

May The Carolina Academy Newsletter

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A Note From Mrs. Anna

Dear Parents and Families,

Wow, what a year! This has been another amazing and fulfilling year at The Carolina Academy. We are so proud of our students and their academic progress made this year! We want to thank our dedicated teachers and parents for supporting the efforts of our students.

We have covered a lot of material and participated in many fun and exciting projects. We started to develop skills needed for each successive grade. We made many new friends along the way too.

Each of your children has brought such joy and happiness to the classroom. My friends and family often laugh at me when I refer to your children as “my children”. They are like my own children. They all have touched my life and this school year in very positive and rewarding ways. I hope as the years go by that they keep in touch. Today’s technology can help us continue the relationships we have built. I encourage and welcome correspondences from you and your children.

It has been my pleasure getting to know not only your child, but you as well. Having parental support and open lines of communication is an essential part of any successful school year. Thank you for all you have done to make our year so fulfilling and memorable.

Standardized test scores were very good. SAT and ACT scores for our upper school students are on the increase. Our seniors will earn scholarships and awards from area colleges and universities totaling over thousands of dollars. Your children have grown academically by leaps and bounds.

There are some very important things you can do over the summer to help them keep sharp, alert minds. Engage in meaningful conversations with your child everyday. Take the time (if only a few minutes a day) to really listen to what they have to say. Read to and listen to your child read. Ask questions, make predictions, make life –to- text connections as you read. Practice those multiplication facts; help your child develop a sense of working and solving problems independently. Talk about ways to practice getting and staying organized. Encourage your child to write often! Writing stories, letters, journal entries, etc are great ways to get thoughts organized and put onto paper. These little things will lead to big successes next year.

Finally, we could not have accomplished anything this year without the dedication and support of our tenacious PTO, parents and supporters. The teachers and entire staff enjoyed Teacher Appreciation Week. We also appreciate all of your donations, kindness and support of TCA this entire year. We are looking forward to the next school year and the endless possibilities for our students. Thanks again for a great year and enjoy your summer!

Congratulations

We want to congratulate all of our 7th and 8th grade students on their success in attaining high school credit. We are proud to announce that of students taking credit classes 100% received Algebra I credit, 100% Spanish, 100% Physical Science and 71% received Geometry credit. Our 6th, 7th and 8th grade Pre-Algebra students also did an outstanding job. Please review the Standard School Attire (SSA) letter, supply list, and the summer reading list for your child's grade level. We want to make sure that everyone has the information needed to make purchases during the summer. Summer reading lists can also be accessed on the website Headmagnetms.mnps.org

Study Island

All students have been moved up to their promoted grade level for *Study Island*. Therefore they can access *Study Island* immediately and all summer at studyisland.com

to practice math, reading and science skills for next year.

Remember the **username** is the student's **first initial last name-HMS**, for example:

cbrown-HMS. The **password is head07**. However, if you are new to Head Magnet you will access at a later time.

The staff at Head Magnet has worked extremely hard all year to provide the BEST in academic instruction for our students. I want to sincerely thank Mrs. Covington-Davis and the entire staff for their commitment and for making a difference in the lives of our students.



Back-to-School Supplies

Back – to – school supplies will be available prepackaged for students in grades K-6th for next year. The PTO is sponsoring this service for a small fee.

Fill out the order form and return it to the school:

Child's Name: _____

Grade for 2009-2010: _____

Fee: _____

Pick up at Open House – August 09

Quiz Bowl

The inaugural Quiz Bowl at TCA was a huge success. There was an enormous turn out in student participation therefore we were able to have 19 teams (76 students) in both middle and high school. The tournament was broken up into two divisions, one for grades 5-8, and the other for 9-12. We would like to congratulate the winning teams. This is a list of the winning teams:

High School

Middle School

First Place:

THE SKITTLES

THE LOSERS

Caroline Weaver, Alexis Kelley, JJ Fennell, Trey Parker

Emily McElveen, Rebecca Weaver, Garrett Weaver, Ken Parker

Second Place:

TMNT

BRANDON / S. CADETS

Lauren Reddeck, Jake Hanna, Drew Phillips, Logan Sawyer

Kasey Ethridge, Savannah Green, Stephanie Poston, Brandon Cussacc

Third Place:

CHEESE NIPS

THE SMARTIES

Blain Brown, Matt Coward, Brandon Green, Will McCutcheon

Corine Brown, Rachael Cook, Courtney Godwin, Rebecca Kelley

We would like to thank Mr. Bill Bridgeman for organizing and hosting the tournament. We would also like to thank the PTO for purchasing the buzzer systems that the students used.

Back-to-School Supplies



Reminder



If you are a male, age 18, you **must** register with the *United States Selective Service*! www.sss.gov/regist.htm

Palmetto Boys State

We are excited to send three participants to Boys State this year. We are happy to send **Brandon Green**, **Wes Harrell**, and **Matt Coward**. **Kelly Ethridge** is our alternate. Congratulations boys and we know that you will make us proud!

