

SEPTEMBER 11, 2026

IN THE LOOP

Mead Hall Episcopal School



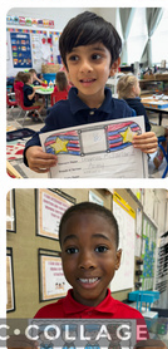
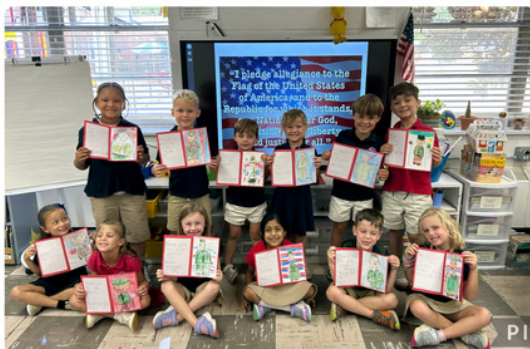
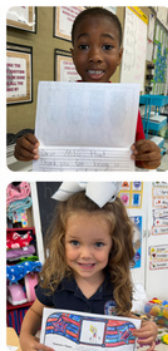
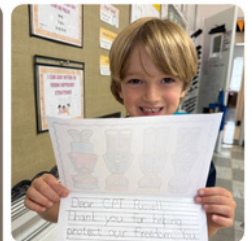
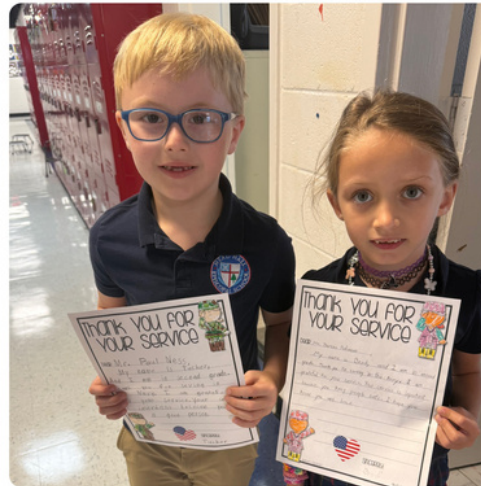
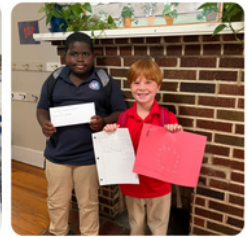
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This week, Mead Hall's Lower School students had the meaningful opportunity to recognize and celebrate America's veterans through Honor Flight.

This special connection began during Mead Hall's Summer Camp, when campers hosted a lemonade stand to raise funds for Honor Flight. Their hard work transformed a simple summer activity into an important lesson about generosity, gratitude, and service. With patriotic spirit and grateful hearts, our



Lower School students continued that mission by helping give these brave men and women the hero's welcome they deserve. The experience reminded our students that freedom is a gift—and that honoring those who protected it is both a privilege and a responsibility.

To all veterans within our Mead Hall family and throughout our community: thank you for your courage, sacrifice, and service. We are honored to celebrate you.

ADVANCEMENT & DEVELOPMENT

A NOTE FROM ADVANCEMENT

Every meaningful Mead Hall story begins with people—teachers who invest in our children, families who believe in our mission, and supporters who help make the Mead Hall experience possible.

As our Annual Report arrives in mailboxes, we invite you to celebrate the accomplishments of the past year and see how generosity continues to strengthen our school. If you would like to better understand the Annual Fund and the role it plays at Mead Hall, please connect with me, Head of School Dr. Frank Sawyer, or Advancement Committee Co-Chairs Brittany Kisner and Leslie Wyatt. We would be happy to speak with you personally, answer your questions, and share why every act of support matters.

Thank you for being an important part of the Mead Hall story.



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BEYOND THE BOARDROOM

This week, we continue our Beyond the Boardroom series by introducing Mead Hall Board of Trustees member Jane Scott. Through this series, we invite our community to get to know the dedicated individuals who generously share their time, talents, and leadership in support of Mead Hall's mission. We are pleased to introduce Jane and share more about her professional experience, community involvement, and personal connection to our school.



MEET JANE SCOTT:

Hi, I'm Jane Scott.



I'm delighted to be a member of Mead Hall Board. We are always looking for ways to improve our students' lives, physically, educationally, and spiritually. Parents have entrusted us with you, dear students, and we are delighted when you can see how much you are respected and valued as you grow within the Mead Hall family.

