

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.*

## Warrior Girls' Basketball Brings Home Its First Championship in 10 Years!

Championships are tough to come by as was evidenced by a ten year drought for our girls' varsity team. Having made it to the finals games three times in the past seven years, the Warriors have slowly been gaining steam as a competitive group year after year.

We knew, early on, that our girls had a shot at a great season. Going 8-0 at the beginning of the year gave us a lot of confidence, but we had to keep getting better. And we knew that we would have to get through Rosemount to win it all.



Rosemount had a plethora of seniors on their team. They were the strongest team in our league and we anticipated two season battles against them. After a heart-breaking loss at home by two points, we would go to their place and lose another tough game by six. But we learned some things about our strengths and their weaknesses as we played them. And we were able to devise a game plan just for them.

With a full week of practice to prepare for the tourney and a number two seed going in, the 17-5 Warriors were ready and confident. What made it all work was that our girls bought into the plan, worked extremely hard, and played at a high level.

The girls defeated a scrappy St. Francis team in the first round 47-28; then, we faced the defending champions,

Heritage Christian, in a tough game and won 36-27; and then Rosemount for the championship. We probably played one of our worst offensive games of the season, but we played our best defensive game by far and defeated Rosemount 32-24. I was never more proud of any team I have ever coached as we witnessed the execution of a game plan that gave us a convincing victory.

The 2018 Champs ended with a 20-5 record and a future that looks very promising. Eleven girls will hopefully return next year to defend their championship and work in the off-season to improve their game.

Congratulations girls on an epic Warrior season!

- Mr. Alan Hodak, Varsity Girls Coach

## Warrior Varsity Boys Basketball Team Earns a 2nd Place Trophy at State Tourney!



Varsity Boys Basketball Team with their 2nd place Trophy



### Varsity Boys:

After losing our 3 starting guards from last year's championship team, we were unsure what our team would look like. Seniors JJ Webster and Jacob Gustafson stepped up and helped set the course for the team. Contributions from underclassmen big man Nathan Brennan and point guard David Groulx along with defensive stopper Nate Kinniburgh solidified our starting 5. After a regular season record of 17-6, we entered the Macs tournament ranked 2<sup>nd</sup>. We lost a hard fought battle to Saint Francis to take 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the MACS State Tournament.

Our team was very cohesive. The players knew their roles and embraced them. Our team captains for the year were JJ Webster, Jacob Gustafson, and David Groulx. JJ and Nate Kinniburgh were our main defensive stoppers against guards, while Nathan Brennan, Nick Carlson, and Jon Tomsche were tasked with stopping the big men. Isaac Grosser came in off the bench to provide defensive help when needed. We lost Joel Larson to an ankle injury early in the season which hurt our bench rotation greatly. Joel turned into another coach and did a great job.

JJ and Nathan were 1<sup>st</sup> team all-conference and also all-tournament team in the MACS tournament. Jacob Gustafson was named to the Honorable mention all conference team.

We are looking forward to next year and seeing what the strengths of the team will be.—Coach Jason Webster

### Individual MACS Honors:

#### Girls Basketball:

All-Conference First Team—Hannah Berscheid

All Conference Second Team—Joelle Webster

All-Conference Honorable Mention—Carissa Leith

All-Tournament Team—Carissa Leith, Hannah Berscheid (MVP)

#### Boys Basketball:

All-Conference First Team—Nathan Brennan, JJ Webster

All Conference Honorable Mention—Jacob Gustafson

All-Tournament Team—Nathan Brennan, JJ Webster

Hot Shot Contest Winner—JJ Webster

### Shot in the Dark Studio Basketball Tournament Photos



The MACS Basketball State Tournament is now online and can be viewed at [www.shotinthedarksports.net/](http://www.shotinthedarksports.net/)

Team photos and action shots were taken all weekend by Mr. Mark Sherman



## JV/JH Basketball Season Review:

**JV Boys:** Another year of adventure is complete for the JV Boys team. The team finished the year with a 10-11 record. But they will say that the opening tournament games where we split into two separate teams did not count so they really finished with a winning record of 9-7. It was an exciting and fun season, and the coaches were encouraged by the development of the players. Thanks to all of the players for their hard work and dedication, and we look forward to seeing their continued growth in the coming years of Warrior basketball. —*Coach Joe Combs*

