

Fourth Baptist Christian School

Warrior Newsletter

Christ-Centered Academic Excellence!

Mission Statement

Fourth Baptist Christian School, as a ministry of Fourth Baptist Church, is committed to the development of a student's spiritual life in Jesus Christ, while pursuing academic excellence in a manner which honors and glorifies God, based on the only infallible Word, the Bible.

Understanding the New Achievement Scores

New testing reports have gone home from your child's April achievement testing. This year, we are using the Iowa Assessments. The test is different from the previous testing program (SAT), and we are able to construct our own reports from all the data that the assessment produces for us. In order to try to make the scores and results understandable, we have included a summary report that focuses on a couple of scores: **the Stanine Score and the Percentile Rank.**

The **Stanine Score** is a normalized score that ranges from 1-9. It is a broader score which covers a wider range of scores. For instance, on the chart below, please notice that there is a normal curve which statistically divides out test scores identifying the highest point (the middle) of the normal curve at the 50th percentile. The identified stanine score, for a student at the 50th percentile, would be a 5. But the stanine score of 5 represents a range of scores from the 40th percentile to the 60th percentile. What the normal curve tells us is that about 20% of all students taking the test will fall within that range. And you will notice that as the scores increase or

decrease, the percentage decreases. If we look at the stanine score of 7, the range of scores would be from a 75th percentile to an 88th percentile (approximately), and the percentage of students scoring within this range would only be about 12% of the students taking the test nationally.

The **Percentile Rank** scores simply ranks our students with other students taking this achievement test nationally. From year to year the results will change based on all the scores calculated nationally. Percentile Ranks compare the percentage of students in a norm group whose scores fall below a given student's score. For example, **if a student's score is at the 71st percentile, then that student scored higher than approximately 71% of the students nationally.**

Iowa testing focuses on the average range of scores which can be seen on our bell curve below as well. The range of "**on grade level**," as Iowa testing refers to it, ranges from the 25th percentile to the 75th percentile. This seems to me to be a very

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Congratulations to the Class of 2016!

The Graduates:

Julia Brennan

Windel Dawson

Nathan Hayes

Cara Hodak

Rebekah Kolacz

Jared Leith

Blake Miller

Peter Szabo

Aaron Vigstol





Mr. Hodak giving the commencement address

The Graduating Class of 2016 — <https://vimeo.com/167509046>

This year, ten students graduated from FBCS. Our 2016 graduates are Julia Brennan, Windel Dawson, Nathan Hayes, Cara Hodak, Rebekah Kolacz, Jared Leith, Blake Miller, Peter Szabo, Aaron Vigstol, and Jayden Webster. Two of our graduates were exchange students, Windel Dawson from the Caribbean was here with us for both his junior and senior years and Peter Szabo of Hungary came to us for his senior year. Mr. Hodak gave the commencement address this year.



Rebekah Kolacz gives the salutatorian address

Four of the seniors graduated with a GPA of 3.4 or higher, signified by the gold honor cords they wore. Both our Valedictorian Cara Hodak and Salutatorian Rebekah Kolacz earned GPA's of 3.7+. (We grade on the 100 point scale, which means that a report card with all A's does not necessarily translate to a perfect 4.0, unless all the A's are 100's. Every percentage point counts and is translated into the GPA.)

This group of graduates plans to attend college in the fall, with majors including: English, Communications, Engineering, Speech, Business Administration, Sports Management, Marketing and Cosmetology. Five of them will attend local colleges and five will attend Christian colleges. Class officers for this class were Julia Brennan, Cara Hodak and Aaron Vigstol.



Cara Hodak gives the valedictorian address



Aaron Vigstol delivers the class gift



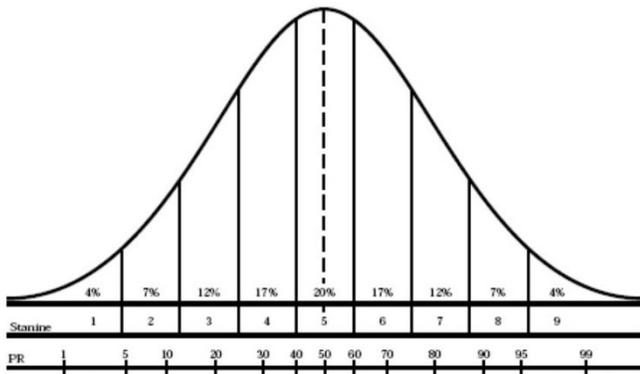
Class
of 2016



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wide range of scoring, but appears statistically to be accurate in the assessment of students nationally. Adding all percentages within this wide range would give us a total of about 54% of all students nationally. If a student scores at the 25th percentile, we would consider that to be a low average score, and if the student scores at the 75th percentile, we would consider that to be a high average score. A score above the 75th percentile or above would be considered very good.

Fig: 1 Relationships of Stanines and Percentile Ranks



We still can use the grade level mark as an indicator of a **target** score. So, if a 4th grade student scores a 4.8 in English, she would score at the 4th grade, 8th month which we would consider **on target**. I would take this as a middle point score in order to evaluate a student.