My favorite memory of Mead Hall students happened several years ago. Maybe some of you will remember the day. Once when the after school children were playing on the Mead Hall campus, there was a military funeral at the graveside near the playground. As it became clear a flag was being folded, a bugle was playing taps, your teachers, then you became very still and put your hands over your hearts to show honor and respect. You were being taught way beyond the classroom how to be your best selves.

That's why I want to do my best to support your teachers and every adult whom you see in your school days.

Indeed, I enjoy being in your "village" to raise you to adulthood."

THANK YOU TO OUR ROOM MOMS

A special thank-you to our Lower School room moms for graciously partnering with me and the Advancement Office this year. By helping share important messages, capture special moments, and identify the meaningful stories happening within each grade, you are helping families better understand the Annual Fund and the many ways it supports the Mead Hall experience.

Your trusted connection with our families makes our communication more personal, welcoming, and effective. I am truly grateful for your time, support, and willingness to help us tell Mead Hall's story.

LOWER SCHOOL NEWS

Smooth Sailing

I'm hearing it all over campus: "It's been such a smooth start to the year," "I have such a sweet group of students," "My class is working so hard." And I agree, we are having a wonderful year. Walking around campus this morning in the slightly cooler weather, I witnessed all kinds of learning; students practicing new songs, hearing and discussing Bible stories, using small motor skills, writing veterans letters of appreciation, refining the skills of materials management, asking questions when unsure, persevering through new challenges (shout out to Mrs. Jolly and her word of the week) and so much more. I am proud to serve in an environment where students and faculty are working together to learn and grow.

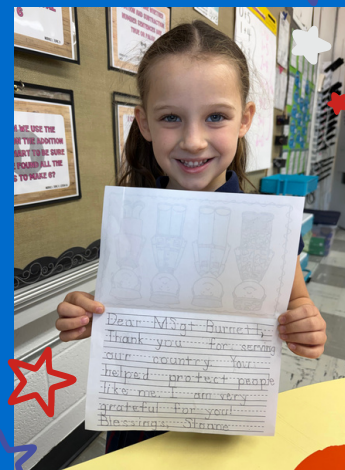
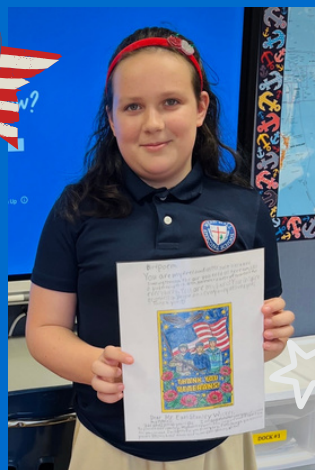
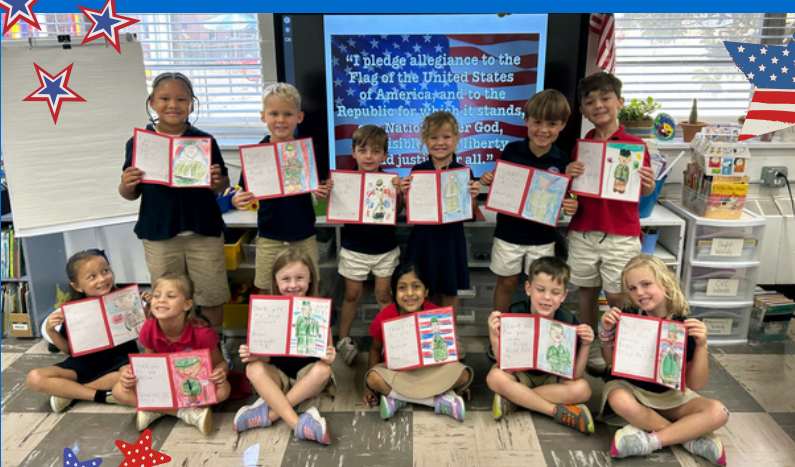
See you at school,

Joanne



Thank You Veterans

Mrs. Crump organized a campus-wide service project writing letters to veterans who are taking a trip to Washington DC to see the war memorials. Students wrote a personal note or colored a picture to share with the veterans on the plane ride to remind them that we care about them and appreciate the sacrifices they have made to keep our country safe.



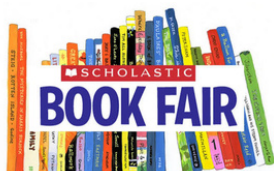
School Pictures Next Week!