**JV Girls:** The word “growth” comes to mind when I think about the 2017-2018 JV Girls basketball season. Our team this year was comprised of eight young women - one ninth grader and seven 8<sup>th</sup> graders. The girls began the year with a tournament at Chisago where they won their first game against Prior Lake. It was obvious at the tournament that because of the inexperience of the group, we would have our work cut out for us. The first few games were difficult as the girls struggled against more experienced teams. As the girls continued to work hard and the season progressed, they became more competitive. By the end of the season, it was obvious that the team could not only compete at the JV level, but was able to win. I am so thankful for the hard work of this 2017-2018 JV team. The girls never gave up, and because of their hard work, they achieved an enormous amount of growth over this season. It was a privilege to be their coach this year, and I look forward to seeing them at open gyms and camps this summer! —*Coach Lydia Hodak*

**JH Boys Team Blue:** JH Boys Team Blue: Our team had a really fun mix of experience with a few first or second year players. No matter their basketball background, each player played an important role on the team. We emphasized the team aspects of the sport of basketball like boxing out, team defense, breaking a press, and offensive ball movement. We came in fourth place in our tournament. We won our opening game but lost to Lake Region in our second matchup. Even though it was a tough loss, we competed very well as a team in the Lake Region game. Our final game was a victory against Rosemount where we bounced back from the tournament and dominated the entire game. The players had a great attitude the entire season and it was easy to see their development. The team awards went to: Douglas Carl, most improved player, Stephen French, Unsung Hero, and James Webster, Most Valuable Player. —*Coach Erik Fredericksen and Coach Ted Radloff*

### JH Girls Team Blue:

The Team Blue JH Girls basketball team had a great season. These 7<sup>th</sup> grade girls were in their 2<sup>nd</sup> year of competitive basketball at FBCS. Over the course of two years of playing together, they have improved by leaps and bounds. They have a great team mentality and always support one another. This team loved to play defense! Though they were often short on numbers, they always played hard and were competitive in every game through their tough defense. A highlight of the season was the JH Macs tournament, where we went 2 and 1 and placed third, playing three really close competitive games. It will be exciting to see how this group contributes to Warrior basketball in the future. Thanks for a fun and successful season Team Blue! —*Coach Jared Page*



JV Boys Basketball Team



JV Girls Basketball Team



JH Boys Basketball Team BLUE



JH Girls Basketball Team BLUE w/3rd place trophy from MACS

# Basketball Wrap-up



## JH White Teams: (6th grade teams)



JH Boys Basketball Team WHITE w/1st place trophy from NSPSL



JH Girls Basketball Team WHITE w/1st place trophy from NSPSL

**JH Boys Team White:** We had the wonderful opportunity to coach the Junior High White team this year. The team consisted of eight 6<sup>th</sup> graders—which was fun because 5 of the players had at least 5 years of basketball experience and 3 of the players had never played basketball before. It was neat to see how all the players blended well with each other & how each player's skills improved as the season went along. We played in the B-squad of the NSPSL parochial league & did very well in the regular season as we went 10-0 with only 1 of the games coming down to the wire. That set us up to be the #1 seed heading into the end of the year tournament & a first round bye. We defeated Sacred Heart in the semifinal game which set us up for a championship game against another undefeated team Epiphany. This was our toughest game of the season, but our suffocating man-to-man defense was outstanding and our offense did just enough as we defeated the tournament host 21-17 for the championship! All of the players improved during the season & really worked well with each other on both offense & defense. Hustle Award—Nathan French, Best Offensive Player Award—Gresyn Rennie, Leadership Award—Shaun Larson.  
~ Coach Paul Larson & Coach Kpormah Rennie

**JH Girls Team White:** This was a great season of introducing all things basketball to this new group of 6<sup>th</sup> grade girls. They all improved daily in their skills as well as in the knowledge of the game. We were able to experience a lot of winning this season, so we talked regularly about praising God when and how we win as well as being prepared to praise God when we lose. We only lost two games all season and both of those were both by one point and one of those games we had a chance to win at the last second. In that game we drew up a play the girls had never seen before and they ran it to perfection. For 6<sup>th</sup> grade girls this was very impressive. We entered our tournament as the 4<sup>th</sup> seed and after winning our first game we came up against the #1 seed. We played a well fought game and were able to come out on top setting us up for the championship game on Monday night. We began the championship game on a great offensive output by the girls ending the half with a score of 16-2. The 2<sup>nd</sup> half saw a run by Calvin Christian but we were able to hold them off by a score of 26-18 to win this year's B-squad NSPSL championship! It was a wonderful season of fun, learning and winning! ~Coach Jeremy Stephens

