

# THE MONTHLY SCOOP

MID-AMERICA PREPARATORY SCHOOL MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



## 2021-2022 THEME

*Be Present - The Act of Being in the moment*

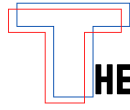
Yes, we all have something to worry about. Maybe it's a test coming up or you're worried about how you did on that test you took yesterday. Let's say you are in math class and you can't focus on the lesson because all you can think about is the science exam later that day. Of course we should think about those things, but it can be a distraction to us.

The theme this year is all about being in the moment and taking action based on what is happening currently. Not only is the theme about being in the moment, but it is also a reminder to be together with friends and to grow tighter bonds between the MAPS family. Isaiah 43:18-19 says, "Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland." This is a perfect scripture to sum up our theme of the year because it shows that God is working and making changes for the better as we move into the future. If we hang onto the past then it will weigh us down in our path toward the future and while it may not seem like it, the best has yet to come!

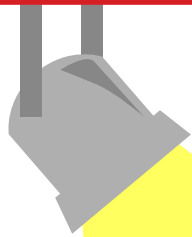


*Christ Tabernacle Church has started the "Dream to Destiny" campaign. Dream to Destiny will provide many updates to the church, and the addition of our NEW SCHOOL. For this project, prayers and donations are needed. The goal is to raise \$2.7 million and so far we've raised \$1.1 million, which is about 40%! This fall, Dream to Destiny plans to start the process of improving the foyer area and expand it. This Improvement will provide space for the church and also a great place for the students to hang out.*

# STUDENT LIFE SECTION



**THE 2021-22 MAPS SCHOOL YEAR HAS BROUGHT MANY CHANGES. WE ARE SO GRATEFUL TO HAVE 91 STUDENTS THIS YEAR! WE HAVE ACQUIRED MANY NEW ADDITIONS TO THE MAPS FAM; MRS. FINLEY, 4-5TH GRADE TEACHER, MRS. SMITH, JUNIOR HIGH/HIGH SCHOOL TEACHER, AND MR. WOOD, 4-12TH GRADE TEACHER. IN THIS SPECIFIC SECTION OF THE MONTHLY SCOOP, YOU WILL BE ABLE TO READ ALL ABOUT OUR SCHOOL EVENTS, SUCH AS GAMES, PROGRAMS, ETC. MAKE SURE TO STAY UPDATED ON ALL MAPS INFO!**



## Student Spotlight

### Krista Clark

**From Pana, is an 18 year-old senior, Krista Clark. She is very talented, and some of her hobbies include, making comics, animating, drawing, dancing, and swimming. Krista has attended MAPS since she was in kindergarten, making her the second student ever to go K-12. She loves MAPS because of the close family-like environment.**



### Derek Huang

**Derek Huang, is a 5 year old, kindergarten student at MAPS. He lives in Vandalia, and enjoys being around his friends and cousins at school. Derek enjoys playing tag with his friends, and games on his tablet such as Plants vs. Zombies. Like all students, we love having Derek as a part of our school.**



# MEET THE TEAM

Introducing the team behind "the monthly scoop" your maps class of 2023!

We are so blessed to have the opportunity to be the team that gets to bring all of you a monthly newsletter this year! We have been working hard every day and are so happy for our very first issue to be out! We thought it would be a good idea to have all of you get to know us!

Top left pictured is Martin Cook!

Martin is 17 and considers himself a "people person" who never knows a stranger. He is a part of the MAPS/

Altamont co-op soccer team this year. In his spare time he enjoys

photography! Pictured top right is Isaac Wafford! He is 16, a musician and really enjoys to write. Pictured bottom left is Lucy Allen. She is a 16 year old

who enjoys music, songwriting, singing, and leading worship. Pictured

bottom right is 16 year old Lilly Fender. Lilly is also a musician who enjoys leading worship, writing, and spending time with her friends.



## YOUR QUESTIONS, OUR ANSWERS

a safe place for you to ask for our advice & perspective on anything!

### 1. What's your best advice for an incoming freshman?

- Lean into your community! MAPS has a great group of students and teachers who have your best interest at heart!
- Find a personalized way to stay organized - not every person is the same, so find a way that works for you!
- Don't be scared to ask questions! If you don't understand or if you are confused - your teachers are happy to help.

### 2. What's your biggest regret from 8th grade?

- Focusing on what everyone else thought of me, and failing to realize that other people's opinions didn't matter.
- Procrastinating, it makes everything much more stressful than necessary.

### 3. What are some good study habits?

- Everyone has different ways to study and get things done, but here are some of ours!
  - i. Making quizlets (Lilly)
  - ii. Reread the material (Isaac)
  - iii. Eliminate distractions, like electronics, and do your best to focus on what you're studying (Martin)
  - iv. Ask questions and make a lot of notes (Lucy)

# September BIRTHDAYS

- 1ST - JAXXON PHILLIPS
- 5TH - KOLTON HARRIS
- 12TH - MRS. SUSAN FLESNER
- 13TH - LOGAN COOK
- 14TH - GRACIE HOUSER
- 16TH - EVELYN DANIEL AND LILLY FENDER
- 18TH - MATTHEW DEAL
- 20TH - RILEY POTTER
- 26TH - MRS. KAREN RITCHIE
- 29TH - DEREK HUANG

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