Students in grades TK-6th experienced our Annual EXPO Day at HPCA

**Heritage, People, Cultures, Arts**

The event opened with a live performance by Bright Star Children’s Theatre. The remainder of the day was filled with demonstrations, exhibits, and student engagement. Mrs. Abby Lewallen, HPCA Art Teacher coordinates this event each year for students to learn about the many craftsmen and artisans in our region and the contribution they make to our culture and heritage.

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The HPCA Junior/Senior Formal was held at the High Point Country Club. The evening was highlighted by dazzling dresses, great dinner, senior slideshow, and a night of dancing.

Thank you to Prom Chairs Mrs. Holland, Mrs. Barrett, Mrs. Dickerson, and Mrs. Martin for a great night!

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We had a great turnout and a lot of response at our recent Open House on May 15th.

Thank you for telling your friends, family, and neighbors about Kingdom Education at High Point Christian Academy. Word of mouth continues to be the best way to bring people to our school.
Bo, Jescena, Lilie, and Allison Sink followed God’s leading to High Point Christian Academy in the fall of 2014. As it was then and still today, the Sink’s feel that a Christian education and environment were essential to their family. Both students at HPCA, Lillie, 13, is in the seventh grade and participates in Cross Country, Basketball, and Band; while Allison, 10, is in the fourth grade and enjoys piano and dance. Jescena is a Kindergarten teacher and leads the Geography Bee team at HPCA. Bo has been blessed to help as an assistant coach on the HPCA girls’ middle school basketball team for the last two years. He currently works for Tull Sales as a manufacturer’s representative in the construction industry and is a first-year seminary student at Asbury Theological Seminary.

Bo is originally from Thomasville and played basketball for Keith Curlee at Ledford High School when he was “Coach Curlee.” Jescena is from Burlington, NC and that is where she and Bo met while in college.

The Sink family has recently relocated to High Point to be closer to the school and enjoys spending time walking to find dessert on Main Street following family meals. They attend and participate in many ministries at Mt. Pleasant Church in Thomasville.

The family is anticipating an exciting summer together and will kick off the summer with a family beach trip in June. The summer will be very busy as Lillie and Bo are heading on a youth mission trip, Allison and Lillie are going on a youth beach retreat, Allison will participate in the All-Sports Camp and Pinterest Palooza Camp at HPCA, Bo will continue with classes, and Jescena will be recharging by the pool, reading books and enjoying the sun. They are all very excited about the next school year and the many opportunities God will provide to serve Him.

“God has been so good to our family and we are so honored that He led us to HPCA. We also feel blessed by the support of the many teachers, administrators, and families that have welcomed us in to the HPCA family. We cannot imagine life without HPCA and are so thankful for the countless blessings that have come from the school.”

Student Life Director

HPCA is pleased to announce the hiring of Dr. Chad Cooke as our new Student Life Director. He will begin his official duties in August of 2016. With recommendation from AdvancedEd, our accreditation agency, and encouragement from the school board and administration, HPCA has created this new position. Over the last year the Academy has been praying and searching for that person. After interviewing several candidates, Chad stood out in many ways. He is a licensed counselor who has a heart for young people and for the gospel. His main tasks will be to encourage spiritual life and ministry among our middle school and high school students. He will be responsible for coordinating HS/MS chapel speakers, student mission trips, student leadership development, etc. He also will teach two sections of high school Bible class.

Chad is a lay pastor at Cornerstone Baptist Church in Winston-Salem, NC. He also currently serves as the Executive Director of Shalom Christian Counseling. Chad received his undergraduate degree from UNC-Chapel Hill, his master’s degree from Lee University, and his Ph.D in psychology and counseling from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Chad and his wife, Holly, have three young boys. Chenaniah is six-years old and will be a kindergarten student at the Academy next year. Corban will be four-years old in June, and Camden will be one-year old in June.
**VALEDICTORIAN**
Amidou Bamba

Amidou is from Toronto, Canada, where he was born and raised and attended a private Catholic school before coming to the US. Amidou brought a love for learning with him, but also a passion for the game of basketball. He has excelled both academically and athletically while at HPCA, and the combination continues to work for him, as he heads to Coastal Carolina University on a full athletic scholarship to play Division I basketball and also build a relationship with an orthopedic surgeon who is a friend of his CCU coach. Read more ...

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**SALUTATORIAN**
Abbey Welch

Abbey is an HPCA "Lifer," starting in kindergarten with Mrs. Segers, and continuing until today with the second highest GPA at the Academy. Hard-working Abbey was caught off guard with the award, noting "There are so many high-performing students at HPCA, I was surprised that I attained this!" It might be surprising, considering Abbey currently holds down three part-time jobs, has taken multiple AP classes, and photographed senior pictures and family pictures for friends in her "spare time." Read more ...