## DON'T MISS IT!! FBCS DRAMA DEPT. PRESENTS "NO PLACE TO FLEE" MAY 4th

Set in the 1930's, No Place to Flee follows the lives of three fearless men and their families who chose to take a stand against the horrors of communism. They gave everything so that their posterity might breathe the sweet air of freedom. The drama mainly follows the life of Pastor Georgi Vins, but it is about so much more.

You won't want to miss it! Our SH students have been diligently learning lines and practicing scenes in preparation for the Drama Team's arrival the first week of May. The Academy of Arts drama team will instruct our students in all aspects of a drama presentation, from staging, lighting, speaking, make-up and costumes. The result is a quality production put on by our students that we can really appreciate.

Tickets are available in the school office or at the door, but we encourage you to purchase your tickets early to avoid long lines at the door.. \$10/ adults and teens; \$6/children 12 and under.

**NO PLACE TO FLEE**  
BY NICKY CHAVERS

**WHERE:** Fourth Baptist Christian School Auditorium  
**WHEN:** Friday, May 4th, 2018 at 7:00pm  
**TICKET COST:** \$10/Adults & Teens; \$6/Children (12 years & under)

While attendees are not allowed to video the performance for copyright reasons, FBCS has been granted permission and will a master video-recording. If you would like a copy, you may pick up an order form for a DVD recording at the table in the lobby as you leave the auditorium. Please come and share in this experience with us!



# State Capitol Concert

On Tuesday, January 30, sixty FBCS Senior High students went to the MN State Capitol for a concert in the Rotunda. The Capitol is newly renovated and is an acoustically amazing place to perform! The students eyes grew very big with the first notes they sang and played in the space as the sound reverberated for about six seconds through the halls of the Capitol!

The Choir began and ended our concert singing our state song, Hail Minnesota. Mr. Ben Rathbun, a 2006 FBCS alumnus, played an oboe accompaniment with the Choir, Mixed Ensemble, and Platinum Handbells for three of our songs.

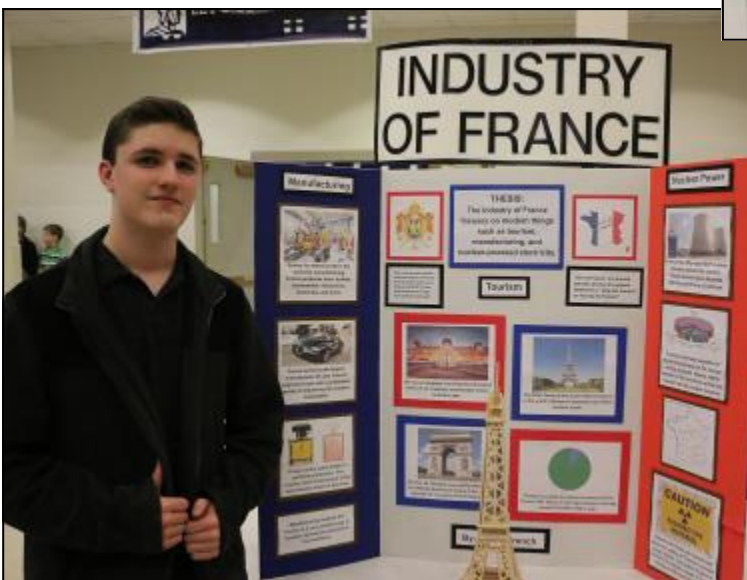
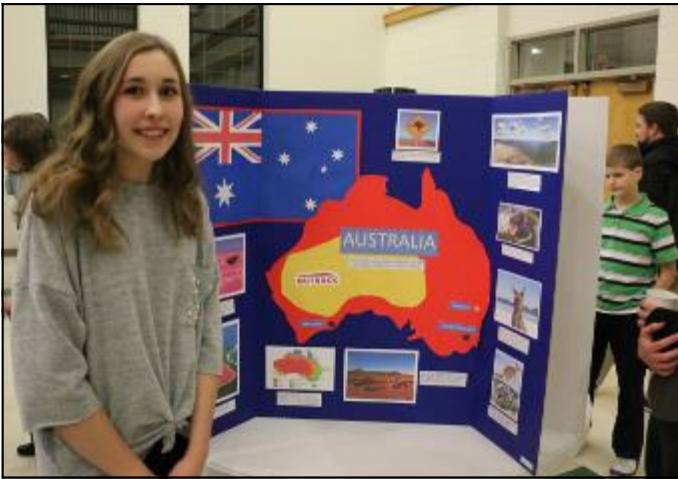
The students truly enjoyed the opportunity to perform in "the people's house" and are excited to go there again in the future. If you would like to watch any of their performances, you can see the concert videos at:  
<http://music.fourthbaptistchristianschool.org/state-capitol-concert-january-30-2018/>.