Tuesday, September 15 is school picture day on the STC.

Please have your child wear a clean red or blue polo to school on Tuesday.



The Book Fair is Coming!



The Scholastic Book Fair is coming to campus beginning **Monday, September 21** and running through Mead Hall Sunday, September 27. Students will have assigned times during the week when they will be attending the fair. Your child's teacher will be sending specific instructions about sending money to school or creating an online wallet for your child.

[CLICK HERE TO VOLUNTEER!](#)

Upcoming Dates

September

- 11 Field Trip - PK to Trinity
- 15 Field Trip - 4th Grade to Augusta Canal
- 15 Fall Pictures- STC**
- 16 Special Chapel & Kindergarten Chapel
- 17 Field Trip - PS to Library
- 24 Field Trip - 2nd Grade Aiken Trolley Tour
- 24 Field Trip 1st Grade to RPSEC
- 21-25 Book Fair
- 27 Mead Hall Sunday





MIDDLE & UPPER SCHOOL NEWS

A SENIOR-YEAR TRADITION: LUNCH WITH THE PRESIDENT

Another special senior-year moment was celebrated on Thursday, September 10, as Father Jolly hosted his annual lunch with Mead Hall's senior class.

The relaxed, open forum gave seniors an opportunity to share updates about their senior projects, college tours, post-graduation plans, and life beyond the classroom. More importantly, it offered time for meaningful conversation, thoughtful guidance, and connection as they prepare for their next chapter.

Traditions like Lunch with the President reflect the close-knit relationships that define the Mead Hall experience—ensuring our seniors feel known, supported, and encouraged throughout their final year.

PAJAMAS, PANTHERS, AND PLENTY OF SPIRIT!

Mead Hall's high school students traded their usual game-day attire for pajamas as they showed up in full force for PJ Spirit Night at the volleyball game!

From comfy pajamas to enthusiastic cheers, our students filled the stands with energy and encouraged the Lady Panthers throughout the evening. Their support was a wonderful display of school spirit, friendship, and the close-knit community that makes Mead Hall so special.

Thank you to our high school students for showing up, getting loud, and cheering on our Panthers!



HELP US KICK OFF HOMECOMING WEEK!

We are exploring interest in a Panther Tailgate to kick off Homecoming Week on Monday, September 21, during the flag football game!

Families, alumni, and friends are invited to reserve a tailgating spot, bring their favorite game-day food, and cheer on our Panthers as we begin a week filled with school spirit and celebration.

Interested in reserving a spot? Please email **Emily Murphy** at emurphy@meadhallschool.org.

Additional details will be shared based on interest.

Let's fill the sidelines with Panther pride and start Homecoming Week together!



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NOW

SMILE BIG!

PICTURE DAY

IS COMING SOON

Seniors - Photos on Monday. No retakes.

5th - 11th Grade - Photos on Wednesday. Formal uniform with a blazer is required.



Attention Battle of the Books Teams!

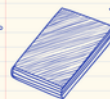
We will meet Thursday mornings at 8am in Mrs. Brown's room (106).



Beta Club Tutoring

Beta Club is offering tutoring services. Please email

wlawso27@meadhallschool.org or ssmith@meadhallschool.org if you would like to tutor or be tutored!



Tuesday

PANTHER PLANNER

View Full Calendar

SEPT. 14

Senior Pictures
Auditorium

SEPT. 14

MS SCISA
Student Council
Conference

SEPT. 16

5th - 11th Grades
Fall Pictures
Auditorium

SEPT. 16

US SCISA
Student Council
Conference

SEPT. 25

Homecoming
Dance
8-10:30 p.m.

MEAD HALL STUDENTS INVITED TO ATTEND THE ROTARY CLUB OF AIKEN

Congratulations to Seniors, Willson Lee Lawson and Carly Brown on being selected as the Mead Hall representatives for the Rotary Club of Aiken, a club with approximately 165 community leaders. Each student will attend lunch meetings for one month at Newberry Hall. On their last visit they will make short remarks to the Rotary club members and to their parents who are invited to attend the last meeting.



College Night 2026 is in the books!

