

**Morningside Academy  
Upper School Newsletter  
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**Morningside Academy Auction a Success**

Our auction was a success this year! We would like to thank everyone that was able to attend. It was an entertaining evening with great fellowship, incredible food, and lots of entertainment. Thank you to each of you that bought a ticket, purchased items, made a donation, or helped with the event. Your generosity of time and resources were such a blessing to our school. A big thank you goes out to Cari Crawford and her team of parents that made this all possible. The Family Center looked amazing, the baskets were beautiful, and everything was so well organized. We'd also like to thank John Crawford for keeping us all laughing. Thank you Morningside family!!!

**NJHS and NHS Canned Food Drive**

The NJHS and NHS are currently holding a **canned food drive from now until Thursday, November 20**. We are hoping to receive **1500 cans** to donate to a local food pantry. As an extra incentive to your generosity, many of our teachers and administrators have agreed to be "slimed" by randomly drawn participants as various totals are reached. If we reach our goal of 1500 cans, all participating staff members will be slimed. In addition to this, Mrs. Klassen, Mr. Petree, and Mr. Stone will all have to kiss a pig. Help us feed those in need and have a little fun in the process by bringing in your unopened, non-perishable food items today!

**Spirit Week November 17 - 21**

We will be holding our annual **Spirit Week November 17-21**, which is the week of our Homecoming game and dance. High school students will be able to participate in various dress-up days each day that week and middle school students will be able to participate in the dress-up days on Thursday and Friday. Monday's theme is tourist day. Tuesday's theme is young or old day. Wednesday's theme is international day (represent a country). Thursday's theme is sports day. Friday's theme is school spirit day (red and white).

**Additional Homecoming Activities**

We will be holding our annual **Staff vs. HS Boys' Basketball Team game on Thursday, November 20 from 2:00 – 2:50 p.m.** We will also be holding our **Pep Rally for our teams playing that night on Friday, November 21 at 2:30 p.m.** in the gymnasium. The finalists for the Homecoming Court will also be announced at the Pep Rally with the winners to be given at halftime of the boys' varsity game. Be sure to show your school spirit by dressing out, rooting for your Eagles at the games that night, and attending the high school dance!

**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 are currently on sale in the office, so get yours today!!!

**Yearbooks Currently on Sale**

Yearbooks are still on sale as a pre-order. The cost is now \$30 per book. We want to encourage you to pre-order them before the December 1<sup>st</sup> deadline. We receive only a few extra yearbooks once the order comes in at the end of the year and ran out last year. Get your yearbook today!

### **Early Release Day Coming Soon**

Don't forget that we will have an early release day on **Wednesday, November 26 at 11:42 a.m.** Be sure that you have made arrangements for pickup that day for your child.

### **Jeans Day Moved**

Our Jeans Day for those that brought auction donations, will need to be moved to Tuesday, November 25. It was previously scheduled on day that students will be involved in Spirit Day costumes. Also, the 8<sup>th</sup> grade and 9<sup>th</sup> grade class won the Operation Christmas Child competition and will each receive their pizza party on Tuesday, November 25.

### **Picture Retakes**

We will be holding **picture retakes** on **Thursday, November 20**. Anyone that missed our initial pictures will need to be sure and dress in chapel clothing (button-up shirts & a tie for the boys) that day. If you did have pictures taken and would like to have your picture retaken, then you will need to bring your original picture package in to return to the photographer. Pictures will be taken during first period only, so be sure to arrive on time with your previous picture package.

### **Upcoming Morningside Church Youth Events**

- The Morningside Youth Group (Grades 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>) 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. 17 – 21 (M-F) – Spirit Week (Students may dress in different themes)

Nov. 18 (Tuesday) – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Spanish Music/Dance Field Trip to West Palm Beach

Nov. 20 (Thursday) – Picture Retakes (Upper School)

Nov. 20 (Thursday) – Staff vs. HS Boys' Basketball Team from 2:00 – 2:50 in the Gym

Nov. 21 (Friday) – FACCS State Spelling Bee Final in Orlando

Nov. 21 (Friday) – Pep Rally and Homecoming Court Finalists Announced at 2:30 in the Gym

Nov. 21 (Friday) – Homecoming Games

**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. 4 (Thursday) – Keiser University Visit with 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> Grade during 4<sup>th</sup> Period

Dec. 5 (Friday) – Physics Field Trip (12<sup>th</sup> Grade)

Dec. 7 (Sunday) – Disney Candlelight Concert for High School Choir Members at Epcot Center

Dec. 11 (Thursday) – Orchestra/Choir Perform During Chapel & 8<sup>th</sup>/HS Visit Horizon Bay 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 10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> During the Morning

Jan. 19 (Monday) – Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (No School)

Jan. 30 (Friday) – Junior Class Field Trip to Tampa, FL

# **Fall 2014 MA Upper School Finals Schedule**

*(Revised 11-12-14)*

- Each final will cover two standard periods.
- At the high school level, the final exam counts for 20% of the semester grade.
- At the middle school level, the final exam will be calculated into the second-quarter average and will be worth 2 test grades that quarter.

## **FINALS SCHEDULE – ALL GRADES**

<b>Day</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Final</b>	<b>Given During Periods</b>
Monday	12/15/14	Period 1 Period 3	1 – 2 3 – 4
Tuesday	12/16/14	Period 2 Period 4	1 – 2 3 – 4
Wednesday	12/17/14	Period 6 Period 7	4 – 5 6 – 7
Thursday	12/18/14	Period 5	3 – 4
			*NO CHAPEL THIS WEEK
Friday	12/19/14	Make-ups	*Make-up exams will be given in the office today. *Christmas Breakfast is offered on this day! *Early Release at 11:42 a.m.