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Mead Hall Episcopal School







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A MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD OF SCHOOL



Last week was a time of celebration for our students and our graduates, at our Senior Walk on Monday, Senior Dinner on Tuesday, Closing Exercises on Wednesday and Thursday, and the Graduation of the Class of 2023 on Friday. We are proud of the achievements of all of our students and of our graduates of the Class of 2023. In this In the Loop, we honor our students for their particular accomplishments this year. We are grateful to you, our school families, for entrusting Mead Hall with your children's education this year, and we hope that they have grown in knowledge and in wisdom, by the grace of God.

I would also like to thank our faculty and staff for their dedication to the education and nurture of our students this year. For those faculty retiring and departing this year, we thank you for your service to Mead Hall. In particular, I would like to recognize the two teachers who retired this year, Mrs. Catherine Beadles, after 17 years of teaching, and Mr. David Nichols, after 12 years of teaching. Below we recognize our departing faculty and staff and we celebrate milestone anniversaries. In the summer, we will announce our new additions to the faculty and staff.

This week and next week we will send school families SmugMug galleries as a memory of our closing exercises and graduation. Please watch for the emails of the events celebrating your children. We also have a Vimeo recording of the Graduation of the Class of 2023 here: https://vimeo.com/event/3404663

I wish everyone a lovely summer!

Summer blessings,

Frank Sawyer

We would like to thank our departing faculty:

Catherine Beadles, for 17 years of teaching social studies and some literature

Tiffany Boyd, for 2 years of teaching 1st grade

Jodi Brown-Hooks, for 2 years of teaching 2nd grade

Terry Dennis, for 11 years of teaching science and math

Matthew Henderson, for teaching our AP Music Theory this year

Elizabeth Morgan, for almost 4 years teaching math and science, mostly in the 4th grade with a year in middle school as well

David Nichols, for 12 years of teaching math and science

Cindy Seeby, for 1 year of teaching 2nd grade

Patrick Taylor, for 4 years of teaching sacred studies

Valorie Vance-Kraus, for 7 years of teaching, including science, learning strategies, and sacred studies

Sharon Yapoujian, for teaching 1st grade this year

We recognize our Faculty and Staff on their Milestone Anniversaries of Service:

5 YEARS OF SERVICE

Nan Burns Mary Dickey Antonio Grant

10 YEARS OF SERVICE

Dianne Goodson Kevin White

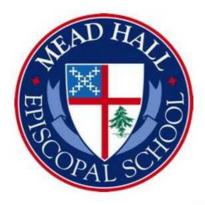




Mead Hall Class of 2023 accompanied by Dr. Frank Sawyer and Dr. Sanela Porca, graduation speaker, from USC Aiken

CLASS OF 2023

Olivia Rae Cato Arein Tauro Delariarte Hunter Wyatt Dixon Margaret Donna Elliott Sawyer Wyatt Andrew Geitner Erin Paige Grandy Virginia Watson Gwinn Jason Leonard Maria Elisa Reyes Isabella Marie Shappell Charles Robert Stanley Ashton Hunter Stroud Sarah Elizabeth Taylor Owen Patrick Velie Tess Elizabeth Westafer Benjamin Thomas Wiedenman Meredith Gabrielle Windham Oscar Joseph Zeller



THANK YOU, friends and families

WE ARE ALMOST TO OUR GOAL!!!!!!

The Annual Fund has a tremendous impact on the quality of the Mead Hall student experience. Together we can strengthen our school, enrich every child's education and improve our facilities.

We received \$22,803 in May, bringing us even closer to our GOAL



Through Annual Fund and other gifts this year, we are accomplishing the following from our **Wish List** so far:

- Retaining & attracting top faculty through a compensation increase of 3% and an increase to our pension and medical benefits
- Middle School science curriculum and lab equipment for hands-on/STEM learning
- New telephone/intercom systems for the St. Thaddeus & Aiken Prep Campuses
- Technology maintenance and network security
- New carpeting and flooring in needed areas on both campuses
- Annual maintenance & improvements to both campuses through our facilities budget
- Partial painting & restoration of the exterior of Harrington Hall, Aiken Prep Campus

Please see the PTO report for Wish List items that the PTO is funding.





LOWER SCHOOL NEWS



ST. THADDEUS CAMPUS SUMMER OFFICE INFORMATION

We are excited to continue office renovations on the St. Thaddeus campus this summer; however, because of the construction, we will be working remotely from May 30 - 19. We will be answering the phone and email, so please contact us if you need anything. In addition, we can get to campus in a matter of minutes if that is necessary.

