



THE WOODLANDS
CHRISTIAN
ACADEMY

ANNUAL REPORT
2020
2021





To reinforce their study of Newton's Laws, 5th and 6th grade rocketry students were tasked with creating a parachute that, when launched from a distance, would slow down the force of gravity and protect the shell of the raw egg inside.



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A MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD OF SCHOOL

Gratefully Celebrating Community

Dear Families and Friends of The Woodlands Christian Academy,

On behalf of our Governance Board, administration and faculty, we are pleased to present this annual report, summarizing highlights from the 2020-2021 school year.

Our annual spiritual theme, trust, proved to be very appropriate as we trusted God to lead us through an unprecedented global pandemic. God enabled us to safely reopen our campus to students on August 12, 2020 and to remain open through commencement on May 21, 2021. I am grateful for the trust of our faculty and families as we navigated through so many challenges while prioritizing the emotional and educational needs of our students.

This was an extraordinary year at Woodlands Christian, and I am so proud of our school community. While much of the world remained locked down, our students enjoyed three seasons of competitive sports, live fine arts performances, academic competitions, homecoming, prom, field days, year-end celebrations and opportunities to mature spiritually through mentoring relationships with their teachers and coaches. We even hosted one of the first in-person galas at The Woodlands Waterway Marriott on May 1.

We also fine-tuned our school's mission statement to better integrate spiritual growth into all of our activities and to focus on intellectual and creative development so that our students will be better prepared to lead for Jesus Christ in this rapidly changing world.



Our mission statement now reads – The Woodlands Christian Academy is an independent, Christ-centered college preparatory school that integrates learning with biblical faith and spiritual growth and challenges students to reach their highest potential – intellectually, creatively, physically and socially – for the glory of Jesus Christ.

We hope you enjoy the annual report, in which we focus on our previous year's achievements and on the annual report of gifts. We are, as always, grateful for the contributions of time, talent and treasure that we receive from the families and friends of The Woodlands Christian Academy. May God continue to bless our school community, build our faith in Christ, and keep us safe during these tumultuous times.

Serving Him,

Julie H. Ambler
HEAD OF SCHOOL

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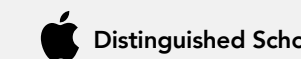
Drew Howard



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ACCREDITATIONS & ASSOCIATIONS



Recognized by Apple as a distinguished school for continuous innovation in learning, teaching, and the school environment.





OUR CORE VALUES

We **RELATE**

We thrive in a connected and nurturing community.

"There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work."

1 CORINTHIANS 12:5-6

We **TRANSFORM**

It's not just what we learn, but who we become while learning.

"Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is - His good, pleasing and perfect will."

ROMANS 12:2

We **CELEBRATE**

We rejoice in relationships and transformation.

"Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."

1 THESSALONIANS 5:16-18

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

THE WOODLANDS CHRISTIAN ACADEMY IS AN INDEPENDENT, CHRIST-CENTERED COLLEGE PREPARATORY SCHOOL THAT INTEGRATES LEARNING WITH BIBLICAL FAITH AND SPIRITUAL GROWTH, & CHALLENGES STUDENTS TO REACH THEIR HIGHEST POTENTIAL - INTELLECTUALLY, CREATIVELY, PHYSICALLY, AND SOCIALLY - FOR THE GLORY OF JESUS CHRIST.

OUR PILLARS & THE SYMBOLISM OF OUR LOGO

Our mission statement is evident within the elements of our logo. Spiritually serves as the overarching capstone of the columns which each represent a different pillar.

SPIRITUALLY



HOLY TRINITY
The Father, Son, and Holy Spirit is over all we do



SHIELD
Symbolizes the Shield of Faith, Warriors for Christ



ETCHING
Suggests the establishment of tradition and a new legacy



RINGS
Represents never-ending commitment to excellence



OUR 2020-2021 BIBLICAL THEME

"Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight."

PROVERBS 3:5-6



2020-2021 by the Numbers



Founded in
1993

The Woodlands,
Texas



Ranked #1
Best Christian
High School
in Montgomery County
by Niche.com



41 ZIP
CODES
Represented by
TWCA Students

\$8,966,728

New Record, Merit-based Scholarship
Dollars Awarded to the Class of 2021

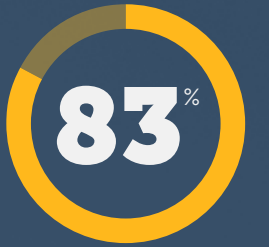
\$146,995 Average Per
Student Award



40
Wooded Acres



250
Home Games,
Meets & Matches



83% of AP Tests
Taken Earned
Passing Scores of
3 or Higher



688

'20-'21 Student
Enrollment

HS: 250 / MS: 203 / LS: 235



196,200

Estimated Minutes Spent in '20-'21
Volunteering or in Service to Others

HS: 1850 Hours / MS: 820 Hours / LS: 600 Hours



9,700

Bottles Kept Out of
Landfills With Our
Water Filling Stations

5,595

Books Checked Out
of the Library



Anglo 70%
Hispanic 10%
Other 8.5%
Multiracial 4.7%
African American 3.7%
Asian 1.8%
Indian 1%
Native American 1%
Pacific Islander 1%



7:1
Student to
Faculty Ratio

6.85

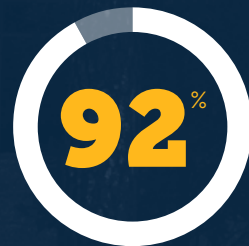
Tons of Weights in the
Joseph Weight Room

Over 13,700 Lbs Available to Lift



17

Advanced
Placement Classes



92% Retention
Rate for Returning
Students



425

Instagram Posts
shared by
@TWCAWarriors



600

Pretzels Sold
at Warrior
Concessions



90% of Students
Played at Least
One Sport



1223

Class of 2021
Average SAT Score

1410	1350	1051
TWCA	TWCA	National
Top 25%	Top 50%	Average



2,592

Spirit Items Sold in
The Armory



3

5A TAPPS State
Championships
Boys Cross Country,
Boys Basketball & Boys Golf



13

Pre-AP
& Honors
Classes



3,000

Bags of Popcorn
Sold at Warrior
Concessions



1,310

Tickets Sold or Seats
Reserved for the
Spring Fine Arts Shows



#7 Best School for
Athletes in Houston
by Niche.com

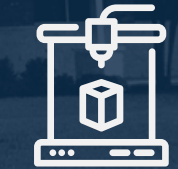


100% of Grads
Accepted to 4-year
College/Universities



10

STEAM Labs &
Makerspaces



4

3D Printers
on Campus



More Than

100

Students Involved
in the Fine Arts
Extravaganza

13,500

Total Daily Work Orders
Average of 75 per day: cleanups,
repairs, installs, setups and assembling.





Carrying On During Covid



#FirstDayofSchool



Hand Washing Stations



#HealthyCampus

20 days of in-person learning!



#StoryBookParade



NJHS Induction Ceremony



DECA Club mask sale to benefit the food bank



#SackLunches



#GoWarriors

Grateful for the return of athletic events



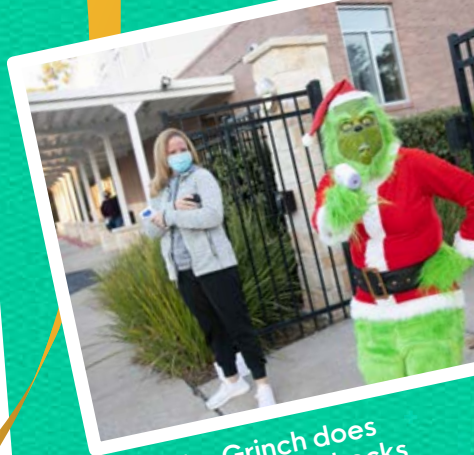
Megan Hanigan & Christian Berger crowned at the Homecoming soccer game in December



Outdoor class time & #SocialDistancing



Masks, small groups, & iPads for distance learning



The Grinch does temperature checks during Spirit Week



AP Physics class #Catapults



Our MASKcot Liam's First Visit



Senior/Kinder Buddies decorate pumpkins



Thankful for God's protection! 40 days of a #HealthyCampus





Middle School Baseball
HAPS District Champs



#NationalNursesDay

Cannon fire and a visit
from the Sons of the
Republic of Texas



#GoTexanDay



National Latin Exams



Sports Medicine Field Trip



#100Days

Congratulations to the
Kindergarten graduating
class of 2033!



Blessed to celebrate 100
days of on-campus learning!
#HealthyCampus



#SnowDays



Pizza fraction activities
#Magnifico



#LibraryShelfieDay



We won't miss
temperature checks!

Get to know our School Nurse, Jennifer Jadlot, RN

From the onset of Covid-19, TWCA school nurse Jennifer Jadlot stepped in to fill a critical role. We checked in with Mrs. Jadlot to reflect on life as a school nurse during a pandemic:

Take us back to late summer 2020 — how was the decision for school to re-open made?

The mental health aspect of kids being off campus is profound. Our goal was to keep kids in school. No matter what, they need to stay in school, and in order to do so, every leader had to step up. We immediately built a team for re-opening and got to work developing a plan.

What did you do to ensure we could re-open safely?

We followed guidance of local physicians and medical research. You start to realize even officials and professionals are figuring things out as we go so we ultimately had to determine a plan that was best for our school environment based on the science. The biggest thing I realized was that so much of this was out of our control and I had to hand everything over to God.

What was it like managing the health of our school community this year?

It was all about balance. Things were changing almost daily so I was constantly monitoring what was happening in the local community, what was trending nationwide, and what was happening on campus. I have to say, support from parents and school administration was there! Our parents know that we love their kids so having that support and open communication was huge.

Of the many challenges, what was the biggest one?

Implementing so many changes that no one wanted but were crucial to keep our kids in school. Enforcing things like mask wearing, temperature checks and quarantines when necessary. None of it was fun, but looking back, knowing we were back together made it all worth it.

Any final thoughts?

I can't even put into words how much my whole life changed but I never questioned it, I knew God was walking with me. Sure, I'm a nurse but I'm also a parent and member of this community, and I love this place and I love these kids and wanted to do my best for them. The Lord protected us — did we have all of the plans and precautions in place from best to worst case scenarios, yes — but ultimately, we stayed safe because of Him.





Spiritually

– for the glory of Jesus Christ

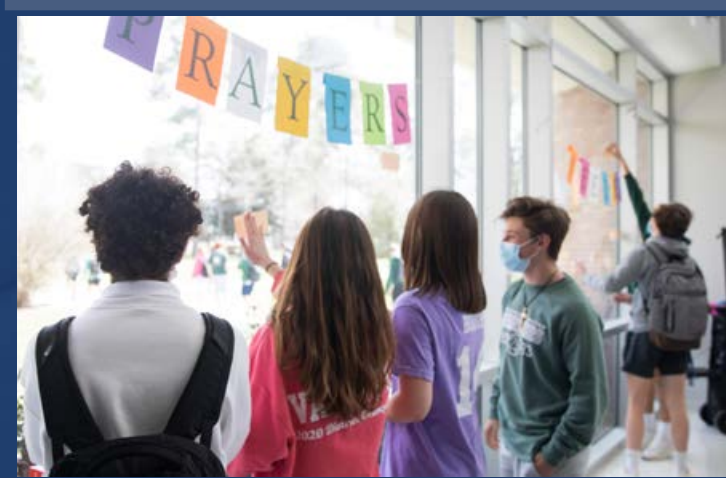


Our desire is for students at Woodlands Christian to grow in their faith and transform spiritually. From biblical concepts woven into lesson plans, sports and fine arts, to the many opportunities to serve others, our students are able to worship God all day, every day.

PHOTO: In fall 2020, we joined the nation for See You at the Pole. Due to Covid-19 restrictions, parents met across the street at Crossroads while students and faculty/staff gathered at the flagpole on campus. Despite social distancing, carline times and dreary weather, nothing could stop our praise and prayers.



SCAN TO WATCH THE VIDEO



First Annual Spirituality Week

Growing Godly Girls organized the first-ever Spirituality Week in high school. Club sponsor, Courtney DeLeon, shared the idea behind the event, saying, "the focus of this week is about spreading God's word, His love and the power He can have in others' lives."

Warriors wore biblically-themed attire, placed sticky notes with words of encouragement around the Micah Academic Center, played Bible trivia, worshiped and prayed for one another throughout the week.

Love in Action

NJHS and NHS partnered together to organize a school-wide campaign in support of Operation Christmas Child. Members gathered donations — everyday essentials like toothpaste and soap as well as toys and games — wrote personal messages of encouragement to recipients, and prayed over every package they sealed.

