



JANUARY HIGHLIGHTS



2026

WE ARE ROYALS...



HIGH SCHOOL CORE

Mrs. Huff – British Literature students have been working with Mary Shelley’s *Frankenstein*. As a summative activity, students created a timeline of important passages from the novel, analyzing how each passage relates to character development, setting, and theme. This project allowed students to demonstrate their understanding of the text through close reading and thoughtful analysis.



ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CORE

In Mrs. Lamb’s fourth grade class, students wrapped up their geography unit by creating edible maps of the United States. Throughout the unit, they learned how to read maps, explored different types of maps, and practiced using maps to answer questions about the world around them. This hands-on activity provided a fun and engaging way to reinforce their learning.





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TNT - FAITH FINDERS

Our Junior High branch of TNT, the FaithFinders, were undaunted by the frigid temperature on January 23rd and twenty-six of them made it out for snow tubing at Perfect North Slopes. For several students it was their 1st time snow tubing, and it was heartening to see everyone smiling at the end. Students managed balancing fun outside with warming up indoors. They practiced some life skills by keeping track of their snow gear and figuring out how much food they could buy from the cantina on their food service debit cards. And they had fun linking themselves into chains going down the slope, or racing each other. Special call outs for our leaders; in addition to coordinating drivers and communication, one of them lent a teen the snowpants and cold weather gear he needed and another brought hot cocoa makings and snacks for the kids.



CHAPEL

In January, our chapel focus was on the Sermon on the Mount, specifically Matthew 6 and the outward acts of righteousness, including giving, prayer, and fasting. Students reflected on Mrs. Patty Mullen's December presentation on almsgiving and explored Matthew 6:5-8, learning about sincere prayer and how it nurtures their relationship with God. Chapel discussion emphasized that prayer is about understanding God's promises, seeking His will, and growing in both personal faith and connection with the church community.





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NEW FURNITURE

GOD'S PROVISION

We're incredibly grateful for a generous furniture donation that allowed us to refresh our commons, provide new desks for our teachers, and meet several other important needs across campus. This gift came at just the right time and has already made a meaningful difference in the daily life of our school. We praise God for His faithful provision and for the people He uses to care so well for our community.



DID YOU KNOW?

ADMISSIONS

We are so encouraged by a strong early re-enrollment season and deeply grateful for the trust our families continue to place in our school. It has been a joy to see our community recommit for the year ahead, and we're excited about the momentum this brings. As we look forward, we can't wait to welcome new families through our upcoming Admissions Age & Stage events and share more about what makes our school such a special place to grow and learn.



CHESS ATHLETICS



Proud to be a Royal!

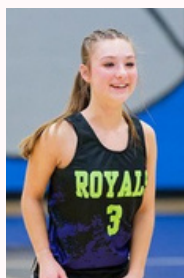


- Youth Royals teams are just over halfway through the season, showing growth, effort, and enthusiasm at every level.
- Both 2nd/3rd grade teams are finding success while learning, improving, and having fun together.
- The 3rd/4th grade team remains undefeated, with a season marked by strong teamwork and consistency.
- The 5th/6th grade teams hold a 9–3 record, competing against older teams and improving each week through resilience and hard work.

- The 7th/8th grade team is off to an exceptional 16–0 start, has won the first round of the OCSAA State Tournament, and currently holds the #2 seed.
- The JV Boys team remains undefeated at 11–0, showcasing steady growth and strong team chemistry.
- The Varsity Girls earned a 2nd place finish at a varsity tournament in Tennessee, creating meaningful memories while proudly representing the CHESS community (The trophy is on display at the front desk!).
- The Varsity Boys are enjoying another strong season at 11–1 and are well positioned for a deep run in the league tournament.



- As tournament season begins, all Youth Boys teams are preparing to compete in the SWOCCA Tournament hosted at Kingdom in Franklin.
- Junior High Boys are currently competing in the OCSAA State Tournament.
- Varsity Boys and Girls are awaiting seeding announcements for their upcoming State Tournament play.
- All JH, JV, and Varsity teams are set to compete in the OVCC League Tournament.
- Boys teams will also participate in the NCSAA National Tournament at Cedarville and AIA in early March, with more details to come.



Thank you for your continued support and partnership as we navigate an exciting season!

Let's Go Royals!