Last Thursday, 23 Upper School students headed to Augusta Convention Center for the annual CSRA College Night, an event that included approximately 117 colleges and university partners! Attendance was at an all time high with 6,056 students and their families, all of whom were encouraged to speak to college representatives about the application process, majors and other activities available on campus. The highlight of the evening was definitely hearing screams from seniors whose names were called over the speaker to receive \$1,000 scholarships. Each senior who attended the event registered for the drawing. On the 2nd floor were seminars on financial aid, financial literacy, SRS apprenticeships, resume writing and college application essays. And in the middle of the convention floor, our very own Dr. Pontoo coordinated the efforts of the College Counseling Center along with 10 other school counselors from surrounding counties. Thanks to the Huskey family and other attendees, we have photos!

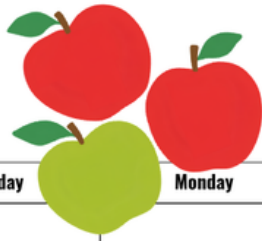


COLLEGE ADMISSIONS OFFICERS ARE BACK VISITING MEAD HALL!

Every year, Mead Hall hosts a number of colleges on campus during the upper school lunch hour, which students are required to attend. College reps usually set up a colorful display of their college admissions materials along with college merch, pens, pennants and small tokens with their college logo. Once students are seated with their lunch, they are treated to an engaging presentation filled with information about how to apply, what they need to do to be accepted as well as a host of other college topics pertaining to the role of high school academics, club involvement, athletics on campus and housing options. Afterwards, students are then invited to ask more questions during a group Q&A or individually after the presentation ends. On deck to visit thus far: Furman University, Paine College, College of Charleston and Wofford College. As more colleges secure their dates, students will see the date of the visit on the morning slides.



Jayden Williams, Admissions Counselor at Furman University, speaks to US students during lunch



September

PTO
NEWSLETTER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4 <i>Chick-fil-®</i>	5
6	7 NO SCHOOL	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16 PTO DAY	17	18 TSHIRT DESIGNS DUE	19
20	21	22	23 OCT. CFA ORDERS DUE	24	25	26
	BOOKFAIR					
27 PANCAKE BREAKFAST	28	29	30		<i>Chick-fil-®</i>	

Chick-fil-a Day
10.02.26
ORDERS DUE SEPT. 23

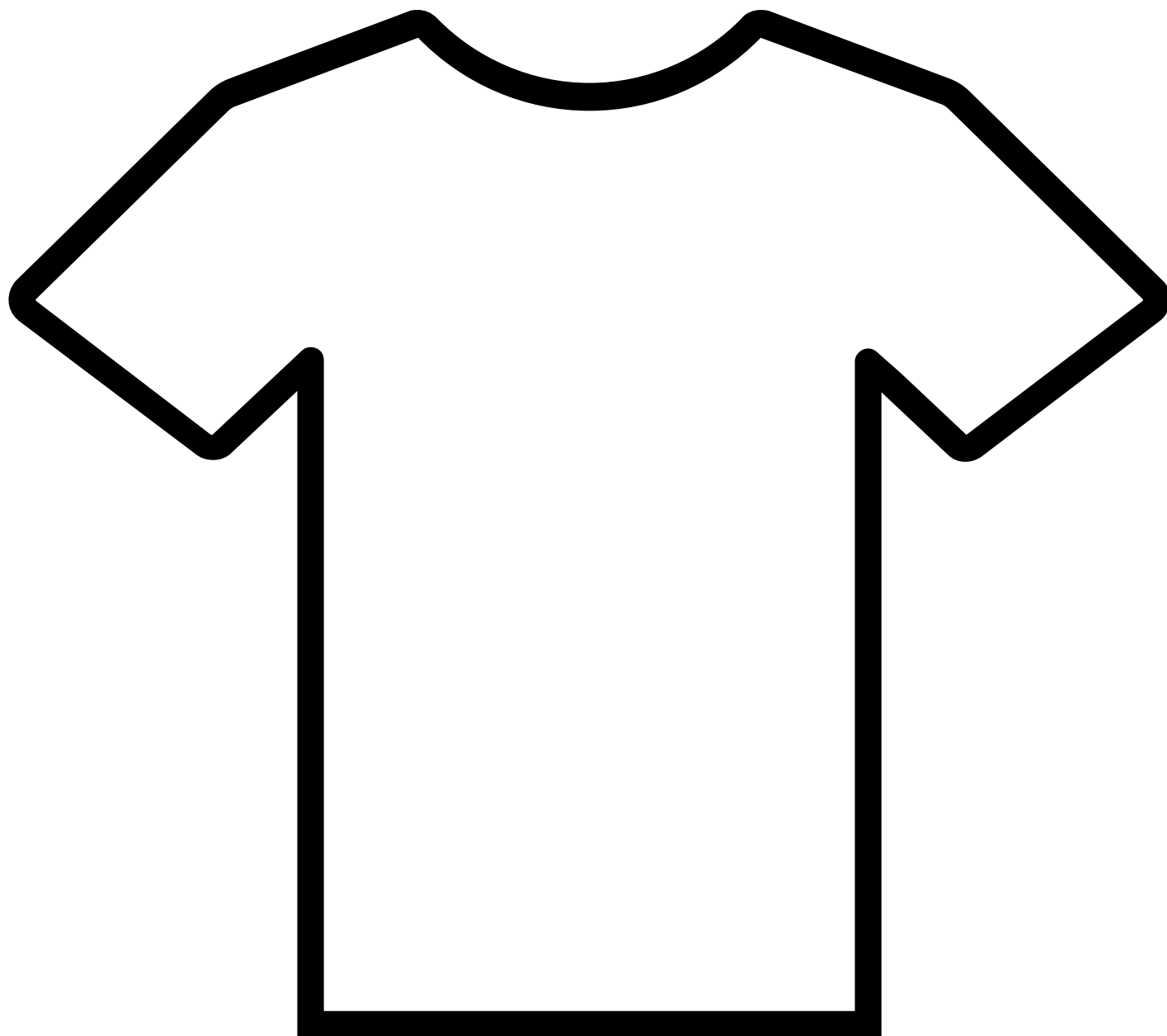
SANDWICH \$7
8 COUNT NUGGETS \$7
COOKIE \$3
WAFFLE FRY CHIPS \$3