Summer Reading

Your child's summer reading lists will be mailed with their report cards. There will also be lists available of our website at www.thecarolinaacademy.org.

Thank You



The Faculty and Staff at the Carolina Academy would like to thank the PTO for all the wonderful meals and treats throughout the school year. We appreciate your thoughtfulness. You make us feel appreciated. THANK YOU!!!

Justin Poston would like to thank everyone who went to the Lake City Pentecostal Holiness Church on May 4th and donated blood to help him with his Eagle Scout project. Your donations were greatly appreciated!



Spanish Trip

Students in grades 9-11 were given the chance to go on a trip with the Spanish class. They will be traveling to Madrid, Toledo, Barcelona, Burgos, Pamplona, San Sebastian, Bilbao, and Segovia. Students will be leaving on June 9th and returning home June 20th. Next year's trip will be to Italy, if you are interested please see Mrs. Norma McClam.

Students going on this year's trip include: **Sam Sistrunk, Justin Poston, Tori Osborne, J.J. Fennell, Jody McAllister, Alexandra Paraschos, Cole Dukes, Mason Cantey**

Parents going on this year's trip are: **Amy Tanner** and **Luther Sistrunk**

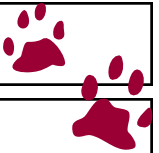
Field Trips



On Friday, May 8, the C.P. Algebra classes and the Physical Science class enjoyed a trip to Carowinds. They all had a great time.

The Carolina Academy student body would like to thank Mrs. Mary Ryan for hosting the end of the year party at her house. Multiple high-school classes went to Mrs. Ryan's house on Thursday, May 7 for lunch and an afternoon of swimming. Thank you Mrs. Ryan for planning the trip and we really appreciated everything!

Editor's Note



We would like to thank everyone for their cooperation throughout the school year. Without your help it would not be possible for us to publish The Newsletter every month. We have made a huge "change" this year from paper to internet this year and hope that it has been an easy transition for you. Enjoy your summer and we are looking forward to working with you again next year. There was a mistake in April's newsletter. **Katie Young's** name was left off of the Honor roll list for the 1st Semester. This mistake was entirely accidental and we apologize for any misunderstanding. If your child's name was left off of something or you notice any other incorrect information, please don't hesitate to notify the newsletter staff. Any mistakes will be corrected in the following month's newsletter. Do not hesitate to email us at newsletter@thecarolinaacademy.org.

Thanks!

Caroline and Trey

Summer Extended Care

It is hard to believe that summer is just beginning. With the success of our "After School Care Program," we are looking at the request for a "Summer Extended Care Program" as well. However, we need to investigate the interest in the program for the feasibility of its development. The Board of Directors has determined that we need approximately 20 students to commit to the program for us to be able to offer it.

Students may participate in a fun activity program for rising 3K-6th graders for all day, half-day, or by the week or the day. There will be special weekly themes such as "Splish Splash, Spirit Week, Science Week, Discovery Week, Sports Week, Wheels Day, ect." with age appropriate activities. They will also have opportunities for fun outdoor games, songs, and projects. We are also considering extra field trips for the older students. If interested please contact the front office.

Enrolling Now!

We are currently enrolling for the 2009-2010 school year. Be sure to ask about our tuition reduction incentives.

Varsity Softball

It was another great season for **Scotty Phillips** and his girls. The softball team won their region for the 11th consecutive season before eventually becoming state runner-up. The girls won the Upper State Championship defeating Dorchester, Spartanburg Christian, and Marlboro Academy along their way. The girls began a three game State Championship series against Colleton Prep at home. The girls came up a little bit short dropping the first game 4-2. Then they traveled to Colleton Prep for the second game. They came up one run shy of the War Hawks with a final score of 9-8. It was another incredible run for the girls and we are really proud.

Sydney Weatherford, **Kateland McDaniel**, and **Lauren Reddeck** made the All-Region Team and **Bryant McLendon** was the region MVP.



Varsity Baseball



Varsity Baseball had a tremendous season. They won their region and had their remarkable season come to an end in the semi-finals of the state play-offs. **Will McCutcheon** was the region MVP, and **Drew Phillips**, **Jordy Rhodes**, and **Aubrey McFaddin** made the All-Region team. **Wade Jordan** was named Coach of the Year. **Will McCutcheon** and **Drew Phillips** will be representing TCA in the SCISA North-South All-Star game. They boys' record was 17-7 overall on the season and 13-1 in region games. We would like to congratulate the boys' for a great year, and tell them how proud we are of them for representing TCA well.

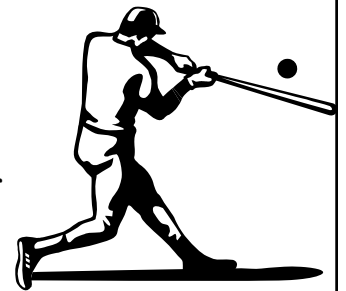
J.V. Softball

J.V. softball has worked very hard this season finishing with a 0-5 record. They were coached by **Mary Lib Lynch** and **Bobby Dukes**. The girls were very young team that improved greatly as the season progressed. They will be returning many girls from this years roster to next years and we are looking forward to watching them play next season.