Summer Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 9:00 - 3:00 Office Closed July 3 - 7

YEARLY HEADMASTER'S AWARD ALL A'S FINAL YEAR GRADE W

3rd Grade

Cooper Alexander
Eli Burke
Kate Grande
Pierson Hall
Kate Kisner
Melina Powers
Penelope LaLuz
Benjamin Reynolds
Christian Shaffer
Hogan Starks
Mya Tarver

4th Grade

Delfie Berdie Avery Cooper Cade Haddock Vin Harper Knox Hearne Camden McEntarffer
Emma McMurtrie
Zadie Meldrum
Ivy Parrott
Carson Moreno
Liam Premaza
Ford Simons
Carson Smith
Grayson Warren
Jackson Waters
Leighton Wyatt



UNDER CONSTRUCTION

Ayden Elizabeth Brooks





MIDDLE & UPPER SCHOOL NEWS

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE MEAD HALL STUDENT COUNCIL

Congratulations to the following students who were elected to lead the Mead Hall Student Council for the 2023-2024 school year: Jack Thomas Hamrick - President, Brooks Abrams - Vice President, Caroline Wiedenman - Treasurer, Anne Fenton Massie - Secretary. We are looking forward to their leadership in the new school year.

MEAD HALL MIDDLE & UPPER SCHOOL AWARDS

Valedictorian Joseph Zeller **Salutatorian** Virginia Gwinn

4.0 GPA Honor Stole

Olivia Cato
Arein Delariarte
Maggie Elliott Sawyer
Wyatt Geitner
Erin Grandy
Virginia Gwinn
Jason Leonard
Maria Reyes
Isabella Shappell
Chuck Stanley
Sarah Taylor
Benjamin Wiedenman
Meredith Windham
Joseph Zeller

Academic Excellence All A's (final) for 4 years

8th Grade

Avery Abrams
Prisha Bhavsar
Carly Brown
Anrei Delariarte
Pippa Elliott Sawyer
Macy Belle Harper
Malia Pemberton
Hyatt Wilhelm

12th Grade

Joseph Zeller

OTHER AWARDS <u>Upper School</u>

Sandy Rodgers Community Service Esther Marks

American Legion Chuck Stanley Arein Delariarte

Rich Waugh Award for Service Above Self Ben Thomas Wiedenman

Episcopal Character AwardMeredith Windham

Headmaster's AwardWyatt Geitner

Palmetto Award Livi Cato

Palmetto Girls State Esther Marks

Palmetto Boys State Michael Dean Bryce Jack Thomas Hamrick

Palmetto Fellows Scholarships Wyatt Geitner Isabella Shappell Joseph Zeller

Celebration of Character Middle & Upper School

Prisha Bhavsar Esther Marks

The President's Volunteer Service Award

BRONZE:

Caroline Johnston: 55 hours Anna Palmer: 54.5 hours

GOLD:

Caleb Warner
Mac Lawson
Esther Marks
Caroline Wiedenman
Maggie Elliott Sawyer
Owen Velie

Faculty at the BRONZE level:

David Nichols

Valorie Vance-Kraus

Middle School

American Legion

Aaron Washington Prisha Bhavsar

Episcopal Character Award

Carly Brown

James O. Martin Headmaster's Award

Caleb Warner

8th Grade South Carolina Junior

Scholars (PSAT Scores)

Lucy Arvizu
Prisha Bhavsar
Ryan Buckles
Anrei Delariarte
Macy Belle Harper
Willson Lee Lawson
Anika Spaeth

YEARLY HEADMASTER'S AWARD ALL A'S FINAL YEAR GRADE

5th Grade

Madison Austin
Parker Burke
Charles Davis
Mackenzie Goodwin
Evelyn Greer
Ryder Hays
Annie Lindroth
Emma Morgan
Wyatt Wohlwend

6th Grade

Vivian Arvizu
Mary Irving Calfee
Clarke Connor
Brayden Gustavson
Meredith Langford
Taylor McEntarffer
Zella Meldrum
Zoey Meldrum
Chase Shepherd
Will Simons
Noah Layne Stalvey
Everett Stanley
Emma Statkus
Keeley Taylor



Savannah Warren

7th Grade

Hayden Baisch
Phil Belcher
Madison Boyd
Lilly Bruckner
Trinity Carpenter
Evan Collum
Ryals Connor
Cody Hanna
Ella Heath
Wes Herron
Maggie Palmer
Hanna Pribilovics
Landon Spaeth
Ella Statkus
Marilynn Washington

8th Grade

Loren Wilkins

Avery Abrams
Lucy Arvizu
Prisha Bhavsar
Gabby Blaszczak
Carly Brown
Ryan Buckles
Anrei Delariarte
Pippa Elliott Sawyer
Macy Belle Harper
Willson Lee Lawson
Malia Pemberton
Layla Scott
Anika Spaeth
Walker Wiedenman

