

The ECHO



Mountain View Christian Academy's Weekly Newsletter

November 20, 2020

Important Upcoming Events

November 23-27

Thanksgiving Break

School News

A Reason To Be Thankful

“Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth. Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs. Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture. Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, *And* into His courts with praise. Be thankful to Him, *and* bless His name. For the LORD is good; His mercy is everlasting, *And* His truth endures to all generations.” Psalm 100: 1-5 NIV

We have so much to be thankful for, but we tend to miss sight of it with everything else that is going on around us. If you are reading this right now, you were blessed with waking up and getting to see the beauty that God has painted around you. We have our senses to see, hear, smell, taste, and touch the goodness that God has placed before us. We have our families, whether near or far, who love us and are praying for us. There are even “neighbors” in far off lands who are praying for each of us, for our health, safety, and well-being. We are blessed to live in a country where freedom reigns, where there is liberty and justice for all, and where we can worship freely the God of the universe. We are blessed to be a part of the MVCA family, where despite current challenges, we continue to move forward, partnering and educating, preparing young lives for tomorrows challenges. Most importantly, though, we have a God who has made us, who loves us, who cares about us, and who desires more than anything else to have a personal relationship with us. A God who calls us to come to Him, lean on Him, and leave our burdens with Him. No other god is like our God!

Next Thursday is the day set aside for our nation to be thankful for all that God has blessed us with. We set aside everything else to be with family and celebrate the abundance that we have, and recognizing that it all comes from our amazing God. The turkey, potatoes, stuffing, and of course the family fellowship are what is important. Don't dwell on the negatives that are going on around us, it is too much to comprehend, but be thankful, grateful to God, for as all of the things we will eat and do this next week, the Bible tells us that, “the Lord is good.” He will continue to bless you, your family, our nation, our world, and of course our school. This week has not been one that any of us wanted to believe could happen, but it did, and together we will get through it. There are brighter days ahead for all of us, and it will be brighter if we, as a family, stick together, lean on one another, and remain committed to the school that we love.

Thanksgiving cannot be a one and done thing, as many view it only as a holiday. Thanksgiving must be, as it is ordained by God, an attitude that shines in our lives 365 days of every year.

Count your blessing and you will see that they out weigh all the “other” stuff we are dealing with right now. “Shout for joy to the Lord,” and sing His Praises!



Birthdays

Nov. 14 - Xavier LaFalce

Nov. 18 - Kaylee Plunkett

Nov. 20 - Alyssa Kitts, Alex Wren

Nov. 21 - Kaleb Brannon

Nov. 25 - Tyson Bragg

Nov. 26 - David McNair

JOE CORBI'S FINALE

What a fantastic Joe Corbi's fundraiser we had this year. This year as a school we sold over \$15,000 worth of product, which translates to almost \$5,000 dollars of profit for MVCA. WOW!

Now it is time to finally wrap this one up as the sorting and pick-up day is just about upon us.

The items will be delivered to MVCA during the first week of December. Be looking for an email soon from Mr. Bordelon with more detailed instructions on when you will be able to pick-up your orders, and how the pick-up will be handled.

Thank you again for your partnership with MVCA!

WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?

The question that is on everyone's mind is, "With the Covid-19 cases that we saw in our school these past two weeks, what does the future look like?"

The MVCA Admin team met this past Tuesday to discuss the next steps, and part of that was the survey that was sent out to the MVCA constituency. If you have not had the opportunity to let your voice be heard, please click on the [link](#) and let the Admin team know your feelings about the future.

We ask that you pray for our school, for each other, and that as decisions are made it will reflect the will of God first and foremost. It is the desire of the admin team to do what is best for MVCA, and it is our prayer that all of our families will continue to partner with us, knowing that we will always have your child's health and well-being at the fore-front of all that we do, and knowing that the Christ-centered education you have come to expect will continue to be provided to it's fullest.

God bless all of you and God bless Mountain View Christian Academy! #conquerorstrong!

Church of Christ at Mountain View News

Everyone is welcome to come and worship with us.

Service times are as follows:

Sunday Mornings: 8 AM (Sunday School) 9AM and 10:30AM. Sunday Evenings: 6PM

Wednesday Evenings: 7PM

Youth Group: Wednesday Evenings at 7:00PM

Children's classes are offered during each service time.

We look forward to WORSHIPPING with YOU!

15:3 - A Time for Youth to Come Together

15:3 is the Sunday night group for 6th-12th graders at CCMV. We meet from 5:30-7:30. We eat together, play games, and have group discussions about following Jesus.

Join us on Sunday, **November 15, at 5:30-7:30 at The Lynch's House.**

For more information about 15:3 call Jenny Lynch at 540-539-2039 or email her at jennydlynch@gmail.com



In Everything
give Thanks

CONQUEROR



SPORTS



2020-2021 Conqueror Sports Update



Stay tuned for further updates as they become available.

MVCA will follow these dates, as accepted by the VHSL:

- Season 1 (Winter) December 14 – February 20 (Basketball and Cheer)
- Season 2 (Fall) February 15 – May 1) (Cross Country and Volleyball)
- Season 3 (Spring) April 12 – June 26 (Baseball and Girls soccer)

If you have a child planning to play a sport this year at MVCA (grades 5-12** some exceptions for 4th grade, contact me for more details**), please watch the attached presentation and read through the athletic handbook. After completing these tasks, please fill out the five question "quiz" to document your completion. **All athletes are required to complete these tasks prior to playing in their first game.**

Presentation: https://youtu.be/0qd_OCijUrM

After-completion "quiz": <https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=pvrAf5pFb0yxkvJtVZXI1xfvjF3AC9JOqdcNFn1DNIJUOFU3WFhJVVdQSkpDSzZPUjdWUU9MSzdXWC4u>

Please let me know if you have any questions or issues. I've tested it and it worked...for me! But technology can be fickle.

Heather Harbin

Athletic Director

**Please not that with COVID-19, athletics' plans are in a flux state. At this point, we are planning to have a shorter basketball season beginning in January and proceeding according to VHSL recommendations, but as always, athletic schedules are subject to change. With COVID-19, games and schedules are subject to be canceled.

Scrip News

Scrip is a fundraiser where you buy gift cards at face value and receive a percent rebate that you can use towards your child's tuition, lunch account, etc. For example, purchase a \$100 Martin's gift card for \$100 and receive a 4% (\$4) rebate! Scrip gift cards are available as e-gift cards (just have the merchant scan a bar code from your phone!) or physical cards. Some cards are reloadable. Cards are available for groceries, gas, online merchants, airlines, hotels, restaurants, and more. To sign up for the program, visit www.shopwithscrip.com or download the app, "RaiseRight Fundraising" by ShopWithScrip. The school enrollment code is **5LC86D771L821**. Your family members in other states can participate too. Payment is made online or via a check payable to MVCA. E-gift cards are available immediately when paid for online. Orders for physical cards are submitted once per month. The next physical card orders are due on **Wednesday, December 9, 2020 by 3:30 pm**. Submit your order online or contact me for a paper order form. I would be happy to help you get started! Just email me at MaryssaShettel@aol.com or call/text (717) 448-8125.