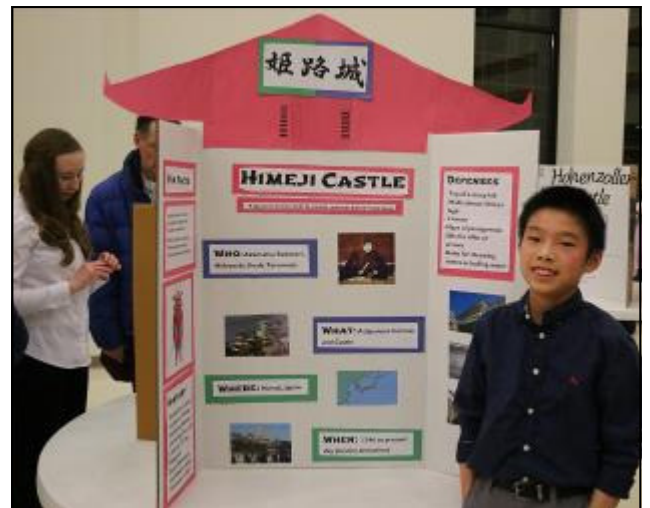
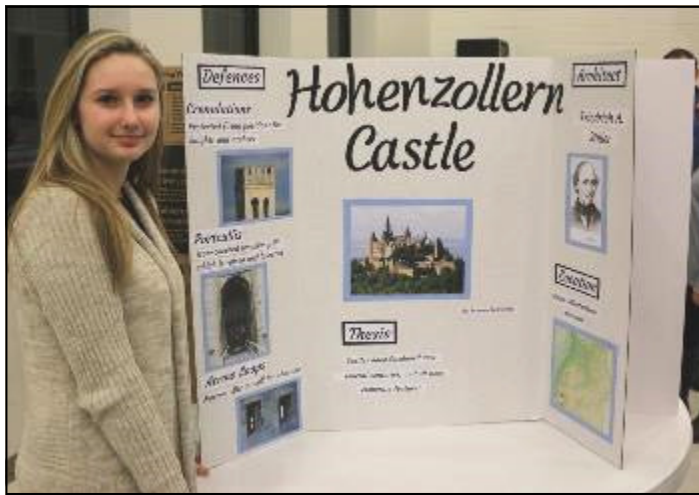


## History Fair 2018

Every other year we rotate between holding a science fair and a history fair. Students in grades 7-10 choose a topic within the category their teacher directs, do research, write a research paper, prepare a display, and present their topic to the class in an oral presentation. Then at the History Fair, the students were able to show their hard work to all those who attended. It was neat to see the students interacting with the parents and grandparents who came to the History Fair. We had so many student displays that we had to expand into the gymnasium this year!









## JH MACS FINE ARTS FESTIVAL

The seventh annual MACS Junior High Fine Arts Festival was held at First Baptist School of Rosemount on Friday, March 2nd, 2018.

It's a great opportunity for our younger secondary students to perform in a lower-pressure setting. No placements are given at this festival ... the students receive ratings from ranging from poor (which is rarely given out) to Superior, the highest rating (which is what every students strives for, of course).

Our students did very well ... many soloists and groups receiving the highest rating. Performing publically at a young age is great preparation which will help them when they reach the Senior High level of competition.

We encourage all of our students to participate, learn and grow in their God-given talents and abilities. The goal in all of this is to prepare our young people for ministry opportunities.

