



The Lion's Roar

September 2016

Millennium Charter Academy Events Worth Roaring About



A Day of Honor at MCA

September 16 was a triple day of honor at Millennium Charter Academy as the school inaugurated its chapter of the National Honor Society with the induction of five members of the school's junior class. The ceremony began with breakfast for the five members and their families on the upper school patio, followed by an induction ceremony where faculty advisors spoke about the National Honor Society's four pillars: scholarship, leadership, character, and service. Miss Melanie Pyles, former MCA student and a current student at Campbell University, spoke to the students about the importance of character above all else.

Following the honor society induction was the annual Upper School honor code signing for students in grades six through eleven. Because this was also Constitution Day, the ceremony included honoring one of our nation's founding documents, the Constitution of the United States, so the eighth grade, under the direction of Eric Cook, presented a dramatic reading of the Preamble of the Constitution.



Inaugural MCA National Honor Society Members are juniors **Kaine Lovill, Julia Southern, Sarah Shepherd, Madison Meadows, and Dalton Collins.**

Pam Braley, MCA Upper School Director, spoke to the students about the commitment of our founders to the words of the documents they crafted. She then challenged the students to commit themselves to the words of the MCA's Pledge, which they recite daily.



Students gather around US Congresswoman Virginia Foxx to talk with her after the honor code signing.

The special guest for the day was Congresswoman Virginia Foxx. She continued the same theme with an inspiring talk challenging students to "Be the People." After a speech by Headmaster Kirby McCrary in which he charged students to seek that which is good, true, and beautiful, all students signed the Millennium Charter Academy Honor Code, which will be on display in the school.

MCA's Honor Code, Pledge, Expectations, and Habits help establish a culture that inspires students to virtue and integrity.



Television station WXII was on hand for the honor code signing.

The Millennium Charter Academy honor code reads: As an individual with endowed worth and value, I will honor others with the same respect that I am due. I will uphold the high ideals of this institution with integrity by being respectful, honest, compassionate, responsible and courageous.

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