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## FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR

The 2016-2017 school year is upon us! Our students are returning from their summer vacations and learning expectations for their new grades. I have already been impacted by old and new faces. They both remind me of the calling we have to be obedient. Our collective Christian obedience is to seek and fill seats for the great banquet found in **Luke 14:15-23**, **“...to the highways and the hedges.”**

From a physical standpoint, our work teams and staff have worked tirelessly over the summer and changed the look of the campus in so many ways. What a blessing it is to watch the Lord show off through His greatest creation, our staff and supporters!

This year, however, we have a major challenge to extinguish. Over the summer, many changes were dictated by government officials and it currently affects our academy. For years we have worked with the National School Lunch Program as well as E-rate. We could not have provided quality resources without the two programs. These programs, however, give the government an opportunity to overreach into our academy. We are now looking to rid ourselves of these two programs and be fully independent. The big question then becomes, “How much is a soul worth?” This means we need to find other avenues to either cut cost down or bring in income, preferably both. I challenge you to prayerfully seek providing a taste of the banquet here at the academy! I look forward to hearing the variety of ways our Lord calls His greatest creation to join with us. God bless you!

- *Kristopher Miller*  
Administrator

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## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- Elementary Teacher
- Middle School Teacher
- Children's Pastor/Girls Dorm
- Kitchen Worker

For more information, or if you are interested in any of these positions, call 928-524-6211 or visit [www.naca-az.org](http://www.naca-az.org) and fill out an application.

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above, log onto our website or  
call 928-524-6211.

## Special Needs

- Devotional Books
- Movies for Dorms (Rated PG or G)
- Gift Cards (Wal-Mart) earmarked for the nurse to buy supplies as needed.
- Postage Stamps

Check out the Special Needs list on the website ([www.naca-az.org](http://www.naca-az.org)) for a more complete list.

Without donors like you, we would not be able to fulfill our mission of educating and discipling students for Christ. You are impacting students for eternity!

## OFF TO A GREAT START!

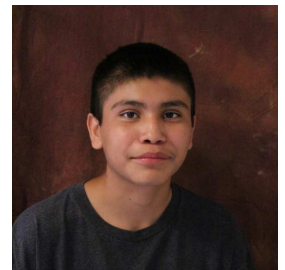
97% of our students returned from last school year, and the Lord also brought many new students. Our enrollment is steadily increasing, and we are looking forward to more students as God sends them. The anticipation is high as staff and students look forward to the work that God will do this school year.



Trey (below) is a new student. "I am looking forward to making new friends and growing in my faith." In the two weeks that he has been apart of the NACA community, he has felt more accepted than he did at his old school.



"My favorite thing at school is Saturday Night Activity. I also like learning about God. My favorite Bible story is Moses. I hope to grow in my faith in Christ." - Tristan (left)



"My favorite sport to play is basketball and I hope to bring another championship back to the land. I also look forward to God making me more wise." - Vann (above)

## What are students saying about NACA?

"I prayed everyday that I could come back and God answered my prayer!" - Crystal (right)



## 2016—2017 STAFF

Over the summer, NACA welcomed three new staff members. Patsy is a dorm parent and she is excited to “get to know the children, their customs, their personal lives, and teaching them more about Jesus.” Tammie cooks our delicious meals in the kitchen, and she is excited to “learn more about our awesome students.” God called Matt to be a dorm parent and he is also looking forward to “getting to know the kids and personally doing life with them.”



## 2ND ANNUAL VIRTUAL RACE

**The 2nd annual Virtual Race is set for October 6, 2016!**

What is a Virtual Race?

A virtual race is a race that a person can run at any location. You can walk, use the treadmill, run outside, etc. Basically, you can run your race at your pace wherever you are on October 6. Make sure to record your time and send it in to the race coordinator.

**Our race is 2.4 miles—the same distance that the cross country team runs. On October 6, run or walk 2.4 miles, record your time, and send it to Michele.**

Our goal is to raise \$6,000, which will be used to purchase a HVAC unit for Justice Dorm. In order to contribute to our overall goal, please set an individual goal for yourself and find sponsors to contribute to your goal. For example, if my sponsorship goal is \$300, I may ask 30 people to donate \$10. Thank you for your support of the ministry at Native American Christian Academy!

## Virtual Race Registration

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

T-shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsorship Goal: \_\_\_\_\_

\$30 Registration Fee

Please detach this form, fill it out, and mail it with your \$30 registration fee to:

Native American Christian Academy

ATTN: Michele Mellette

PO Box 4013

Sun Valley, AZ 86029

A form to track your sponsorship funds will be e-mailed to you.

For more information, call 928-524-6211 or e-mail

[michelem@naca-az.org](mailto:michelem@naca-az.org)



School Spirit is evident in the gym bathrooms. Work and Witness Team members sewed new curtains and painted the cubbies and walls.



Work and Witness Teams painted the walls and installed new lights in the boys dorm, giving it a brighter and more welcoming atmosphere.

## WORK AND WITNESS

Work and Witness had a very exciting spring and summer focusing on two major projects. We gave the gym bathrooms a facelift and some school spirit. We have the mission statement on the wall and will soon have the "Warrior Creed" in the hallway as well. We want to encourage our students to have pride in our school and also know who they are as Warriors and whose they are in Christ! The second major project we focused on was Ringen Dorm. It is much brighter and feels much more inviting than it did before. Thank you to all of the teams who have helped with these and other smaller projects that have gotten done around campus this summer. As the school year starts back up, we will turn our focus to finishing up Phase 1 in the Justice Dormitory and continue to beautify our campus with various landscaping and sidewalk building projects. Thank you. We could not do it without you!

- Erin Ward

*Work and Witness Coordinator*

## SUMMER STICKS TOUR

Thank you to everyone who hosted the Sticks Team this summer. We made memories and enjoyed every stop. Your hospitality was evident as you opened your hearts and homes to us.

Thank you to Southern Nazarene University, MidAmerica Nazarene University, and Olivet Nazarene University. Your campus tours were excellent and our students have you on their radars.

Thank you to Mustang Church of the Nazarene, College Church of the Nazarene, Lighthouse Church of the Nazarene, Bethel United Methodist Church, and Huntsville First Church of the Nazarene. God was present in each performance, and our students grew in their faith as they were called out of their comfort zones to be leaders in worship with you.

-Michele Mellette  
*Sticks Director*

