

A Note from Mr. Urquhart...

With the end of our third quarter approaching on March 1, we have set aside Friday, March 8, for conferences with parents, teachers, and students. No classes will be held that day, and students are not expected to be on campus unless they are participating in a conference.

Conferences are not required, but any parents who would like to schedule a time with a teacher or advisor can do so by contacting Ms. Whitbeck in the Upper School office, either by phone at extension 2400 or by email at swhitbeck1@episcopalcollegiate.org. Of course, if parents have questions at any time about their child's progress in a class, they shouldn't hesitate to contact me or their child's teacher.

In recent weeks, we have been working with students in grades eight through eleven as they begin to plan their coursework for next fall. I've enjoyed meeting with many of our rising ninth graders to talk about next year, and I know that teachers and advisors are enjoying discussing interests and future plans to help them plan a course of study that offers the opportunity to pursue those interests--both inside and outside the classroom. If you have questions about the course selection process, please don't hesitate to contact me, your child's advisor, or Ms. Jo Stoltz.

Troy Urquhart

Head of Upper School

US Calendar

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Tuesday, February 26

- Rising 11th Grade Course Selection Workshop, 12:10 p.m. - 1:25 p.m. - US Room 215

Friday, March 1

- 3rd Quarter Ends

Looking Ahead:

March 18-22

- Spring Break, No School

Wildcat Athletic Calendar

[Wildcat Athletic Calendar](#)

Friday, February 22

- Varsity Wrestling - Arkansas State Wrestling Tournament, AWAY

Saturday, February 23

- Boys Lacrosse vs. Pulaski Academy, AWAY @11:00 a.m.

Monday, February 25

- Co-ed MS Soccer vs. Hot Springs, HOME @4:30 p.m.
- Boys Varsity Baseball vs. Faulkner County Homeschool, HOME @4:30 p.m.
- Girls Varsity Soccer vs. Sylvan Hills, HOME @5:00 p.m.
- Boys Varsity Soccer vs. Sylvan Hills, HOME @7:00p.m.

Tuesday, February 26

- Girls Varsity Soccer vs. Malvern, AWAY @5:00 p.m.
- Boys Varsity Soccer vs. Malvern, AWAY @7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, February 27

- Co-ed MS Soccer vs. Covenant Keepers, HOME @4:00p.m.

Friday, March 1

- Girls Varsity Soccer vs. Greenbrier, AWAY @5:00 p.m.
- Boys Varsity Soccer vs. Greenbrier, AWAY @7:00 P.M.

Follow @sportsepiscopal for updated information!

Wild Game Dinner - Chef Spotlight: Team All Sauced Up

Team All Sauced Up is a 9th Grade Dads team made up of:

Eric Munson, Patrick Herron, Matt Radtke, Bill Wright, Amir Mehrabi, Fred Scarborough, Mark Smalling, Brooks Brown, Pete Lazzari, and Dusty Hoskyn

Team All Sauced Up will be cooking the following:

Jalapeño Duck Poppers
Cognac quail breast w/pancetta (bite size)
Venison barbacoa street tacos
Grilled venison sausages
Duck and shrimp gumbo

You don't want to miss this, [buy tickets here!](#)

Wild Game Dinner - Raffle Tickets!

Join us at the Wild Game Dinner on Saturday, March 2 and support Episcopal's arts and athletics programs! You can buy tickets or become a sponsor of the Wild Game Dinner [here](#). You won't want to miss the fun!

Raffle Tickets are \$25 each or five for \$100. You may purchase tickets via cash, check, or credit card. Please reach out to [Kyle Arnold](#) or [Matt Radtke](#) to purchase raffle tickets. Tickets will also be available at the Wild Game Dinner, and you do not have to be present to win.

Thank you to all of those who have supported and sponsored the Wild Game Dinner. For a full list of sponsors [click here](#).

Little Rock Marathon Aid Station

COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS! COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS!

