

## Staff Spotlight

Congratulations to [Ms. Betty!](#) She proudly earned herself and Atlanta Classical Academy a 100% score on the recent health inspection of the cafeteria.



Her favorite...

...**dish to make:** lasagna.

...**dish to eat:** desserts and sweets.

...**day of the week:** Friday (because it is pizza day!).

...**restaurant:** La Parrilla Mexican Restaurant.

...**part about working in the cafeteria:** "I think this is the best job because of the joy surrounding food."

## Did You Know?

[Mr. Hawkins](#) met his wife when he crashed a party at the New Zealand embassy in Tokyo when he was a grad student.

**March 26, 2018**

## THIS WEEK

**March 26 - April 1  
ABABA**

**3/26** - College Workshop (Juniors only) in Rm. H106, 3pm

**3/26** - Girls JV Soccer vs. Christo Rey @ ACA, 4:30pm (Black Out)

**3/26** - Boys JV Soccer vs. Christo Rey @ ACA, 6pm (Black Out)

**3/27** - Informal Student Council Meeting in the Library, 7am

**3/27** - Spanish Speaking Family Conferences, 3:30pm

**3/27** - Girls MS Soccer @ Sandy Springs, 5pm

**3/28** - Girls MS Soccer @ Davis,

Everyone comes to the cafeteria to relax and to enjoy their food and conversation with their friends. There is a lot of happiness!”

...**part about Atlanta Classical Academy:** “I am doubly happy to be here because of my son Gabriel [3rd grader in Mrs. Andrew’s class]. He has the best teachers, and I love that he is surrounded by happy people. The teachers and the students, everyone smiles!”

Conversations with Cavaliers will return next week. Stay tuned!

## Revisions to the 2018-2019 Calendar

In consultation with the Mission Support Team (MST), staff, and administration, we are publishing a revision to the 2018-19 academic calendar. The intention of the changes is to more closely match the APS calendar, including new changes announced by APS just this past week. Our goal is to publish our calendar as far in advance as possible, but changes are a possibility based on APS and other factors.

These are the changes:

- Spring Break has moved to April 1-5, 2019 in order to match a recent change by APS.
- Winter holiday break has shifted to December 20, 2018 - January 6, 2019 in order to fully overlap with APS.

You may find the revised calendar [here](#).

## High School Spring Dance

*Evening in the Enchanted Forest*  
Friday, April 20  
7pm - 9:30pm

4:30pm

**3/29** - Girls JV Soccer vs. Galloway  
@ ACA, 4:30pm (Jersey)

**3/29** - Boys JV Soccer vs. Galloway  
@ ACA, 6pm (Jersey)

**3/30** - Student Government CFA  
Biscuit Sale, 7:15am - 7:45am

### NEXT WEEK

**April 2 - April 6**

**4/2 - 4/6** - Spring Break, NO SCHOOL

### COMING UP

**4/9** - Uniform Store Open, 8am

**4/9** - Girls MS Soccer at Galloway,  
4:30pm

**4/10** - Spring Class Photos

**4/10** - Student Council Informal  
Meeting in Library, 7am

**4/13** - Intent to Enroll Process (current  
students)

**4/13** - Cavalier Spirit Wear Day

**4/20** - HS Spring Dance, 7pm -  
9:30pm

**4/23** - Deadline for Intent to Enroll  
(current students)

**4/26** - Cavaliers' Coffee, 8:30am

**4/27** - Dinner and a Movie

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

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



Helping Every Student Thrive



**Where:** The Lodge at Peachtree Presbyterian, 3417 Roswell Road.

**What:** Students and guests\* will enjoy an elegant affair with a buffet dinner and dancing.

**How:** Please return your response card to the front desk by March 30 to take advantage of the \$35 attendance fee. The attendance price will increase to \$40 per guest on March 31 and \$60 at the door.

\*Atlanta Classical students may invite guests but must include a guest form with their response card and arrange a meeting with one of our administrators. Please click [here](#) for the guest form and [here](#) for the dress code.

## Mental Health Resources for our Students at Atlanta Classical

### *Virtus Scientia Felicitas*

As our motto reminds us, the ultimate goal of an education rooted in both virtue and knowledge is happiness. Not the superficial and ephemeral

## ON THE SHOULDERS of GIANTS

Atlanta Classical Academy  
CAPITAL CAMPAIGN



### Important Links & Contacts

[transportation@atlantaclassical.org](mailto:transportation@atlantaclassical.org)

[attendance@atlantaclassical.org](mailto:attendance@atlantaclassical.org)

[ptca@atlantaclassical.org](mailto:ptca@atlantaclassical.org)



### 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

pleasure that occupies much of the world around us, but the deep and abiding sense of joy and well-being that comes from an understanding and appreciation of what it truly means to be human.

