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3rd quarter scholars honored

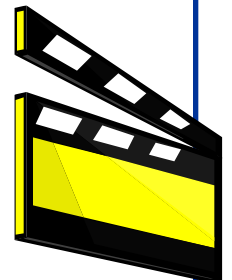
Each grading period, Damascus Christian School recognizes students who have excelled academically with **Highest Honors** (all A's) and **Honors** (all A's and B's), fourth grade through high school. The following students qualified for Honor Roll: **4th Grade Highest Honors** – Emily B., Grace M., Sophia R. and Hunter S. **Honors** – Hanna B., Hannah F., Luke S. and Madeline W. **5th Grade Highest Honors** – Matthew L., Kenna M. and Ana W. **Honors** – Jonah C., Kaleb E., Josh F., Lexi G., Mel G., Rachel G., Annalise H., Grace K., Rachel R., Nate S., Katelyn S. and Madi W. **6th Grade Highest Honors** – Keira B., Jacob L., Lydia M. and Val W. **Honors** – Alyssa B., Darik F., Chris G., Kayla K., Juliette M., Angel N., Carrie O., Hannah S. and Parker W. **7th Grade Highest Honors** – Jordyn F., Luke J. and Zachery M. **Honors** – Taylur DeW., Christian G., Faith K. and Karsten Sp. **8th Grade Highest Honors** – Amy B., Kristan H. and Hannah J. **Honors** – Alex F., Ryan G., Chelsea J., Josh R., Jacob S., Adam VanV. and Zeb W. **9th Grade Highest Honors** – Hannah H., Kaley S. and Kelsey Y. **Honors** – Isaiah A., Luke D., Jacob D., Anna F., Justin J., Katie S., Taylor S., James W., Kayleigh W. and Matt Y. **10th Grade Highest Honors** – Jeff B., Tori S. and Anna Rose S. **Honors** – Kelly B., Austin C. and Tanner M. **11th Grade Highest Honors** – Brittany A., Meegan C., Emily E., Jonathan H., Rebecca H., Anne H., Michelle H., Andrew J., Sean L., Jon N., Daniel R., Seth R., Kristina R., Bethany T., Colleen T. and Lexi Y. **Honors** – William B., Kiera B., Ashley B., Rem C., Allison C., Michael D., AJ I., Brent L., Wil L., James M., Jessica R., Emily S., Daniel S. and Zach W. **12th Grade Highest Honors** – Mathew B., Eric L., Joel M. and Brenna S. **Honors** – Nathan F., Maggie G., Emily McE., Kimberly S., Kevin U., Candice W., Alex W. and Laramie W.



Congratulations for a job well done!

DCS 4th Grader in classic production

Sophia Rolph, fourth grade daughter of **David and Jennifer Rolph** and granddaughter of School Commission member **Ed Rolph**, will be participating in the classic production *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs* presented by the Classical Ballet Academy, Saturday, May 10th, at St. Mary's Academy. Shows are scheduled for 2:30 and 7 PM. For further information, please call (503) 890-6101.



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This & That

Manners matter at DCS

Each month, our elementary teachers select students who have shown good manners. For March, the following students received this recognition: **First Grade – Kennedy H. and Claire W., 2nd Grade – Ryan P., Laura S., Rachel S. and Hayden Y. 3rd Grade – Micah S. and Luke DeW., 4th Grade – Hanna B. and Hannah F., 5th Grade – Lexi G. and Annalise H., and 6th Grade – Brandon B. and Stefani M.**

Congratulations to these students for their examples of civility! Each got to select a gift from the Eagle's Nest.

DCS Education Foundation formed

We are excited to announce the formation of the *Damascus Christian Education Foundation*. DCEF was created to financially support the educational mission of DCS. Although the formal 501(c)3 tax-exempt designation from the IRS will take nine to twelve months to obtain, DCEF is able to accept tax deductible donations now. The vision is that the Foundation will become an instrumental part o in making a DCS education available to more families through financial assistance. **Doug Goebel** has been named Director of the Foundation. Look for more details on this as the Board of Directors is established and fundraising plans are made.



Various ways to give to DCS

Not only do we have our Foundation now in formation, there are a number of ways you can contribute to Damascus Christian School without spending additional money. Of course, there is our *Scrip* program which allows DCS families and friends to purchase retail gift cards from various local vendors with a portion of their profit coming back to the school. Office Depot also has a program which gives 5% of your purchases back to the school. Our school ID number is 70083425. Use that number when



you shop at Office Depot and DCS gets a credit for supplies. For further information, go to www.school.com and click on the 5% Back to School Program link. Another program in place is through Washington Mutual Bank. If you bank there, you can sign up for their plan (www.wamoolaforschools.com) and the school receives a check from them based upon how many people use their services. We just received a check from Washington Mutual for \$270.22. Nothing that is going to build a new gym or purchase a bus, but it helps in the big picture. With our Foundation now in process, you can also check with your workplace; many do matching gifts to the recipient you designate. Numbers of parents have done this over the years and it is a wonderful way to support DCS. Thanks for the creative ways you have found to extend your giving dollars for Damascus Christian School!

Child safety fair

Saturday, April 19th, Hollyview Family Fellowship (14095 SE 257th, Damascus) is sponsoring a Child Safety Fair, from noon until 4 PM. Issues covered will be secure child photo ID, car seat safety and installation, bike helmet for kids, poisonous plants and poison safety, 911 information, Internet safety and fire prevention and safety. For further information, please call (503) 658-5680.



Aimee update

Not much new to report. **Aimee** continues to progress on her physical therapy program. Plans are now underway to have Aimee rejoin her DCS class soon. This would be on a progressive time plan in order to allow her to regain her strength and stamina.



We are so thankful for this dear family and God's gracious provision for their strength, confidence and peace. If you would like to contribute to help the **Blubaugh's** with their expenses related to the care of Aimee, stop by any US Bank branch. Contributions are tax deductible. Thanks!

A Dose of Encouragement

Did you take a look at the Library Reading Challenge that your elementary students brought home last week? They may be ready for a big dose of encouragement about now! I'm sure that for many of our kids, reading 7 hours outside of school over a two-week period may seem like a tall mountain to climb. But with your help, I'm confident they can complete the Challenge. Please take note of the due date and be sure it is signed before returning it. Thanks for your encouragement!

Linda Dennis, Librarian