Little Rock Marathon Episcopal Aid Station *VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED*

We are only 10 days away from Marathon Day and WE NEED YOUR HELP! We are still in need of volunteers to help out with this great event. We aren't quite halfway to our 50 volunteer goal.

Volunteers will keep participants hydrated and motivated to finish the race. This fun event is outdoors, and lunch and event t-shirts will be provided. Stress-free!!

Sign-up TODAY!

Make sure to pick the Episcopal Collegiate Aid Station on the volunteer application

Must sign-up through the Little Rock Marathon website: <https://littlerockmarathon.com/volunteers/>

Parents' Auxiliary Meeting - Friday, March 1

The next Parents' Auxiliary meeting will be held on Friday, March 1 at 8:00 a.m. in the Lower School Braunfisch-Stella Boyle Smith Library.

We hope to see you there!

US Wildcat Lacrosse

Our Episcopal High School Boys' Lacrosse team opens their inaugural campaign against Pulaski Academy (PA) this Saturday, Feb. 22, 11a.m., on the PA turf. All are welcome to come out and support our Wildcat Laxers!

Go, Wildcats!

US/MS London Trip

The weather is cold and dreary. Poet Christina Rossetti expressed it best in 1872 when she wrote "In the bleak midwinter, frosty wind made moan, / Earth stood hard as iron, water like a stone;" Nevertheless, before we know it, spring will arrive and then summer vacation. Now is the time to plan those summer trips!

The English and History Departments still have slots available for travelers who are interested in a summer tour of England June 24 - July 3. All current 8th - 12th graders are eligible to attend. Register by going online to www.passports.com. The Group Leader is Vivian Blair, and the Group ID is VBLAIR2019. FINAL DEADLINE to sign up is March 5.

For more information, contact Ms. Blair, Mrs. Conyer, or Mrs. Campbell.

US Episcopal Students Create a Buzz at the State Brain Bee

Catherine Kwon and Juliet Occidental recently competed against 13 other brainy students from mostly large schools at the Arkansas Brain Bee State Competition. The competition included both written and oral questions about the human brain from a 100+ page book and several supplemental booklets. Questions ranged from diagnoses and treatments of brain disorders, to research methods and brain parts and functions. The competition was fierce as recent Arkansas winners have won both the national and international Brain Bee. After two hours of competition, Catherine Kwon earned the title of Arkansas Brain Bee State Champion. What a display of brain power, especially considering that the students only started studying about a month ago. Catherine will now compete at the national championship in Hershey, Pennsylvania in April and hopefully will make it to the international championship in South Korea. Congratulations to these fine young Episcopal Collegiate School Brainiacs!

US Summer Scholars Announced in Chapel

Episcopal has partnered with The University of Arkansas at Little Rock to work with an individual faculty mentor in the field of communication and in the field of social sciences. During the 8-week fellowship, students will conduct research and explore a current research project with their individual faculty mentors. Episcopal is the only school invited to participate in these phenomenal programs, which gives our students a competitive edge.

Applications for these fellowships were accepted in January and then the selection of student fellows was made by the History department based upon the following criteria:

- The applicant's expressed interest in the social sciences
- Academic record
- Their ability to work independently and be self-advocates
- How adept they are in working on a team
- Demonstrated commitment to the Episcopal Collegiate values of Respect, Reverence, Responsibility

This year's University of Arkansas at Little Rock Summer Research Fellowships were awarded to Jay Hodge and Sarah Ware.

US Arkansas Young Artist Competition

The Arkansas Young Artist Competition will be an all-day even held on Wednesday, April 10, 2019 at the Statehouse Convention Center.

- Only 30 students- approved by Ms. Schultz
- Maximum of 5 pieces Minimum 3 pieces
- [See link for categories here](#) -1 work per category

US College Visit

Friday, March 1

- University of Alabama, 1:25 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. - College Counseling Suite