Summer Lexile Level Reading Challenge

Summer Reading Cards (5x7 size) were sent home with students on the last day of school with their Lexile level (now a range) as measured on the latest achievement testing we did in April. Please encourage your child to read this summer at their Lexile level and up to 50 points above that level. Write down the books they read with the number of pages and the Lexile level for that book. Lists of many common books for all ages with the book's Lexile levels have been compiled and are posted on the school website under the News & Info menu tab. www.fourthbaptistchristianschool.org/newsandinfo/summer-reading-challenge.html

You can also purchase and download an app (called "Level It" for iphones) for your phone that will give a Lexile level for a book by scanning the barcode. Not all books will come up with a Lexile level, but many will. That can help when you are in the

Iowa also give us a **Lexile score range** (in the small print at the bottom left). This score is not one number anymore. As you evaluate that score, please consider the middle point of the range to likely be close to your child's true lexile number. The lexile range helps us to gauge the reading comprehension level of our students.

Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAt)

The Cognitive Abilities Test is similar to the previous OLSAT test we took with the Stanford Achievement testing program. We are doing the CogAt testing at the even grades and there are three purposes in using this type of test:

- This test is used to measure cognitive development.
- This test also helps us to predict levels of achievement which differ markedly from observed levels of achievement in the classroom.
- When cognitive ability is considerably higher or lower than achievement testing results, the student is either working below or above grade level ability.
- Test results fall into three categories:
- Verbal battery (listening for sentence completion, picture relationships, classification and analogies); Quantitative Battery (number relationships, sequencing and comparison and contrast); and Nonverbal battery (figure matrices, finding similarities and spatial identification).

I hope this helps a bit in understanding the basic scoring of this assessment. We are researching more to understand this assessment system better and will do our best to answer your questions. Please call or email with any questions.

- Mr. Alan J. Hodak

library or in a bookstore looking for something in the correct range for your child. It is important to realize that many of current young adult/teen fiction books are written at a Lexile level below what it "should be" for that age/grade. Classic literature generally has a higher Lexile level.

Grades 7–12 students can get a jump on what they'll be reading in their literature classes next fall by reading those novels ahead of time over the summer. (They are noted on the website). Those books count towards the student's summer reading even if they don't quite match up to the student's current Lexile level. The "current Lexile Band" on the chart here shows an average of what a student's Lexile level generally is for a certain grade. - AF

Grade Band	Current Lexile Band	"Stretch" Lexile Band
2–3	450L–725L	420L–820L
4–5	645L–845L	740L–1010L
6–8	860L–1010L	925L–1185L
9-10	960L–1115L	1050L–1335L
11–CCR	1070L–1220L	1185L–1385L

FBCS Summer/Fall Calendar of Events



6/13—17: Basketball Camps here at FBCS

(registration form/brochure is on our School website: www.fourthbaptistchristianschool.org)

6/15: Re-Enrollment Registration Balance is Due (\$250 if you paid the \$50 deposit in March; otherwise \$325)

6/20—24: Teen Camp @ Northland (teens entering grades 7—12)

7/3: Freedom Sunday Celebration at FBC— Special morning service and a picnic lunch

7/11-15: Camp Chetek—junior campers, entering grades 3-6

8/1-5: Volleyball/Soccer Camps at FBCS (registration form/brochure is on our website)

8/15: Soccer/Volleyball Pre-Season begins

8/15: Initial tuition payment for school year 2016-17 is due

8/23-25: Teacher In-Service Days

8/25: Parent/Student Orientation—7:00PM

8/29: First Day of School for year 2016-17!

9/5: Labor Day—NO SCHOOL

9/6—8: IRBC Kick-Off Retreat for Secondary students (grades 7-12)

9/16 & 17: Varsity VB Tourney at St. Francis

9/19: SportsWalk! (grades 6—12)

9/23 & 24: SO/VB weekend up at Lake Region

9/26: LifeTouch School Picture Day!

9/28: "See you at the Pole" - 7:30am

10/1: VB SpikeFest at FBCS

10/5—7: NO SCHOOL—Teacher Convention

10/10: Midterms go home

10/11: Senior Class Pics and lunch

10/19: PSAT testing—juniors & sophomores

10/21: Grandparents and Parents Day!

10/24: School Picture Re-take Day

10/27 & 28: SO/VB State Tourney @ Rosemount

FBCS Drama Presents "David the King"

Under the direction of a ministry team from The Academy of Arts from Greenville, SC, the FBCS Senior High students put on a performance of "David the King" on Friday, May 6th. The performance was very professionally done with amazing costumes and detailed sets. The final production was the culmination of the week-long drama seminar put on by the team. The students participated and were coached in all areas of drama production, including set building, sound and lights, props, makeup, line delivery, and stage presence. It was a job very well done! Our next drama production will be in the spring of 2018.





JH TRACK & FIELD

Results from the 2016 Calvin
Christian Track Meet:

Long Jump

- 2nd place (tie) – Stephen French
- 2nd place (tie) – James Webster

Triple Jump

- 1st place – Nathan Brennan
- 1st place – Lydia Rieschl

Distance Throw

- 3rd place – Kaylee Hoffman

100M

- 1st place – Maddie Hodak

400M

- 2nd place – Lydia Rieschl

4x100 Girls Relay (7th grade)

- 3rd place – Maddie Hodak, Kaylee Hoffman, Adli Johari, Lydia Rieschl

The 2016 Granite City Track Meet:

6th Grade Individual Results:

6th Girls 100 M

- 1st – Isabel Guillen
- 2nd – Kayla Stephens
- 4th – Anna Morrell
- 6th – Jocelyn Devanesan

