

Cougar Connection

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High Point Christian Academy is committed to Christ-centered, quality education and academic excellence in partnership with family and church within a loving, caring atmosphere.

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CHANGE IN LEADERSHIP

High Point Christian Academy's Head of School, Mr. Richard E. Hardee, announced his departure as he assumes the position of Associate Pastor/Head of School at Calvary Baptist Day School in Winston-Salem. Mr. Keith Curlee, the current high school principal, was appointed as the new head of school. Mr. Curlee joined the Academy in 1999 as teacher, coach, and secondary principal, and in 2005 he and his family left for missionary work in Taiwan. Mr. Curlee returned to HPCA and assumed his current role in 2012. We pray for God's blessing and favor on Mr. Hardee's new endeavor and we welcome Mr. Curlee as our new HPCA Head of School. [Learn more about Mr. Curlee and his family.](#)



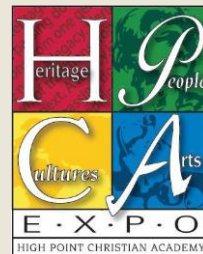
MEET A MENTOR

Life of Influence (LOI) is the school-wide theme that helps students, TK-12, discover and develop their own unique God-given mission in order to equip them for a life of personal and cultural transformation. All sophomores and juniors, as part of their LOI requirement, have an adult mentor to meet with on a regular basis. Pictured is Paige Fowler, a junior, with her mentor -- Mrs. Robin Angel.



EXPO DAY

EXPO at HPCA (Heritage People Culture Arts) is organized by Art teacher Abby Lewallen. The 15th annual EXPO event featured presenters and crafters from the area who shared their talents with our elementary students. [Link to see a list of presenters and some pictures of our students at EXPO.](#)



GRANDPARENTS' DAY

HPCA elementary students welcomed their Grandparents on Friday, April 11th. The students performed "Here for the Gold" and presented them with a gift. We are thankful for all of the grandparents who attended and shared this special day with their grandchildren. [Link to see a few pictures.](#)

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[FIELD DAY PICTURES FOR GRADES TK-5](#)

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GOT MATH?

HPCA students continue to prove they “get Math” when it comes to the national testing results. In addition to the earlier news of Seo Young Hwang receiving a perfect 800 on her Math SAT (and Writing SAT!) and Jae Kwon also earning the perfect 800 on his Math SAT, two rising seniors received a perfect Math score on the ACT, which is another national college entry exam. [Click to read about the accomplishments of Madison Yates and Wade Curlee.](#)



BIOGRAPHY BOOK REPORTS – 2ND GRADE

Each student enjoyed reading a junior biography and came dressed ready to share a two minute report about their life. Mrs. Ashby’s class had many look alike including Robert E. Lee, Jane Goodall, Abe Lincoln, Bethany Hamilton, Florence Nightingale and Milton Hershey. Mrs. Kirby’s class read biographies on Walt Disney, Dolly Parton, Dian Fossey, Muhammed Ali, and others.



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SPRINGTIME WITH MS AND HS CHOIRS

The Middle School Chorus went to Carowinds on Friday, May 2nd, and earned an Excellent rating from all three judges. On Thursday, May 8th, the Bel Canto Choir, MS Chorus, and HS Concert Choir shared a part of their concert with the Green Street Baptist Church Sunshine Fellowship.



On Monday, May 5th, was the Choral Department's Spring Concert and Choral Awards. Bel Canto, Middle School Chorus, HS Women's Ensemble, and HS Concert Choir shared music inspired by Scripture. [Link to view pictures and the Choral Awards.](#)

BAND CONCERT AND AWARDS

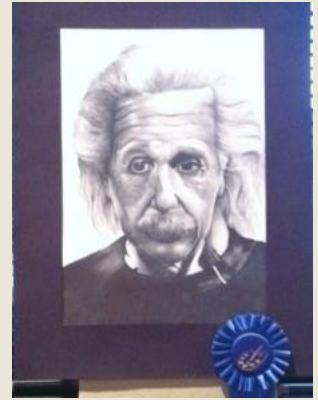
The Middle School Band performed at Carowinds on Friday, May 2nd. The High School Band performed at the North Carolina Solo and Ensemble Festival. The High School Jazz Band performed at the HS Art Show and a local retirement community.