To offset the \$9 shipping cost for each box, NHS held a car wash with all funds raised going toward this effort. In the end, 607 boxes were distributed to children in need throughout the world.

"We are so thankful that our students have opportunities to be the hands and feet of Jesus. These children will receive a gift and learn about the greatest gift of all - Jesus Christ!"

- JENNIFER RUSSELL, PROJECT LEAD & NJHS SPONSOR



Raising Leaders & Expanding Worldviews

FRESHMEN PARTICIPATE IN WORLD VISION'S IGNITE PROGRAM

In line with our commitment to raise global leaders with a biblical worldview, TWCA 9th graders had the special opportunity to participate in the World Vision Ignite program.

Traditionally in child sponsorship programs, the sponsor chooses a child from a gallery of photos. The Ignite program however, employs a counterintuitive approach that gives the sponsored child the opportunity to choose.

Our students' photos were sent halfway around the world to Zambia where the children there viewed them and made their selections. On Reveal Day, students were called up one by one and given an

envelope. Inside was a photo of his or her child and a letter explaining why they were chosen. The duos kept in touch throughout the year with lessons and check-ins designed to offer a mutual transformation and a deeper understanding of the world.

We are proud to do our part to help alleviate child poverty and look forward to continuing this partnership for years to come.

► To learn more, visit: worldvision.org



Hope Beyond Bridges

Ellen Watt and Avery Fleenor were in search of an organization dedicated to serving the homeless. When they heard about Hope Beyond Bridges and the work they were doing to minister to the homeless community, they had to do something. Both members of the National Honor Society, they got the green light from club director Stacy Shilling to hold an Easter egg hunt fundraiser.

The overwhelming response from lower school families required additional support from NJHS who helped fill eggs. The high school students were in charge of driving to the houses and hiding the eggs. Ellen and Avery split everyone into groups, mapped out all of the houses, and created routes for each car, serving 3-4 houses each.

The project had several unanticipated challenges and tasks that the girls overcame. They determined logistics, advertised, successfully communicated with

parents and group members and organized the delivery of the Easter eggs. In reflecting on the fundraiser, Avery said, "This project taught us both a lot about leadership and overcoming problems. In some moments it felt like we had no idea what to do, but with the help of Mrs. Shilling we were able to overcome our obstacles. While leading the project was stressful at times, it was extremely rewarding serving others."

In total, NHS raised \$2,066 for Hope Beyond Bridges. The money raised helped provide meals and hygiene kits for people who are homeless, living under highway bridges in Houston.

Teen Leadership Class

Students in the Teen Leadership class assembled 100 care packages to distribute throughout the community to those in need. Inside were essentials like socks, hand sanitizer, a toothbrush, floss, snacks and water. The project helped these Warriors to further understand what it means to be a servant leader.





JUNIORS & SENIORS SHARE IN A SPECIAL CHAPEL TRADITION

Passing *the* Torch



Baccalaureate is a year-end service honoring junior and senior students. The program began with praise & worship followed by a special message from our Coordinator of Spiritual Development, Aaron Marez. He encouraged graduates to continue walking with God and challenged the rising seniors to shine his/her "light of leadership" on campus as they take their place in the fall.

The senior class surrounded the juniors to pray over them before passing their lanterns over signifying a transfer of leadership and responsibility. The students exchanged places and the juniors prayed over the graduating senior class.

To close the ceremony, parents were invited to join their senior for prayer. As the 2020 service was canceled due to Covid, the feeling of love was palpable in 2021. High school principal, Stephen Clark, said that "taking time to pray as a family and as a community was truly a special opportunity."



Facilities Team Appreciation Day

Our facilities team works tirelessly and with excellence to serve our school. In honor of their service, kindergarten students presented the team with posters and handmade cards to let them know how thankful we are for them!

National Day of Prayer

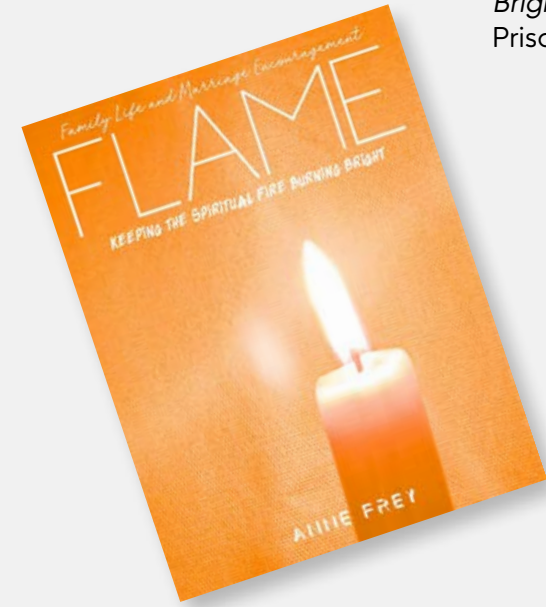
It is always a privilege to gather together and pray as a community of believers for the National Day of Prayer. In addition to the ceremony, a Prayer Station was set up outside of the SLC. This allowed for students, staff and guests to leave a prayer and/or say a prayer for any of the requests posted to the windows.



Parent Growth Groups

LADIES BIBLE STUDY

Each semester, Warrior moms are invited to participate in a parent-driven Ladies Bible Study. Anne Frey facilitated the fall and spring sessions and selected studies that helped participants maintain spiritual growth in such an unprecedented time. The group studied Anne's book "FLAME: Keeping the Spiritual Fire Burning Bright" in the fall and discussed Priscilla Shirer's "Elijah" in the spring.



"I love the TWCA Ladies Bible Study because it provides a place for moms of all age students to enjoy authentic community while studying the truths of God's word. As moms, we need to be an example of Christ's love to our children, and meeting together with other moms for bible study encourages us on this journey."

- ANNE FREY, LADIES BIBLE STUDY COORDINATOR

ALL-IN DADS

Lower school parent Aaron Hansz has coordinated an opportunity for weekly fellowship for all Warrior dads. Through biblical study, discussion and prayer, the goal of All-in Dads is to help participants to become better fathers, husbands and authentic men in Christ.

"Being a husband and dad is hard. Doing it alone is even harder. Doing it without God's direction and care makes it impossible. Coming together with other men in God's hands, with His word and the Holy Spirit, makes this calling doable."

- AARON HANSZ, ALL-IN DADS COORDINATOR



Aaron Hansz (center) with other Warrior dads and their kids.



STUDENT PARTNERS WITH INTERACT CLUB TO EARN EAGLE SCOUT BADGE

Volunteers Pack Gym & Meals for Mission of Hope

When choosing his Eagle Scout badge project, TWCA senior Leafé Sanders was determined to find something that would make a significant impact. Through a family friend, he learned about Mission of Hope, a Christian mission organization that started in Haiti in 1998 and now operates in several countries.

"I wanted to do something that would really help," Sanders said. He had done a meal packing event before so he knew a little bit about how they work and what they entail. Sanders started planning in March and originally was going to host the event at his church. But COVID-19 restrictions on church occupancy made that complicated. So eventually he settled on hosting the event at TWCA.

Before the October 28 meal packing event, Sanders had to raise \$12,000 to purchase the food. He managed to raise it all in a little over two weeks. He approached fellow students, people at his church, family friends, and even his troop members to raise the funds.

On the day of the event, the food was delivered and unloaded at the school. Over 100 volunteers, fully geared up in masks and gloves manned dozens of tables spaced out in the David Gym for several hours. By the end of the day, there were 41,040 meals prepared. They were loaded back on the truck and sent off to Mission of Hope For Haiti.

When looking for volunteers, Sanders turned to Tom Earle, the faculty sponsor for the Interact Club at TWCA. The Interact Club has 120 members, so finding volunteers wasn't hard.

"I loved the idea, I knew it was going to be a challenge," Earle said, but he also knew that Sanders would be up to that challenge.

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#WarriorWisdom

"In all things, remember that your life is secure in Christ. Be strong, be free, and be courageous as God leads you!"

AMANDA FRENCH, DIRECTOR OF ENROLLMENT





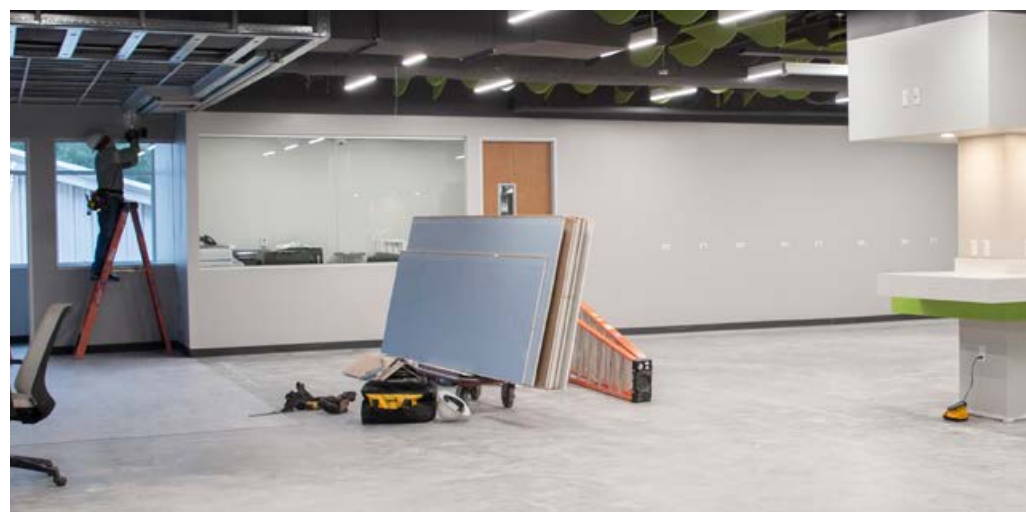
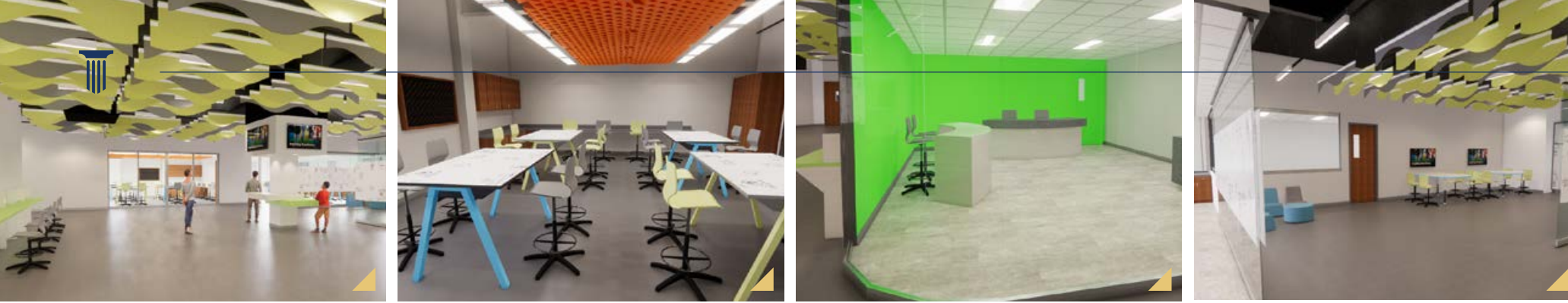
Intellectually

— for the glory of Jesus Christ



Academic excellence is at the heart of what we do at Woodlands Christian. Our teachers provide great care and attention through hands-on learning activities and engaging lessons. They continually challenge students to reach their highest potential intellectually.

PHOTO: This was our first year to offer a broadcast class in both middle and high school. Broadcast teaches our students many practical skills like presentation and public speaking and the elements of production including filming and editing, digital media, lighting and sound design, research and writing.



Get to know our Middle School **STEAM Teacher,** **Rao Oleyeye, Ed.D.**

What did you do before coming here? Have you had any notable or interesting past jobs?

I worked in HISD as a robotics teacher while completing my doctorate in Educational Leadership and Innovation. In the past, I worked as a technology coach and teacher in the Middle East. In GEMS United School in Dubai, then at Riffa Views International School in Bahrain.

How long have you worked in education?

I have worked in education for 20 years.

Do you have children?

Yes, my 25-year-old is an alumna of Emory University in Atlanta, and my 21-year-old is a computer science student and a senior at Emory University.

What do you look forward to most about next year?

The completion of the STEAM space.

What attracted you to TWCA?

Testimonies of other teachers that currently work here. Jennifer Russell recommended me to the school and Heidi Saenz told me TWCA is home.