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**GRADUATES**
11th graduating class
HPCA established 1996

66

**LIFERS**
Students at HPCA
Kindergarten - 12th

23

**SERVICE PROJECTS**
Life of Influence
Senior Projects

100%

**SPORTS IN COLLEGE**
15 student-athletes
from 2016 class,
82 total alumni student-athletes

15

**GRANTS & SCHOLARSHIPS**
Over $4 million
$28+ million since 2006

$4M+
IMANI STEWART, Senior  
High Point Rotary Student of the Month

Imani was named the High Point Rotary Student of the Month. Imani, who has a 4.7 GPA, was joined by her Rotarian mom, Wanda, at the meeting.

She is a scholar (NHS, Beta Club), athlete (basketball, AAU track), musician (Women’s Ensemble, All-State Chorus), and service volunteer (Interact, Breakfast Buddies, Girl Scouts) and is active in a multitude of activities that keep her busy.

Imani will attend Wake Forest University to study Pre-Med with a goal of becoming a surgeon.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT COUNCIL  
EXECUTIVE BOARD 2016-2017

McKenzie Mathis, President
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Copeland Petitfils, Secretary/Treasurer

JOSEPH ELLAS, 7th grade  
Advanced to the Regional Bible Drill and competed in NC State Bible Drill

Joshua is finishing his 7th grade year at HPCA. This is the fourth year that he has participated in Bible Drill at Green Street Baptist Church. Each Sunday evening students meet to practice finding verses in under eight seconds and memorizing key verses.

The competition is at five levels: church, association, regional, state, and national. At the state and national levels the winners receive scholarship money for college. Students compete in four categories. They have to memorize 30 verses with references, specific doctrine they are talking about, and be able to find any verses they are asked to find in under 8 seconds. It is an amazing, tense competition!

Joshua competed with 11 other 7th through 9th graders at the state level after winning the regional level. He didn’t win at states, but is excited to start over again in the fall with 30 new verses.

Joshua has been at HPCA since he was two years old! He is an all-around type of guy. He loves to play the trombone and guitar. He also loves to run cross country and play basketball and baseball. Joshua is a good student and enjoys learning the word of God with his dad. He has a sister who is graduating from HPCA this year and his mom, Mrs. Ellas, teaches at the Academy.

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

This summer we are challenging each student to read 10 books for our Summer Reading Challenge. The top 3 readers in each division, the three students who read the MOST books, will embark on an adventure with Miss Evans to Barnes & Noble, each with a $10 Barnes & Noble gift card, to choose a book! Read more details and print the form.

ELEMENTARY: As we continue with our beach theme from Book Fair, the top 10 readers will join a sand castle building contest upon their return in the fall. Several teachers (and principal) will also join the challenge in our elementary school assembly to celebrate our summer reading.

MIDDLE SCHOOL: For each student who completes the challenge and reads 10 books this summer, he or she will be invited to a Tokyo lunch in which we will have Starbucks door prizes.

PRE-SCHOOL 4-YEAR-OLD GRADUATION

The HPCA Elementary yearbook is created in-house and published by TreeRing. We have been awarded as a Green Yearbook School. Along with their partner, Trees for the Future, they will be planting 145 trees in our school’s name.
We are so thankful for Dr. Haire's leadership at our academy for the past 8 years. From both of her roles as elementary principal and then as the Director of Advancement, she has consistently shown the vision and foresight to bring what is needed to HPCA. For example, we would not be where we are today from a technology standpoint if it were not for Dr. Haire's vision and persuasiveness to equip our teachers and students with the latest tools. However, Dr. Haire’s greatest strength is her walk with God. She has a mature, growing faith in God that is evident to all who meet her. She will be missed by us all at HPCA.
AROUND CAMPUS

HS Cooking Class

Field Day grades 3-5

Field Day grades TK-2

Jr. Beta Club members pray with 1st graders for National Day of Prayer

Food Trucks for lunch

Farmer John sharing with Preschool

Annual Bookfair

1st graders releasing painted lady butterflies

Interact Club painted the inside of a Habitat for Humanity home.

7th grade Jr Beta members read to students at Pickett Elementary.

5th graders raised $1,695.75 for Gideons International. This money will buy 1,356 Bibles.

High school students attend Northwood Elementary for Breakfast Buddies.
Pictured are Todd Clark and his buddy Darius.

4th graders - raised $2500 for the New Life Family Outreach (formerly Pregnancy Care Center). They presented the check during chapel.

To fulfill a senior Life of Influence project, the jazz band performed at River Landing honoring our veterans.
Senior artist Julia Eanes has photography exhibited at Theatre Art Galleries. The Hallway Gallery will exhibit photography of the remnants of High Point’s industrial past photographed by Julia. These images will be displayed in juxtaposition with some of Louis F. Vorhees’ paintings of then-thriving manufacturing plants. The entire exhibit is part of the weeklong “Celebrate the Old North State”.

High Point Christian Academy Middle and High School Art

Middle and High School Choir Awards Spring Concert, with Bel Canto

We will miss you, Mrs. Crayton!

