

**Morningside Academy
Upper School Newsletter
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Volleyball Championship

We would like to congratulate our 7th/ 8th grade middle school volleyball team on an incredible undefeated season and on winning the TCAC conference championship! Our team capped an awesome season with a hard-fought victory over St. Anastasia in the championship game on Thursday. It was truly a team effort and we are all so very proud of each of you!

Regional Spelling Bee Results

We would like to congratulate Christopher DeCara (6th grade) on his **first place** finish and Mishael Rodriguez (7th grade) on his **third place** finish at the FACCS Regional Spelling Bee in West Palm. Morningside Academy students did an incredible job at the event. Christopher and Mishael will move on to the state competition on Friday, November 21. We wish them the best!

Morningside Academy Auction – November 14

Morningside Academy will be holding their annual auction on **Friday, November 14** at the Family Center. This year's theme will be Candy Land! The middle school is currently accepting donations for their class basket, which has a theme of **Christmas Breakfast/Dinner**. The high school is currently accepting donations for their class basket, which has a theme of **Gift Card Christmas Tree**. Donations usually fall within the \$10 - \$15 range. Each student that makes a donation will be eligible for a NO UNIFORM day in early November. Tickets for the auction are **NOW ON SALE** in the office for \$30. We thank you in advance for your generosity!

Operation Christmas Child a Success

On behalf of our NJHS and NHS, we would like to thank each family that participated in the Operation Christmas Child collection. So many students will be touched by your generosity in places all over the world! The 9th grade won the high school competition for most boxes and the 8th grade won the middle school competition for most boxes. Thank you to all that donated!

Homecoming Dance – November 22

We would like to invite each of our high school students to the Morningside Academy Homecoming Dance on **Saturday, November 22** from **7:00 – 11:00 p.m.** The dance will be held at the Port St. Lucie Civic Center on US -1. There will be door prizes, a photo booth, a DJ, and light refreshments. Tickets will go on sale soon!

Service Opportunities

We have a couple of different service field trips coming up in the next couple of weeks. The 9th grade will be helping the Treasure Coast Food Pantry this Friday during their first – fifth periods. This group will be helping the food pantry prepare for the very busy holiday season. The NHS will be volunteering at Missionary Flights International on Nov. 11th and will be sprucing up their facilities for an upcoming event. We want to thank each of our students for their service!

Carpool Request

We currently have a family of a very polite 8th grade boy looking for another Morningside parent that might be interested in carpooling from the Fort Pierce area (Kitterman Road & US-1). If you are interested or available to carpool from this area, please contact the office and we will put you in touch with this family. Thank you for your consideration!

Upcoming Morningside Church Youth Events

- The Morningside Youth Group (Grades 6th – 12th) meets every Wednesday from 6:45 – 8:15 p.m. at the Church/Lower Campus. AWANAS (Elementary Grades) will continue to meet at the upper school campus every Wednesday from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. We would love to have your child/children join us!

Calendar of Upcoming Events at Morningside Academy

Nov. 7 (Friday) – 9th Grade Bible Class Service Project at TC Food Pantry 1st – 5th Period
Nov. 11 (Tuesday) – NHS Service Trip to Missionary Flights International (All-Day)
Nov. 14 (Friday) – 9th & 10th Grade Field Trip to Orlando Playhouse
Nov. 14 (Friday) – Academy Auction
Nov. 15 (Saturday) – College Fair at the Civic Center from 6 – 8:00 p.m.
Nov. 18 (Tuesday) – 8th Grade Spanish Music/Dance Field Trip to West Palm Beach
Nov. 20 (Thursday) – Picture Retakes (Upper School)
Nov. 21 (Friday) – FACCS State Spelling Bee Final in Orlando
Nov. 22 (Saturday) – Homecoming Dance for Grades 9-12 at the Civic Center
Nov. 26 (Wednesday) – Early Dismissal at 11:42 a.m.
Nov. 27 – 28 (Thurs. – Fri.) – Thanksgiving Break (No School)
Dec. 5 (Friday) – Physics Field Trip (12th Grade)
Dec. 7 (Sunday) – Disney Candlelight Concert for High School Choir Members at Epcot Center
Dec. 12 (Friday) – MS & HS Orchestra/Choir Christmas Concert
Dec. 14 (Sunday) – MS & HS Orchestra/Choir Performance during Morningside Church Services
Dec. 19 (Friday) – Early Dismissal at 11:42 a.m.
Dec. 22 – Jan. 2 (Mon. – Fri.) – Christmas Break (No School)
Dec. 29 (Monday) – Disney Candlelight Concert for High School Choir Members at Epcot Center
Jan. 5 (Monday) – Students and Staff Return from Christmas Break
Jan. 14 (Wednesday) – ASVAB Testing 10th – 12th During the Morning
Jan. 19 (Monday) – Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (No School)
Jan. 30 (Friday) – Junior Class Field Trip to Tampa, FL