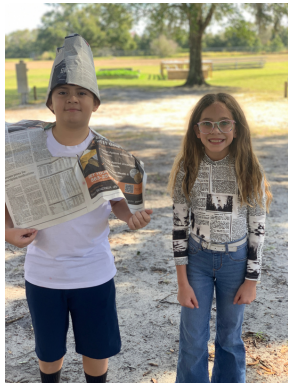




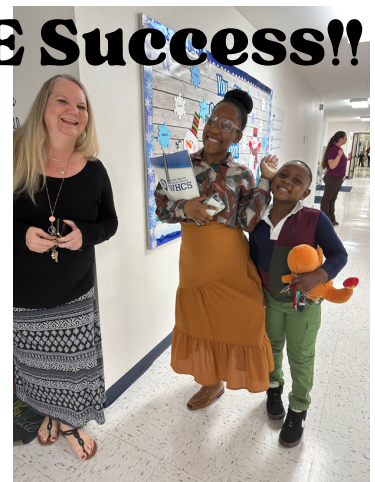
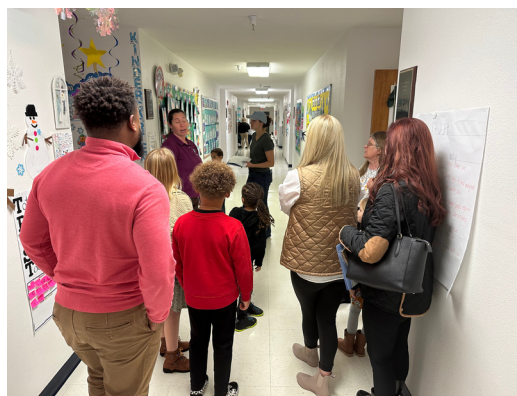
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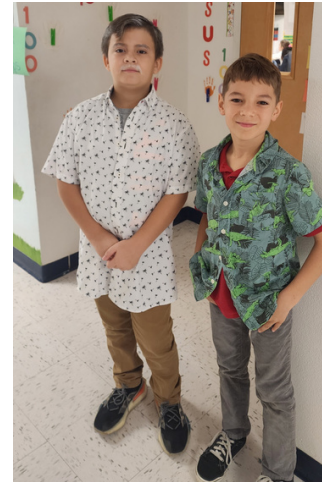
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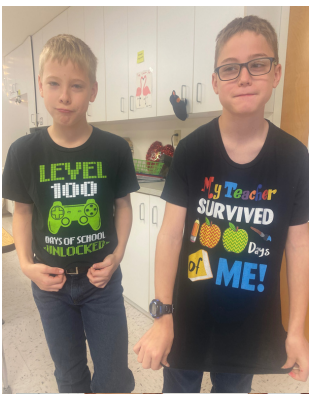
Warrior Welcome Event HUGE Success!!



ELEMENTARY



HAPPY
100TH
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OF
SCHOOL



MS/HS

MS/HS Does Well at Youth Fair



Amelia Walls placed first for her demonstration on heatless curls and Cecilia Walls took home second for her illustrative talk on service dogs. The chili cook off was a blast and the middle school Decorative Centerpiece won 2nd place.

Last month, our WHCS Family Nights recognized our basketball players, cheer team and their families



MS/HS

Local Centenarian shares about his life and faith



Our 9th graders helped make a card to wish Jean a happy birthday.



WHCS middle and high students had the pleasure of meeting 101-year-old Bryan Owen during a recent Thursday chapel. The Calvary Baptist charter member shared advice with staff and students about keeping God first in our lives.

“Cherish the life God has given you,” he said, sharing that he accepted Jesus into his heart at 9 years old. “Wake up and thank God for His love and salvation and ask Him ‘What can you use me for today?’ Never apologize for your faith.”

Owen’s wife, Jean, just celebrated her 100th birthday and they have been married 76 years. They met at the University of Kentucky and have 4 children, 11 grandchildren, 11 great grandchildren and even one great, great grandchild.

Owen made sure the audience knew God was always faithful to them, even through the Great Depression and other challenges. “God works in our life without us knowing it,” he said. His favorite Bible verse is Jeremiah 29:11 “For I know the plans I have for you. Plans to prosper you and not harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.”

“All the students were extremely challenged and in awe of this great, Godly man,” said Principal Jeannette Williams. “They realized this was a once-in-a-lifetime experience that many others will never know.”

