

**DAMASCUS CHRISTIAN SCHOOL  
CHALKMARKS  
HOME OF THE EAGLES**



The Heart Of Education is Education of the Heart

***Second Quarter DCS Scholars***

Each quarter, we note those students, fourth grade through high school, who have achieved **Highest Honors** (all A's) and **Honors** (all A's and B's). The following have met that criteria:

**4<sup>th</sup> grade Highest Honors –**

Kaitlyn B., Micah G., Hannah G., Payton G., Elli P., Rachel S., Nicole S., Laura S. and Hope W..

**4<sup>th</sup> grade Honors –**

Isabelle B., Andrew B., Laceyann C., Shannon C., Joshua M., Luke O., Ryan P., Michael U. and Sierra W.

**5<sup>th</sup> grade Highest Honors –**

Jacob A. and Moses W.

**5<sup>th</sup> grade Honors –**

Luke DW., Jonah G., Silas M., Beau M., Sarah N. and Eli R.

**6<sup>th</sup> grade Highest Honors –**

Grace M., Luke P. and Hunter S.

**6<sup>th</sup> grade Honors –**

Emily B., Hanna B., Josh G., Monty P., Audrey T. and Michael W.

**7<sup>th</sup> grade Highest Honors –**

Lexi G., Matthew L., Kenna M. and Ana W.

**7<sup>th</sup> grade Honors –**

Jonah C., Connor D., Kaleb E., Megan G., Mel G., Cyrus R., Rachel R., Nathan S., Sarah V. and Madi W.

**8<sup>th</sup> grade Highest Honors –**

Keira B., Val W., Vivian W., Austin W. and Joy W.

**8<sup>th</sup> grade Honors –**

Denis B., Taylor C., Caleb G., Kayla K., Jacob L., Lydia M., Juliette M., Angel N., Carrie O., Riley P. and David R.

**9<sup>th</sup> grade Highest Honors –**

Aimee B., Lindi B., Christian G. and Kayla M.

**9<sup>th</sup> grade Honors –**

Taylor DW., Rebekah G., Chris G., Lucas J., Taylor M., Zachary M., Karsten S. and Kimberlynn T.

**10<sup>th</sup> grade Highest Honors –**

Kristan H., Hanna J., Chelsea J., Joseph M., Caleb R., Eric R., Madeleine R., Kristen W. and Jeremiah W.

**10<sup>th</sup> grade Honors –**

Ryan G., Alyssa Ha, Jacob S. and Laura S.

**11<sup>th</sup> grade Highest Honors –**

Hannah H., Katie S. and Kayleigh W.

**11<sup>th</sup> grade Honors –**

Isaiah A., Meagan C., Luke D., Jacob D., Anna F., Chelsie G., Michael G., Justin J., Rachel L., James W. and Matthew Y.

**12 grade Highest Honors –**

Tori S.

**12 grade Honors –** Peter B., Jeff B., Austin C., Kelsey E. and Anna Rose S.

**CONGRATULATIONS FOR A JOB WELL DONE!**

***National SAT Averages Compared to DCS***

We are often asked, "How do DCS students' Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) scores compare to the national average scores?" Good question. Our Academic Advisor, **Jan Dauntless**, ran our 2009 SAT averages. Here is the comparison:

CRITICAL READING – national average – 501

DCS average – 591

MATH – national average – 515

DCS average – 560

WRITING – national average – 493

DCS average – 576



As you can see, our students score consistently higher across the board on reading, writing, and arithmetic. That speaks highly, not only of our students, but also about the quality teaching that takes place at Damascus Christian School.

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## December Character Awards Noted



Each month, the elementary teachers select students in their classes to receive recognition in character growth and development. Three areas are evaluated each month – the **Solomon Award** for demonstration of wisdom, the **David Award** for demonstrating a desire to follow after the Lord, and the **Paul Award** for demonstration of a fruit of the Spirit (kindness for December).

These students received the following awards:

**Solomon Award** – 1<sup>st</sup> grade - Beckett I., 2<sup>nd</sup> grade – Axel C., 3<sup>rd</sup> grade – Christian G., 4<sup>th</sup> grade – Sierra W., 5<sup>th</sup> grade – Silas M., 6<sup>th</sup> grade – Monty P.

**David Award** – kindergarten – Rachel R., 1<sup>st</sup> grade – Jacob C., 2<sup>nd</sup> grade – Nathan B., 3<sup>rd</sup> grade – Luke N., 4<sup>th</sup> grade – Micah G., 5<sup>th</sup> grade – Gabe C., 6<sup>th</sup> grade – Christine H.

**Paul Award** – kindergarten – Raegen F., 1<sup>st</sup> grade – Jacob W., 2<sup>nd</sup> grade – Megan R., 3<sup>rd</sup> grade – Aaron L., 4<sup>th</sup> grade – Isabelle B., 5<sup>th</sup> grade – Seth M., 6<sup>th</sup> grade – Luke P.

### Congratulations!

## DCHS Basketball Teams Continue Winning Ways

Our varsity *Eagles* continue to show finesse and team play as they march through their Valley 10 League schedule. Last week, both girls and boys teams posted victories against City Christian, North Clackamas Christian, and Open Door Christian.



The girls came away with a tight 35-33 win against the City girls, going on to win handily over NCCS, 52-26 and Open Door, 55-29. The boys also swept their week's games beating City 55-30, NCCS, 36-19, and Open Door, 67-23.

Currently, our varsity girls are in second place in league standing behind Portland Waldorf. Our boys are on top of the league with a 10-1 win/loss record. Strong defense coupled with a run and gun offense adds up to lots of fast action and coordinated team effort for coach **Dave Wakefield's Lady Eagles** and **Terry Calhoun's boys**. Our JV boys also sport a winning record as **Phil Rankin's** team continues to gel as a team. They have wins against King's Way Christian, Southwest Christian, and City Christian, with a squeaker loss against North Clackamas Christian last week.

This week our teams have two home games - Columbia Christian, Tuesday, and St. Paul High School on Saturday for

Homecoming. Come on out to cheer on our teams. Saturday's games are JV boys – 2:30, varsity girls – 4, and varsity boys at 6, with our Spirit Week/Homecoming Honor Court presentation at 5:30 PM. *Go Eagles!!*

## DCS Juniors Post High ASVAB Scores!

Two weeks ago our juniors were given the results of their Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) tests from education specialist Jon Dickson, M.Ed., from the Navy Recruiting District in Portland. Mr. Dickson had many kind words of praise for our school and its students. Some of those comments were that our students performed "... definitely within the top 2% of scores," in his jurisdiction which includes the state of Oregon, SW Washington, Northern California, and Western Idaho. He also said that our students are so well behaved and mature. He stated, "It is a joy to come to your school." **Great job DCS juniors!**



## Re-Enrollment Forms To Be Mailed Friday

Each year, we send out re-enrollment forms to families with students currently attending Damascus Christian School. Friday, these forms will be mailed to your home. The purpose of this early indicator is to help us plan fiscally as well as for personnel and classes. We are looking to keep tuition at about the same rate as this year with a possibility of a decrease.

Please look over the material carefully. As in years past, we are asking for a reaffirmation of agreement with the Damascus Christian School's Statement of Faith and church attendance policy in order to ensure consistency in our teaching and unity in our practice.

There is a \$50 continuation fee which secures a spot for your child and acts as a credit toward next year's tuition. The Re-Enrollment Form is to be signed and returned no later than Friday, February 12<sup>th</sup>. Thanks!