What's been the best part of life at TWCA so far?

The community here is amazing. My colleagues are great, and I enjoy collaborating with them.

Please describe your teaching philosophy.

Nobody cares how much you know until they know how much you care. My mission as an educator is to inspire students to love the process of learning and become inquirers, creators and problem solvers with a godly worldview.

Tell us an interesting fact about you.

I went skydiving in Dubai in early 2020.

What do you like to do for fun?

I enjoy writing and spending time with family.

under construction new **STEAM** space

We are continuing our investment in science, technology, engineering, fine arts, and math programs with a new space that is expected to be finished at the start of the 2021-2022 school year. This area will feature a state-of-the-art broadcasting studio, makerspace, an art studio and training space for our esports team.

Part of our five-year plan is to become more widely recognized for our STEAM education emphasis and to become accredited through Cognia as a school for STEAM. The initiatives being put into place now are part of that long-term goal.

"It is wonderful to see what the students are creating and sharing as well as the confidence and leadership skills they're building. I am so happy for the opportunity to share this with our students."

- TANYA SHARRON, DIRECTOR OF STEAM AND TECHNOLOGY INTEGRATION

#WarriorWisdom

"Enjoy each moment and trust in the one who has been with you every step of the way – your Lord and Savior."

JORDAN KOSKAMP, HS FACULTY

ARCHITECT'S RENDERING



Life-Size Animals

2nd grade students were tasked with gathering facts about their favorite animal. Part of that research was to learn the body measurements of the animal they selected before painting a full size version. They compared their artwork to humans and other animals and were excited to see the results. Being able to create something massive, such as a 20-foot baby blue whale, or something rather small like an 8-inch cardinal was truly hands-on learning!

Augmented Reality

7th grade Texas History students piloted augmented reality software that placed them at the center of the Battle of the Alamo. Augmented reality (AR) is an enhanced version of the real physical world that involves overlaying visual, auditory, or other sensory information onto the world in order to enhance one's experience.

In this case, students used their iPad cameras to hover over different map locations of famous battlefields or photos of notable individuals. The iPad would recognize the image and then display the AR, allowing students to interact with the scene by sharing significant details of each location or character. This lesson offered a next-level learning opportunity that brought history to life.



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Poetry Night

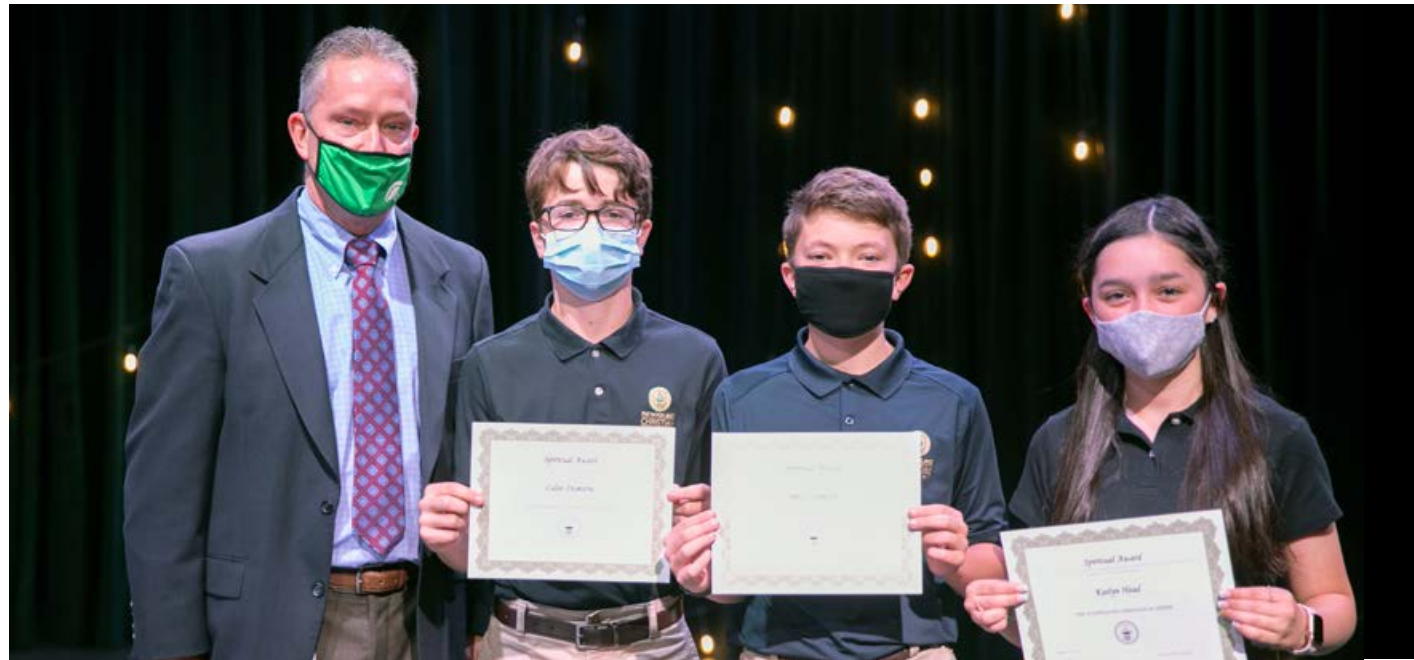
Our annual 2nd grade Poetry Night celebrates the imaginative and thoughtful style of composition and our students' mastery of the subject. Dressed in their Sunday best, each participant recited original poems for their teachers, peers and parents via a livestream feed in the Ruth Auditorium.

#WarriorWisdom

"When did you fall in love with Jesus? Remember, and stay there a while. Remembering the goodness of God heals and pushes you on."

JASMINE MITCHELL, LS FACULTY





Middle School Awards Ceremony

Middle school hosted an awards ceremony to recognize 7th and 8th grade students who pursue excellence in the five areas of our mission statement. With awards for spiritually, intellectually, creatively, physically and socially, 24 students were recognized for their achievements throughout the year.

The presentation culminated with the presentation of the "Heart of A Warrior" award which was given to Tobe Anugwom. This award is given to the student who embodies the Warrior Way. He or she honors God, fights for truth, leads by example, serves others and walks humbly, all for the glory of Jesus Christ.



Tobe Anugwom, Heart of a Warrior Recipient

MIDDLE SCHOOL ACADEMIC AWARD RECIPIENTS

7th Grade

- Will Brown
- Calin Dumitru
- Lizbeth Er
- Elaina Formica
- Kailyn Head

- Bryce Johnson
- Jackson Meacham
- Joey Orr
- Charli Smith
- Will Stanoscheck
- Kate Worthington
- Owen Young

8th Grade

- Tobe Anugwom
- Haley Conner
- Jillian Craft
- Ashlyn Fleenor
- Caroline Fletcher

- Hudson Howard
- Rilee Klein
- Marlow Grace Leahy
- Emma Sweger
- Knox Trevathan
- Emily Walton
- Liam Young



Josh Mueck and Aubrey Hollas were named Valedictorian and Salutatorian for the Class of 2021. Both will attend Texas A&M in the fall. Josh was accepted to the Craig and Galen Brown Engineering Honors Program and Aubrey plans to study architecture.

National Merit Scholarship Program

TWCA seniors Merritt Ruffner and Joshua Mueck were named National Merit Finalists by The National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC). Ruffner and Mueck stand in the company of 15,000 Finalists, representing less than one percent of all U.S. high school seniors.

Catherine Berger, Tucker Carson, Preston Culberson and Aubrey Hollas were named Commended Students in the 2021 National Merit Scholarship Program. Commended Students placed among the top 50,000 scorers. Over 1.5 million juniors across the country took the Preliminary SAT (PSAT), which is the exam used to screen for the National Merit Scholarship.





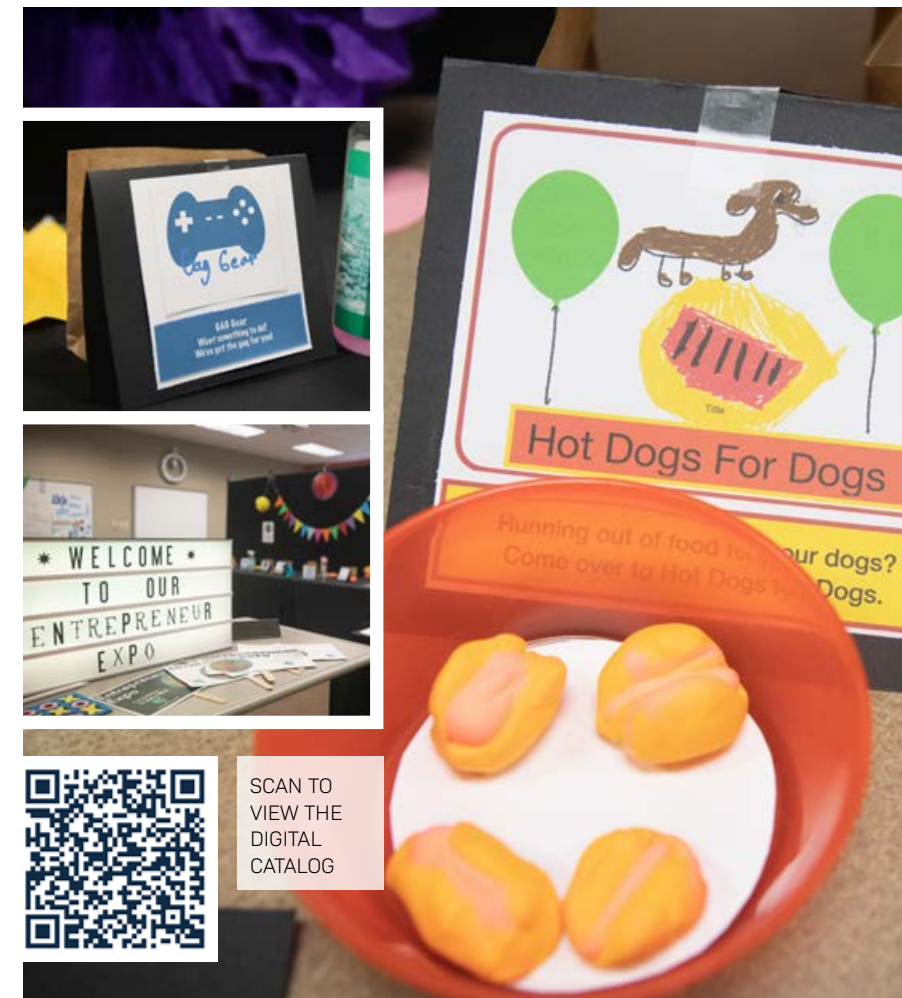
Student *Ambassadors*

Launched in the spring of 2021, the Woodlands Christian Student Ambassador Program introduced its first class of ambassadors. These 11 high school students have been part of the TWCA community ranging from three to 11 years. Each ambassador applied for the position and was selected for their desire, passion and dedication to embodying the Warrior Way. Throughout their two-year term, these students will represent the Warrior experience to prospective students, their families and community members.

Celebrating Black History

Lacy Goedeke's Art Integration students combined a variety of mediums to learn about Martin Luther King Jr. They first listened to the book *Martin's Big Words* and were tasked with identifying positive words Dr. King used often. They then created word art using chalk. Finally, each student posed with their artwork and using green screen technology, reenacted a famous photo of Dr. King reaching out his hand.

Mrs. Goedeke developed this project to "teach about the incredible influence Martin Luther King Jr. had all over the world and to understand the impact that my 2nd graders can have on others."



Entrepreneur Expo

Third and fourth graders learned what it meant to take a big idea to market through the Entrepreneur Expo. Recognizing that we have a lot of future business owners, lower school faculty members Lacy Goedeke and Tanya Sharron, wanted to create a way for students to tackle real world problems and come up with a business solution. As part of this process, students had to come up with an idea, create a prototype, present the product, receive feedback, make modifications, and market the product.

Students even had to create their own commercials with a slogan, elevator pitch and logo branding their product. First and second graders were included in the project too. They created art displays in the style of Henri Matisse, and as Expo attendees, they had the responsibility of voting for their favorite businesses.



Celebrating Our Seniors

Graduation is a special moment in each school year and 2021 was no different. This class achieved incredible success after having to navigate through the challenges of the Covid-19 pandemic. We were thrilled to celebrate them, and grateful to do so in-person. Students, parents, friends and family gathered at Crossroads Baptist Church on May 21, 2021 to watch each senior accept his/her diploma and to wish them well in the next phase of their lives. We have no doubt these Warriors will go on to achieve great things, armed with the biblical foundation necessary to stay grounded in truth and be a light in the world.

