



BLESSING BLAST

"And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose." Romans 8:28

April 12, 2019

This Week:

Spring Play

-April 11-13

DC Info Meeting For
2021 Trip

-April 18th @ 6:30
p.m.

NO SCHOOL

-April 19th

Kindergarten Kon-
nection

-April 23rd @ 7 p.m.

Financial Aid Dead-
line

-April 19th

Coming Up:

Student of the
Month

-April 25th

Spring Pictures

-April 25th

Annual Auction

-May 4th @ 5 p.m.

State Choir Compe-
tition

-April 29th

"Outstanding!" I replied, knowing that the parent's question was probably rhetorical. "It's probably been my best year ever since starting at NCCS." The young father nodded in agreement and continued shaking my hand vigorously. "Yah, I feel the same way," he added with a smile. "It's been a great year for our kid's, as well. We're excited for next year."

After a few minutes of light chit-chat, our conversation drifted back to the current school year. "What do you think made this such a great year for you?" he asked. Now I admit, it took a few seconds to collect my thoughts, only because there were so many reasons to consider – a new library, talented teachers, a wonderful office team, and of course, outstanding students. But there was something else. After all, being a principal in any private K-12 school can feel a lot like juggling a dozen golf balls while running a marathon ten hours each day. It's multitasking at its best, and it can be taxing for any lone administrator, which was the case for me the last three years.

Finally, the words I was looking for came into focus. "I can summarize it in two words," I replied confidently. "Mr. Rice."

Now understand, I've probably hired at least a dozen assistant principals over the past twenty years, each with a unique set of skills and potential for leadership. None, however, came as a complete package. It's always been up to me to get them trained and ready for a possible head position over the succeeding 3-5 years.

Kevin Rice, however, was the exception. Having already been the head of a Christian high school in the Midwest, he was a principal's dream for an assistant. He has a Godly demeanor and possesses a complete skill set and the decisive thinking needed to take on a leadership role at NCCS. In fact, there was no doubt in my mind that, should something happen to me, Mr. Rice would be able to step right in at the drop of a hat and take complete control. He was a perfect fit, and I soon realized what a blessing he was going to be this entire year for all of us.

Just mention Mr. Rice's name in the high school hallway, or around junior high students at lunch, and you'll hear this same sentiment.

"I see Mr. Rice every day," says junior Alexis Donovan. "He's one of my favorite people on campus. He's so easy to talk to and will take time to visit and answer questions no matter how busy he is. What I especially like the most is that he's a very Godly man and doesn't hesitate to share God's love with you or any other student."

Senior Natalie Sale, also gives him high marks. "Mr. Rice is so great!" she says with an enthusiastic smile. "He's someone you can trust right away and willing to answer our questions...and not in a way that forms our opinions, but in a way that pulls from our wisdom. During Chapel if we're short a guitar player, Mr. Rice will fill in immediately, but doesn't try to dominate. Most importantly," she adds as a quick afterthought, "he writes encouraging notes to students, which are helpful and uplifting."

When I hear comments like this, especially from teenagers, I know God has a hand in our plan for leadership. As the outgoing superintendent, I look forward to Mr. Rice's continued impact on NCCS. He will be a breath of fresh air for many years to come.



Auction Tickets On Sale

Families can now purchase tickets for the annual Spring Auction, which will take place at NCCS on Saturday, May 4th, 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Tickets are \$30 each. Purchase a table of 10 for \$250 or become a Sponsor.

Check Out the New NCCS Website

Our new NCCS website is now up and running. This new communication platform is the result of several months of planning and hard work by one of our talented office staff, Gale Ehig. It truly represents a state-of-the-art approach to online communication. Take and peek and see what you think.

Student Auction Volunteers Needed

The Auction Committee is still looking for several high school volunteers for the night of the auction. We have two volunteers who have turned in their applications/paperwork and we need 18 more. If you have a high school student in need of community service hours, please encourage them to volunteer for the auction. There are several things that teens will be doing, including serving, parking assistance, silent auction item pick up, silent auction table monitoring, live auction item displays, and slideshow assistance. Application forms are available in the office and are due back no later than **Monday, April 29th**. Thank you for considering!

Job Opening – Interim Office Manager

With the recent announcement of the pending maternity leave for our Office Manager, McKenzie Falotico, NCCS is currently looking to hire an interim replacement for this coming fall, from early August through November 2019.

This person serves as the administrative assistant to the Principal and participates in all administrative team meetings. He/she should possess strong oral and written communication skills, be organized and proficient in Microsoft Office, and be able to represent our school in a favorable and professional manner at all times.

Compensation is \$17/hour. A short paid training period in late summer is included. A complete job description is available on line.

Spring Pictures

Mark your calendars for spring pictures on Thursday, April 25th! These are not a requirement, but an option that we offer for families. Spring pictures will take place in the morning on April 25th and we have picture packets available in the front office, should you want one!

It's Veggie Time!

We are growing veggies in the greenhouse again! Five varieties of tomatoes, two kinds of cucumbers, peppers, eggplants, cabbage and more. All ready by May!



Lost and Found Overflowing!

Our lost and found area is overflowing with clothing, personal items and other things that need to be picked up by their owners and taken home. At the end of the school year, we clear this area out and donate all of its contents. We don't want you to be missing something permanently so please make sure that you check out what we've gathered ASAP.

Kindergarten "Konnection"

Kindergarten "Konnection" is happening on **Tuesday, April 23rd from 6:00-7:00 p.m.** in Mrs. Maroni's room. We will be explaining the kindergarten academic focus, class routine/activities, enrichment programs and curriculum. If you have an incoming kindergarten student, you are welcome to attend! This is also an opportunity to invite friends who have a kindergartener next year and might benefit from a private Christian education!

Have You Re-registered Your Student for the Coming Fall?

We are currently having a significant uptick in new families wanting to enroll their children at NCCS for the coming school year. Although this is exciting for us, it could also result in some classes having to be capped due to overflow. In order to ensure that your child has a seat at NCCS next year, we encourage you to re-enroll as soon as possible. Re-enrolling does not mean you have to pay full tuition up front, but it guarantees placement.



North Clackamas Christian School Theatre
presents

**THE 25th ANNUAL
PUTNAM COUNTY
SPELLING BEE**

Music & Lyrics By William Finn Conceived By Rebecca Feldman Book By Rachel Sheikin

Additional Material by, Joy Reiss | Originally Directed on Broadway by, James Lapine. | Originally produced on Broadway by David Stone, James L. Nederlander, Barbara Whitman, Patrick Catullo Barrington Stage Company, Second Stage Theatre.

Directed by Vicki Guthrie

APRIL 11th 12th & 13th
7pm 1pm

\$10 GENERAL ADMISSION-ALL PERFORMANCES

Barclay Theatre

817 12th Street Oregon City, Oregon 97045

Doors open :30 minutes prior to performance ~ purchase tickets at door

Mission Statement

"North Clackamas Christian School **partners** with Christian parents in providing our students with a biblically-based education that **pursues excellence** in spiritual, academic, artistic, & athletic programs, training them **to serve Christ** daily."