6th Girls 200 M

- 1st – Isabel Guillen
- 2nd – Kayla Stephens
- 4th – Anna Morrell
- 6th – Emily Combs

6th Girls 4x100 Relay:

- 1st Place – Anna Morrell, Kayla Stephens, Emily Combs, Isabel Guillen

6th Boys 100 M

- 1st – James Webster
- 2nd – Samuel Roman
- 3rd – Conner Chenoweth
- 5th – Stephen French

6th Boys 200 M

- 1st – James Webster
- 2nd – Samuel Roman
- 5th – Stephen French
- 6th – Conner Chenoweth

6th Boys 4x100 Relay:

- 1st Place – Stephen French, Conner Chenoweth, James Webster, Samuel Roman



This year's track and field season saw tremendous growth in participation. FBCS opened this experience to our 6th Graders this school year, and they represented 46% of our JH team. Coach Jared Page worked with the athletes on their field events and Coach Loraine Guillen planned and executed the team's conditioning and endurance training. It was absolutely exciting to have many new participants join us this year! It was equally thrilling to witness the JH Team build their endurance along with their confidence in this sport as they worked hard and persevered through the season. The JH athletes claimed Philippians 4:13 as their team & personal verse.

We saw exciting successes at the first track and field meet at Calvin Christian. The athletes competed in multiple individual events along with relay races in varying distances for our runners. One of the many exciting events was the JH Girls 4x100 Relay ran by Maddie Hodak, Kaylee Hoffman, Adli Johari and anchored by Lydia Rieschl - it was a photo finish securing 3rd Place for our school. Our athletes at this meet were competing against larger and more established track and field teams.

To get ready for the Granite City Meet, Coach Guillen concentrated training the JH Team on their shorter distance races using smart strategies in explosive, powerful starts while maintaining excellent running posture

and breathing technique, and most importantly finishing strong! At this meet, our JH team was split in half, with the 6th graders competing at the elementary level while the 7th through 8th graders participating at the varsity level. The FBCS Senior High Track and Field athletes joined the team increasing the number of participants to a total of 36! While it was a bitterly cold and windy day at this meet, the FBCS Warriors were determined to make the best of the situation. The 6th grade team dominated in this meet with top placements in all of their running events. The varsity athletes also proved to be strong in both their running and field events bringing home individual ribbons along with several relays placing in the top three!

Our FBCS Warriors Track and Field Team received the 1st Place Trophy for the Boys and 2nd Place Trophy for the Girls from the Granite City Meet. Congratulations to ALL our Track & Field Athletes!!!

Thank you, Mr. Hodak, for allowing this eager and enthusiastic group of track and field athletes to represent our school at the Calvin Christian and Granite City track meets. Also, thank you, Mrs. Stephens, for your tireless support for our athletes and coaches. -Mrs. Loraine Guillen, JH Track Coach

Granite City Track Meet—May 16, 2016



Boys 1600 M

- 3rd – Isaiah Reis
- 4th – Micah Morrell
- 5th – Ian Stewart

Girls 4x100 Relay: 3rd Place – Maddie Hodak, Adli Johari, Morgan Stephens, Carissa Leith

Boys 4x100 Relay: 2nd Place – David Groulx, Isaiah Hoffman, Ian Stewart, Isaac Troussov

Girls 4x400 Relay: 1st Place – Dana Fredrickson, Abby Kolacz, Bekah Kolacz, Cara Hodak

Boys 4x400 Relay: 2nd Place – Caleb Page, Micah Morrell, Isiah Reis, Johnathan Schocker

Field Events Girls:

Soccer Kick

- 1st Morgan Stephens

Softball Throw

- 4th – Morgan Stephens
- 5th – Kaylee Hoffman

Running Long Jump

- 2nd – Carissa Leith
- 4th – Abby Kolacz

Field Events Boys:

Running Long Jump

- 3rd – Isaiah Reis
- 4th – David Groulx
- 6th – Isaac Troussov

Soccer Kick

- 1st – David Groulx
- 3rd – Jonathan Tomsche
- 4th – Micah Morrell

7th-12th Grade Individual Results:

Girls 100 M

- 1st – Cara Hodak
- 6th – Maddie Hodak

Boys 100 M

- 2nd – Isaiah Reis
- 3rd – Johnathan Schocker
- 4th – Isaac Troussov

Girls 200 M

- 1st – Cara Hodak
- 3rd – Abby Kolacz
- 4th – Maddie Hodak

Boys 200 M

- 3rd – Johnathan Schocker
- 4th – Ian Stewart

Girls 400 M

- 3rd – Dana Fredrickson
- 4th – Natalie Goblirsch

Boys 400 M

- 3rd – Johnathan Schocker
- 5th – Micah Morrell

Girls 800 M

- 1st – Abby Kolacz

Boys 800 M

- 2nd – Isaiah Reis
- 4th – Caleb Page

Girls 1600 M

- 2nd – Bekah Kolacz





Making History—FBCS Girls Spring Soccer

Fourth Baptist Christian School began the first ever girls soccer program this year. Our theme for this inaugural year of girl's soccer at FBCS was "Making History" and it started with a group of Jr. High girls forming a list of potential soccer players for a team. Not to be out done by their underclassman counterparts, the Sr. High girls formed their own list and we ended making history with two girls soccer teams with the 28 girls who signed up to play. Originally we had more interest from other schools in our league, but ended up only getting to play a few games; just three games for the JH team and four games for the Varsity team. We're looking forward to next year and hoping for greater participation from our MACS schools!