Kinder/Senior Buddies

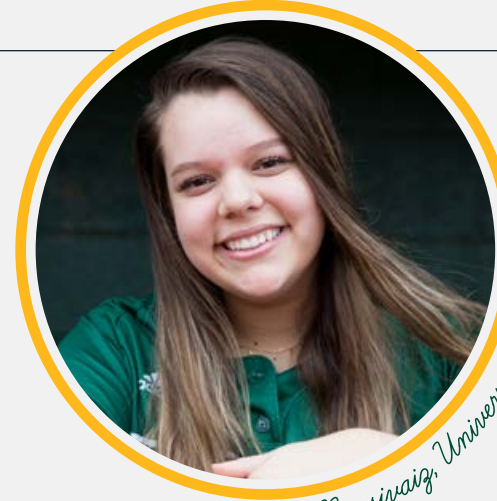
To close out the 2020-2021 Senior Buddies program, TWCA seniors and kindergartners took over Urban Air to swing, glide, climb, bounce and share a final farewell.



#WarriorWisdom

"Mistakes are expected, respected, inspected, and corrected."

LEANNE WILLIAMS, LS FACULTY



Avery Monsivais, University of Arkansas

"I am so grateful to my parents for paying for this amazing education and allowing me to be pushed. The teachers are absolutely incredible and have had a huge impact on me. We take this for granted and may not be this blessed in college."

"I so thankful for everyone who I have met that has supported and helped me make it to where I am today. Each day, I am more appreciative of everything everyone has done for me."



Stratton Butaud, Southern Methodist University

"Transferring over to a private school was very scary, but my parents, the staff at TWCA, and my friends helped me greatly in the transition. As a result, I am so much smarter academically and spiritually, and my faith with God is far greater than what it was before I came to this school."

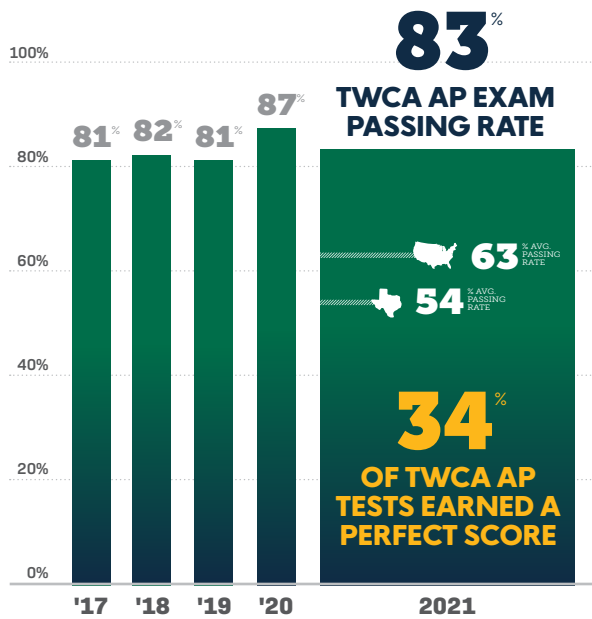


Hunter Ellis, Dallas Baptist University

"I cannot thank my parents enough for allowing me to attend school at TWCA. I am so grateful for the opportunities I've been given. Words cannot begin to express my thankfulness towards every single teacher I've had in my time here. They're the reason that I consistently enjoy class. I wouldn't have thrived without their help."



Mackenzie Elliott, Baylor University



ADVANCED PLACEMENT

TWCA maintains a rigorous college preparatory curriculum including honors, Pre-AP and Advanced Placement courses. Students must maintain a minimum average grade of 85% in Honors and Pre-AP courses or 90% in college prep courses for AP course consideration.

Honors

- Anatomy
- Engineering & Design w/ Capstone
- Geometry

Pre-AP

- Algebra II
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Computer Science
- English I
- English II
- Geometry
- Latin III
- Pre-Calculus
- Spanish III

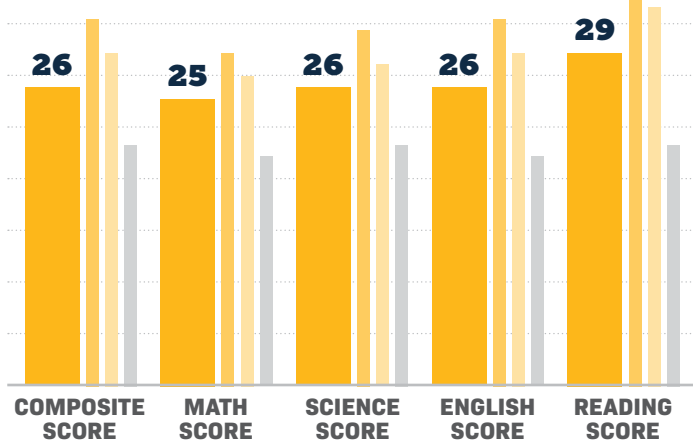
AP Courses

- Biology
- Calculus AB
- Calculus BC
- Chemistry
- Computer Science A
- Computer Science Principles
- Drawing
- English Language & Composition
- English Literature & Composition
- Environmental Science
- Latin
- Physics 1
- Psychology
- Spanish
- Studio Art
- U.S. History
- World History

ACT SCORES

	COMPOSITE	MATH	SCIENCE	ENGLISH	READING
CLASS OF 2021	26	25	26	26	29
TWCA TOP 25%	32	29	31	32	34
TWCA TOP 50%	29	27	28	29	33
NATIONAL AVG.	21	20	21	20	21

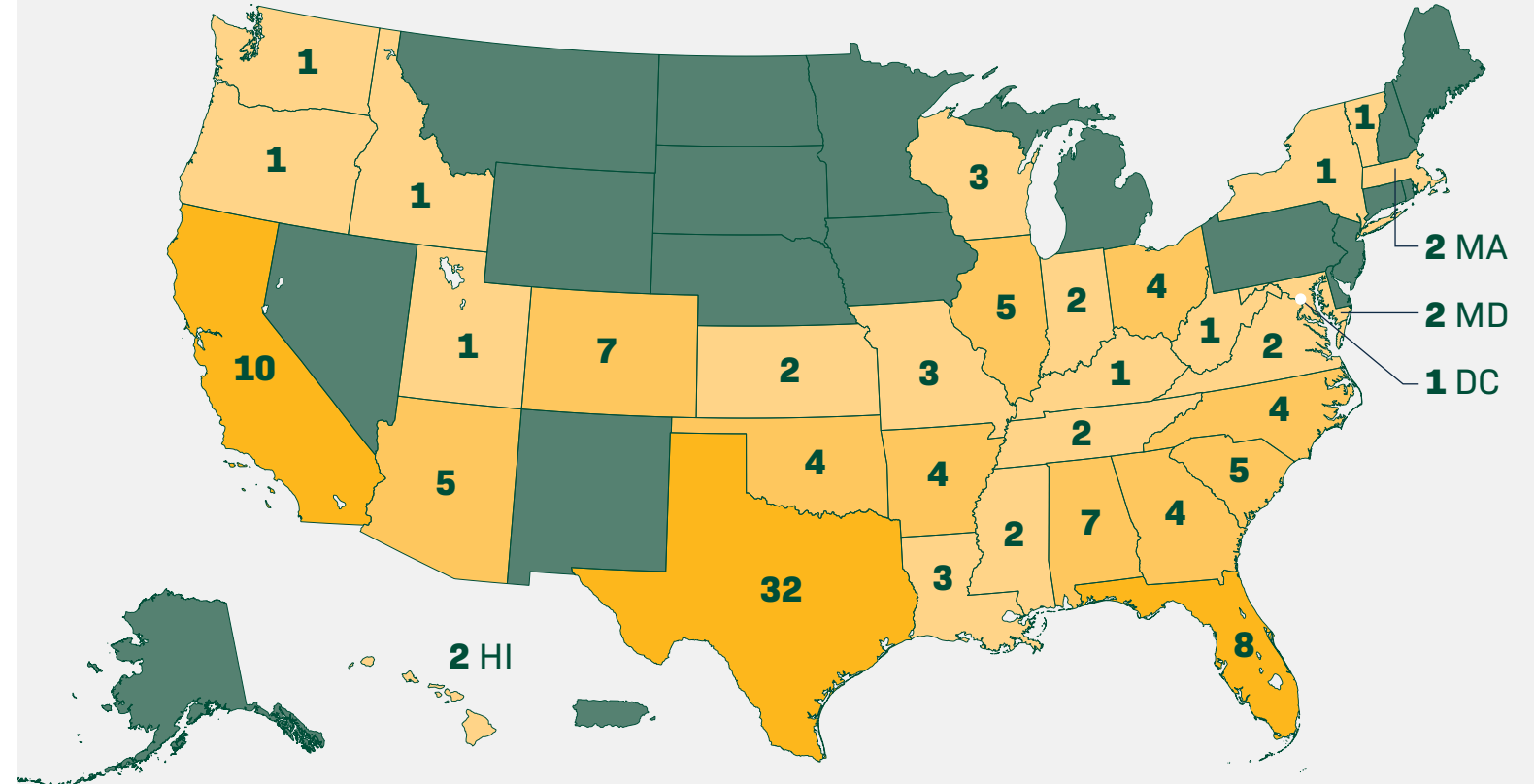
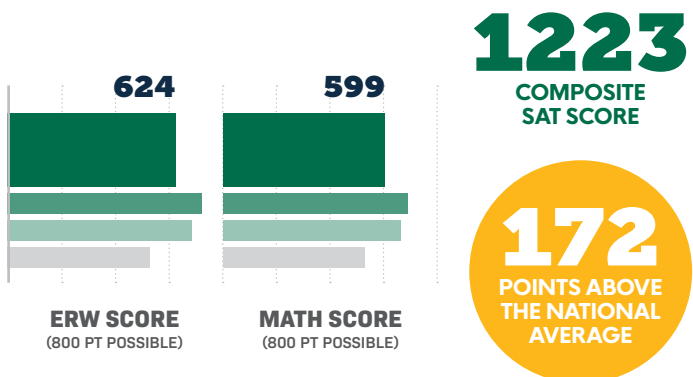
The ACT contains four multiple-choice tests and an optional writing test that measures skills important for success in postsecondary education. Each test is scored on a 1 to 36 point scale. The composite score is the average of the four tests rounded to the nearest whole number.



SAT SCORES

	COMPOSITE	EVIDENCE-BASED READING & WRITING	MATH
CLASS OF 2021	1223	624	599
TWCA TOP 25%	1410	718	692
TWCA TOP 50%	1350	682	667
NATIONAL AVG.	1051	528	523

The SAT is a standardized test that measures a student's skills in three core areas: Math, Evidence-Based Reading, and Writing as well as an optional 50-minute essay. Each section of the SAT is scored on a 200 to 800 point scale. The highest possible composite SAT score is 1600.



The Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education identifies 131 schools as 'R1-Research Universities/highest research activity'. The class of 2021 was admitted into 27% of these R1 universities.



Class of 2021 graduates were accepted to 133 different colleges and universities across the nation including these from the Top 250 Colleges and Universities according to U.S. News and World Report:

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| American University | Loyola Marymount University | University of Alabama | University of Maryland |
| Arizona State University | Loyola University - Chicago | University of Alabama at Birmingham | University of Maryland - Baltimore County |
| Auburn University | Loyola University - New Orleans | University of Arizona | University of Mississippi |
| Baylor University | Mississippi State University | University of Arkansas | University of Missouri |
| Belmont University | North Carolina State University | University of California - Davis | University of North Carolina - Greensboro |
| Biola University | Northern Arizona University | University of California - Irvine | University of North Texas |
| Clemson University | Oklahoma State University | University of California - Santa Cruz | University of Oklahoma |
| Colorado School of Mines | Oregon State University | University of Colorado - Boulder | University of San Francisco |
| Colorado State University | Pepperdine University | University of Colorado | University of Tennessee |
| Dallas Baptist University | Purdue University | University of Florida | University of Texas at Austin |
| East Carolina University | Saint Louis University | University of Georgia | University of Texas at Dallas |
| Elon University | Samford University | University of Hawaii - Manoa | University of the Incarnate Word |
| Fordham University | Sam Houston State University | University of Houston | University of Tulsa |
| Georgia State University | Santa Clara University | University of Idaho | University of Utah |
| Harding University | Texas A&M University | University of Illinois | University of Virginia |
| Indiana University | Texas Christian University | University of Illinois - Chicago | Washington State University |
| Louisiana State University | Texas Tech University | University of Kansas | Western Michigan University |

*This number includes Honors Colleges if they were reported separately. For example, Texas Christian University and Texas Christian University - John V. Roach Honors College would be counted as two schools.