—A. French





# JH MACS FINE ARTS RESULTS:

**Rating Scale:**  
21—25 Superior  
16—20 Excellent  
10—15 Good

## JH Fine Arts Festival Results: (JH students only receive ratings)

Piano Solo-classical	Jasmine Cole	Superior
Piano Solo-classical	Evelyn Goshgarian	Excellent
Piano Solo-classical	Kayla Stephens	Excellent
Piano Solo-sacred	Tyler Martin	Superior
Piano Solo-sacred	Lucy Litkey	Superior
Piano Solo-sacred	Emily Combs	Superior
Piano Duet	J. Cole/E.Combs	Superior
Piano Duet	L. Litkey/K. Stephens	Superior
Piano Duet	A. Morrell/I. Guillen	Excellent
Band	Fourth JH Band	Superior
Choir	Fourth JH Choir	Excellent
Brass Instrumental Solo	Tyler Martin-trombone	Superior
Brass Instrumental Solo	Ruvim Korovin-trombone	Excellent
String Instrumental Solo	Adriel Ng-violin	Superior
String Instrumental Solo	Ruvim Korovin-guitar	Good
Instrumental Small Ensemble	Fourth Flute Quartet	Superior
Instrumental Small Ensemble	Fourth Percussion	Excellent
Instrumental Large Ensemble	Fourth Brass	Excellent
Instrumental Large Ensemble	Fourth Woodwinds	Excellent
Vocal Solo	Felicia Harmon	Superior
Vocal Solo	Gabriela Mendoza	Superior
Vocal Solo	Isabel Guillen	Superior
Vocal Small Ensemble	8th Grade Mixed Ensemble (1)	Superior
Vocal Small Ensemble	8th Grade Mixed Ensemble (2)	Excellent
Vocal Small Ensemble	7th Grade Girls Quartet	Excellent
Vocal Large Ensemble	Fourth Ladies	Superior
Vocal Large Ensemble	Fourth Men	Excellent
Dramatic Interpretation	Ruvim Korovin	Good
Humorous Interpretation	Abbie Page	Superior
Oral Interpretation of Poetry	Evelyn Williams	Superior
Oral Interpretation of Poetry	Karina Mendoza	Superior
Oral Interpretation of Poetry	Felicia Harmon	Superior
Oral Interpretation of Scripture	Kathryn Kauffman	Excellent
Reader's Theater	8th grade group	Superior
Art: Monochromatic Drawing	Kristy Hanson	Superior
Art: Monochromatic Drawing	Gabriela Mendoza	Superior
Art: Monochromatic Drawing	Jemima Komonash	Excellent
Art: Polychromatic Drawing	Elisabeth Twaddle	Superior
Art: Watercolor	Anna Morrell	Superior
Art: Watercolor	Kathryn Kauffman	Excellent



## WARRIOR SPIRIT WEEK

Spirit Week 2018 was the week of January 29—February 2.

Spirit Week Team Champions for this year were “Sanctified” led by senior captains Benjamin Koestner and J.J. Webster. Eight different teams were organized with senior captains. The students received points for their dress up day outfits, their behavior throughout the week, winning the afternoon activities, and attendance at the evening basketball games.

This year’s themed dress up days included: “Get up and Go Day, a.k.a. Pajama Day,” “Class Theme Day,” “Superhero/Princess Day,” “Nerd Day,” and “Navy Blue, Red and White Warrior Spirit Day.” I think “Nerd Day” was the favorite day this year, after Pajama Day, of course!

We had home basketball games on Monday, Tuesday and Friday evenings, with Friday night being Homecoming Night vs. Rosemount. This year’s senior class chose The Children’s Cancer Research Fund as the beneficiary for our Penny Wars contest. We were able to raise almost \$1,000 for this charity

Thanks for everyone who gave toward this effort. The 9th grade class won Penny Wars this year with over \$224 just in pennies alone!!! They enjoyed a well-deserved ice cream party. ☺