JH Girls Soccer—Learning Together

The JH team was coached by Mrs. Preethi Chandran with Mrs. Loraine Guillen as the parent volunteer. The season consisted of three games, all against First Baptist – Rosemount. The Warriors lost the first two games (1-2 and 0-1) and won the final third game (1-0). #16 Kayla Stephens (6th grade) scored both goals for the Warriors this season.

Participants in the 2016 JH team: Kaylee Carlson, Jasmine Cole, Jocelyn Devanesan, Lydia Gehrke, Isabel Guillen, Madelyn Hodak, Kaylee Hoffman, Lucy Litkey, Anna Morrell, Lydia Morrell, Sophie Muhr, Lydia Rieschl, and Kayla Stephens.

Coach Chandran says, "I would like to start by saying **"THANK YOU"** to each one of you. Thank you for giving me an opportunity to be a part of the **FIRST** girls soccer team at Fourth Baptist Christian School. You have made me laugh and cry but mostly you have made me **PROUD**. I am so proud of coaching such beautiful and talented girls. You have also created memories for yourself, for each other and for the school. You are a part of the **FBCS HISTORY** now. I sincerely hope this will leave a lasting lifelong impression. My last piece of coaching advice for you is to keep playing for as long as you can, for as long as you **LOVE** the game. *Ephesians 6:14-18, 'Always keep your armor on and be the warrior you are called to be.'* Love you all!" 😊





Varsity Girls Soccer Finish 4-0

The Varsity girls continued to make history by going undefeated in their four games beating Rosemount three times and Heritage once. The Warrior girls were coached by Jared Page and Jeremy Stephens who found themselves coaching a group of girls that had varied levels of experience ranging from no experience at all to a lot of experience. The Warriors were led offensively by senior striker Julia Brennan and defensively by senior sweeper Bekah Kolacz, with many strong contributors in between.

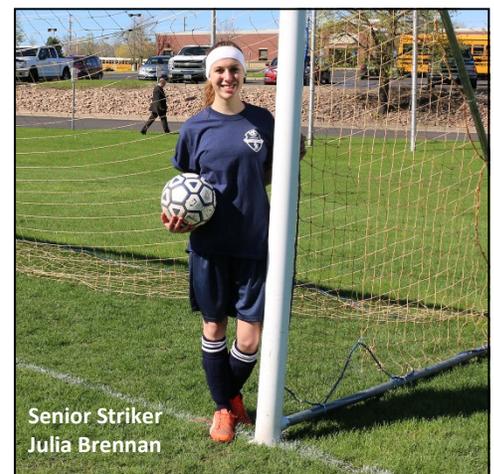
This year's team was comprised of: Julia Brennan and Bekah Kolacz (seniors), Nicole Goblirsch and Paulifred Toby (juniors), Carissa Leith (sophomore), Emma Belford, Dana Fredrickson, Abigail Kolacz, Morgan Stephens (freshmen), Annelise Gehrke, Breanna Leith, Maddie Look and Lilly Stewart (8th grade) and Malvika Chandran (7th grade).

The future of the girls soccer program is strong and bright as we hope to encourage and excite other teams in the MACS to join us in a new phenomenon...Girls Spring Soccer! Thank you to all our fans that came out to cheer and support us as well as to the parents for their support of the program.

-Coach Jeremy Stephens



Senior Sweeper
Bekah Kolacz



Senior Striker
Julia Brennan



Yearbook Dedication—Mr. Floyd Lindahl, Bus Driver Extraordinaire!

The 2015-16 yearbook was dedicated to our faithful bus driver, Mr. Floyd Lindahl. Floyd Lindahl was born on February 27, 1940, on a farm in Wells, MN.

Floyd grew up in a Methodist church, went through catechism class, and was an altar boy, but the gospel was never presented. Through various circumstances, he and Laura began visiting Lowry Baptist Church. One night in December 1964, Floyd accepted Christ as his personal Savior and was born again through the shed blood of Jesus Christ.

In the late 1960s, Floyd decided to get his bus license. He drove for Lowry Baptist Church as well as Woodcrest Baptist Church and Academy. He has driven for Fourth Baptist Christian School and Church for field trips, merit trips, sports teams, special events, camps, Golden Agers, etc. In 1986 he drove a bus to Bob Jones University, South Carolina, when the choir, band, and other finalists traveled there for AACCS competition. When Fourth had bussing for students to and from school, he drove an evening route after his day job. He continues to enjoy driving the buses and works hard to keep them running as well. It is our privilege to dedicate this year's yearbook to Floyd Lindahl. Thank you, Mr. Lindahl, for your service and commitment to Christian education and your many hours of service to our school.