On Monday, May 12th, the Middle School and High School bands had their Spring Concert and Band Awards. We wish the best for Mr. Ron Padgett and his family as they follow God’s direction. He was recognized for 10 years of service as he built an award-winning program while also serving as the Director of Fine Arts Department. [Link to view pictures and the Band Awards.](#)

HIGH SCHOOL ART SHOW

Amazing art work at the High School Art Show. Top awards: MOST CREATIVE - Erin Shoemaker for her colorful piece entitled, "Reading Between the Lines". BEST OVERALL EXHIBIT - Ashley Skinner for her excellent and varied use of subject and media. BEST IN SHOW - Maddy Robbins for her lifelike pencil depiction of Albert Einstein entitled, "Albert". [View more work from our talented high school artists.](#)



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SIX SENIORS SIGN TO PLAY BALL IN COLLEGE

Six seniors were recognized this week as they signed Letters of Intent to play a sport in college. Together with the fall signing, HPCA will send a total of 11 student-athletes to college in 7 sports. (3 Baseball, 3 Basketball, 1 Football, 1 Soccer, 1 Softball, 1 Swimming, 1 Tennis). [Link to see a list of student-athlete alumni since 2007.](#)

- Curtland Hanes, Swimming at Pfeiffer University (NC)
- Madison Mathis, Soccer at Meredith College (NC)
- Nate Degraffinreaidt, Football at Foot Hill Junior College (CA)
- Joey McLean, Basketball at James Madison University (VA)
- Brayden Masten, Basketball at Brevard College (NC)
- Stevie Williams, Basketball at Brevard College (NC)



LADY COUGARS MEET 2ND GRADERS

The Lady Cougars offered the HPCA Auction event "Recess with the State Champs"! The winning bid went to a parent in Mrs. Kirby's second grade class. The team hosted the event recently during school where they played softball with the students in the class. There were stations set up in the gym and they played a scrimmage game. The girls shared with the kids the team verse and a thoughtful message about doing your best for God. [Link to pictures.](#)



STATE GAMES

Baseball was seeded #2 for the State Tournament. After a first round bye, the Cougars defeated #7 Cannon School in the Quarter-finals. They will play the semi-final game on Friday, May 16th against #6 Rabun Gap. **Softball** was seeded #6 for the State Tournament. The Lady Cougars won the first round against North Raleigh Christian, beating them 13-3 in five innings. The team won the Quarter-finals against #3 Metrolina Christian and now play in the semi-final game on Friday against #2 Hickory Grove Baptist. The Lady Cougars hope to be a repeat State Champion. Justin Lewis qualified for State in **golf** and played in the two day tournament. **Track & Field** will compete in the State meet on Friday and Saturday, May 16-17, at Ravenscroft School.



FRESHMAN SPORTS WRITER

Garrett Foster is a freshman at HPCA that aspires to be a sports writer. He spends much of his time researching NBA statistics and information and writing articles. Garrett has been submitting his work online for one month and writes about three articles per week. He enjoys analyzing the players, teams, and strategy of the game. [Link to see his articles.](#)



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SHOUT OUT TO ALUMNI

We are in search of alumni HPCA Senior Class Student Government Officers and Representatives. Please send us an email at advancement@hpcacougars.org. We would like all alumni to complete the [online info form](#).

ALUMNI CONNECTIONS

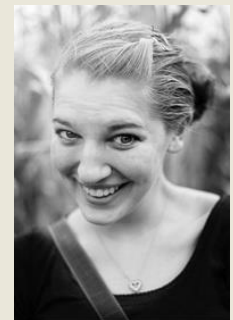
[LINK TO READ ABOUT THESE AND OTHER ALUMNI](#)

Kyle Rush (2009) is a graduate of Western Carolina Univ. and is their radio sports commentator.

Alyx Murr (2010) just graduated from Liberty Univ. and works for Mark Walker for US Congress 2014.

Ashley Light (2011) just ended her 2nd yr at Radford Univ. and was elected Senator of Health Sciences Center.

Brittany Farmer (2012) just ended her 2nd yr at Covenant College and instructs Zumba and teaches ESL.



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