Enjoy the pictures of the crazy dress-up days! - A. French







<b>THIRD QUARTER 2017-18</b>	<b>“A” HONOR ROLL</b>	<b>A AVERAGE</b>	<b>B AVERAGE</b>
First Grade	Vita Belokon Rilyn Faithfull Lincoln Johnson Jeremiah Komonash Alexandra Lipinskiy Preston Smetak Anna Yarmakovich	Dima Brutskiy Grace Juetten Carson Payne	Henry Baranyuk Isabelle Chuprin Jill Cook Mark Damyan Ziqian Gao (Isaac) Robert Heldman Nathan Kauffman Rebekah Landin Allison Leanger Rosalee Lesnau Clara Morrell Marie Reis Samuel Tollerud
Second Grade	Ella Burlak Isabella Carl Anne Cooley Anna Damyan Rebekah Damyan Christian Hoffman Michaela Keim Christian Kolwinska Timothy Petrashov Lauren Stephens Lukyn Williams	Nikita Bodnar	Peyton Grosser Emma Overcash
Third Grade	Gretchen Campbell Josiah Combs John Goshgarian Gracyn Lopez Mark Manoila Adelaisa Pullis	Ethan Coulson Nikita Lipinskiy Joseph Litkey Westley Malone Savannah Martin Caleb Reis Asher Zderchuk	Njomai Gorre Ndiaye Jacob Payne
Fourth Grade	McKenzie Johnson Anastasia Lipinskiy Easton Martin Tava McLeish J. Jaidyn Rennie Lillian Williams Faith Zhao	Anja Brombacher Benjamin Jahnke Megan Page	Gregory Carl Boston Faithfull Matthew Gorian Ethan Markgraf Hannah Reis Tyler Stephens Josiah Tollerud Grace Zhao
Fifth Grade	Molly Cook Jamie Hoese	Nevaeh Carlson Cole Chenoweth Jonathan Kolacz Noah Lease Sophia Morrell Jude Olson Nelly Petrashov Carmela Pullis Joseph Sundberg Daniel Yarmakovich	Markus Baranyuk Julia Bodnar Cody Mercado Emma Payne Joshua Reis Allison Tkach Sydney Weisser



<b>THIRD QUARTER 2017-18</b>	<b>“A” HONOR ROLL</b>	<b>A AVERAGE</b>	<b>B AVERAGE</b>
Sixth Grade	Josiah Brombacher Nathan French Mark Goshgarian Melissa Kauffman Reece Martin Sophia Pullis Clara Rieschl Johannah Rieschl	Jacob Combs Shaun Larson S. Gresyn Rennie	Matthew Herrick Henry Litkey Carsten Markgraf Elise Sandness Evelina Sayko Alyssa Stephens
Seventh Grade	Suzanna Kotelevska Karina Mendoza Adriel Ng	Abbie Page Caleb Tollerud Evelyn Williams	Esther Chepurnaya Kristy Hanson Jemima Komonash Aiden J. Radloff
Eighth Grade	Emily Combs Evelyn Goshgarian Isabel Guillen Felicia Harmon Kathryn Kauffman Ruvim Korovin Tyler Martin Gabriela Mendoza Anna Morrell	Isaac Brombacher Jasmine Cole Stephen French Lucy Litkey Kayla Stephens James Webster	Roman Bodnar Jocelyn Devanesan Alyza Dunn Elisabeth Twaddle David Yarmakovich
Ninth Grade	Jonathan J. Grosser Kaylee Hoffman Zachary Mace Lydia Rieschl	Kaylee Carlson Jiaqi Iris He Madelyn Hodak Isabelle Lease Emmalee Tollerud	Trinity Gorian Caleb Lambrecht Jordan Larson Sophie Muhr Julia Tkach
Tenth Grade	Aaron French Juliana Mendoza Lydia Morrell	Isaac Grosser Amanda Hartzell Caleb Page Joshua Van Luyk Joelle Webster Micah Weckert	Victoria Bodnar Nathan Brennan Yuanxin Winston Chen Dana Fredericksen Tanner Landin Breanna Leith Abigail Roman
Eleventh Grade	Zixi Elaine Feng Abigail Kolacz	Nicholas Carlson Mark Cooley Claire Peterson Morgan Stephens	Wanlu Summer Feng Natalie Goblirsch David Groulx Isaiah Hoffman Joel Larson Micah Morrell Philip Peal
Twelfth Grade	Hannah Berscheid Jason French Madelyn Lease Carissa Leith Katriel Ng	Benjamin Koestner Zuxing John Pan Daniel Peal Jason J. Webster	Jonathan Tomsche Jessica Wang Boersheng Justin Xiao