Then & Now was the theme of this year's FBCS yearbook

A Night Under the Stars



This year's Jr./Sr. banquet was along the theme, *A Night Under the Stars*. The Fellowship Hall was decorated as a starry sky and we chatted, laughed, and ate a wonderful meal prepared by Sara Kilian and her crew of glazed chicken, roasted potatoes and vegetables with salad and roll. Desserts included several bite-sized options: cheesecakes, brownies and cream puffs. Always a highlight is the senior tribute slideshow out together by junior Greta Smith honoring the seniors. Pastor Jared Page gave a challenge to the group using plenty of star-gazing illustrations. There was also a photo booth area, with black backdrop and plenty of fun props. The students had a great time taking lots of fun and silly pictures to remember their evening following the program. 😊



Elementary Spring Field Trips

Minnesota Landscape Arboretum – K4/K5 Field Trip

On Monday, April 25, the K4/K5 classes boarded the bus and headed to the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum. The sky was threatening rain most of the morning but the Lord kept the rain away. The morning started with a story time that included a puppet show with a talking tree, bird, butterflies and lady bug. The children learned how they could make their yard a good habitat for these creatures. The rest of the morning consisted of planting seeds; putting lady bugs in the special plant area to eat the aphids; a silent bird walk; and then play time on the nature playground. It was a fun learning experience for the children. God truly is an awesome Creator! Thank you to all the parents who came along as chaperones. We appreciate you! - *Mrs. Roman and Miss Burggraff*



2nd Grade Visits Great Harvest and Mill City Museum

On Tuesday, April 26, the second graders enjoyed their spring field trip to Great Harvest Bread and Mill City Museum. They enjoyed seeing the machines used in making big batches of bread, they also were able to watch them make some special breads, but most of all they got to work with some dough. The best part was getting a honey wheat bread stick at the



end of our time at Great Harvest Bread Co. In the afternoon, we went to Mill City Museum to see Minnesota's history at the Flour Tower, "Minnesota in 19 Minutes Flat" slide show, the water and in the baking labs. Boy, did they think the biscuits they made were good. However, going down the 9 floor glass elevator was the highlight. It was great day of learning new things and having fun together as a class.—*Mrs. Diane Davis*



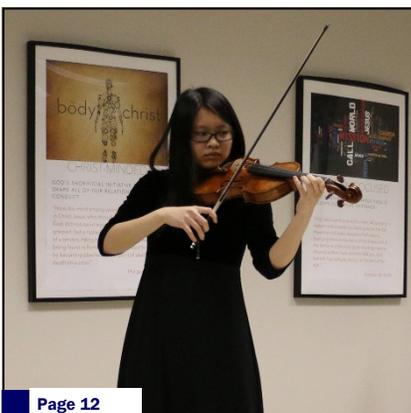
3rd Graders Spend a Day at the MN Zoo

The third graders visited the Minnesota Zoo on May 16. They had a beautiful day for walking around and exploring the animals. Everyone pretty much agreed that seeing the prairie dogs and getting to pet the manta rays and sharks were their favorite parts.—*Mrs. Julie Bee* (continued on page 15)



SH MACS Fine Arts Festival

The FBCS senior high students participated in the MACS Fine Arts Festival on April 8 hosted at our school. Around 250 students from 10 MACS schools were involved that day in solos, ensembles, and large group events as well as Art and Academic Testing entries. Our FBCS students received many superior and excellent ratings and placed very well in their categories. Thanks to each of the students, accompanists, teachers, and volunteers for making our day a success. —*Mr. Levi Kolwinska*



Music	Name	Place	Rating	Score
Band	Fourth	1st	Excellent	93.50
Brass Solo	Johnathan Schocker	1st	Superior	95.00
Brass Solo	Benjamin Koestner		Excellent	91.00
Choir	Fourth	1st	Superior	97.00
Choral Group	Fourth Mixed Ensemble	1st	Superior	97.50
Classical Piano Solo	Morgan Stephens		Excellent	89.00
Female Vocal Solo	Jayden Webster	2nd	Superior	94.50
Female Vocal Solo	Greta Smith		Excellent	90.50
Female Vocal Solo	Cara Hodak		Excellent	87.50
Handbell Choir	Fourth Platinum	1st	Excellent	90.50
Handbell Choir	Fourth Gold		Good	84.00
Large Instrumental Ensemble	Fourth Woodwinds	1st	Excellent	90.00
Large Instrumental Ensemble	Fourth Brass	2nd	Good	84.50
Large Vocal Ensemble	Fourth Ladies	2nd	Superior	97.00
Large Vocal Ensemble	Fourth Men		Superior	94.50
Male Vocal Solo	Ian Stewart	1st	Superior	96.50
Male Vocal Solo	Isaiah Reis		Excellent	93.00
Male Vocal Solo	Aaron Vigstol		Excellent	91.00
Percussion Ensemble	Fourth Percussion	1st	Excellent	92.50
Percussion Solo	Jason French	2nd	Excellent	88.50
Sacred Piano Duet	Morgan Stephens/Jason French	1st	Superior	99.00
Sacred Piano Solo	Micah Morrell	3rd	Superior	97.00
String Solo	Katriel Ng	3rd	Excellent	88.50
Vocal Duet	Jayden Webster/J.J. Webster	3rd	Superior	95.00
Vocal Duet	Cara Hodak/Greta Smith		Superior	94.00
Vocal Duet	Madelyn Lease/Katriel Ng		Excellent	93.00
Vocal Duet	Isaiah Reis/Ian Stewart		Excellent	93.00
Vocal Quartet	French/Koestner/Murray/Schocker		Excellent	91.50
Vocal Quartet	Goblirsch/Goshgarian/Robinson/Toby		Excellent	88.00
Vocal Trio	Stephens/Belford/Kolacz		Excellent	89.50
Vocal Trio	Goblirsch/Robinson/Reis		Excellent	88.00
Vocal Trio	Webster/Kolacz/Webster		Excellent	87.00
Woodwind Solo	Greta Smith		Good	85.50