J.V. Baseball

J.V. Baseball improved upon last season with a 6-3 record. The boys were coached by **Joe Lewis** and **Tripp Welch**. They were a young team that impressed everyone with their hard work and determination. The boys had key wins against Dillon Christian and two against arch rival Williamsburg Academy. Congratulations boys on a job well done and we are looking forward to next season.



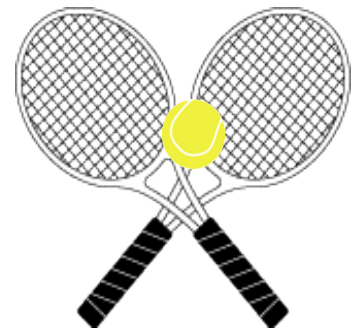
Bobcat Open



This year's Bobcat Open Golf Tournament at Lake City Country Club Was a huge success. The Booster Club would like to thank everyone who participated in this year's event. We would like to congratulate the first place team of **Ryan Parrot**, **John Lurie Pate**, **James Pate**, and **Deb Osborne**, and the second place team of **Tripp McAllister**, **Jody McAllister**, **Roger Miles**, and **Hank Williamson**. Thank you to all who participated and we look forward to next year's tournament.

SCISA STATE TENNIS OPEN

Our girls' participated in the SCISA State Tennis Open on March 31 and April 1. **Lauren Reddeck** and **Rebecca Weaver** played doubles, won their first match and lost their second. **Sonovia Bradshaw** and **Ali Courtney** played singles matches. **Sonovia** lost both of her matches, and **Ali** won her first and lost her second.



Spring Athletic Awards



J.V. Softball: Coaches *Mary Lib Lynch* and *Bobby Dukes*

Most Improved – Rachel Cook

Coaches Award – Savannah Green

Most Valuable Players – Kasey Ethridge and Mary Sibley Godwin

J.V. Baseball: Coaches *Joe Lewis* and *Tripp Welch*

Best Defensive Player – Colby McFaddin

Best Offensive Player – Ken Parker

Most Valuable Player – Garrett Weaver

Golf: Coaches *Travis Cox* and *Kenny Coward*

Most Improved – Patrick Burch

Coaches Award – Lee Godwin and Joseph Coward

Most Valuable Player – John Lurie Pate

******All Region, All State, and All Star Player – John Lurie Pate*

Varsity Softball: Coaches *Scotty Phillips* and *Mary Lynch*

Best Defensive Player – Sydney Weatherford

Best Offensive Player – Kateland McDaniel

Coaches Award – Samantha Sparrow and Lauren Reddeck

Most Valuable Player – Bryant McClendon

******All Region – Kateland McDaniel, Bryant McClendon, Lauren Reddeck, and Sydney Weatherford*

******All State – Bryant McClendon and Kateland McDaniel*

******All Star – Bryant McClendon, Kateland McDaniel, and Sydney Weatherford*

******Region Coach of the Year – SCOTTY*

PHILLIPS

Varsity Baseball: Coaches *Wade Jordan, Mike Jordan,* and *Johnny Ethridge*

Most Versatile – Bane Infinger

Silver Slugger – Aubrey McFaddin

Golden Glove – Drew Phillips

Coaches Award – Jordy Rhodes and Jake Hanna

Most Valuable Player – Will McCutcheon

******All Region players – Will McCutcheon, Aubrey McFaddin, Drew Phillips, Jordy Rhodes*

******All State – Will McCutcheon*

******All Stars – Will McCutcheon and Drew Phillips*

******Region Coach of the Year – WADE*

JORDAN

The Lewis Moore Memorial Sportsmanship Award: *Stephanie Poston*

Tri-Sport Award: Students who participate in three Varsity sports over the school year.

Seniors

Lauren Reddeck

Drew Phillips

Aubrey McFaddin

Jordy Rhodes

Juniors

C J. Boone

Will McCutcheon

Kelly Ethridge

Brandon Green

Ali Courtney

Allison Rhodes

Sophomores

Scarlett Boyd

Trey Nettles

Caroline Weaver

Freshmen

Rebecca Truluck

The Buddy Wallace Memorial Scholastic Athlete Award: Miss *Lauren Reddeck* and Mr. *Jake Hanna*

The Miss and Mr. Bobcat Award: Miss *Lauren Reddeck* and Mr. *Drew Phillips*

Academic Excellence Awards: Sponsored by The Citizens Bank

Golf – Brandon Green

Baseball – Drew Phillips

Softball – Lauren Reddeck

Cheerleaders (from Fall season) – Katherine Heath

SCISA Scholar Athlete– A senior who participates in at least two Varsity sports with a 3.5 or higher GPA.

Lee Godwin

Jake Hanna

Kateland McDaniel

Drew Phillips

Lauren Reddeck

Logan Sawyer

