



I believe firmly with you in the strict connection between virtue and happiness: that the latter can never exist where the former is not: and that virtuous habits are produced by exercising the mind in reading and contemplating good moral writings.

- Thomas Jefferson
(Letter to Mason Locke Weems, June 12, 1801)

Curriculum Day

On Tuesday, October 31, Atlanta Classical Academy will host its Fourth Annual Curriculum Day. During this event, elementary classes may dress up according to the class themes listed below. Parents are invited to attend during these times, when the class will be acting out a part of the curriculum. Teachers are sending out information to parents regarding the particular happenings of their classes.

Parking and a shuttle will be provided from St. Anne's Church on Moores Mill Rd., across from Trinity Presbyterian. Kindergarten parents should proceed to St. Anne's parking lot after regular carpool. Please look for official Atlanta Classical Academy signs and park in the designated areas.

Please make sure your student brings his or her

October 30, 2017

THIS WEEK

October 30 - November 5
ABABA

10/31 - Curriculum Day; Parking at St. Anne's

10/31 - Student Council [Doughnut](#) Fundraiser, 7:15am - 8am

10/31 - Informal Student Government Meeting, 7am - 7:40am

11/1 - La Amistad Conferences for Spanish Speaking Families, 3:30pm - 6:30pm

11/2 - 9th Grade College Night in the cafeteria, 6:30pm - 7:30pm

11/3 - Nutcracker Performance, ACA Gym, 9:30am - 10:30am

11/3 - Formal Student Government Meeting, ACA Library, 3:30pm - 4:30pm

11/3 - Upper School Social, 5pm - 7:30pm (7th - 11th Graders)

NEXT WEEK

November 6 - November 12

uniform to school (under the costume or to change into afterward).

Curriculum Day is for lower school students only. Upper school students will wear their official school uniform as usual.

Curriculum Day Schedule

Class	Time	Theme
Kindergarten	8:15am – 9:00am	Nursery Rhymes
1st Grade	9:45am – 10:30am	Egyptians
2nd Grade	9:30am – 10:30am	Ancient Greeks
3rd Grade	12:00pm – 1:00pm	Ancient Romans
4th Grade	1:40pm – 2:25pm	Middle Ages
5th Grade	10:40am – 11:25am	Renaissance
6th Grade	1:15pm – 2:00pm	Ancient Greeks

Carpool Safety

Did you know the south parking lot is never allowed for student pickup and drop off? With more students to serve than ever, we know carpool can be frustrating. In the interest of student and employee safety, everyone must follow the same carpool drop off and pickup procedure.

Our Atlanta Police Department officers have reviewed our carpool process and they agree the single-line approach is the only safe way we can execute carpool with our current configuration. Dropping students on the street or in the parking lot is dangerous - for them and for our employees and employee children who use our lots. There have been several close-calls in those lots related to vehicles attempting to avoid the carpool line.

We know it may seem silly, and that it saves you time and takes "just a minute" to drop students in the wrong place. When one person does it, everyone else wants to do it and we end up with an unmanageable and unsafe situation.

Please, back up your departure by a few minutes to give yourself plenty of time to go through carpool the right way. Incidentally, if you arrive by 7:25am, there is never a line.

BABAB

11/6 - Uniform Store Open, 8am - 9:30am

11/7 - Phonics for Parents in the Cafeteria, 6:30pm - 8pm; Parking on campus

11/8 - Phonics for Parents, 8am - 9:30am; Parking at Northside Baptist

11/8 - 10th Grade College Night in the cafeteria, 6:30pm - 7:30pm

11/10 - Veterans Day Ceremony, 8:30am; Parking at Northside Baptist

COMING UP

11/13 - Info Session, 7pm - 8pm

11/17 - Fall Fine Arts Program at Peachtree Presbyterian Church in the Kellett Chapel, 6:15pm

11/17 - Dad's Day, 7:20am; Parking at St. Anne's

11/17 - Principal's Coffee, 8:30am; Parking at St. Anne's

COLLEGE VISITS (Students-Only)

Please note: College visits are no longer mandatory, but they are strongly encouraged.