Thank you for visiting us Mr. Owen!

HS ACADEMIES



Performing Arts



During the first semester, our Performing Arts students were busy learning public speaking skills. The first speech they worked on was an introduction of a class member. They learned methods and techniques to help control stagefright, discussed and applied proper breathing techniques, and practiced relaxation and proper posture skills.

Performances in chapel included a choric speaking presentation of this year's theme verses Matthew 7:24-29. In early February, they presented a reader's theater format of the poem "The Touch of the Master's Hand."

A highlight of first semester was a field trip to the Orlando Shakes Theater for a presentation of Shakespeare's play Henry VI: Part 1 Joan of Arc.

This semester, academy students will be heading to the FACCS Competition in early March to compete in several speech categories: Dramatic Reading, Humorous Reading, Poetic Interpretation, Bible Recitation, and Duet Acting.



The focus of the coming semester will be performing literature, beginning acting studies, and elements of dramatic production.

SPORTS MANAGEMENT



Our sports management academy, lead by Mr. Graham, focuses on injuries and what they are and why they occur, as well as how to treat them.

"We focus on the different careers in the sports world with the exception of the athlete and what those jobs entail," Graham said.

They also do research projects on the sports world regarding how sports is marketed differently in the U.S. and other countries, banned substances and controversial events in the sports world.

The academy has visited Warner University to see their trainer's room and learned about different treatment options for injuries.

"The goal of the academy is to broaden the students' knowledge and concept of the sports world and view different careers in the sports world, other than the athlete," said Graham.



WARRIOR SPORTS



WHCS staff member to be honored for his work in baseball

The WHCS family would like to congratulate Mr. Graham, our Athletic Director, on his induction into the National Youth Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, NY. He will be inducted in summer 2025.

For 22 years, he umpired every level from the little guys all the way up to college. He also officiated State Championships and National Championships. Congratulations Mr. Graham!

Meet our new mascot!



Students and teachers submitted names. The winning name is Maximus!



WARRIOR SPORTS

Schedules:

GOAL!

Boys Varsity Soccer

3/5 @ Geneva 5:30 p.m.
3/19 vs. CCA 5:30 p.m.
3/21 vs. FISHS 5:45 p.m.
3/22 vs. Faith Christian
Academy 4 p.m.

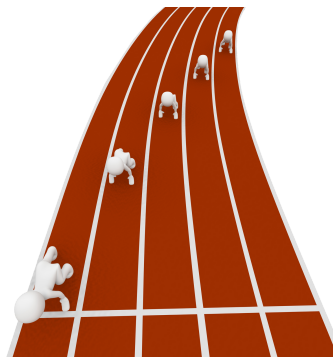
Girls Varsity Soccer

3/5 @ Geneva 4:30 p.m.
3/19 vs. CCA 4 p.m.
3/21 vs. FISHS 4:30 p.m.



Track & Field

2/24 Bob English Invitational
@ George Jenkins High School
3/2 The Bronco Invitational
@ Davenport High School
3/9 The Cowboy Invitational
@ Osceola High School



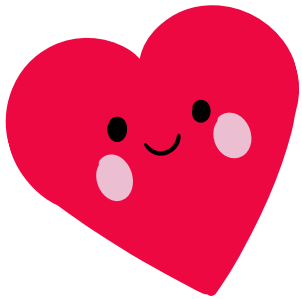
3/23 The Ridge Open
@ Frostproof High School
4/6 Blue Devil Invitational
@ Winter Haven Christian School
4/13 PC Championships
@ George Jenkins High School

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REMINDERS

OUR MISSION STATEMENT:

Equipping Students,
Changing Lives,
Impacting the Community



Dates to Remember:

- Feb. 16 - Early Release
- Feb. 19 - No School President's Day
- Feb. 23 - MS Bowling Night
- Feb. 26-March 1 - MS/HS Project Refresh
- Feb. 27 - MS/HS Educational Field Trips
- March 1 - Elementary Dr. Seuss Day
- March 1 - Senior Grad Fees Due
- March 5 -7th grade benchmark test Algebra 1 Honors
- March 6 - MS/HS Spring Pep Rally
- March 8 - Early Release
- March 8 - MS/HS Field Day
- March 8 - FACCS HS Fine Arts Competition
- March 11-15 - Spring Break
- March 18 - 4th grade to Wonderworks

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