



MACA at a Glance

March 18, 2016

Don't Miss This Opportunity

There are only a few weeks left to get your tickets to one of the greatest MACA nights of the school year - the 11th Annual Dinner & Auction. Coming up on April 9 at 5:00 p.m., the evening is set aside to raise support for our teachers while having fun together as a MACA community. Here's what some MACA parents have to say about the auction:

We LOVE to come to the annual MACA auction because, first and foremost, it is such a fun event! The auction gives us a chance to meet the parents of our children's classmates and interact with the school's teachers and staff. Just attending the event is a contribution to the school! This annual event is MACA's biggest fundraiser that goes directly back to our AWESOME teachers. We financially support the MACA auction every year because we know that our kids' teachers are excellent Christian role models; the contributions are 100% worth it! Get your ticket right away and help strengthen our MACA community!

- MACA Parents for 9 years

The auction is such a fun evening! We enjoy visiting with friends and being served a great meal! It's fun to watch people keep an eye on their silent auction items to insure they get their prize! We also enjoy the live auction and especially the creativity of the auctioneers - they are quite funny! We wouldn't miss this chance to say "thank you" to the teachers for their dedication to our children! They are awesome!!

- MACA Parents for 17 years

We appreciate what the auction stands for - the opportunity to say thank you to the teachers who mold, guide and direct our daughter every day. Besides that - the evening itself is a blast. The food is great, the theme is always neat, and the fellowship is tops. Great way to support MACA and be a part of the family.

- MACA Parents for 5 years

Ticket order forms are in today's Communications Envelopes. They are only \$20 a ticket for a full evening of food and entertainment. Get your ticket now; they are only available until March 31.

MACA is a No Hurry Campus

We live in a fast paced region of our country and each one of us have a million things on our to do list for today. We completely understand this predicament; however, we must remember

that MACA makes student safety a priority. In the busyness of the spring season, we ask that you partner with us to make MACA a *No Hurry Campus*. Please note the following reminders:

- All students must exit vehicles in the east parking lot and utilize the crosswalk or in the drop off line. These are the only options. Please do not park in the west parking lot and send your student into the school. This causes an interruption to the flow of traffic and it puts your student and others in danger.
- In the afternoon, if you plan to use the west parking lot, you must enter the campus by 2:55 PM. This is a safety measure for our elementary students. No cars should drive past the front of the building after 2:55 p.m.
- We do ask that at all times, all drivers maintain a low speed through campus lots.
- If someone else picks up your MACA student, please make sure they are aware of these reminders.

Thank you for working together to make MACA a safe, *No Hurry Campus*.

And They Are Off

The MACA seniors left BWI early Thursday morning to head to Costa Rica on their missions trip. Each senior raised the funds needed to go and as a class raised enough money to also bless the people they serve with building supplies, clothes and gym equipment. A culmination of their MACA experience, our seniors go to serve people who are not blessed like we are. They minister to them academically, physically, spiritually and socially. Yes, they take the MACA mission across the globe. It doesn't get any better than that!

We will be posting daily updates and pictures on our facebook page. Like us on facebook - see the updates - and join us in praying for our seniors as they minister and serve.



MACA Nears Its Goal for Pennies for Patients

After only two weeks of collecting change for the National Honor Society Pennies for Patients drive, MACA's students are within \$200 of the \$1500 goal for the year. If all classes are able to collect a combined total of at least \$1500 in donations, all of MACA will earn a dress down day as a prize. Likewise, the class with the most donations in elementary, middle and high school will earn a pizza party.

The MACA collection total to date is \$1342.46. The class leaders in elementary, middle and high school are currently:

Mrs. Schuetz's 4th grade with \$305.00
Griffin and Sweigert's 10th grade with \$293.91
Teixeira and Teixeira's 7th grade with \$118.88

It is still possible for any class to move into first place. In fact, the runner-up class in middle school is only behind the 7th grade by 29 cents. It is a close race for that pizza party!



1st place class – Mrs. Schuetz's 4th Grade – shows off their winning Collection Tally Board

Don't forget that donations may be made online through the website <http://events.ils.org/pages/ms/MtAiryChristianAcademy>. Elementary and middle school Elementary and middle school students can locate their grade by entering their teacher's name in the classroom search to have their donation go directly to their class' total. High school students should use the class titles, "Freshman, Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors." Feel free to share this link on social media with your friends and family to allow them to contribute to your class totals.

Contributions will be accepted until Friday, April 1. Let's work together to make a difference!

Financial Assistance

A tuition assistance program is offered to provide assistance to MACA families demonstrating a financial need. Any family in need of financial assistance may apply from their Renweb account (on the left hand side of the screen, select financial aid). The deadline for submission for assistance is May 1. The Finance Committee will review all applications and announce awards by the end of May.

Many families are also blessed with financial benefits, making it possible for them to share with other families in need. If you are interested in making a donation to MACA's tuition assistance

program, please contact Mrs. Webster, Head of School. Please refer to the *Parent Handbook 2015/16* pg. 8 for policies regarding financial assistance.

Calendar Reminders

- March 17-24 Senior Missions Trip to Costa Rica
- March 24 End of Marking Period/Half Day of School/Dismissal at Noon
- March 25-28 Easter Vacation – No School
- March 30 ASVAB Testing (grades 10-11)
- March 30 Report Card Distributed
- March 31 Awards Assembly 8:25 a.m. (academic awards and winter sports awards)
- April 1 Go Beyond – Rescheduled Community Activities
- April 6 High School Field Trip to MD State House and US Naval Academy
- April 9 MACA Auction, 5:00 p.m.