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Hello and welcome to our web site! I am glad you are visiting HPCA and I hope you find these pages of information helpful.

We have just completed a strong academic year, according to **Stanford Achievement Test** results, which is one measure of our students' achievement. In addition to those results, our students participated in numerous competitions last year, giving them multiple and diverse opportunities to explore their capabilities and discover their strengths. Those opportunities include:

1 st - 5 th grades	-	Spelling Bee
2 nd - 5 th grades	-	Fine Arts and Piano Festival
3 rd - 5 th grades	-	Math Olympics
4 th - 5 th grades	-	Science Fair
4 th -5 th grades	-	Creative Writing Competition
5 th grade	-	Speech Meet

In addition to competitions, we offer our students opportunities to join after school extracurricular clubs and groups, such as the **HPCA Robotics Club** (grades 4-6), the **Math Club** (5th), the **Tech Club** (5th), and the singing performance group, **Bel Canto** (grades 4-5). **Drama Kids International** conducts weekly drama classes on our campus for students in 1st – 8th grades.

Academic success is important to us. We want every student to be challenged and reach their fullest potential. Many of our 4th and 5th grade students qualify for the **Duke TIP Program**. In our **Summer Reading Program** our students read over 2,000 books last year. We are anxious to hear if they exceeded this summer's goal of over 2,000 books to compete in the cotton candy contest.

Students also need to grow in other areas during these important developmental years. In the area of physical growth, many of our students have earned physical fitness awards for their athletic abilities. **In the area of service and ministry, they gave over \$6,500** last year to various ministries and organizations, including the following:

- African Pen Pals' school in Kibera slum \$1,500
- Kids, Cans & Cash – Recycled over 300 lbs. of cans and donated proceeds to missions (\$238)
- Operation Christmas Child – Over 800 shoeboxes K-12
- Jump Rope for Heart – Proceeds to American Heart Assoc., raised \$2,707 in K-5 division and earned \$300 in new playground equipment
- Dominican Republic Mrs. Barrett and Emily's trip – collected VBS and 1st Aid supplies for this summer's trip
- Alex Nance's (9th gr.) "Life of Influence" Project – Over 700 items collected for needy families

In addition to these efforts, each grade level participates in their own community project each year, bringing love and cheer to nursing homes, disadvantaged families,

missionaries and others. We have provided vitamins for children in Nicaragua, bicycles for missionaries in Thailand and mosquito nets for children in Africa. We are passionate about allowing our students to give and serve and teaching them to do it joyfully and with humility. Grade level projects for 2010-2011 were:

- Kindergarten – Christmas gifts for students at Pickett Elementary (Lexington)
- 1st Grade – Christmas carols and gifts for High Point nursing home
- 2nd Grade – Open Door Ministries donation of 350 travel-size toiletries
- 3rd Grade – School supplies for 3rd grade at Kirkman Park Elementary; collected VBS supplies for Bea Juncadella's trip to Nicaragua
- 4th Grade - \$2,239.00 Pregnancy Care Center
- 5th Grade - \$150 donated to Gideons to purchase Bibles

Our teaching and instruction is rooted in the truths of God's Word, making connections to eternal principles and directing students back to their divine Creator as the source of all knowledge. We had at least **20 students give their heart to Christ** last school year. Our students memorized over **150 verses from the Bible!**

What else can I say about **High Point Christian Academy**? We are partners with parents (a child's first and most important teacher), and we provide all of this learning, growing, and serving in a loving, caring atmosphere. I encourage you to continue to explore our web pages, call, or email and learn more about our Academy, where students are "**Learning in a New Light.**"

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