



# FRIDAY FOLDER

## Upper School Friday Folder October 22, 2021

*From the seminar to the science lab, from the music room to the playing field, we begin with the conviction that all human beings can know truth, create beauty and practice goodness. ~ from the Thomas MacLaren School Mission Statement*

### Uniform and Dress Code Issues

As many of you have experienced, **our uniform vendors have been hugely backlogged** due to the supply chain issues that are affecting so many industries. **We know that this has been frustrating for parents** and students alike, and we do apologize for the inconvenience. As the weather gets cooler, and we all await the arrival of our long back-ordered shirts and sweaters and fleeces, feel free to send in a brief note to your child's respective dean requesting a temporary modification to the dress code. We ask that families please do your best to wear items that are as close as possible to the uniform items you are missing (i.e., blue sweaters and fleeces for the Lower School and red or burgundy for the Upper School), but **please know that we want to work with you** to make this as easy as possible.



Thank you for your support of the dress code even amid the frustrations.

### Parking in Handicapped Spots - Only For Those With Placard or Plate



We would ask that only drivers that have a handicapped placard or license plate park in the reserved handicapped spots in our parking lot. It has come to our attention that some in our community who are handicapped have been unable to find an empty handicapped parking spot. Please only park in a handicapped spot if you have identification on your car that verifies your handicap. Thank you!

## Students Not Picked Up By 4:00 p.m. Will Enter ASSH and Be Charged a Fee

We want to remind all parents that per our protocol as noted on page 42 in the [Upper School Parent-Student Handbook](#), that if a student is not picked up by 3:45 p.m., we direct them to go to After School Study Hall. If a **student remains on the premises after 4:00 p.m.**, then they **will be automatically registered in Study Hall** and **parents will be billed for applicable fees**. Thank you for your cooperation.

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## Drivers Stay in Car in Pick-Up Lane - Students Enter on Right Side of Vehicle

The drop-off/pick-up lane is a very busy place and we are witnessing some actions that are putting students in a dangerous situation. Please heed the following guidelines to make this daily journey for the students a safe one.

1. **Drivers should not get out of the vehicles in the pick-up lane** for any reason. If you need a student retrieved, please roll down your window and wait for a monitor to assist you. Monitors can locate and send the student to your vehicle.
2. **Students should enter the vehicle on the right-hand side only.** The left lane is a passing lane for cars, and it is dangerous for students to enter vehicles on the left side.



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## Looking for a Fun Night Out? MacLaren String Quartet Presents "Musical Images" - Tonight, October 22



Looking for a fun night out with good music, drinks, and conversation? Our very own MacLaren String Quartet will be giving their **first concert of the season at The Warehouse Restaurant downtown at 7:30 p.m. tonight, October 22.** The program features "The Lark" by Franz Joseph Haydn and "Death and the Maiden" by Franz Schubert. **Tickets are \$10.** This event is appropriate for ages 10 and up. We hope you can join us! **Please register [here](#).**

*The MacLaren String Quartet was founded in 2016 and is comprised of four of our orchestra faculty members who are also performers with the Colorado Springs Philharmonic and hold advanced performance degrees in their given instrument. .*

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## 6th Grade Boys Public Performance Plays - October 26 and 28

Parents and siblings of 6th grade boys are invited to attend the Public Performance plays next week. Check-in begins at 2:15 p.m. The plays start promptly at 2:45 p.m. and will finish by 3:30 p.m. Masks are required.



- **Tuesday, October 26 - 6th grade boys alphas** will present, *The Pickwick Papers* by Charles Dickens, directed by Mrs. Kolb.
  - **Thursday, October 28 - 6th grade boys betas** "The Miraculous Eclipse" from *A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court*, by Mark Twain, directed by Mrs. Johnson.
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## Save the Date: HS Info Night for MacLaren 8th Grade Families - Nov. 4

On Thursday, November 4 at 6:30 p.m. on Zoom, **all MacLaren 8th graders and their parents are invited to**



## Highlander Athletics Updates - Week of October 22

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### Date Change: MS Fall Sports Honors Night via Zoom - Tuesday, November 2



Date Change: On Tuesday, November 2, at 6:30 p.m., we will combine the Middle School Fall athletic programs into one collective Zoom event to honor our teams and give out some special awards! The Zoom link will be emailed to all parents.