Hyatt Wilhelm

9th Grade

Faye Becker
Lily Carroll
Taylor Houck
Maddie Leluc
Russ McLaren
Ronald Shepherd

10th Grade

Brooks Abrams
Nicky Djolic
Maddie Godard
Ben Herron
Xander Leigh
Caroline Wiedenman
Roland Yang
Julia Young

11th Grade

Piper Barth
Lauren Bey
Katie Brown
Esther Marks
Anne Fenton Massie
Helaina Pemberton
Kate Smith
Abbe Stanley

12th Grade

Livi Cato Wyatt Geitner Erin Grandy Chuck Stanley Joseph Zeller



Congratulations

Class of 2023
100 college acceptances | 60 colleges and universities
awarded \$3,194,872 in scholarship dollars

(revised 5/26/23)



Aiken Technical College
American University
Anderson University
Appalachian State University
Auburn University
Augusta University
Bard College
Baylor University
Belmont Abbey College
Berry College
Catawba College
Catholic University
Charleston Southern University

The Citadel (3)
Clemson
Coastal Carolina University

College of Charleston Converse University Denmark Technical College DePaul University Eckerd College Francis Marion University Franciscan University Gardner-Webb University

Georgia College
Georgia State University
High Point University
Houghton University
Iona University
Lake Forest College
Lander University
Loyola University Chicago
Marshall University
Marymount Manhattan College
Mass. College of Liberal Arts
North Greenville University

North Greenville University
Presbyterian College
Queen's University, Canada
Queens University of Charlotte

Rhodes College

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Rollins College Saint Leo University St. John's University Tri-County Technical College University of Kentucky UNC, Asheville UNC, Wilmington USC, Aiken USC, Beaufort USC, Columbia (2) University of Tampa University of Tennessee University of Toronto, Canada Valdosta State University Virginia Institute of Technology Western Carolina University Western University Canada Wingate University

Winthrop University

Wofford College



SCHOOL STORE

School Store Summer Hours
Closed through June 9th for
restocking and inventory (no shopping
hours available during this time)

Open - June 12th, 13th and 15th from 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Shopping hours will also be available the week of June 19th. Check the <u>School Website</u> for updated weekly hours or email <u>MHStore@meadhallschool.org</u> for appointments.

SUPPLY PACK PRE-ORDERS

Avoid crowded stores, no waiting in line - let the School Store shop for you! Supply Packs for all grade levels are available for pre-purchase. Orders must be turned in by Friday, June 30th. Supply packs will be waiting for your child in their classroom on meet the teacher day.

LS Supply Pack Order Form 2023

MS Supply Order Form 2023

US Supply Order Form 2023



PTO NEWS AND UPDATES

End of Year wrap up and introduction of the 2023 - 2024 PTO Board

On behalf of the outgoing PTO Board, we extend our sincerest gratitude for your support over the years and making 2022 - 2023 our best yet. With your support of our fundraising efforts, we were able to disburse over \$40,000 to various programs and provide supplemental needs for our Lower and Upper school campuses including Accelerated Reader, a new Robotics curriculum for our middle school students, updated cybersecurity system to keep our students safe while online and \$3,000 allocated to our arts programs across both campuses that include music, band, art and drama. Additionally, PTO was able to assist in the cost for maintaining the lower campus playground and renovation of the STC soccer field. Our fall and spring Scholastic Book Fairs were hugely successful this year and will provide thousands of dollars in books for our new 5th grade Scholastic reading program and Magazines used for our lower and middle school students. We are so thankful to be able to provide this type of support to our faculty and staff.

2023 - 2024 PTO BOARD

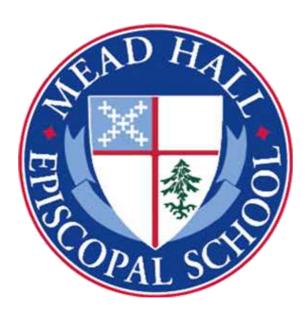
President - Kelly Reynolds
Vice President - Brittany Kisner
Treasurer - Dianne Goodson
STC Parent Liaison - Jamie Clark
APC Parent Liaison - Erin Stewart
Volunteer Coordinators - Nicole
Balantyne, Savannah McEntarffer
Member at Large - Joye Adams



SUMMER SERVICE SCHEDULE

As of June 1st Sunday services will be at **7:45am** and **10:00am**. Wednesday Eucharist will be at 11:00am in the chapel.

*The office will be open in June from 9:00am-3:00pm Monday-Thursday and 9:00am-1:00pm on Fridays. In July the office will be open from 9:00am-1:00pm Monday-Friday.



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