



# Footsteps of FAITH

The latest news and updates from Faith Christian Academy



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## Snow Beautiful!

Praise the Lord, we made it through 2020! And if that's not a big enough reason to be thankful, there have been a few really beautiful snow storms to break up the New Year. Our first official Snow Day was in late January, followed by a second one on the first day of February. Then, of course, the ice storms. The Farmer's Almanac predicts that this Winter in the Commonwealth will have frosty temps and *above average* amounts of snow... specifically in late March. So keep the shovels and snow pants handy, just in case!



Follow us! Our handle is @FCAvirginia

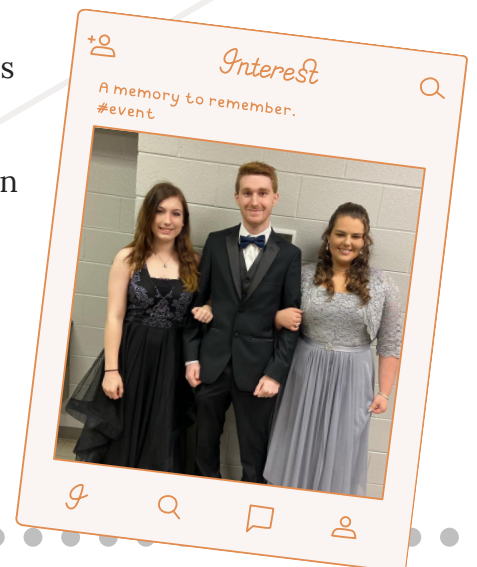


## Basketball Season

It's been a while since FCA had **three** basketball teams! The season started in November, and each team had to work really hard to keep up with the flow of a pandemic season! Games, practices, and participants had to stay flexible, to say the least.

Athletic Director, Cindy Irby, was very impressed with our players. Each team continued to practice, pressing on through the season. Haley McKay coached Middle School girls. Shawn Scott and Ben Burnette worked together on coaching Middle School and varsity boys teams. Ben Burnette, FCA alumnus, has a love for the game and a heart for students. We look forward to having him coach again. Shawn Scott is a parent of two players and has coached for the past three years. Haley McKay currently teaches at FCA.

Homecoming was another opportunity for students to shine! Seniors and the court were honored in a quiet ceremony with their parents in attendance. Cameron Waller (11th) acted as EMC. Arwen Bell (11th) and Marissa Bray (11th) were escorted by Logan Ingaharro (11th) and Cornelius Patti (10th). Queens Layla Ammon and Courtney McCormick were escorted by their fathers, Brian Ammon and Walter McCormick. Homecoming King Hayden Wood, was escorted by his mother, Sarah Wood.



Volleyball and baseball/softball seasons are underway now! Volunteers and interested players should contact Mrs. Irby by email: [cirby@fcavirginia.com](mailto:cirby@fcavirginia.com)

## Math Matters

Lori Metzger teaches pre-algebra, algebra I and algebra II, pre-calculus, calculus, and consumer math. In an effort to keep math applicable and relatable, Metzger incorporates creativity and problem-solving activities regularly. "My goal is to help students see that advanced Math is in real life situations."

Recent activities that keep math fresh and promote problem-solving skills include tree hugging (determining diameters), catapults (problem-solving), paper airplanes (ratio), and projects that incorporate color and creativity. All of Metzger's students will be working on projects and presentations this semester designed to reinforce skills learned this year. Metzger is actively pursuing her Education Doctorate, or EdD.

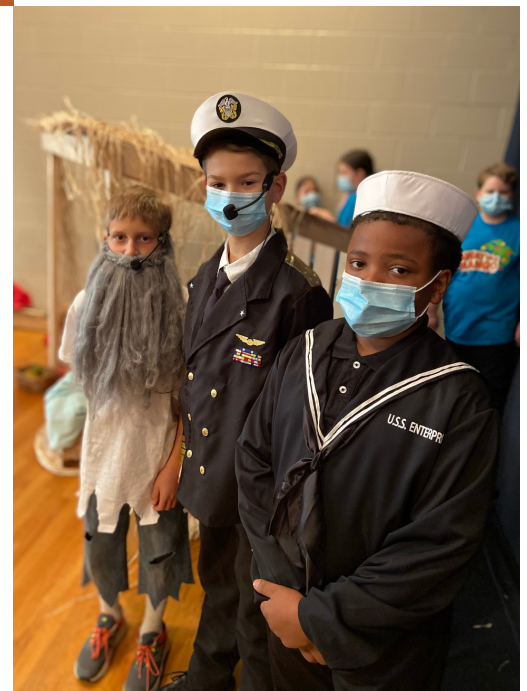




## Elementary Extras: Christmas Program & Band

When your audience is limited to teachers, instructors, and friends, it's hard to feel like you're doing a real performance. Even so, the Elementary students put on a great show for the camera! The annual Christmas program, *Away in a Mango*, benefitted greatly from in-school practices and a really fun musical score. The full performance has been shared through a private link.