Your child's happiness and well-being are always the highest priorities of the administration, faculty, and staff at Atlanta Classical. Just as you care for their physical needs, we realize that you as parents have the first and primary responsibility for the emotional support and care of your children. However, occasions arise where outside help may be needed to support your efforts.

Atlanta Classical retains a part-time counselor, Mrs. Brianna Bacorn, to assist students and families when situations arise that threaten a student's emotional well-being. Mrs. Bacorn is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker with many years of experience working specifically with children and adolescents. She visits Atlanta Classical 2-3 times each week and is available on-call at other times.

There are several ways that a student may be referred to Mrs. Bacorn. If a student approaches a member of the administration or faculty with an issue where his or her physical or emotional well-being seems to be at risk, the member of administration or faculty may suggest that the student meet with Mrs. Bacorn. She has also provided some training to teachers to better help them recognize signs of emotional distress. Therefore, in some cases, a faculty member may refer a student to Mrs. Bacorn if they observe some troubling signs. Additionally, there may be disciplinary matters where Mrs. Bacorn's involvement is requested.

Although every emotional issue that effects one of our students is important, because of limited resources, Mrs. Bacorn must prioritize and give attention to the most urgent situations during the time she spends at Atlanta Classical. Therefore, it is possible that Mrs. Bacorn may not have the availability to address the issue in a timely manner during school hours. However, parents may make arrangements with her directly and engage her services independent of the school. There are also psychiatric and behavioral support services available through the City of Atlanta, Fulton County

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

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](#).



## CHEF ADVANTAGE

To order school lunches, [click here](#) (school password for registration acalunch9).

**Remember, you must submit your order four days in advance.**

Government, Children's Hospital of Atlanta, as well as many private professional therapists in our area.

Our students at Atlanta Classical are fortunate to have parents who are devoted to their well-being, and who want to do all that they can to help their children thrive and flourish. Mrs. Bacorn's best advice to parents is to be present for your children. Watch for changes in your child's behavior such as isolating him or herself from friends or family or losing pleasure in activities they used to enjoy. If it seems your child is having a hard time coping, she suggests that you may want to consider taking them to a therapist or using one of the resources listed above.

To shepherd a young mind from infancy to adulthood can at times be a daunting endeavor for any parent. But the administration, faculty, and staff at Atlanta Classical stand with you as willing partners. The purpose of the education provided at Atlanta Classical is to develop in every student the intellect and character needed to enjoy a life of lasting happiness. It is the hope of everyone at Atlanta Classical Academy that we can work together with you to help your child attain this goal.

## Support Atlanta Classical: We Need You!

We have two fundraising campaigns underway, and we still need many more Cavaliers to support our mission with your time and gifts to achieve our goals!



- [On the Shoulders of Giants](#): this capital campaign will fund our ["3 + 1" Upper School](#)



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!



\*Make sure you specify **Atlanta Classical Academy** as the charity.



[expansion](#) and HVAC overhaul. Our goal is to raise \$1.22M over two years by May 2019, and we are at 40% of our goal with \$509,800 in pledges and gifts from 103 donors as of March 15, 2018.

- [The Cavalier Fund](#) is our new annual fund to raise dollars for co-curricular and extra-curricular mission-supporting programming that can't be paid for with public dollars. Our 2017-18 goal is \$216,000, and we're almost half-way there with pledges and gifts of \$107,000 from 104 donors.
- 56% of our Faculty have donated or given already! That compares with 26% of our family + overall donor rate. The race is on...who will reach 75% giving first?

### **Honor Roll of Donors**

We extend deep and humble thanks to those Cavaliers and friends of Atlanta Classical who have already pledged and donated! The Honor Roll of Donors reflects the remarkable support our beloved school has received to-date across both fundraising campaigns. Donors send the powerful message that Atlanta Classical Academy is important to their lives, and that our mission and education deserve support. Thank you! You are truly Giants. [Honor Roll of Donors](#)

### **Join the Ambassador Team:**

Want to help our Ambassador Team spread the news about Atlanta Classical's fundraising needs and how donors can support our two campaigns? [Contact an Ambassador today](#) or reach out to [Frost Osborne](#), Atlanta Classical Development and Communications Coordinator.

### **Faculty and Staff Recognition:**

Donors may make gifts to the *Cavalier* and *Giants campaigns* in honor of a cherished Atlanta Classical Academy faculty or staff member. For **any** gift from \$1 to \$5,000, you may honor one faculty or staff member. For each incremental gift of \$5,000, you may honor one additional faculty or staff member. The amount is based on your total *combined* gifts to the *Cavalier Fund* and *Giants* campaign. There is no maximum gift, and no maximum number of



employees a donor may honor. [Learn more.](#)

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## 2018-2019 PTCA Committee Chair Nominations

Thanks to everyone who has worked with the PTCA to build a wonderful community at our school. We appreciate all of your dedication to Atlanta Classical Academy.