11/2 - [Columbia University](#), 11:30am

11/8 - [LSU](#), 3pm

11/10 - [University of Georgia](#), 3pm

11/13 - [Meredith College](#), 3pm

11/29 - [Wyoming Catholic College](#), 3pm

View the [online calendar](#) for the full list of school events.

Click [here](#) to view the 2017 - 2018 calendar.



Phonics for Parents!

Attention K-6 parents:

If you want to know more about how Atlanta Classical Academy teaches students to write and read, we invite you to our first ever parent phonics tutorial. Mrs. Boyd will present a crash course on explicit phonics using the Riggs Orthography program. She will outline how words are made of sounds, and how we apply those sounds into spelling (with markings) and reading. She will also be handing out resources at the end of the tutorial.

If you would like to know more about phonics or helping your student at home, there are two available tutorials. Please register on the EventBrite link below so we know how many to plan for:

Tuesday, November 7: 6:30pm - 8pm ([Registration](#))
*select the appropriate date

Thursday, November 9: 8am - 9:30am ([Registration](#))
*select the appropriate date

Again, please sign up on EventBrite so we know how many participants to expect! All are welcome. For the evening session, parking will be on campus. For the morning session, parking will be at Northside Baptist Church with a shuttle provided. Both sessions will take place in the cafeteria. Contact [Mrs. Boyd](#) for more details.

Calling All Atlanta Classical Dads!

Hey Dad! What are you doing on Friday, November 17? Why not come out to the Father of all Atlanta Classical Events - our Inaugural Atlanta Classical Academy Dad's Day! We will have several great activities planned throughout the day, and you are invited to join us for any or all! The day will start at 7:20am with a Dad-styled takeover of morning carpool. Next, our Fathers will join Mr. Lambert for a Principal's Coffee at 8:30am (Mothers of course are

Important Links & Contacts

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Mission

To develop students in mind and character through a classical, content-rich curriculum that emphasizes the principles of virtuous living, traditional learning, and civic responsibility.

Vision

To be a nationally regarded K-12 classical school and serve as a local and national incubator for the growth and promotion of classical education.

Virtues

Courage
Courtesy
Honesty
Perseverance
Self-Government
Service

Board Meetings

welcome, too!). Afterwards, Dads can volunteer for reading group or attend one of their students' classes. Starting at 10:30am, Dads can help out with Lunch Bunch in the cafeteria. Dads will also take care of afternoon carpool!

Atlanta Classical Academy Dad's Day on November 17 will be just the first of many events designed to engage and leverage the talents of our community of dedicated Dads. Our holiday in June may be second rate, but Atlanta Classical Dads, please know that your contributions to our community are critically important and deeply appreciated. So, mark your calendars for Friday, November 17 and stay tuned for more details coming soon! Parking will be at St. Anne's Church on Moores Mill Rd. (overflow on the west side of Argonne).

Board meetings occur on the 3rd Thursday of each month in the Library at Atlanta Classical Academy. These meetings are open to the public and parents are encouraged to attend. Community comments are limited to 2 minutes and we request they be submitted in writing. Board meeting agendas and minutes are posted on the [school's website](#).

Atlanta Classical Academy Veterans Day Ceremony

Friday, November 10 at 8:30am



Atlanta Classical Academy honors our veterans in a special way each year by hosting them at our annual Changing of the Flag Ceremony. **We would like to invite our Atlanta Classical parents in addition to all veterans in the Atlanta Classical community, including extended family members, to this ceremony in their honor on Friday, November 10, at 8:30am.** This applies to all branches, including the U.S. Army, Navy, Coast Guard, Marines, Air Force, Reserve, and National Guard. Those veterans who are able to attend should [RSVP here](#).



CHEF ADVANTAGE

To order school lunches, [click here](#) (school password for registration acalunch9). **Remember, you must submit your order four days in advance.**



Registration is open for Kiddos After School Program. [Click here](#) for more information and to register.

School Partners

Remember to use your Partner Cards to raise money for Atlanta Classical Academy!