About a week later, 4th and 5th graders performed *Jingle Bells* in a band concert, most of whom had only been playing their instrument since September.



# 2020 Year-End Fundraiser Thank You

The generosity of those listed below only partially addresses the support given to FCA in 2020. If your name is not listed correctly, or we have missed you, please let us know. We wish to recognize all those who have partnered with us to continue the mission and vision of Faith Christian Academy.

## Alumni Level Gifts

Gifts up to \$99

Shelley Barnhart  
 Janet & Ricky Brooks  
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## Legacy Builder Gifts

Gifts \$250 - \$499

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 Charles Schneider  
 Sycamore Baptist Church  
 Union Chapel Community Church

## Advocate Level Gifts

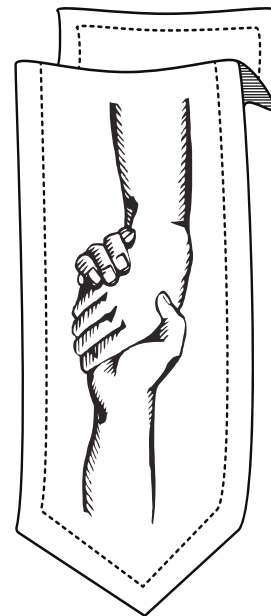
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 Louis & Gloria Sink  
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*In Honor of Preston, Abi, & Ginny Wydner*

## Friend & Scholar Gifts

Gifts \$100 - \$249

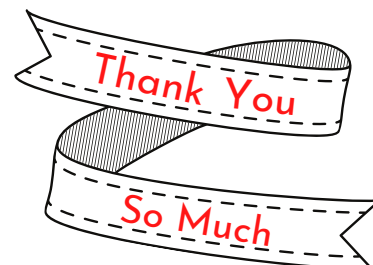
Alan & Sylvia Adams,  
*In Honor of Allison, Jason & Benjamin Adams*  
 Pat & Rhonda Albeck,  
*In Memory of Mary Jane Fox*  
 Norman & Carrie Ayers,  
*In Honor of Reese & Ayden Ayers*  
 Frank & Katherine Baber  
 Thelma Booker,  
*In Honor of Austin, Hannah & Luke Worley*  
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*In Memory of Linda Laney*  
 Richard Bowling  
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*In Memory of Mrs. W.C. English*  
 Jeffrey Richfield  
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*In Memory of Rev & Mrs. A.A. Blanks*  
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*In Honor of Amy, Susan & Grandchildren*  
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*In Honor of Austin, Hannah & Luke Worley*



## Guardian Level Gifts

Gifts \$1,000+

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 The Rick Lane Foundation  
 The Minnie & Bernard Lane Foundation  
 Dale & Lisa Moore  
 The Portrait Place  
 Sandy Level Baptist Church  
 The W.C. English Foundation  
 Fred & Amanda Wydner







## Yes, We Are GROWING

An update on enrollment for 2021/2022

More than 130 students have enrolled for next year already, which is more than 10% growth based on the current student roster! With all the upsets caused by the pandemic, desire for a local K-12 school like FCA is strong and getting stronger. It's not too late to sign-up. If you have questions about FCA or enrollment, contact the school or email Alicia DeWever: [adewever@fcavirginia.com](mailto:adewever@fcavirginia.com)

Mrs. Moore will start meeting with new families soon, and new students will be evaluated so as to ensure they are in a class that meets their needs best.

The Early Enrollment discount ended as of March 1st, but many parents are still thinking about FCA for their children next year.

## Preschool Camp is On

Summer learning & fun for your littles

Three weeks, three different camps, all taught by preschool teacher Cindy Jamerson. Campers will review letters, sounds, shapes, and numbers as they enjoy the program.

Request a flier from the main office, or check out the details on the school's webpage. Sign-up your three, four, or five year-old for just \$90/week. Please don't wait to sign up; we expect to fill up!

- June 21-25: Gardens & Farms
- July 12-17: The Alphabet House
- July 19-23: Folktales & Fables



Learn more about Preschool Summer Camp >>>>>

# PRESSING ON!

Let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith...

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# FUN FRIDAY



## Winter Re-Caps



### FUN FRIDAYS

**social & emotional support**

All students have been learning new games and connecting with peers in small groups this semester. Play, regardless of age, stimulates brain areas that are responsible for memory formation and complex thought processes. Engaging in play assists in practicing essential cognitive skills, such as decision making, higher level strategic thinking, and problem solving.

**Some of our favorite games include:**  
Qwirkle, Set, Clue, Chess, Rummy  
Ticket to Ride, Mexican Train Dominoes  
3:13 (face card game), Parcheesi  
Chinese Checkers  
Spot It!