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OCTOBER RECAP

- 10/5 Tailgate Party
- 10/12 Eagle Update
- 10/16-17 Tennis State Tournament
- 10/22-23 NO SCHOOL/Parent Teacher Conferences
- 10/24 ACT Test Date
- 10/31 High School Cross Country State

A LOOK AHEAD

- 11/1 Daylight Savings
- 11/3 KU Engineering Competition
- 11/3-7 Boys Soccer State Tournament
- 11/6 GPAC Conference
- 11/11 Veteran's Day
- 11/12-13 Secondary School Play 7pm
- 11/16 1st Day Winter Sports Practice
- 11/23-27 NO SCHOOL
- 11/26 Thanksgiving

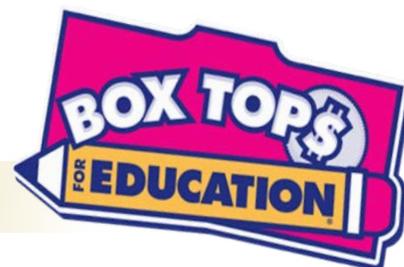
Principal's Principles

By Steve York

Most of us have watched the activity of weight lifting and understand the principle that if you want to become stronger, you have to occasionally lift more weight that you are currently lifting. However, increasing the amount of weight can result in anxiety, shakiness, soreness, or even a desire to give up. It's not unusual for some people to even let out a scream or loud grunt when trying to push through a heavy weight. These noises can even be so loud that it sounds like the lifter's life is in danger (yet this is rarely the case). These same things are true for our children in life, learning and spiritual growth. They need regular challenges in order to grow stronger. Challenges can make them feel anxious, shaky or like giving up. They may even let out a few screams or grunts when circumstances are difficult or disappointing. Yet if these challenges are not present in their lives or if we take the 'weight' from them too soon or too often, our children will not be able to build the strength (determination, perseverance, faith, endurance,

confidence) they need for growth and for success. Just like a good weightlifting coach, our role is not to lift the weight for them. Our role is to teach and model proper weightlifting technique, provide encouragement and accountability, and to let them know that we will always be available when we are needed. This is the approach our Father uses for us and it is one we can use to help our children through life and to prepare them for life. (James 1:2-4, Romans 5:1-5, 2 Corinthians 4:16-18, Matthew 28:20, Romans 8:28)

DID YOU KNOW that Maranatha welcomes all clipped BoxTops. Check out BTFE.com for new ways to earn bonus BoxTops, enter contests, and get coupons. Please bag in groups of 50, mark with your student's name, and give them to a teacher.



Athletics Alley *By Dave Keener*

On average 70% of our secondary students were participating in a fall sport. That is a fantastic representation of our student body in all our activities. At the point of this writing, three fall sports have completed. JH cross country, JH football and HS girls tennis. The HS girls tennis team had a tremendous season with 21 girls participating. They gained some very valuable experience. Singles player Blythe Asbell placed 4th in regionals and 8th at state. MCA had the opportunity to host regional tennis so students and parents were able to watch our girls compete.

Volleyball season saw our varsity team play some outstanding matches. With only one senior on the team the future looks bright for them. Speaking of the future the JH A team went into their season ending league tournament as the #1 seed. The JH B team has surprised many with their improvement this season. Soccer team has played well this season and won their first round regional game for KSHSAA. Coach Orndorff has done a great job in improving the play of our boys. JH team finished regular season with their best win of the year and head into their tournament play as well.

Football has two weeks remaining and has shown so much improvement this year. They are competing very well week in and week out. Coach Burdette and his staff have done an outstanding job of molding young men into men of God. The JH football team had a great season. They had some very

impressive victories and Coach Burdette is excited to get many of them on the varsity team next year. In three weeks we will begin our winter season activities of scholar bowl, bowling, basketball, and cheer. Pray for coaches and athletes as they prepare for the rigors that a winter sports schedule can bring. We pray that as always, God receives the glory through these activities.



WINTER SPORTS

Winter Sports began on November 17th. Check out dates and times of games and matches on the Maranatha website mca-eagles.org and come out and support the Eagles this season!

Boys & Girls
BASKETBALL

CHEER

BOWLING

Jr. High
BASKETBALL

ACT TIPS FROM MRS. WILCOX

+ Know the location that you're taking the test and arrive early so you don't rush

+ Read the materials list so you know what you can have and need to have for the test

+ Take as many practice tests you can that are in the same time period of the ACT

+ A LOT OF READING --Read everything you can get your hands on before the ACT

+ Review the basics of math & grammar so that you don't forget simple concepts that you know

Reginald Rose's
Emmy award-winning
classic drama

Twelve Angry Jurors

Adapted by
Sherman Sergel



Maranatha Christian Academy
North Gym-15000 63rd St.
November 12th-13th -- 7:00 p.m.

Adults \$8.00

Students \$6.00

Tickets available in Secondary Office
Call 913-631-0637

MCA 2015-2016

THEME: JOY

ROMANS 15:13

MAY THE GOD OF HOPE FILL
YOU WITH ALL JOY AND PEACE
IN BELIEVING, SO THAT BY
THE POWER OF THE HOLY
SPIRIT YOU MAY ABOUND IN
HOPE.

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(left to right) Michael Poleleyev (12), Ryan Fitzgerald (11), Ben Bailey (12), Joseph Moon (12), and Peyton Schneider (12) are first to finish the tire rotation challenge in a “toy car exercise” during their College & Career Bible class.

A Light in the Dark

Juniors and seniors race for first place in completely disassembling a toy car, rotating its tires, and reassembling the car during their College & Career Course in Bible, Monday, October 26. Scott and Tammie Green, franchise owners of Christian Brothers Automotive in Shawnee began their presentation on what it takes to be a successful faith-based business in today’s marketplace with this challenge. Students learned about entrepreneurship, honesty and work ethic, good team work and owning one’s mistakes. The Greens believe they have been called by God to be a light in the dark, automotive repair industry. Tammie’s BA in Accounting equips her for managing the profit and loss side of their business while Scott’s degrees are in Psychology and Sociology. He deals with the hiring and firing of employees as well as customer satisfaction. When asked what gives the Greens the greatest joy in their business, Scott said, “When I look out and see my wife praying with one of our customers, I am blessed.” The Greens are offering a 10% discount on services to Maranatha students and families.



MCA shows their Kansas City spirit by wearing Royals’ attire and royal blue on game days!

If you are current MCA family and your church has an event coming up that would be of interest to our MCA family, we would like to help you promote it! Send a pdf poster of your church’s event to Linda Jennings to review for advertising.
jenningsL@ma-kc.org



ATTENTION JUNIOR PARENTS
 The Junior class is still in charge of concessions through the rest of this semester. Working concessions is a great way to raise money for class funds and for the upcoming Senior trip! Mrs. Morken and Mr. Ediger are putting in lots of hard work to run concessions and they need your help--email morkenm@ma-kc.org or edigerj@ma-kc.org to sign up to help make MCA concessions great for events and to raise money for your Junior!