**Including Washington, D.C.



Checking In On Warrior Alumni



Join or follow us on Instagram or Facebook to connect and keep up with classmates and get updates on homecoming, class reunions and other major school events.

  **FACEBOOK & INSTAGRAM**
@twcaalumni #twcaalumni

Let us know about the milestones in your life - honors, awards, promotions, weddings, births, and more. We'd love to hear from you and celebrate what God is doing in your life.

 **SUBMIT ONLINE:**
twca.net/alumni  **EMAIL:**
rachel.ray@twca.net



Matthew Dew
Class of 2016

Matthew earned his Bachelor of Science degree from Texas A&M University in Physics and Math. After ranking first in his physics graduating class, he will be attending Cornell University to earn a PhD in Physics. Matthew has spent three years researching physics education and will continue his work by studying physics labs at Cornell.

"The teachers at TWCA challenged me to think analytically, to love learning, and to discover and pursue my passion for science. I am thankful for the opportunity I had to be a Warrior."



Hailey Gaige
Class of 2016

Hailey graduated from Texas A&M University in May 2020 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Biomedical Sciences and a minor in Neuroscience. She started medical school at Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine in Fort Worth in Fall 2020. She has hopes of going into pediatrics after she graduates in 2024 - Dr. Gaige coming soon!

"I am beyond blessed to be where I am today! During my senior year at TWCA, I felt God calling me to this journey and I have loved every minute since!"



Olivia Gregory
Class of 2018

Olivia is a student at Sam Houston State University where she is majoring in Education with a minor in Science. She also works as the middle school track & field coach at TWCA. After graduation, she hopes to become a middle school science teacher.

"My time at TWCA were some of the best years of my life, both academically and athletically. Running gave me confidence and pushed me to become the woman I am today. After having Coach Earle as my coach, I knew I wanted to follow in his footsteps."



Ross Jackson
Class of 2017

Ross graduated summa cum laude from Texas A&M University in 2020 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Political Science. He spent the spring in Washington, D.C. working for Congressman Kevin Brady as a legislative intern. In June, Ross started at the University of Oklahoma College of Law. His concentration area is family law, focusing on adoption and family mediation. He expects to graduate in May 2024.

"I've felt a calling to law my whole life and soon I will finally reach that goal. My hope is to serve low-income areas with family law matters. It won't be an easy road, but I know God will guide me."



Creatively

– for the glory of Jesus Christ



Fine Arts gives our students the ability to take risks, to try new things, and to express themselves creatively. With a new Fine Arts Director and the addition of the creative pillar, the future of fine arts at Woodlands Christian is looking bright!

PHOTO: After months of restrictions that limited our ability to gather and perform, we were so excited for our first live show since the fall of 2019. We were thrilled to witness the creativity, talent, and the passion of our students and faculty during the production of *Night in The Woods*, presented by the Theatre Department.



Get to know our Fine Arts Director, Phil Sweger, M.M.

Where did you work before and in what roles?

I have been in Christian education as a teacher and director for the past 17 years. I previously worked at Houston Christian High School where I was the Band Director, Guitar Teacher, and the Department Chair for the Performing Arts.

What does your new role entail?

My role will consist of overseeing all Visual and Performing Arts K-12. I am excited to build the best fine arts team in Texas.

What are the names and grades of your family?

My wife, Kathy, and I have five children: Emma (8th), Rebekah (7th), James (6th), Ada (4th), Henry (1st).

What makes TWCA and the Fine Arts Department unique? Why did you choose to accept the position?

We are poised for greatness in the fine arts. Our teachers have done an incredible job laying the foundation for the growth that is coming. I am thankful to be at a school that values fine arts equally and understands that is one of the components to well-rounded students.

What are you looking forward to in your new role at TWCA?

I love to build teams and collaborate with other 'creators.' This goes beyond Fine Arts. Looking for ways to work with athletics and academics, building relationships with all the people who make the school function is very important. Also, finding the gifts that each person has and giving them the freedom they need to use those gifts in their own program and overall department is very exciting. It is amazing what happens when you bring a diverse group of educators together to create an experience for students such as a concert or a musical. There really is no limit to what can come out of those events.

What new programs, changes, and goals can the Fine Arts Department expect under your direction?

For the coming year we are expanding our fine arts program to include dance. This will be a great way for our students who love dance to challenge themselves in their abilities as well as open new opportunities to perform. We are also adding graphic design and photography as a visual arts elective. We have had those classes before, but are now going to develop those at a deeper level. The overall goal of the fine arts program is to add more layers to each of our electives, meeting the needs of our students where they are and equipping them for the next level of performance and mastery.



Drumline

Joshua Wilkinson joined the TWCA family in the spring of 2020 as our Percussion Director and leader of our newly formed drumline. This group will serve as the rhythm section of our band and will perform on their own at home athletic events and pep rallies. Mr. Wilkinson is excited to lead this talented group of percussionists and watch this program grow.

"Working here is an answered prayer. TWCA is uniquely positioned to positively impact students with the revelation of God's love and desire to have relationship with us. I'm so excited to see the fullness of what God wants to do here! There's always more."

- JOSHUA WILKINSON, PERCUSSION DIRECTOR

Our Brand New ALMA MATER

Schools need to be able to tell a story about who they are, what they believe, and what makes them unique. Our new Alma Mater not only helps us to tell that story, it offers opportunities to establish new traditions and further unify our tight-knit school community. We look forward to singing together at games, pep rallies, graduation and other events.

Oh, Warriors great and mighty,
forever loyal be;
Now and always one in Christ,
united and made free.

Fear not, for our God's with us
throughout the ages long,
and we shall be victorious
through Him who
makes us strong!



FINE ARTS

EXTRAVAGANZA

The first annual Fine Arts Extravaganza offered a wonderful opportunity for the school community to see and hear the creative talents of our students and faculty. From the beautiful artwork displayed throughout the Micah Academic Center to the live performances from the band, choir, improv team and theatre students, we were blown away by all that was accomplished throughout the year.

To end the evening, the band, choir and Joy Squad came together for the first-ever live performance of our school's brand new alma mater.

"IMAGINATION
is more important than knowledge.
Knowledge is limited. **Imagination**
encircles the world." ALBERT EINSTEIN





SHOWS & Performances

OUR FINE ARTS PROGRAM
CONTINUES TO IMPRESS



Music Theory teacher, Moree Simon, created the Grace Notes Piano Show as a way for lower school students to showcase their many talents and to use these gifts to glorify God. Each performance was truly unique and left us inspired and encouraged for the future of Fine Arts at TWCA.



Our lower school students put on a great outdoor performance for the annual Christmas program. This year's show title was *Will There Still Be Christmas This Year, Mrs. Casey?*



Night in The Woods, a collection of comedic scenes performed by our middle and high school theater students, was a huge hit.



"This show referenced ideas kids all over the world have been feeling — isolation and boredom — and reintroduces the importance of connection and discovery. Our students had a great time and thoroughly enjoyed being together!"

- PALVIN WILLIAMS, MS THEATER, SHOW DIRECTOR

To close out the 2020-2021 performance season, middle and high school theatre students took us on *A Journey Through Broadway*. The show, written and directed by Theatre Arts teacher Mr. Williams, was an absolute delight. Accompanied by a live orchestra, the group performed classic Broadway hits from shows like *Annie*, *South Pacific*, *Cinderella*, and *Fiddler on the Roof*.

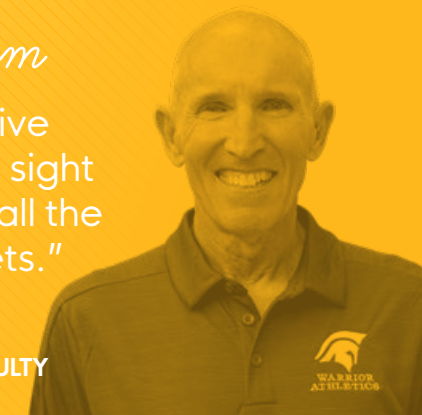


In the first year of competing in the TAPPS One Act Play competition, our high school theatre students performed *The Diary of Anne Frank*. They placed second in our district and won an award for stage crew at state!

#WarriorWisdom

"Don't look back. Live your life right in the sight of God. Give God all the glory without regrets."

JERRY BRADSHAW, MS FACULTY





Physically

— for the glory of Jesus Christ



Warriors have many opportunities to grow and transform physically while at Woodlands Christian. Beginning as early as first grade, our Warrior athletic programs prepare champions for life and develop the skills our student-athletes need to be successful in whatever they do. Through competition, our athletes learn to work as a team, to celebrate success, to learn from failures, and to build the type of confidence and grit that applies on and off the field.

PHOTO: The Warrior softball team celebrated the first of three home runs from senior MacKenzie Morris against district foe St. Joe's last spring.



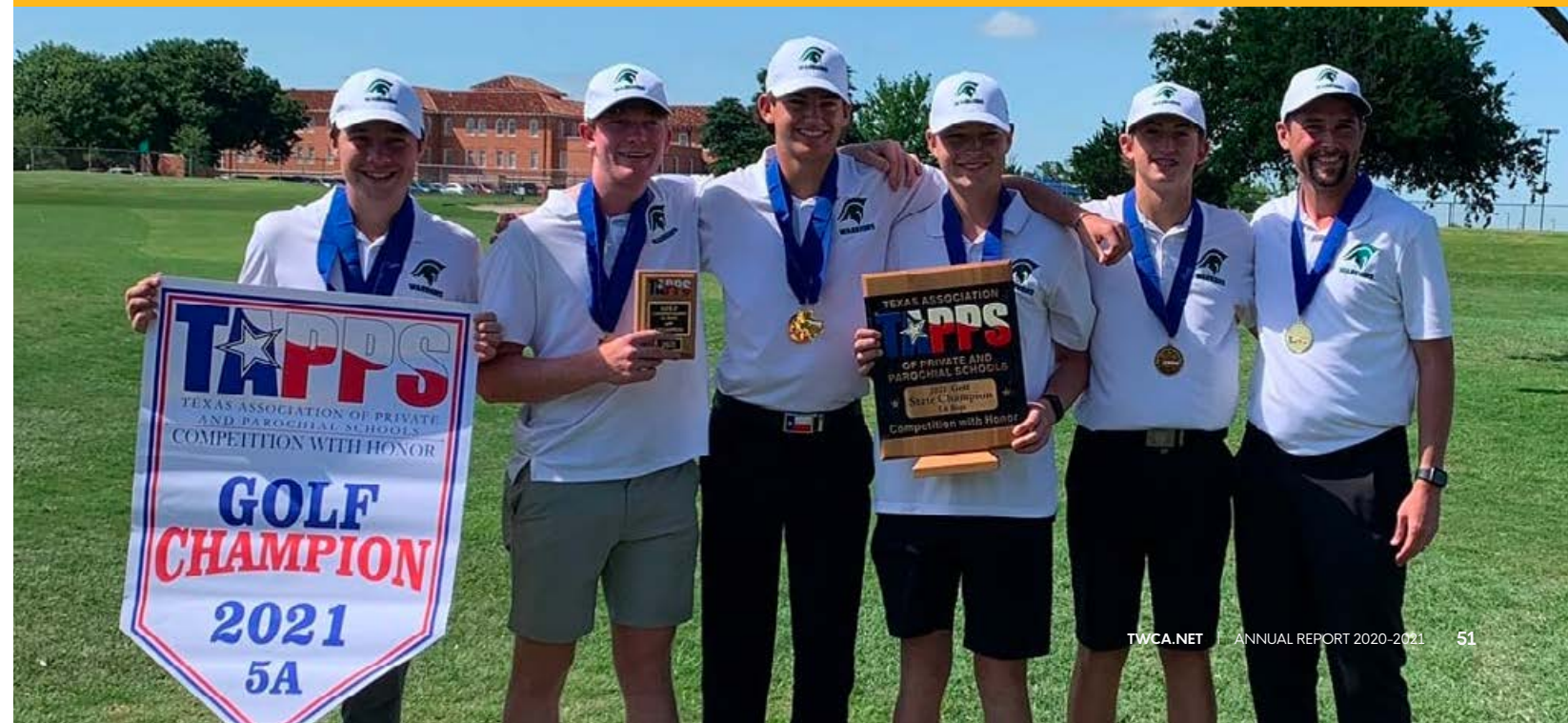
WARRIORS TAKE STATE!