Principal's Coffee

New Date - Friday, November 17 at 8:30am

The Principal's Coffee originally scheduled for November 3 has been RESCHEDULED for November 17. The Coffee will have a "Dad" theme to coincide with our inaugural Dad's Day. Mr. Lambert, Mr. Greer, and Mr. Richter will offer their perspectives as fathers and invite conversation with the dads on campus that day. Moms are welcome to attend, too! Parking will be at St. Anne's Church on Moores Mill Rd. (overflow on the west side of Argonne).



*Make sure you specify **Northside Education, Inc.** as the charity.

Student Government Halloween Doughnut Fundraiser



During morning carpool on **Tuesday, October 31st**, Student Government will be selling Krispy Kreme doughnuts to **5th-11th grade students** at the **Bell** and on the **Veranda**.



Buy a doughnut for a dollar, or a dozen for \$10...if you dare!

K - 4 grade students may purchase doughnuts directly from their teachers (who will provide more information this week).

The entire fundraising announcement is enclosed in a decorative border of small pumpkin icons.

Hello Atlanta Classical Academy parents,

On Halloween morning, Tuesday, October 31, student government will be selling [doughnuts](#) to help welcome fall! Doughnuts will be sold from 7:15am - 8am (\$1 each or \$10/dozen). All of the proceeds will go to the student government for fundraising purposes!

Students in grades K-4 will be able to purchase doughnuts by bringing money directly to their teachers. K-2 students are allowed to purchase one doughnut; 3-4 grade students may purchase up to two doughnuts. We would like all money to be turned in no later than Friday, October 27th. Luckily, these students get to skip the lines and will receive their doughnuts from their teachers on Tuesday morning in class (K-2 students will receive their doughnuts at the end of the day)!

All 5-12 grade students will purchase their doughnuts on Halloween morning from booths located in front of the south building and on the veranda. They are welcome to purchase as many doughnuts as they would like! Any remaining doughnuts will be sold during lunch periods on the veranda.

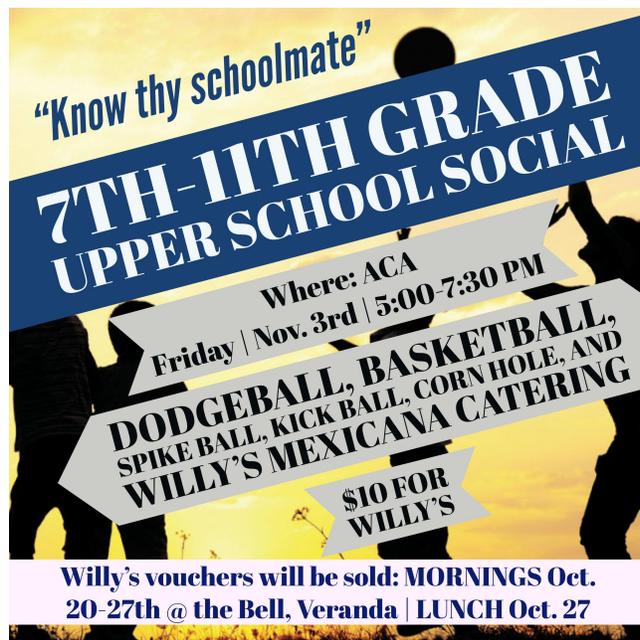
Help us jump into fall spirit by purchasing a doughnut for your student!

Thank you,

The Atlanta Classical Academy Student
Government

Upper School Social

Friday, November 3 at 5pm



College Advising

We had a number of colleges visit campus this week:

University of Tennessee
University of Michigan
Georgetown University
George Mason University
Auburn University
University of Alabama
University of Miami

9th Grade Families! Mark your calendars for next week's 9th Grade College Night!
Thursday, November 2, 6:30pm - 7:30pm in the cafeteria.

10th Grade Families! Mark your calendars for the 10th Grade College Night! Wednesday, November 8, 6:30pm - 7:30pm in the cafeteria.

Paying for College Night

Wednesday, November 8, 2017
7:00-8:00 PM
@
The Westminster Schools

1424 West Paces Ferry Road NW
Robinson Hall, Warren Lecture Room

The speaker will be John Leach who is the Director of Financial Aid at Emory University. Director Leach will discuss need and merit based aid.