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### HS Basketball Boys/Girls Registration Open

Registration for HS Basketball is open on [MySchoolBucks](#). The season will begin with tryouts starting on November 15 and the regular season will run through mid-February. **All athletes must have a current sports physical on file before they will be allowed to tryout.** Any athlete whose physical expires mid-season must renew the exam prior to expiration. **Registration deadline is November 10.**



Visit the [Athletics Schedules](#) page on the website for current schedules.

Please direct any questions to Mrs. Steigerwald, Athletic Director, at [csteigerwald@maclarenschool.org](mailto:csteigerwald@maclarenschool.org).

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### HS Basketball Open Gyms - Register Now

**HS Girls Open Gyms:**  
Thursdays - 6:30-8:00 p.m.  
Saturdays - 8:30-10:00 a.m.

**HS Boys Open Gyms:**  
Mondays - 6:00-7:30 p.m.  
Saturdays - 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

**Please register** on [MySchoolBucks](#) to attend.  
These free workouts are optional and open to any interested HS students.

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### Highlanders in Competition

#### October 25

- MS Boys Basketball @ Monument Academy - 4:00 p.m.

October 26 - none

#### October 27

- MS Boys Basketball vs. Vanguard - 4:00 p.m.

October 28 - None



## October 29

- HS Varsity Boys Soccer - 2A 1st Round Playoffs - TBD

## October 30

- HS Cross Country State Finals @ Norris-Penrose Event Center - 9:40 a.m. 2A Boys, 11:00 a.m. 2A Girls
- HS Varsity Boys Soccer - 2A Quarterfinals - TBD

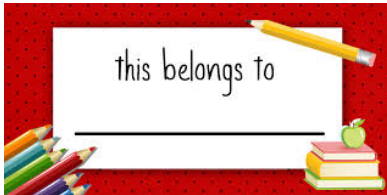
**Come and cheer on your Highlanders this week!**

Home game admission prices can be found on our website [here](#).

View full athletics calendar on our website [here](#).

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### **Lost and Found is Overflowing! Please Label Your Child's Belongings**



Please **label your child's belongings with a fine tip permanent marker and check regularly that the the name is still legible**. Items that have a discernable name on them will be returned to the student within a week. Students are also encouraged to check lost and found on their own during lunch or after school.

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### **Are You Active Duty Military? Are You a Federal Employee? Fill Out the Impact Aid Funding Form Today**

Each year **our school is eligible to receive Impact Aid funding based on the number of eligible Impact Aid Forms we receive back** from parents for our Impact Aid Application. The more students we can count, the more likely we will be to qualify for funding and the higher the percentage of funding our school will be eligible to receive.

Please review the list below to **determine if your family meets one or more of these eligibility categories** as of October 1, 2021:

1. **Student resides on federal property** (ex: military base).
2. The **student's parent or guardian is serving in the military** (ex: active duty).
3. The **student's parent or guardian works for the federal government or works on federal property** (ex: military base, national forest land, VA medical center).

**If you DO meet any of the categories above, please complete the online Impact Aid Form** by following this link: <https://app.hellosign.com/s/KuLloTWe> **by November 3**. After clicking the link, you will be asked for your email address. A link to the actual form will be sent to your email address.

All information submitted is secure and will be handled confidentially. Please do not hesitate to reach out to Sheila Sellers at [ssellers@maclarenschool.org](mailto:ssellers@maclarenschool.org) with any questions or concerns.



### **Save the Date**

- 11/2 - MS Fall Athletics Honors Night
- 11/4 - HS Info Night for MacLaren 8th graders
- 11/9 - Sophomore Parent College Night via Zoom
- 11/9-11 - Hearing and Vision Screening
- 11/11 - K-12 Information Night
- 11/22-26 - Thanksgiving Break
- 12/2-3 - Senior Drama III Performance

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