TAPPS State Championships go hand in hand with The Woodlands Christian Academy. This past season, the Warriors brought home three state titles — boys cross country, boys basketball and boys golf — to add to an already impressive trophy case.

Head coach Tom Earle and his cross country squad brought home their 4th straight championship (3 in Class 4A) led by seniors Ben Shearer, Caleb Bigler and Josh Mueck. This was Earle's 10th state championship with TWCA.

The boys basketball team also repeated as state champions. Head coach Tanner Field and the Warriors weren't phased by the jump to 5A competition, and played their best basketball in the playoffs. This year's title was the 7th in school history.

After missing a chance to win a state championship in 2020 due to Covid, the boys golf team was raring for an opportunity to get back on the course and it showed in their play. The Warriors were dominant all season, and won the 5A State Championship tournament by a whopping 33 strokes, the first state championship for head coach Jonathan McNeese and in school history. With several key players returning, the Warriors will be in full swing trying to repeat as champions in 2022.





Transition to TAPPS 5A

The 2020-2021 athletic season saw a major shift in competition for the Warriors. Moving classifications from 4A to 5A meant tougher, more mature opponents would stand in the way of success. TWCA, though, rose to the challenge.

In their first year of 5A competition, the Warriors racked up an impressive number of achievements that include three state championships (boys cross country, boys basketball and boys golf), eight district championships (boys and girls cross country, volleyball, boys basketball, girls soccer, boys golf, boys and girls track) and playoff appearances from every program at TWCA.

The Warrior athletics staff believes that investing in their students is the best way to build a successful program. Over the past several years, TWCA has added a dedicated athletic period, brought in strength and conditioning coach Tim Walker and built a new weight room in order to instill a "culture of training" among Warrior athletes.

Now, the challenge for TWCA is to build on the success it has enjoyed, something that athletic director Randy Hollas doesn't take lightly.

The entire Warrior athletic program knows that the days of easy competition are over. Every game in district and in the playoffs will feature an opponent that is talented, organized and ready to compete.

While that may be true, the Mighty Warriors will be ready for battle, and will be striving to achieve new heights in the coming season.



DISTRICT COMPETITION



BRITISH
INTERNATIONAL
SCHOOL



CRISTO REY



EMERY/WEINER



FORT BEND
CHRISTIAN
ACADEMY



FRASSATI



LUTHERAN
SOUTH



SECOND
BAPTIST



ST. JOSEPH



The Bass Fishing Club was reintroduced in 2020 after a two year hiatus. The team competed throughout the year earning high marks in each appearance.

Their best finish of the year came at the Lake Conroe tournament where they finished in second place for their catch weighing in at 5.99 pounds.



A Dream Come True

It was a whirlwind year for TWCA senior Caedmon Parker. Last September, Parker pitched in Fenway Park for New Balance's The Future Stars Series. In November, he committed to TCU — where his father attended seminary — to play for the Horned Frogs.

All the while, he was a leading member of the Warriors football and baseball programs, each of which made the playoffs. The baseball squad finished fourth in the state after falling in the TAPPS 5A State Semifinals.

Then, came a huge decision for the graduate — enter the MLB Draft? Or head to Ft. Worth for school?

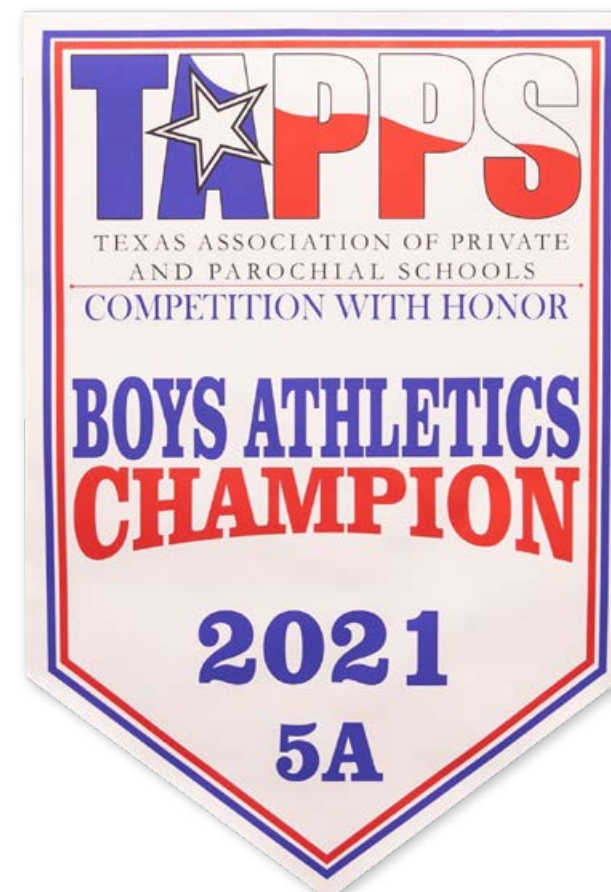
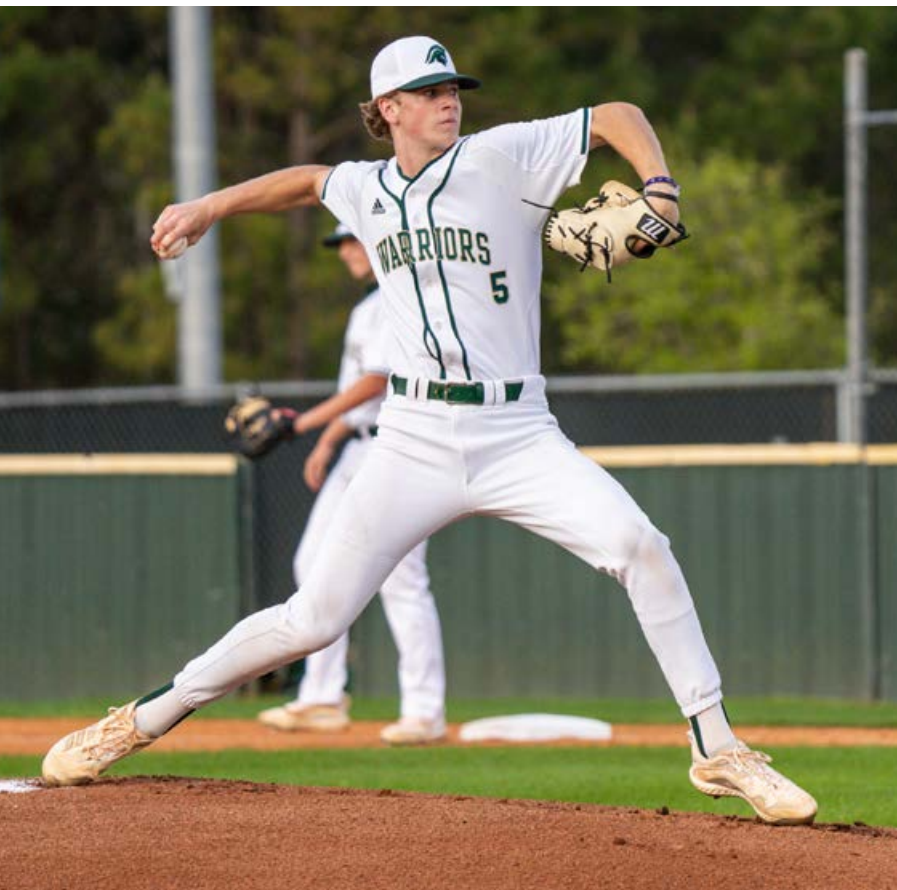
Parker was projected by many to be a first or second round pick, but on the eve of the draft, he chose to withdraw, and further his education and baseball career at TCU.

"It has always been my dream to play for TCU," Parker said. That dream becomes a reality for the Warrior this fall.



Middle School Houston Area Private School League Championships

Championship programs are built from the ground up. The success of Warrior Athletics isn't limited to just our high school students. In 2020-2021, TWCA middle school teams earned an astounding six HAPS Championships. In the fall, girls cross country and volleyball each took home a title. The winter season saw championships for girls soccer and boys basketball (Green team). TWCA ended the year with spring sports, and won titles in baseball (Green team) and track and field. Way to go Warriors!



Henderson Cup

Each year, TAPPS awards the Henderson Cup to the best athletic programs by classification in Texas. Points are awarded based on the teams' success in their respective seasons. Despite making the jump to 5A, Warrior Athletics finished the season as the top program — across all sports — in the entire state. The combination of TWCA's boys athletics (which finished 1st overall) and girls athletics (6th place) gave us the most points of any 5A athletic program in Texas. Congratulations to all Warrior athletes that contributed to TWCA claiming "The Best Athletic Program In Texas!"

#WarriorWisdom

"If we've learned anything this year - it's that God is in control. 'Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be courageous; be strong. Do everything in love!'"

- 1 Cor. 16:13-14

JORDAN BARTON, LS FACULTY





National Signing Days



Caleb Bigler
HILLSDALE COLLEGE
HILLSDALE, MICHIGAN
TRACK



McKenna Meadors
HILL COLLEGE
HILLSBORO, TEXAS
SOFTBALL



Austin Boyd
HENDRIX COLLEGE
CONWAY, ARKANSAS
BASEBALL



Payton Moser
HEIDELBERG UNIVERSITY
TIFFIN, OHIO
BASEBALL



Bryce Burton
HENDRIX COLLEGE
CONWAY, ARKANSAS
BASEBALL



Caedmon Parker
TEXAS CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY
FORT WORTH, TEXAS
BASEBALL



Cedric Cook
OUR LADY OF THE LAKE UNIVERSITY
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS
BASKETBALL



Ben Shearer
THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS
FAYETTEVILLE, ARKANSAS
CROSS COUNTRY

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Woodlands Christian @twcasports · Feb 10, 2021
Warrior Softball wins 12-5 on a great offensive performance two early next week! Details coming!
@ConroeSports @vypehouston



Woodlands Christian @twcasports · Feb 10, 2021
State Swim recap: TWCA was 10th out of 23 teams at the TAPPS 5A District 5 State Meet. Merritt Ruffner placed 15th in the 50 Free & 14th in the 100 back. Lizzy Krantzcke placed 2nd in the 200 Free & 1st in the 500 Free. Brynna Stowell placed 3rd in both the 100 fly & 500 Free.



Woodlands Christian @twcasports · Feb 10, 2021
TWCA Athletics is excited and proud of our Green Middle School Girls Soccer and Green Middle School Boys Basketball! Both HAPS league champions for 2021!




TWCA Warrior Strength @TWCAStrength · Feb 10, 2021
Lady Warriors soccer clinching the district championship over Lutheran South! 7-1 @twcasports @TWCAStrength



Woodlands Christian @twcasports · Nov 3, 2020
Volleyball wins an amazing battle capturing the TAPPS 5A District 5 Championship! Let's Go Warriors! District Champs!
@vypehouston @ConroeSports



TWCA Baseball @BaseballTwca · Apr 21, 2021
Congratulations to our MS GREEN Team for winning the HAPS Championship last night. Great job boys!



VYPE Houston @vypehouston · Mar 12, 2021
STORY: "We have great young men that come to our program. This is what they want to do. They want to come to compete and win championships." - @TWCAbasketball HC @CoachTField
Add another banner to the wall. No. 7 is in the books #vypecampus
READ: vype.com/Texas/Tx-Priva...



@TWCA XC/ T&F @twcaxc · Mar 27, 2021
Way to go, Warriors! @twcasports @TWCAStrength @TTFCA @LSCSN @vypehouston



@TWCA XC/ T&F @twcaxc · May 2, 2021
State Champ Girls 4x4 relay!! @twcasports @TWCAStrength @TWCASportsMED @TTFCA @TappsTrack



Woodlands Christian @twcasports · Nov 2, 2020
Congrats to the Girls Cross Country team for placing 3rd overall at the TAPPS 5A State Cross Country meet!
@ConroeSports @vypehouston



VYPE Houston @vypehouston · Nov 2, 2020
STORY (1/3): "It's awesome for seniors like Ben (Shearer), Caleb (Bigler) and Josh (Mueck) to get rings all four of their years. That's pretty special." - @twcaxc HC Tom Earle
🏆🏆🏆 -straight @TappsXCcountry titles for @twcawarriors #VYPECampus
READ: vype.com/shearer-repeat...



Woodlands Christian @twcasports · Feb 13, 2021
Boys Soccer first round playoff game today in Brownsville! Prayers for safe play and safe travels home! Go Warriors!
@ConroeSports @vypehouston @3Rsports1



Woodlands Christian @twcasports · Feb 13, 2021
Tennis playing on the road today vs. Lutheran South!
@ConroeSports @vypehouston



Woodlands Christian @twcasports · May 4, 2021
Boys Golf State Champs!!!