Fine Arts Director Mrs. Crayton and her husband will be moving back home to Asheville this summer. The Choral Department of HPCA bid farewell to Mrs. Crayton after nine years of her leadership, with Bel Canto, Women's Ensemble, Middle School Chorus, and the High School Concert Choir delivering outstanding performances of music from around the world. The evening was highlighted by students accompanying and directing, multiple solos, students on violin and tambourine, and an a cappella piece as the grand finale. The crowd rose to their feet as Mrs. Crayton was recognized for, not only building a program of quality and excellence, but also pouring the love of Jesus into students’ lives.
What a great time in the gym with the Tarter family! They won the auction event "Bam and Ben" - one hour with HPCA senior basketball players Bam Adebayo and Ben Robertson. Emma and Ethan (and dad) played basketball, ran drills, and got autographs.

Thank you Tarters for supporting HPCA. Photo gallery on facebook

Chantz Sawyers - Boys Conference Runner of the Year
Heather Foster - Boys Track & Field Coach of the Year
Hunter Curlee with school record in pole vault - 11’6”

For their team service project, they participated in Walk for Life to benefit New Life Family Outreach (PCC).

The team qualified for the State tournament, finishing 6th in the state. Sophomore Dawson Daniels was awarded All-State golfer.

The JV Baseball team worked on cleaning and landscaping around the Boys and Girls Club of High Point.

We are very excited and thankful to God to inform you we have hired Joseph Cooper as our Varsity Boys Basketball Coach. He is currently the Athletic Director and Boys Varsity Coach at Crossroads Christian in Henderson, NC.

Coach Cooper has been the head coach for 10 years at three different Christian Schools in Texas, California, and North Carolina. His teams have won conference championships and played in state tournaments at each school. His experience shows he is ready to step into our program and continue to build it. He has set academic standards for his players, created strength and nutrition programs for his players, raised funds, and created a website for his teams. He has participated in the formation of a conference in our state and has been a representative on state seeding committees. His knowledge and understanding of our state association and its guidelines will also be beneficial.

Coach Cooper graduated from Ohio State University with a BA in History and has a Masters in Coaching and Athletic Administration from Concordia University in California. He is a certified teacher in History and PE. Joseph and his wife, Rilla, have two young sons, James and John. They are expecting their third child in October.
Faith Johnson (HPCA 2012) graduated from the University of Tennessee Summa Cumma Laude with a degree in Kinesiology. She just finished her final year swimming as a UT Vol. She compiled 20 All-America certificates, 16 SEC medals, and many career awards. She is currently the UT nominee for NCAA Woman of the Year. (See her bio on UT athletics page.)

**ALUMNI ATHLETIC NEWS**

Tyler Britton (HPCA 2012) graduated with honors from High Point University with a degree in Finance and Accounting. He pitches for the HPU baseball team and has been named to the Academic All-District III First Team for baseball by the College Sports Information Directors Association (CoSIDA). This is the first Academic All-District recognition for Tyler and the HPU baseball program.

Senior Jessica Jackson (HPCA 2012) finished her college softball career at Pfeiffer University playing in the NCAA Southeast Regional Finals. Jessica hit two homeruns to help win the Conference Carolinas tournament.

Sophomore Levi Gesell (HPCA 2014) transferred from Liberty University to Pitt Community College for baseball. He was chosen second team infield for All-Region X. Pitt CC won the Region X Tournament and advances to the NJCAA District Tournament in Maryland.

Freshman Lindsay Cecil (HPCA 2015) was chosen as Defensive Player of the Year on the softball team at Lincoln Memorial University.

Joseph Cope (HPCA 2012) graduated from NC State Univ. as the Valedictorian of the Nuclear Engineering department. He was one of three nominees for the College of Engineering Nuclear Engineering Senior Awards. Joseph was an Engineering Ambassador for NC State and actively involved in Campus Crusade (Cru).

Kolton White (HPCA 2012) graduated from Liberty University and was commissioned as a Lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force.

If you have Alumni news, please submit to Communications@hpcacougars.org

**Members of the Class of 2006**

Join Bradley Griffin, Makenzy Hendrix Gash, Chip Cromer, Chad and Alix Malpass, and others at the Class of 2006 10-year Reunion.

Contact the HPCA Office of Advancement Advancement@hpcacougars.org

Sean Placey (2012) and Caroline Bullock (2012) were married on May 8, 2016.

Brett Parrish (2009) and Madison Farrington (2009) were married on April 23, 2016.

Travis Suits (2009) is the senior pastor of Laurel Springs Baptist Church in Deep Gap, NC (near Boone). He is a graduate of Appalachian State Univ. and is pursuing his Master of Divinity from Gardner-Webb University.
NEW FAMILY REFERRAL TUITION CREDIT

For every new family you refer to High Point Christian you can receive a $500 tuition credit when the new family enrolls. The new family you referred must write your name on the application as their referring family. Tuition credits for the coming school year will be awarded on October 15. Click here for more information.