we have intentionally cultivated a culture that values each student’s uniqueness and celebrates differences as a reflection of our Episcopal Identity. www.esnashville.org
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