Order in FACTS under "student lunch"
Please be sure that you stay logged in until the final confirmation page. If your order shows as RED, your order did not go through. Orders that BLUE are completed.

WE ARE UNABLE TO ACCEPT LATE ORDERS

2027 Strawberry Festival T-Shirt Design Competition

Time to get creative! We are excited to give YOU the opportunity to design this year's Strawberry Festival T-Shirt! Submissions will be voted on by PTO and the top designs will be sent out to our Mead Hall Community for final judgement! Design submissions are due to PTO by September 18th.



STUDENT NAME: _____

Homeroom Teacher: _____

You may submit your design to your teacher or email a copy to pto@meadhallschool.org
Please feel free to use more paper for your artwork if needed!



SCHOOL STORE HOURS

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 14TH - 18TH

MONDAY 8:00 A.M. - 8:45 A.M.

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TUESDAY 8:00 A.M. - 8:45 A.M.

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WEDNESDAY 8:00 A.M. - 8:45 A.M.

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THURSDAY 8:00 A.M. - 8:45 A.M.

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FRIDAY 8:00 A.M. - 8:45 A.M.

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FOR APPOINTMENTS:

EMAIL MHSTORE@MEADHALLSCHOOL.ORG



MEAD HALL PANTHERS

JVVolleyball

After a long weekend, the girls returned to the court on Monday to take on South Aiken Baptist. Unfortunately the Panthers came up short but Coach Nikita shared “there were some bright moments, but we still have a lot to figure out.” They’ll have another chance at redemption when they play Sand Hills on Thursday!

Varsity Volleyball

Another tough match for the varsity girls on Monday. Despite their best efforts, the Lady Panthers came up short against South Aiken Baptist. We will continue to work together as a team and build confidence on the court. Good luck to the Panthers as they take on Sand Hills this Thursday.

MS Flag Football

Flag Football played their first game of the season last Thursday and unfortunately suffered defeat against Tall Pines with a final 32-6 score. Congratulations to Jace on his touchdown and 2 interceptions. Coach Nick noted that there were some great flag pulls and William Brown had 2 remarkable catches. Panthers will travel to Augusta Prep next Monday.

MS Golf

Monday’s match at Aiken Golf brought some tough competition between Mead Hall, Tall Pines, St. Mary’s Aiken and St. Mary’s Augusta with Coach Bennett noting that St. Mary’s Augusta “brought their A-Game” and took 1st place with the Panthers coming in 3rd with a final team score of 180. Congrats to Burck and Win shooting the low scores. They’ll be back on the course next Monday and Wednesday.