5A TAPPS STATE CHAMPIONS
BOYS TEAM STATE CHAMPS
TEAM SCORE 284-299 583

JACK USNER	1ST -5/68 71 139
AARON POUNDS	T-3RD +1/ 68 77 145
ETHAN BRIDGES	8TH +4/ 74 74 148
JAKE MAGGERT	T-12TH +1/74 77 151
SAM McCLURE	17TH +7/ 78 78 158

WOODLANDS CHRISTIAN GOLF

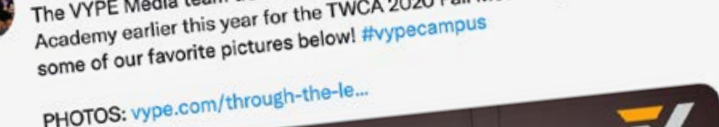
@TWCA XC/ T&F @twcaxc · Nov 2, 2020
Girls State XC third place overall!!!
@twcasports @TWCAStrength @LSCSN @vypehouston @ConroeSports




TWCA Volleyball and 9 others · Nov 2, 2020
11 likes



VYPE Houston @vypehouston · Sep 17, 2020
The VYPE Media team traveled out to the The Woodlands Christian Academy earlier this year for the TWCA 2020 Fall Media Day. Check out some of our favorite pictures below! #vypecampus
PHOTOS: vype.com/through-the-le...




Jon Poorman @JonPoorman · May 11, 2021
BASEBALL: TWCA ready to compete at state tournament
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Big road win for the Warriors tonight! Congratulations to all the athletes and coaches! Go Warriors!
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@caedmonparker21 was a beast!!!! 13 k's, 2 hits in 6 innings. So proud of @BaseballTwca!!!



Socially

for the glory of Jesus Christ



We strive to create a memorable experience for our students at Woodlands Christian. School is not just a place for learning and test-taking, but also for having fun and growing socially. We want our students to look back and think of their school years as some of the best days of their lives.

PHOTO: One of our favorite times of the year is Christmas Spirit Week. The high school Student Council organized a "Winter White Out," filled with music, balloons, and even a snowman to get students energized as the school day started!



ENCOURAGEMENT AND BONDING BEFORE GRADUATION

Senior Retreat at Camp Allen

The Class of 2021 wasn't able to go on the traditional senior class retreat at the start of the school year. However, throughout the year, high school principal, Stephen Clark, and coordinator of spiritual development, Aaron Marez, searched for a safer option that would allow for an opportunity to pour blessings, love, wisdom and encouragement onto our students before they leave TWCA. After a long year of making and rescheduling plans, the seniors gathered at Camp Allen the last week of school, right before walking across the stage at graduation.

Mr. Marez challenged students to put aside their H.A.I.R.S - hurts, anxieties, insecurities, regrets/resentment, and sins - and give them to Jesus as they ended one season of life and were about to begin another. Each senior was then given the chance to help cut Mr. Marez's hair, creating a memorable and teachable experience for the students to hold onto as they embark on their new journey.



Senior Sunrise

Seniors rolled out of bed in their pj's bright and early for Senior Sunrise! Coffee, hot breakfast and monogrammed blankets kept them warm during the morning devotional.

Lower School Field Day

It's everyone's favorite day of school - Field Day! Congrats to the green team for being this year's LS field day champs!



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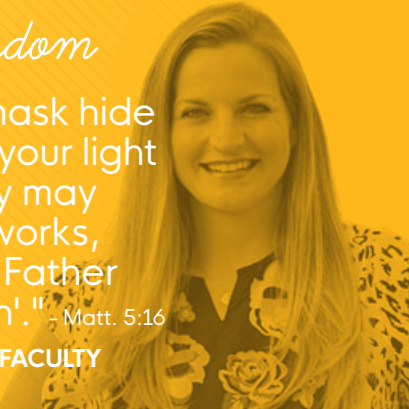
Super Bowl Friday Celebration

Ahead of the Super Bowl, middle and high school students participated in a sports-themed pep rally.

#WarriorWisdom

"Don't let your mask hide your LIGHT. 'Let your light shine ...that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven!'" - Matt. 5:16

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Middle School Field Day

After rescheduling due to weather, the sun finally came out in time to name 8th grade as this year's Field Day Champions! Students in 5th-8th grade competed in games like spike ball, hungry hippos, tug of war, human bowling and more.



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Paint Wars 2021

High school students competed by grade-level in a variety of activities including baby pool kickball, extreme volleyball, slip-n-slide tug-of-war, and an inflatable obstacle course. The senior class came out on top before all grades battled it out in an unforgettable paint and water war to end the day. Paint Wars 2021 was a huge success!

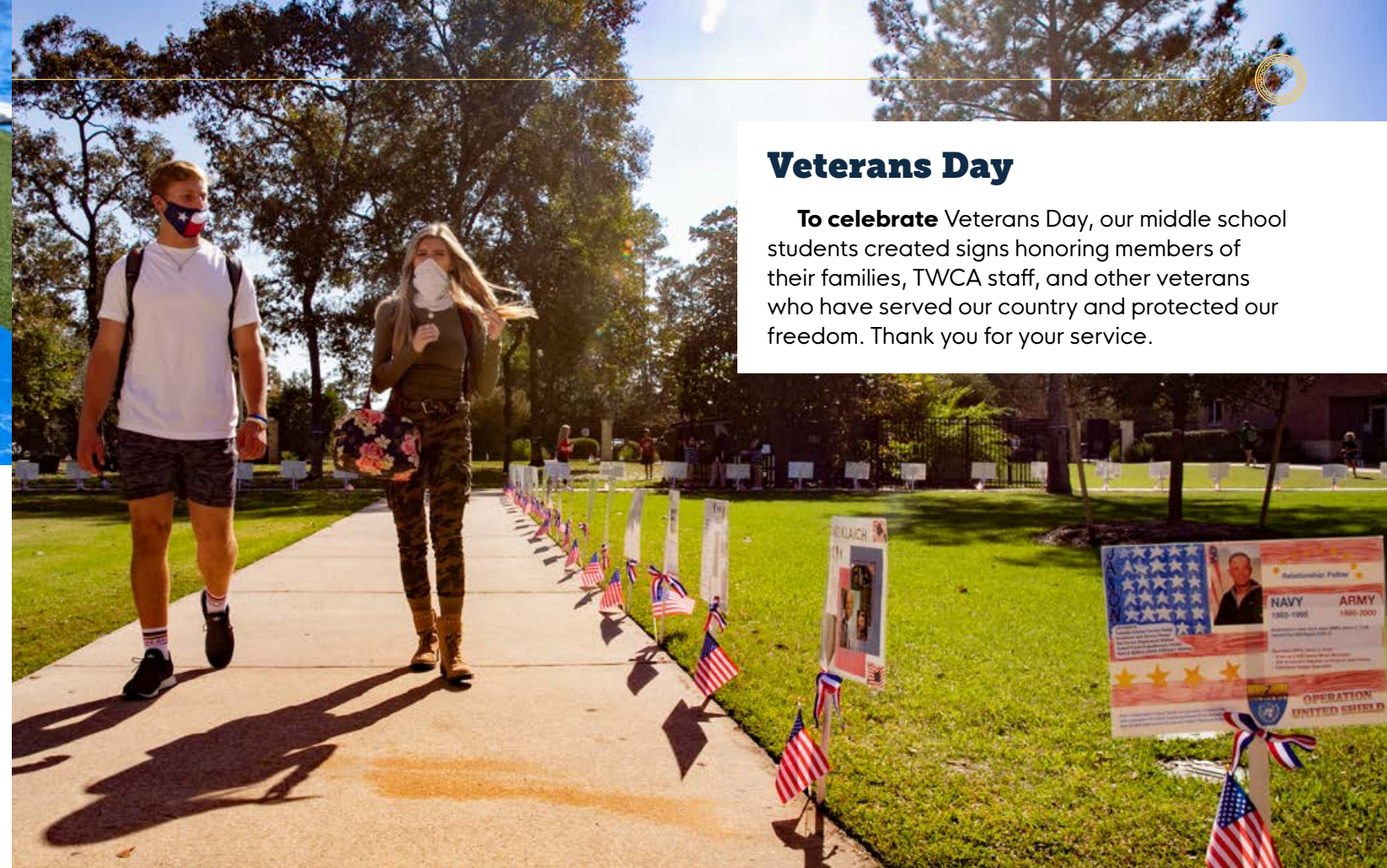
Lower School Carnival

After a year of unknowns, students in Pre-K - 4th grade attended an end-of-year carnival in the David Gym. They enjoyed activities like face painting and balloon animals, and traditional games like ring toss and sack races before munching on popcorn and snow cones served by our incredible parent volunteers!



Veterans Day

To celebrate Veterans Day, our middle school students created signs honoring members of their families, TWCA staff, and other veterans who have served our country and protected our freedom. Thank you for your service.





Destinations

5TH GRADE	Camp Allen Navasota, TX
6TH GRADE	Mo-Ranch Hunt, TX
7TH GRADE	Texas History Tour San Antonio, TX
8TH GRADE	NASA, Sea World, Universal Studios Orlando, FL
9TH GRADE	NASA, Universal Studios Orlando, FL
10TH GRADE	Antelope Canyon, Grand Canyon Arizona
11TH GRADE	Disney World, Universal Studios Orlando, FL
12TH GRADE	Disney World, NASA, Universal Studios Orlando, FL

Beyond the Walls



Middle and high school students went Beyond the Walls of the classroom as they traveled across Texas, Florida and Arizona. In a school year unlike any other, our administrators made every effort to provide some semblance of normalcy, and that included going on class trips. They worked tirelessly to make the tradition of Beyond the Walls happen at a time when options for group travel were severely limited. Their efforts paid off as students were all smiles while exploring and making memories with classmates and friends.





Candy Election

Students in 4th grade facilitated a Candy Election, inviting the entire lower school to participate and cast their vote for the official candy of TWCA. The lesson allowed them to participate in each round of the electoral process — caucuses, primaries, the campaign trail, and, of course, election day! Of the two "candy-dates" in the race, Sour Patch Kids came out on top!



On your mark, get set, game! Diving right into the 21st-century of technology and sports, TWCA unveiled an Esports team during 2020-2021 school year. The inaugural squad included roughly 20 members that competed against other Texas schools in video games such as Rocket League, Overwatch and League of Legends.



One of the fastest growing segments in the sports world, over 200 colleges and universities now offer scholarships to competitive gamers across the country. Despite it being the first year of the Warriors program, TWCA finished 9th out of 27 teams in the Rocket League competition, missing the playoffs by just one spot.

With a year of experience under their belt, program head Xavier Eldridge and the team are looking to grow the program even more in the coming year.