Arts & Crafts	Name	Place	Rating	Score
Acrylic Painting	Peter Szabo		Excellent	91.50
Acrylic Painting	Nicole Goblirsch		Excellent	91.50
Calligraphy	Nicole Goblirsch	2nd	Excellent	89.50
Calligraphy	Natalie Goblirsch	3rd	Good	85.00
Calligraphy	Joshua Mace		Good	80.50
Crafts	Joshua Mace	2nd	Good	85.50
Crafts	Nicole Goblirsch	3rd	Good	85.00
Crafts	Peter Szabo		Good	84.50
Mixed Media	Nicole Goblirsch	2nd	Excellent	91.00
Mixed Media	Joshua Mace	3rd	Good	84.50
Mixed Media	Natalie Goblirsch	3rd	Good	84.50
Monochromatic Drawing	Natalie Goblirsch		Good	85.00
Monochromatic Drawing	Peter Szabo		Good	84.00
Monochromatic Drawing	Nicole Goblirsch		Good	83.00
Oil Painting	Peter Szabo	2nd	Good	83.00
Oil Painting	Natalie Goblirsch	3rd	Good	81.50
Polychromatic Drawing	Nicole Goblirsch		Good	85.50
Polychromatic Drawing	Natalie Goblirsch		Good	82.00
Polychromatic Drawing	Crystal Yuan		Good	80.50
Printmaking	Siahney Kollie	2nd	Good	83.50
Sculpture	Nicole Goblirsch		Excellent	87.50
Sculpture	Peter Szabo		Good	82.50
Sculpture	Natalie Goblirsch		Good	81.00
Watercolor	Peter Szabo		Good	80.50



Academic Testing	Name	Place
Algebra Test	Katriel Ng	1st
Bible: Old Testament Test	Cara Hodak	3rd
Biology Test	Katriel Ng	1st
Chemistry Test	David Murray	1st
Creative Writing: Poetry	Rebekah Kolacz	3rd
Geometry Test	Abigail Kolacz	3rd
Home Economics Test	Rebekah Kolacz	1st
Physics Test	Peter Szabo	1st
Political Sci./Econ. Test	Ian Stewart	2nd
Spanish Test	David Murray	2nd
U.S. History Test	Greta Smith	1st
World History Test	Ian Stewart	2nd



The Last Speller Standing: The FBCS 2016 Annual Elementary Spelling Bee



This year's Elementary Spelling Bee took place on Friday, April 29, 2016. Selected students from each grade were chosen through in-class spelling contests to represent their classes in the spelling bee. The spelling bee can be a nerve-wracking event for our students! Never mind that they are on stage in front of Mr. Hodak, their classmates, teachers and a host of parents... they know it's being live-streamed as well! Words that have been studied and correctly spelled again and again in practice can come out wrong when spelled in the bee. It's the nature of the beast. Often the student immediately knows their error and it can be heart-breaking to see the look on their face as they are eliminated. However, we applaud their efforts and extend congratulations to the winners.

Participants were as follows:

- (1st Grade) – Levi Belford, Gretchen Campbell, Josiah Combs, John Goshgarian, Samuel Wang, Asher Zderchuk
 (2nd Grade) – Joy Cole, Anastasia Lipinskiy, Easton Martin
 (3rd Grade) – Molly Cook, Jonathan Kolacz, Cody Mercado, Nelly Petrashov, Joey Sundberg, Viswas Vallabhaneni
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- (4th Grade) – Nivi Chandran, Emily Chuprin, Nathan French, Mark Goshgarian, Isaiah Roman, Grace Wang
 (5th Grade) – Danielle Komonash, Jemima Komonash, Suzanna Kotelevska, Adriel Ng, AJ Radloff, Darren Tze
 (6th Grade) – Jasmine Cole, Jocelyn Devanesan, Stephen French, Evelyn Goshgarian, Isabel Guillen, Anna Morrell

The 1st–3rd graders studied off a new list of words based on the phonics charts. The 4th–6th graders used the same list we've been using in previous years from a *Spelling of the Champions* booklet. Again, the words were divided up according to length and difficulty. We began with easier words and they got progressively more difficult as we advanced through the rounds. The words were randomly picked from a bowl by Mr. Hodak.

When the 1st–3rd grade bee was down to just two participants, the word "gauze" was misspelled and then correctly spelled by Molly Cook as well as the next word "thrice" to win. When the 4th–6th grade spelling bee was down to two participants, the word "professional" was misspelled but then correctly spelled by Adriel Ng, as well as the next word "bookkeeping" to win. Congratulations! ~A.French



First—Third Grade Winners: (above)

- 1st Place — Molly Cook—3rd grade
 2nd Place — Joey Sundberg—3rd grade
 3rd Place — Easton Martin – 2nd grade

Fourth—Sixth Grade Winners: (below)

- 1st Place — Adriel Ng – 5th grade
 2nd Place — Evelyn Goshgarian – 6th grade
 3rd Place — Jasmine Cole — 6th grade



1st Grade Reading Contest

During the first three weeks of May the first graders participated in a reading contest to encourage them to find books they enjoy reading. Pictures are the winners of the reading contest and the number of pages they each read: 3rd place Gretchen Campbell, 2nd place Josiah Bolton, and 1st place Josiah Combs. Congratulations!



