THE PHOENIXES' CALL

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Calendar

FEBRUARY 14

CARNATION DELIVERY

FEBRUARY 17

END OF 4TH 6 WEEKS

FEBRUARY 20

MCEC APPLICATIONS DUE

FEBRUARY 21

SO YOU THINK YOUR SCHOOL ROCKS

FEBRUARY 24-28

SPRING SPIRIT WEEK

FEBRUARY 25

ACT EXAM

PARENT CONF. NIGHT

Black History Month Recognition

By: Shanti Singthong

There have been many important figures in the African American community who have had a powerful impact on society. Recently there was a sudden death in the African American sports community; his name was Kobe Bryant. He is most famously known for playing with the Los Angeles Lakers in the NBA. Bryant accomplished numerous records during his basketball career. He was undeniably one of the greatest of all time. After retirement from his basketball career, Bryant went on to win an Oscar for Best Animated Short Film. Outside of basketball, Kobe Bryant was known as a family-guy and often spent time with his children and wife. Bryant was an advocate for the African American community and often voiced his thoughts and opinions. His success and legacy is known by everyone and has influenced a countless number of people. On January 26, 2020, Kobe Bryant passed away in a fatal helicopter accident. He was among nine who lost their lives in the crash: Kobe Bryant, Gianna "Gigi" Bryant, John Altobelli, Alyssa Altobelli, Keri Altobelli, Christina Mauser, Sarah Chester, Payton Chester, and Ara Zobayan. Bryant's death impacted people from around the world. Many commemorated his death by wearing his jerseys, creating portraits, honoring him at the Grammy's, and honoring him during basketball games. His legacy and impact will forever be remembered by the people he influenced and by fans all around the world.

Academic Awards

By: Janet Hernandez Vargas

We would like to congratulate all the Phoenixes who were recognized for their academic achievements from fall semester during the awards day event on January 24th. Not only were awards given, but students also participated in fun activities

NCASC Workday

On February 1, eight Student Government representatives attended the NCASC Workday at Victory Junction in Randleman, NC. Victory Junction is a facility that hosts camps for children with disabilities. This year, our students helped with various projects around the facility ranging from making beds to spreading mulch. Their efforts will help ensure that campers have an enjoyable experience while at Victory Junction.

Phoenix Lunch

Monday: Cycotte, Hare, Martin, Daywalt, Pratt

Tuesday: Beane, Williams, Martin

Wednesday: Cycotte, Watts, Pratts

Thursday: Williams, Hare, Daywalt, Rushing

Friday: Beane, Martin

Thank you for reading The Phoenixes' Call! This publication was created completely by Montgomery County Early College students. We write, edit, and publish this work on our own. We are using this publication to showcase all of the wonderful students of MCEC and to show the community what it means to be a Phoenix. We apologize for any typographical errors or misspellings. Please see Mrs. Heather Beane if you have an idea for a new story or if you would like to be involved.

Book Recommendation

By: Koby Sedberry

This Black History Month, it is important to reflect on the culture and struggles of African Americans. *The Color Purple* by Alice Walker delves into the struggles of a young black girl born into segregation. The novel pulls readers through the dark topics of poverty, rape, and abuse. However, the themes of overcoming hardships and harnessing self-power prevail throughout.

Reminders:

By: Shanti Singthong

- Check your emails daily
- Juniors & Seniors remember to sign-in to seminar daily
- If you are interested in golf, see the office
- MCEC's Phoenix in Flight Award nominations are due February 21st. If you know someone who has been an advocate for African Americans in the community, please let Dr. Seawell know.
- SENIORS: If you have received a college, military, or job acceptance please forward those to Mrs. New. Congratulations to those who have already been accepted!
- SOPHOMORES: UNC Renaissance applications are now available! The application is due by March 1st. Please see Mrs. Pratt or Mrs. New if you are interested.
- The SOW Club is sponsoring a can tab war. Cab tabs are collected and recycled by Ronald McDonald House to help provide housing and facilities for families of children that are having surgery or treatment. The homeroom that collects the most can tabs will have a pizza party on March 2nd.

"Be selective in your battles, sometimes peace is better than being right."

-Ritu Ghatourey

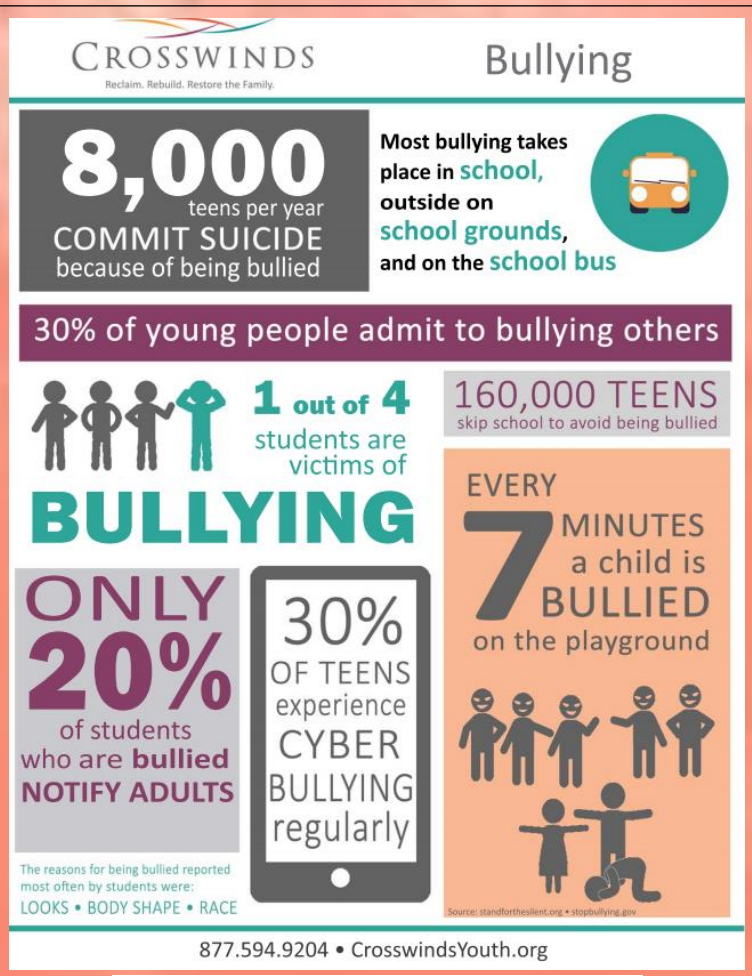
ACT Math Olympics

By: Janet Hernandez Vargas

Top Three Individual Winners: Amandy Lee (1st), Gwenyth Greene (2nd), and Kadin Campbell (3rd)

First Place Winning Team: Souree Yang, Wyatt McCall, and Ah'Jada Ingram

BETA Club hosted our annual ACT Math Olympics on January 31st for all juniors as a preparation for the upcoming ACT. Sophomores and freshmen were also invited to the event. During this event, students were given practice math ACT questions. The top twenty students moved on to the second round to compete for first, second, and third place. There was also a team competition where students were divided into groups and went head-to-head for first place.



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