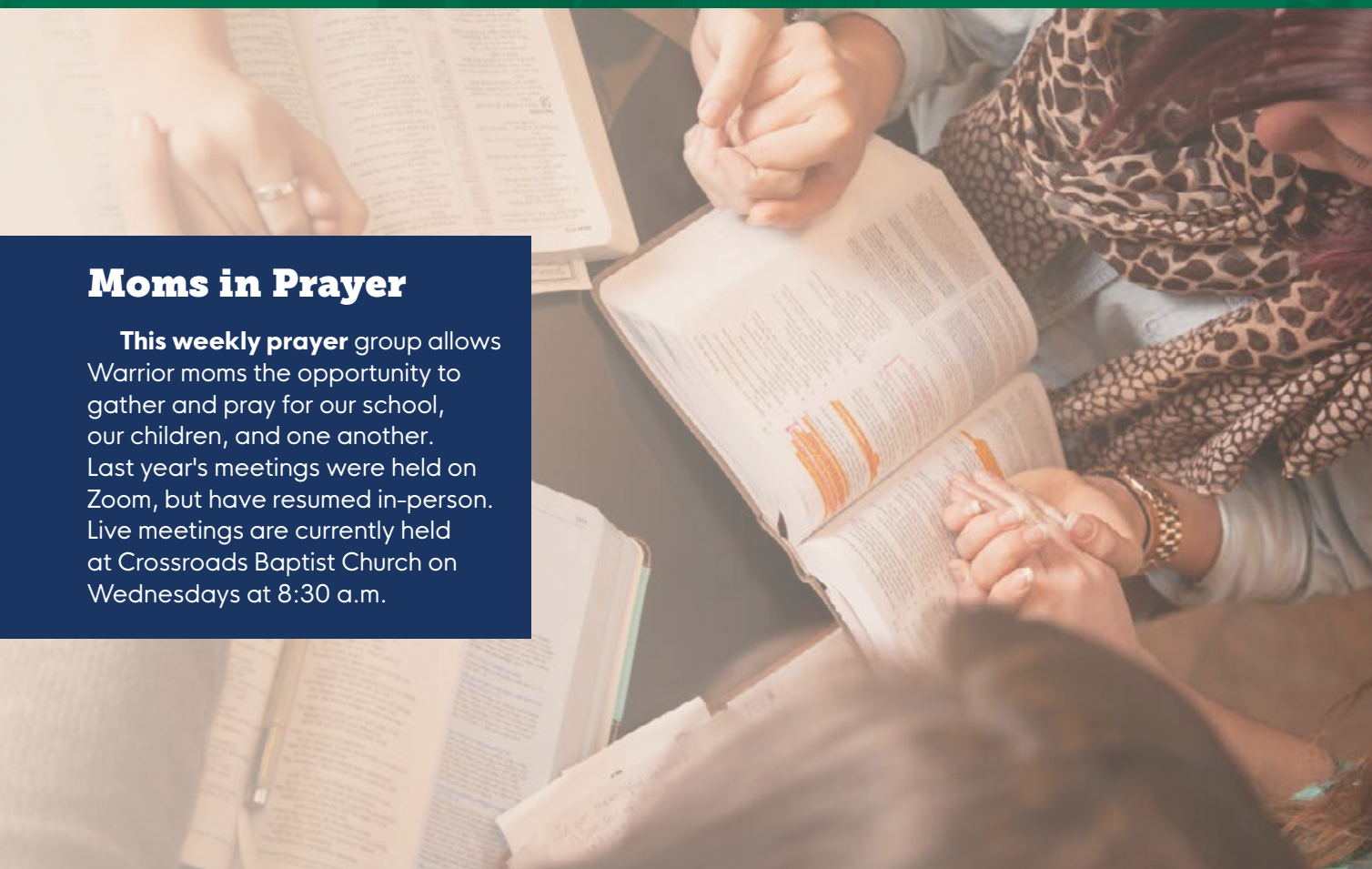
Electives Fair

Students in 5th-11th grade were invited to our 1st annual Electives Fair. This event offered a chance for students to meet with instructors and glean a more detailed overview of the new courses offered in 2021-2022. Among these include Dance, Photography/Graphic Design, Sports Management and Entrepreneurship. We are excited to see our students find their passion and use their gifts and talents to glorify God!





Parent INVOLVEMENT



Moms in Prayer

This weekly prayer group allows Warrior moms the opportunity to gather and pray for our school, our children, and one another. Last year's meetings were held on Zoom, but have resumed in-person. Live meetings are currently held at Crossroads Baptist Church on Wednesdays at 8:30 a.m.



ANNUAL EVENT GOES VIRTUAL

Virtual Grand Days

We always look forward to welcoming Warrior grandparents and grand-friends to our campus during the annual Grand Days celebration. To continue this special tradition while also striving to keep our community safe, we created and offered a Virtual Grand Days in 2020.

Over three weeks in November, families were invited to learn more about Warrior Life through online events and activities. We took them on a virtual campus tour, provided a grandparent-friendly workout from Strength & Conditioning Coach Tim Walker,

live-streamed several athletic events, and shared a video from our high school theatre group's One Act Play performance. We also shared videos of our chapel services and a newscast created by our lower school broadcasting team.

We look forward to having our families back on campus soon and are thankful for all who participated to make this virtual event a success.

PHOTO: Pre-K students in Ms. Mitchell's class relax and listen as a grandparent reads to the group via Zoom.



OVER
\$261,000

Raised for TWCA Athletic
& Fine Arts Programs

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Color Run

Our 2nd Annual Warrior Color Run had double the participation from the 2019 run, thanks to the efforts of co-chairs, Nicole Murphy and Holly Gibson. Special thanks to presenting sponsors Hunter Family Orthodontics and Parke & Rogers Dentistry, and the many other sponsors for a fantastic event.



450
Participants



5K/1K
Two Courses

SUPPORTING & ENHANCING TWCA ATHLETIC & FINE ARTS PROGRAMS

Warrior Boosters Set New Records

Promoting school spirit and providing support to enhance the athletic and fine arts programs is the mission of our Warrior Boosters. Despite so many unknowns last school year, Warrior Boosters had another record-breaking year of funds raised and participation! Our Boosters committee was able to host events and fellowship gatherings resulting in over \$261,000 raised for our student athletic and fine arts programs.

With the continued support of our amazing sponsors, members and parents, Warrior Boosters was able to fund a complete remodel and update to the boys and girls locker rooms and sports medicine training room. Warrior Boosters also funded the purchase of new uniforms for middle and high school cheer, a new net and pole system for volleyball, 30 new middle school football helmets and 10 new varsity golf bags.



Warrior Cookers

The Warrior Cookers, led by Travis Jadlot and Will Murphy, serve up feasts every time they are on campus. This year's all-school fellowship meals included the Homecoming BBQ dinner, Crawfish Boil and Fish Fry. Thank you, mighty Warrior Cookers, for feeding the masses and sharing your time and talents.



270
Lbs of Crawfish



468
Meals Served



Golf Tournament

The 9th Annual Warrior Boosters Golf Tournament, presented by Waste Connections, surpassed our expectations and team registrations completely sold out.

Several generous sponsors contributed to the day's activities. Empire Wireline was this year's Gold Sponsor. Bentley Houston sponsored the hole-in-one competition, which allowed players to compete for a Bentley Bentayga or Bentley Convertible. Margaritaville Lake Resort, Lake Conroe and Benchmark Global sponsored swag bags for each player. Delicious food was served throughout the day provided through the generosity of Wells Fargo Advisors (Breakfast Sponsor), Petroleum Wholesale (Reception Sponsor), and Woodforest National Bank (Drinks and Snacks Sponsor).

A special thank you to Amy Torres, Brent Tucker and Jenny Usner, the 2020 tournament coordinators, and the many generous sponsors, participants and volunteers for making the tournament a success.



117
Participants



142
Birdies Made



98
Lost Balls

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7th Grade	Becca Carlton
8th Grade	Candice Fletcher
9th Grade	Louise Smith
10th Grade	Carrie Culberson
11th Grade	Johnna Edone
12th Grade	Amy Torres



Teacher Appreciation Week

PTF celebrated Teacher Appreciation Week with snacks, lunches, Warrior face masks, and goodie bags. They encouraged faculty, reminding them that they are "essential" to TWCA. PTF always goes above and beyond to show their appreciation and bless our staff!



"This was a great opportunity for fellowship after a year of masks and social distancing. It was also great to bond with my boys in a way that kept them in their element. We had a blast!"

- MELISSA YOUNG, EVENT CHAIR

Mother-Son Paintball Battle

On the heels of last year's Father-Daughter Dance, Warrior mamas joined their boys for a morning of fun during our first annual Mother-Son Paintball Battle! Chaired by Melissa Young, participants were greeted with music, snacks and all the ammunition they could handle before hitting the courses.



SEASIDE Soirée

AUCTION & GALA

More than 300 colorfully attired guests gathered at The Woodlands Waterway Marriott for a festive evening of fellowship and fundraising on Saturday, May 1, 2021, to celebrate Seaside Soiree.

Honorary chairs, Karen and Rob Van Til, and presenting sponsors, Monarch Silica and Liberty Materials Inc., helped to raise over \$860,000 to expand our new creative pillar through emphasis on STEAM education and fine arts.

These funds will enable us to construct a STEAM lab on the third floor of the Micah Academic Center with a state-of-the-art broadcasting studio, to expand the lower school STEAM lab in the Joshua Academic Center, and to add more STEAM experiences for all grades. For our fine arts department, we will be able to enhance the sound systems and lights, as well as replace our existing riser and add portable staging.

Thank you to the members of our auction and gala committee, our many sponsors, volunteers and supporters for making this possible.

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WARRIOR BOOSTERS (Golf Tournament, Sponsorships, Color Run)	\$ 261,675
PTF (Paintball Wars, Worthy Servants)	\$ 101,750
DESIGNATED OTHER (Need Based Financial Aid, Capital Projects, STEAM, Fine Arts)	\$ 280,813
GENERAL OPERATING	\$ 11,441
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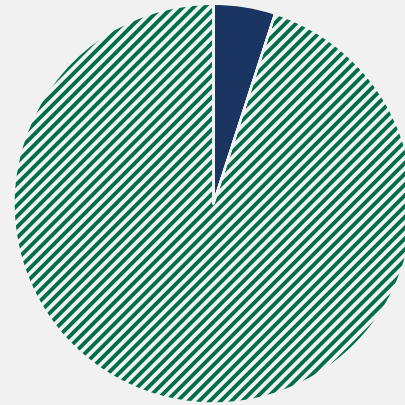
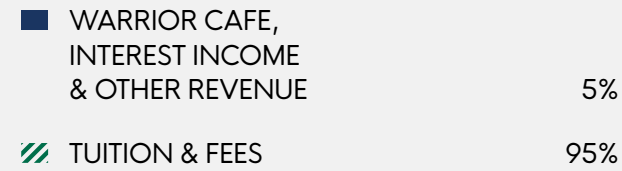


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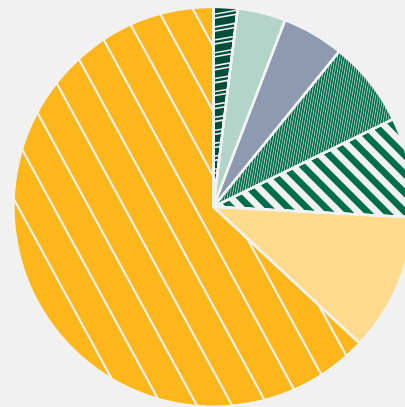
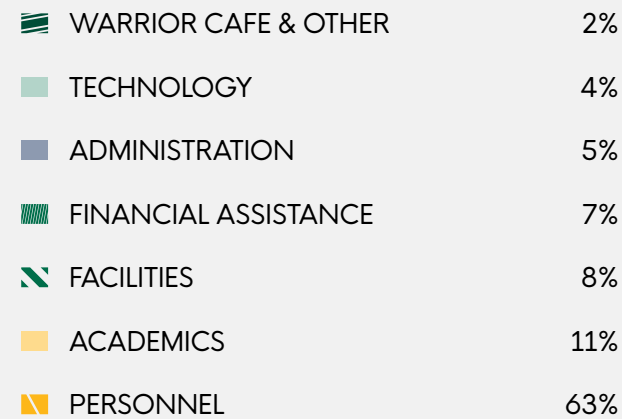


2020-2021 FINANCIAL REPORT

Operating Revenues



Operating Expenditures



Key Performance Indicators (Pre-Audit)

GROSS FIXED ASSETS	\$ 32,500,00
NET FIXED ASSETS	\$ 21,600,000
BALANCE OF LONG TERM DEBT	\$ 1,368,000
RESTRICTED FUND BALANCES	\$ 1,700,000
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	\$ 26,000,000



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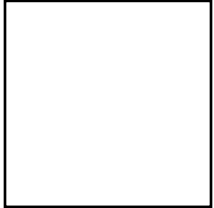
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God works in some pretty incredible ways. In 1997, TWCA was growing and looking for a permanent campus. Gulf States Utilities (now Entergy) owned the land we now know as home, however, they were unable to develop the property as anticipated when the forested land was classified as a protected habitat of the endangered red-cockaded woodpecker (a.k.a. red-headed pileated woodpecker). As a result, Gulf States offered this 40-acre parcel of land once valued at more than \$2 million, to TWCA for a mere \$250,000, enabling the school to grow and thrive.

Years later, Crossroads Baptist Church was able to purchase the property directly in front of our school making the corner of Academy Way and SH 242 truly "kingdom land".

A small number of these woodpeckers, which nest in holes made in mature living pine trees, reside in W. G. Jones State Forest directly behind our campus. The woodpeckers live in family groups, comprised of a mated pair and their juvenile male chicks, which help their parents raise the next brood. Each bird has its own home, or cavity, which all the family members help to excavate.

The birds are black and white with a dotted pattern on their backs. They are sometimes called the "Yankee Doodle Bird," because of the red feathers on each side of the male bird's head. The term "cockade" refers to the types of ornaments worn on a hat or military beret.



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Final Frame

Enjoying some of the benefits of our spacious and beautiful 40-acre campus, Hannah Caten takes her high school students outside to continue the lesson, let down their masks and get a little fresh air.