We are excited for the upcoming 2018-2019 school year! As we evolve as a PTCA, we are currently looking for people to lead our committees and begin planning for next year. Volunteers may also sign up at this time for the following committees: uniforms, back-to-school, faculty and staff appreciation, and new family ambassadors.

If you would like to serve as a chair of a PTCA committee or on one of the committees above, please fill out [this form](#) by March 30. Volunteer descriptions can be found [here](#). There will be an opportunity to sign up for room parents and the rest of our committees in August.

If you have any questions or are unsure of where your time and talent can be best utilized, contact [Lisa Woods](#) or [Joy Harty](#) for more information on next year's PTCA.

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## College Advising Events

### **College Workshop:**

*Monday, March 26, 3:05pm - 4:30pm in Rm. H106*

Juniors, please join me in H106 on Monday, March 26 for our 3rd College Workshop where we will begin work on the personal essay.

Juniors, please remember to request your letters of recommendation from your teachers by April 15. You should ask in person and then submit a request through Family Connection. Please note, the request is only complete after you request through Family Connection.

# A Southern Classic - Please Read!

Thank you so much for coming to our first Atlanta Classical Academy parent social, A Southern Classic – you made it a huge success! We look forward to more events like this in the future!

If you participated in the auction, you should have received an invoice to the email address that you entered when purchasing your tickets (if you are a teacher/faculty member – it is your Atlanta Classical email address). If you do not receive one, please check your Junk mail. If you checked out during the event, you will only receive another invoice if there were additional items entered for you post checkout. Also, if you checked out during the event, you should have received an itemized receipt in your email.

Remaining auction items will be available for pick-up this Monday, March 26, from 7:45am - 8:30am and Tuesday March 27, from 2pm - 3pm at Amanda Coleman's; 3250 Glen Arden Drive, Atlanta, GA 30305. Items must be picked up this week; if this is an issue, please [email Amanda](#).

For the “Gotta Have It” experiences, there are a few spots still available! Please see Sign Up Genius below where you will see details of each party/experience. Once you sign up, you will receive an emailed invoice from Cam Reynolds via Square. April 9 is the deadline to sign up and pay (although the party may be “full” prior to this deadline, so please take a look now!).

## [Sign up Genius for Gotta Have Its](#)

For those of you that signed up for “Gotta Have It” experiences at the event, you will receive an email the week of April 9 with additional information – both participants and hosts will receive confirmation that week. We are waiting for the Sign Up Genius to close that week to have complete information.

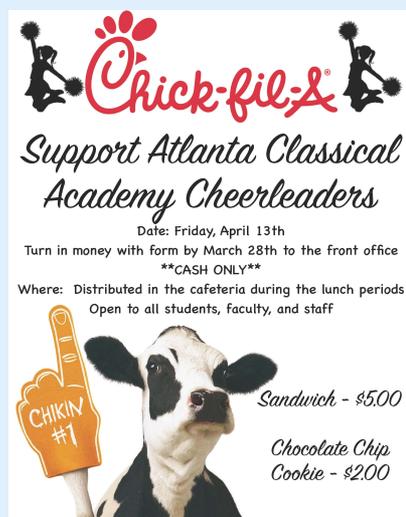
If you have additional questions, please send us an [email](#).

# Chick-fil-A Sandwich Day!

*Friday, April 13*

Support Atlanta Classical Academy  
Cheerleaders!

Order your student a Chick-fil-A sandwich,  
delivered on Friday, April 13. Turn in money with  
form by March 28 to the front office. **\*\*CASH  
ONLY\*\***



## Save the Date! Dinner and a Movie

*Friday, April 27, 6:30pm*



All ACA families  
are invited to our

*Don't forget your picnic blanket!*

- \* Catered meals will be available for purchase along with drinks and concessions.
- \* Be on the lookout for more information coming soon

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## Report Cards

Report Cards were distributed at Parent /Teacher conferences on March 13 and 14. If you were unable to attend, please stop by the front desk to pick up your child's report card.

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## From the Nurse's Desk

The scoliosis forms have been sent home via email and flyer for current 6th and 9th grade students. Please complete the document for scoliosis testing; there is an opt out option as well.

Let's stay above the curve!

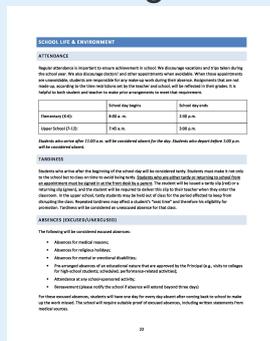
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## We want your excuses! Attendance Reminder

Don't forget - If your child will not be in attendance, please [email](#) with the reason for the absence. Please remember to submit proof of medical visits upon return to school. This allows the front office to

record excused and medical absences correctly.

