

Morningside Academy serves to nurture the spirit, educate the mind, and train the body to shape Christian citizen-servants for the next generation of leadership.

## Upper School Newsletter

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## Wet Dog!

Several weeks ago, my two youngest wanted to trade chores with my eldest son. Trey usually bathes our Black Lab (Lady Jane) and dries her. Lady weighs about 60 lbs., is one-year-old, and can be a handful. I was a bit apprehensive but decided to let them try.

I gave the two children some directions, and asked if they were sure they wanted to take on this responsibility? They proudly cornered the dog, (she knew something was up), and started the washing. I sat in the dining room where I could listen to the conversation.

Side note – if you ever need a laugh, have two young children try to wash a hyper, 60lb dog in a small bathroom.

The bathing ended and they decided to try and carry the wet dog outside on the patio where they could dry the dog in the sun and have more room. You guessed it.

They both grabbed the dog and made it about three feet down the hall and she wiggled out of their grasp and was off like a wet streak through the house.

They stood there in front of me with the funniest looks on their faces. They were not sure what to say and to be honest, I did not either.

I choose to laugh, instructed them to clean the water up, and whatever they did, not let the dog outside until she was dry.

Sometimes, you just got to laugh!



A cheerful heart is good medicine, but a broken spirit saps a person's strength.

Proverbs 17:22



- Yearbooks are now available for purchase! Reserve your copy today at <a href="https://www.yearbookforever.com">www.yearbookforever.com</a>.
   Copies are limited at this point.
- The Washington DC Trip (8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> grade) will be hosting a yard sale on January 30<sup>th</sup> at the school. The event is open to anyone. Please see the attached flyer.
- Thank you: I just want to reiterate how much we all appreciate your care in watching for any signs of fever, aches, sniffles in your child, and keeping them home just to be cautious. I do believe that it has made such a difference in keeping our students and staff fairly healthy this school year. Please continue to be diligent...it is much appreciated!
- Please take time to review the handbook with your student. Often, frustration and disciplinary infractions come from "not knowing."
- Re-enrolment will be opening on February 1<sup>st</sup>.
   Please join us in prayer that God will send whom He wants to Morningside Academy.
- Open House: We will be holding an Open House for new and/or prospective families on Feb. 16th for 5:00- 7:00 p.m. If you know anyone interested in attending Morningside Academy next year, please let them know.

Morningside Church has a youth group that meets on Wednesday nights from 6:45 pm - 8:15 pm in the Family Center. Students from 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade are welcome for music, worship, small groups, snacks, and activities.



January 28<sup>th</sup> – Senior Night (Girls) Rescheduled from Monday

January 28<sup>th</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade visits the Upper School.

January 30<sup>th</sup> – Washington DC Yard Sale at school @ 8 am - ?

February 11<sup>th</sup> – Spring Picture Day

February 12th – Flower Grams!

February 15<sup>th</sup> – No school – President's Day



## JOIN US!

Please remember that we will not have guests in chapel this semester. However, you can livestream the service via the link found on our website. This week in chapel, Mr. Gray will be our speaker.

If you do not have a church home, we invite you and your student to visit one of our three services at Morningside Church. Check out our website at www.morningsidechurch.com.