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4th & 5th Graders to Bell Museum of Natural History

On April 1st, the 4th and 5th graders visited the Bell Museum of Natural History on the campus of the University of MN. The students were separated into three groups, and the activities were three-fold: an interactive planetarium show; classroom activities, and the “touch and see” discovery room.

The students were treated to a planetarium show with new technology that allowed the show operator to zoom in close on the planets and see them as we had never seen them before. A few of us got a little touch of motion sickness from that experience! The interactive classroom activities were designed to show how far apart the planets really are in space, and how different each gravitational field would make a 1 lb. weight on earth feel on each other planet in our solar system. The students were amazed as they passed around a coke can weighted differently for each planet. And then, in the “touch and see” discovery room, the different groups of students were able to handle animal furs and skulls, live cockroaches, a turtle

and a milk snake. (And it was no surprise that the boys chose to touch the snake and the girls chose to touch the turtle.) A great time was had by all!

- Mrs. French, parent

6th Grade to MN History Center

On May 24th, the sixth grade class had the opportunity to go on a field trip to the Minnesota History Center. After studying Minnesota history, the students enjoyed getting to experience the many hands on activities the museum has to offer. A few favorites were the tornado experience and the exhibit on Chuck Jones (the creator of Looney Tunes). The students especially enjoyed getting to eat lunch outside on the patio.

The class was also able to have a presentation just for them on Minnesota inventions. They got to learn more about Totino’s pizza, the refrigerated truck, the pacemaker, Scotch tape, and rollerblades—all Minnesota inventions! The students became investigators and discovered when and why each item was invented and the impact it has had on society. The field trip was a terrific way to end the year.

—Miss Megan Haynes

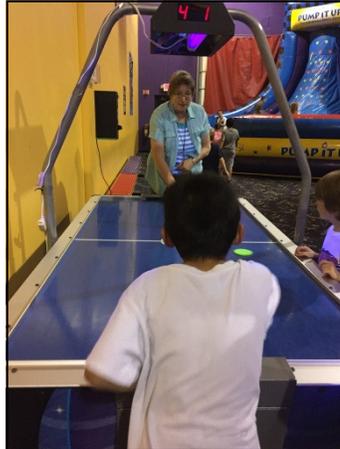
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Bouncing Around and Jumping High!

For our 4th quarter merit trip, we tried something new and took the 1st—3rd graders to Pump it Up, a bouncy house facility nearby in Plymouth. Everyone had a great afternoon and came back extra tired.

The 4th—6th graders went to SkyZone. The last week of school saw a lot of rain, so this was a great chance for the students to get some of their pent-up energy out! 😊



Kindergarten Graduation

<https://vimeo.com/167975233>

The Kindergartners celebrated their accomplishments on Tuesday, May 24 during the graduation ceremony held in the auditorium of Fourth Baptist Church. It was a small class of nine students but their enthusiasm was large as they sang and recited Scripture and poems. The evening began with Mrs. Roman welcoming the group of over seventy family members and friends. The program followed the course of the school day as pledges were recited, Bible songs were sung, and Bible verses and chapters were recited. Christian Hoffman shared the poem, “Now That I Can Read” and then an upbeat math song entitled, *Skip Count*, showed the Kindergartners’ skills in counting by twos, fives, and tens. Mr. Hodak gave a wonderful message on the foundation of learning—the



fear of the Lord. *“The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.”* (Proverbs 9:10). Diplomas were received and the graduates concluded the program by singing, “I Don’t Have to Wait Until I’m Grown Up [to be what Jesus wants me to be]”. A cake and punch reception was held in the atrium following the ceremony. - Mrs. Julie Roman



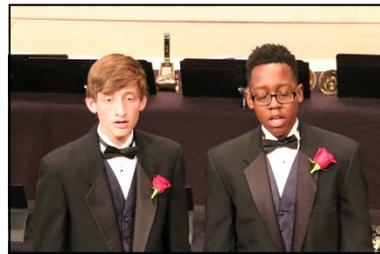
Times & Seasons: Elementary Spring Concert—<https://vimeo.com/164760203>

FBCS elementary musicians presented their spring concert entitled “Times and Seasons” on April 29th. Each class highlighted a season or time of day through songs and rhymes. Kindergarten presented morning and evening songs complete with a parachute activity. First grade represented fall with colorful scarves. They even involved the audience in a call and response song. Second grade depicted winter with winter outfits and percussion instruments. Third grade captured spring with their very own recorder composition, clapping song, and xylophone improvisation. Fourth grade sang and played songs on their recorders about summer. The 5th and 6th grade bands, chimes, and handbells also showed their musical growth through several seasonal songs. Elementary choir finished by singing “A Time for All Things” based on Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 and a spiritual entitled “Great Day” featuring three sixth-grade soloists: Evelyn Goshgarian, Stephen French and Morgen Markgraf. Well done, elementary musicians! Keep using your talents for the Lord! - Miss Annelies Harmon



Spring Band Concert—<https://vimeo.com/166451606>

The 5th-12th grade band students had their Spring Band Concert on Thursday, May 12. The concert was a huge hit with the audience as they enjoyed hearing each band perform. The Senior High Band began the concert with a rousing fanfare called *Cenotaph* followed by *Fortress Variations*. The 5th graders really enjoyed playing *Fanfare and March* as it showcased many of the different instrumental sections. The 6th graders favorite song was *Gregorian Chant and Ritual* because of its syncopated rhythm and unique sounds. The Junior High Band enjoyed playing their Spanish bullfighting song *Espana Cani*. The concert culminated in two combined Junior and Senior High Band songs. *The King Across the Water* had all of the woodwinds and percussion playing drums - quite the exciting time for the woodwind players! The concert concluded with the rousing Sousa march *The Thunderer*.