If you have any question regarding attendance policy please refer to the Family Handbook, pages 22-24, or just click the image below.



## 2018-2019 Business Partnerships

Atlanta Classical is working to lay the foundation for a formal Business Partnerships program for 2018-19. The school seeks meaningful and mutually beneficial relationships with Atlanta Classical family businesses and other local businesses within our community. Could you please help us by completing this short survey? Your recommendations and community relationships will make this initiative a success for our school.

[Click Here for Survey!](#)

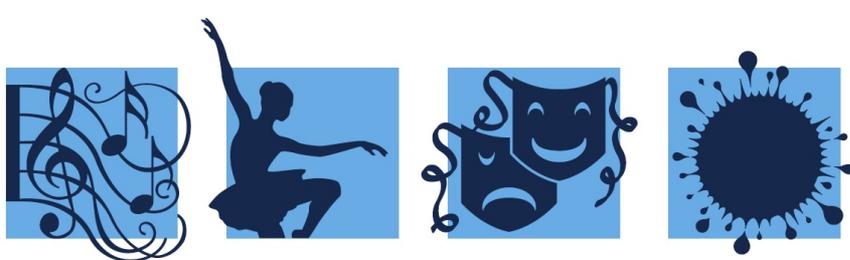
We value your support and your privacy. Once you submit the survey, a committee member will contact you directly about your interest and submission.

## 2017-2018 Yearbook

The 2017-2018 yearbook is on sale. Please click [here](#) to order your copy today for just \$35.

## ACA Fine Arts

[2017-2018 Fine Arts Brochure](#)



# FINE ARTS

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## Open Call! For All Student Artists, Singers, Dancers, and Musicians

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### **ACA's Got Talent!**

*Sunday, April 15 & Monday, April 16*

The Atlanta Classical Academy Fine Arts Program is holding an **Open Call** for Upper School students (including rising 7th graders) for participation in the Visual & Performing Arts programs in the 2018-2019 school year.

This open call will allow fine arts faculty to get to know students' interests and talents in order to better plan for the year. All students should sign up for a call time [here](#) and complete the open call form (available outside Mr. Franklin's office and at the front desk) to bring to the call time.

We would like all Upper School students (and rising 7th graders) to participate in this open call, including students currently involved in the Fine Arts program.

Dance auditions will take place on Sunday, April 15. All other artists will sign up for a 15 minute slot on either Sunday or Monday. Students with more than one talent (for example, a photographer that sings, or a dancer that plays piano) may sign up for more than one slot.

Please register [here](#).

## ACA Athletics GO CAVALIERS!

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



### Party on the Pitch!

*Thursday, March 29  
2250 Perry Boulevard*

Come show your Cavalier spirit and support our JV soccer teams as they compete against The Galloway School!

Thursday, March 29  
4:30 Girls JV  
6:00 Boys JV  
2250 Perry Boulevard, Atlanta, 30318

**Plan to have dinner with us!** Hot dogs and dessert will be available for purchase from food trucks. There will be music and fun games at halftime where we will recognize some of our other Cavalier sports teams.

**Get your team spirit gear!** Student Government Spirit Committee will be selling Cavalier team spirit

items during lunch on Wednesday, March 28. Students can purchase foam fingers, boom sticks, pom-poms, and cowbells. Prices range from \$1 to \$3. Stock up on supplies to support your ACA Cavaliers at the game!

Don't forget to support the game theme by wearing your favorite sports jersey!

## **Spirit Committee**

### *Soccer Game Themes*

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Join us in pumping up our Soccer Team for Home Games!

March 26: Black-out

March 29: Jersey

April 10: Neon

April 18: Blue-out

## **Calling All Cheerleaders**

*Grades 8th - 12th (Rising)*

*Tryouts: April 16 - 20*

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Cheer tryouts are fast approaching. Any student currently in grades 7th - 11th may tryout. Please pick up a packet from the clinic.

We are gearing up to start our new season of competitive cheer for our 2018 - 2019 school year. There are great things on deck for our team next year, JV and Varsity just to name a few.

*Calling all Cheerleaders  
Grades 8<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> (Rising)*

Cheer Tryouts  
April 16<sup>th</sup> - April 19<sup>th</sup>  
Time: 3:10pm - 5:30pm  
Location: Gym

Judging and Presentation April 20<sup>th</sup>  
Time: 3:30pm - 6:00pm

Letter of Intent emailed April 22<sup>nd</sup>

Commitment Date: April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018 @ 3:30pm (location TBD)

Uniform Try-on April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018 @ 3:15pm

Summer Camp: May 29<sup>th</sup> - June 1<sup>st</sup>  
Location: Auburn University



Just look around campus for the Awesome cheer flyers!

Please see Coach Holland to sign up and get any additional information needed.

Keep Calm and Cheer On!

## Spring Sports

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All soccer 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.

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