Games at a Glance

9/14

MS Golf @ The Patch Augusta Municipal Golf Course 4:00

MS Flag Football @ Augusta Prep 5:00

JV/V Volleyball @ Curtis Baptist 4:00/5:00

MS/V Swim Meet @ Fermata Club 6:00

9/15

MS Tennis vs Westminster (at Fermata) 4:00

JV/V Volleyball vs Victory Christian 5:00/6:00

**Student Section Theme - Decades!



9/16

MS Golf @ Jones Creek Golf Course 4:00

Varsity Cross Country Aiken Invitational 6:30

MS/V Swim Meet @ Hammond Hills 6:00

9/17

MS Tennis vs Augusta Eagles (at Fermata) 4:00

MS Flag Football vs CCA 5:00

9/19

MS/V Swim Meet @ Houndslake 2:00

MS Tennis

MS Girls lost their only match to a seasoned veteran player while our own Aurora Bryant is continuing to improve. The boys team lost a tightly contested match 4 - 1. Meyer Grande has had 2 previous successful matches but unfortunately fell short against the St. Mary’s team on Monday. Coach Mcalhaney noted the highlight was Mason pulling off the lone win when he prevailed in the match tiebreaker with a score of 11 - 9. Congratulations!



MEAD HALL PANTHERS

FLAG FOOTBALL TAILGATE PARTY

in celebration of
HOMECOMING WEEK



PANTHERS

VS



LIONS

TAILGATE STARTS AT
2:00 PM

GAME TIME
5:00 PM

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21ST

**GRILLING
ALLOWED!**

**20 SPACES
AVAILABLE!**

Reserve your spot by emailing
Emily Murphy at
EMurphy@meadhallschool.org

Food + Friends + School Spirit





MEAD HALL PANTHERS

thank you

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Middle School Girls Basketball 2026 Code- EBT9-Y3JT

Middle School Boys Basketball 2026 Code- 6PDY-NASX

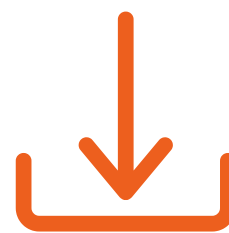
Varsity Girls Basketball 2026 Code- 4TVT-XD66

Varsity Boys Basketball 2026 Code- YD5L-CFEV

Pom Squad 2026 Code- XN7L-JYLY

Archery 2026 Code- CRLY-XX95

Upper School Cheer 2026 Code- 6PYC-7YEU



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for each sport!**



Worship Service

Summer Schedule

5/24 - 9/13

Sunday

7:45 am - Holy Eucharist, Rite I

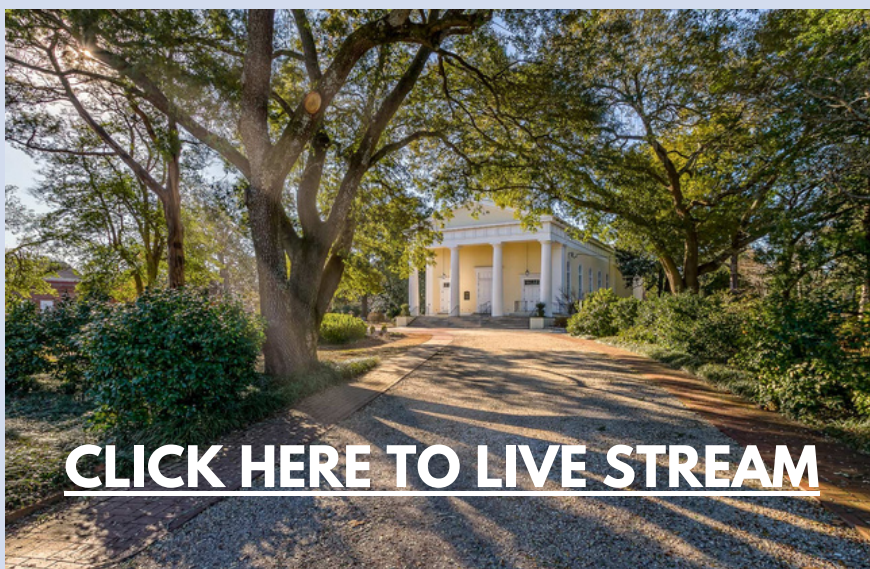
Being held in the Chapel of the Holy Apostles

10 am - Holy Eucharist, Rite II with Music

Being held in the Cheatham Parlor

Office Hours

Monday - Friday 8:30 - 4



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