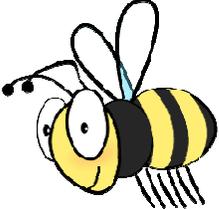
Ring Sing Concert—<https://vimeo.com/167364910>

Our year culminated with our Ring and Sing Concert titled *By Faith*. The concert featured performances by our 5th Grade, 6th Grade, Bronze, Silver, Gold and Platinum Handbell Choirs each playing songs from a variety of musical eras and styles. The Elementary, Junior High, and Senior High Choirs all presented selections in various languages including Hebrew, Chinese (in honor of our Chinese foreign exchange students), Latin, English, and solfege (music syllables). The variety of songs and musical styles was received very well by the audience. The concert concluded with the performance debut of

our 50th anniversary commissioned song by Lloyd Larson. He arranged a setting of *By Faith* by Townend and Getty with *Great is Thy Faithfulness* for our 4th-12th Grade Choir students, handbells, percussion, and piano. The students sang and played so beautifully as we thanked the Lord for His faithfulness to our school. There were many tears flowing at the conclusion of the song and a standing ovation was given! Mr. Larson was in the audience as well. Thanks to each of the students and teachers for their great work in music this year! A special thanks to our Seniors, the Class of 2016! You will be missed! - Mr. Levi Kolwinska



End of Year 2015-16	"ALL A" HONOR ROLL	A AVERAGE	B AVERAGE
First	Levi Belford Josiah Bolton Gretchen Campbell Josiah Combs Ethan Coulson John Goshgarian Joseph Litkey Gracyn Lopez Samuel Wang	Joshua Chandran Nikita Lipinskiy Savannah Martin Justin Samuel Asher Zderchuk	Dominick Grosser Westley Malone Jacob Payne Genevieve Phuong
Second	Joy Cole Anastasia Lipinskiy Easton Martin Megan Page J. Jaidyn Rennie Tyler Stephens Matthew Thompson		
Third	Cole Chenoweth Molly Cook Jonathan Kolacz Cody Mercado Sophia Morrell Emma Payne Nelly Petrashov Joseph Sundberg Allison Tkach Viswas Vallabhaneni Daniel Yarmakovich	Anna Bak Miriam Botros Nevaeh Carlson Michaela Thompson Sydney Weisser	Markus Baranyuk Antonio Eppers
Fourth	 Nivideta Chandran Jacob Combs Nathan French Mark Goshgarian Melissa Kauffman Shaun Larson Reece Martin Trenton Radloff S. Gresyn Rennie Clara Rieschl Johannah Rieschl Isaiah Roman Grace Wang	Emily Chuprin Matthew Herrick Ksenia Kachula Henry Litkey Evelina Sayko Alyssa Stephens Cherubim Toby	Taylor Steffensmeier Ava Stewart Dennis Tkach
Fifth	Chloe Belford Adriel Ng Abbie Page Darren Tze	Eden Belford Suzanna Kotelevska Niomi Pompana Aidan Radloff	Esther Chepurnaya Kristy Hanson Danielle Komonash Jemima Komonash Andre Samuel

End of Year 2015-16	"A" HONOR ROLL	A AVERAGE	B AVERAGE
Sixth 	Emily Combs Stephen French Evelyn Goshgarian Isabel Guillen Tyler Martin Anna Morrell	Jasmine Cole Kathryn Kauffman Ruvim Korovin Lucy Litkey Samuel Roman Kayla Stephens James Webster David Yarmakovich	Conner Chenoweth Jocelyn Devanesan Morgen Markgraf
Seventh	Andrew Belford Malvika Chandran Jonathan Grosser Kaylee Hoffman Zachary Mace Lydia Rieschl	Kaylee Carlson Madelyn Hodak Caleb Lambrecht Jordan Larson Isabelle Lease Sophie Muhr Julia Sakharova	David Migalyuk Zachary Robinson Julia Tkach Joshua Weckert
Eighth	Aaron French Caleb Page Joshua Van Luyk	Isaac Grosser Amanda Hartzell Breanna Leith Madison Look Lydia Morrell Abigail Roman Lilly Stewart Joelle Webster Micah Weckert	Isabel Botros Nathan Brennan 
Ninth	Nicholas Carlson Abigail Kolacz	Mark Cooley Zixi Elaine Feng Joel Larson Micah Morrell Claire Peterson Morgan Stephens	Emma Belford Wanlu Summer Feng Natalie Goblirsch David Groulx
Tenth 	Hannah Berscheid Jason French Madelyn Lease Carissa Leith Katriel Ng	Benjamin Koestner Jessica Wang Jason J. Webster	Jacob Gustafson Jonathan Tomsche
Eleventh	Dekang Kevin Chen David Murray Greta Smith	Madeline Goshgarian Benjamin King Vivek Mohinani Victoria Robinson Johnathan Schocker	Nicole Goblirsch Isaiah Reis Ian Stewart Paulifred Toby Tongyi Crystal Yuan
Twelfth	Julia Brennan Cara Hodak Rebekah Kolacz	Jared Leith Blake Miller Jayden Webster	Windel Dawson Nathan Hayes Peter Szabo