THIS EVENT IS OPEN TO ATLANTA METRO AREA HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS.

No RSVP required.

National Honors Society

Atlanta Classical Academy is forming a chapter of the National Honors Society and will induct its first members next spring.

2017-2018 Yearbook

The 2017-2018 yearbook is on sale. Please click [here](#) to order your copy today for just \$30.

ACA Fine Arts

[2017-2018 Fine Arts Brochure](#)



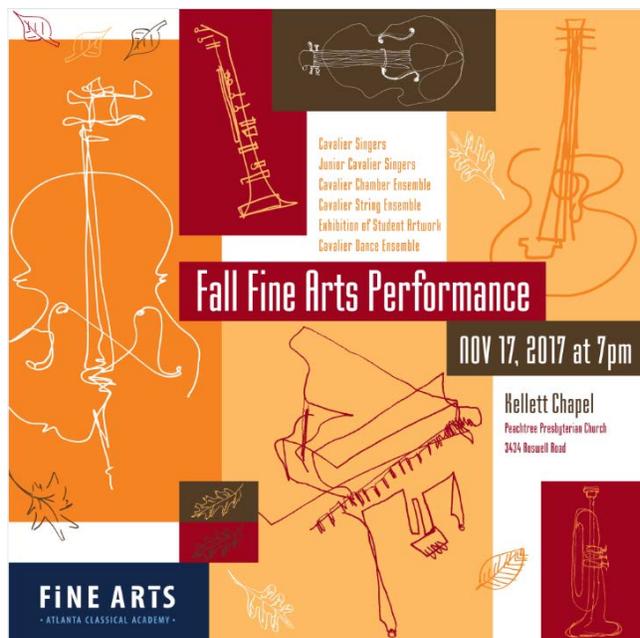
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Art Exhibit

Please join me in congratulating students from Miss Womack's art elective. Miss Womack submitted students' art work into a local competition, and five of the students were chosen to have their works displayed in the exhibition: Darden Braun, Jeanne Werner, Serena Kapoor, Olivia Holston and Charlotte Taylor. Charlotte's submission won third place overall. If you would like to see the exhibit, it is taking place this Saturday from 10am -12pm at 112 Church Street, Decatur, GA 30030.

Fall Fine Arts Program



On November 17, we will be presenting our Fall Fine Arts Program. This year the program will include our three choirs, the string ensemble, and our new dance ensemble. Beginning at 6:15pm, our art gallery will be open for you to see some of the amazing pieces our students have created. The concert will be at Peachtree Presbyterian Church in Kellett Chapel.

ACA Athletics GO CAVALIERS!

To view the full athletics calendar, [click here](#).



Fall Sports

Varsity Cross Country Goes to State!

For the first time in Atlanta Classical history, our students will represent our school in an athletic state competition. At the regional meet, girls varsity cross country brought home a trophy with a second place finish. Boys varsity cross country also qualified for state, finishing in fourth place at the regional meet.



Junior Pierce Mastrion finished 5th overall in the boys race with a time of 19:35, qualifying him for state as an individual. Sophomore Clara Mastrion and freshman Madeline Busse finished 4th and 6th, respectively, bringing home medals and also qualifying as individuals for the state meet on Saturday, November 4. Congratulations to our boys team: Sam Hilgeman, Pierce Mastrion, Joe and Dan Santifer, and Max Tippet and our girls team: Madeline Busse, Virginia Bynum, Serena Kapoor, Clara Mastrion, Hannah Pearl, Alexa Robbins, and Charlotte Taylor. Good luck at state! Go Cavs!



Fall Sports Reminders

All middle school fall sports families need to pay team fees and return uniforms to their respective coaches as soon as possible. If you have any questions, please contact your coaches.

Winter Sports

All basketball players need to make sure they have submitted updated physicals and registered under the school's athletics page on the website before they can participate this season in athletics. If you have any questions, please contact the boys and girls program manager.

You can [update your preferences](#) or [unsubscribe from this list](#)