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Versacare Funds FHJ Prep

FHJ Prep has now been awarded its third grant this academic year. Versacare, a Seventh-day Adventist healthcare institution, has awarded F. H. Jenkins a \$5,000 grant to help furnish the science laboratory.

This year, Versacae, Inc. evaluated 95 grant applications, as well as 48 special education technology applications. They received, in excess of, \$4 million in requests, and approved 77 Versafund grants for full or partial funding, in the total of \$1.5 million.

New this year, Versacare added the special \$250,000 education technology grant, which is included in the above mentioned funding total. The thirty winners for this category were randomly selected, and FHJ Prep was one of the selected winners.

With these funds, the science lab will have adjustable height science lab tables, as well as stools. This is especially useful due to FHJ Prep's new focus on K-8 STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) instruction. These funds are a launching point for a renewed lab, that will provide scholars the equipment to do inquiry-based STEM projects. If you would like to contribute to this initiative please contact our school office (615) 227-8992 or give online at www.fhjenkins.net.

Save the Date!

FHJ Awards Banquet

May 19th

Scholars of FHJ Prep will be celebrated for their amazing accomplishments, both academic and athletic.

K & 8th Grade Graduation

May 25th & May 28th

Kindergarten graduation will be located at F. H. Jenkins on May 25th.

 8^{th} grade graduation will take place at Hillcrest SDA Church on May 28^{th} .

"Go Ye Therefore": 8th Graders attend Mission Trip

Each year 8th graders across the South Central Conference have the opportunity to participate in a mission trip to Holbrook, AZ. The mission trip is sponsored by Christian in Action Outreach Ministry. The ministry's purpose is to reach, teach, and send those called to missions.

In preparation for this trip, 8th graders raised approximately \$1200 each to cover their expenses. In an age where self-aggrandizement is celebrated, our young scholars raised funds in order to serve others.

Scholars spent the majority of their time at Holbrook SDA Indian School where they helped to revitalize the school campus. They participated in activities such as: painting, sweeping, cleaning windows, mopping, and much more. They also had the opportunity to tutor some of the young children at the school.

At FHJ Prep we are committed to inspiring leaders and cultivating excellence. Most of all, we are passionate about helping our young people become servant leaders! Using Christ as our model, we take the gospel commission seriously. "Go ye therefore..."



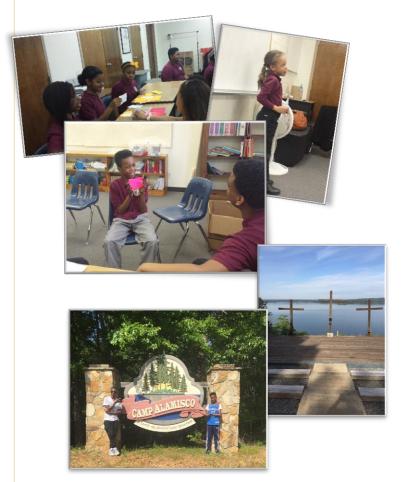




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Spanish for All

This semester all of our scholars, K-8, received Spanish instruction. Each Friday, Senorita Barbee works diligently with our scholars, exposing them to both language and culture. Scholars are able to learn Spanish in a fun and engaging way—through use of games, discussion, conversation practice, partner work, and much more! Each week scholars eagerly anticipate Spanish class.



Outdoor Education

From Monday, April 18 through Wednesday, April 20, F. H. Jenkins Preparatory School's sixth graders participated in the South Central Conference's "Outdoor School" at Camp Alamisco, just outside of Auburn, AL. The Outdoor School is an annual event where sixth graders from all across the South Central Conference territory come together to spend three days at camp. The camp includes all of the traditional tasks that promote personal growth and responsibility in adolescents, e.g. cabin inspection, flag raising, mess hall dining, and camp clean-up. There's also the expected outdoor recreational activities like swimming and canoeing. However, what sets this camp apart most is that it takes place when the rest of the nation's kids are in school-because that are in school-just outside in nature!

For three days our sixth grader's classes consisted of distinguishing between the natural and unnatural within a habitat, while they hiked through the forest; measuring water clarity, while boating on Lake Martin; learning about the necessary elements needed to make fire, and then amassing the materials to make their own; identifying specific stars and constellations, while gazing into the night sky; and discussing the differences between the theory of evolution and the truth of creation, while listening to the "heavens declare the glory of God!"

In one of their favorite classes they were shown seven different plants and taught to identify them by their branches. Then they played a variation of the game "steal the bacon." Students were lined up in opposing teams, as they attempted to identify plants. No, this was not recess, this was ecology class! Outdoor school is yet another one of the many creative educational offerings that make up the FHJ Prep experience.

Hunting for Jesus

This month, during the monthly Student Government chapel, the scholars participated in an Easter egg hunt. The scholars were divided into four teams, and each team was assigned a specific color egg to find. After the team found their eggs, they were to open them and unscramble the words that were found within. The words in the eggs created a Bible text about the death and resurrection of Christ. What an exciting way to engage and explore God's Word. Kudos to the Student Government for there leadership.



Classroom Highlights

Mrs. Pelote's Class

In our Kindergarten class, we've been learning about our bodies. God made our body with amazing organs. For instance, our lungs have the capacity to hold the air that we breathe. We were able to see how much air we had in our lungs by blowing a ball of paper as far as we could. The person that blew their ball of paper farther than the others was the person who had the most air in their lungs. Learning is fun!



Ms. Tapp's Class

The scholars have been exploring the exciting world of poetry! The month of April is National Poetry Month. This year marks its 20th anniversary! We have studied and practiced using the different poetic devices/elements and forms. We've also had the opportunity to create original poems to add to our poetry portfolios and to the "Poet Tree" on the wall outside of our room. Feel free to come by and take a look!

Ms. Washington's Class

Moving into the spring semester, 8th grade scholar began an Algebra 1 course. Scholars are getting a jump start on their high school coursework, which will position them to be advanced upon entering their respective high schools. Currently, scholars are learning to factor polynomials, as well as FOIL equations. We are proud of all of the hard work our scholars have been putting in!



Partner With Us

Are you interested in partnering with F. H. Jenkins? Included in this section are different ways in which you can lend a hand.

Volunteer Opportunities

Lunchroom Attendants: Monitor students during the lunch period to allow our teachers to take a short break.

Tutors: Help students with homework and monitor students after school

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