



FRIDAY FOLDER

Upper School Friday Folder September 17, 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

MacLaren Society Event: DANTE'S WORLD - Tonight!



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S O C I E T Y

Mark the 700th Anniversary of Dante's death with this MacLaren Society event!

DANTE'S WORLD: ***"Dante and the Origin of the Modern World"***

We look forward to seeing all of you tonight who registered for this event!

If you would like to attend but have not registered, please go to the [MacLaren Society page](#) on our website.

Questions? Contact Mrs. Oram, Director of Community Engagement, at joram@maclarenschool.org.

Retrieving Student Items from Locker When Child is Sick

When your child is unable to come to school because of illness or quarantine, please follow the instructions below to help make the picking up of their school items go more efficiently.

- **If your child is home sick with a non-COVID related illness**, please plan to **bring a bag, your child's locker number, and locker combination** to the Main Entrance of the school. **Be prepared to show identification to be cleared to enter the school** where you will be able to retrieve the materials from the locker yourself.
- **If your child has been quarantined or isolated due to COVID**, your **child's Dean or teacher will gather all of the necessary academic materials** and leave them at the

Main Entrance. The Front Desk team will reach out to you when the items are ready to be picked up.

If you have any questions about these protocols, please contact Mrs. Finch at dfinch@maclarenschool.org.

Does Your Child Have a Library Card? If Not, Sign Up Now!

Thomas MacLaren is excited to announce that we are partnering with [Pikes Peak Library District](#) to ensure that each of our students possesses a library card and has access to all the wonderful programs PPLD offers. Did you know that in addition to checking out books, PPLD also has these services to offer amongst many others:



- Audio Books
- Opportunities to participate in local academic competitions
- Community Service opportunities
- eLibrary

Your Upper School student has been given a form for you to fill out and return to school by next Friday, September 24. (We will hand out forms to the Lower School students next week). If your student already possesses a library card, you do not need to fill out a new form. **This is for students who do not already have one.** The form can also be accessed through this link: <https://ppld.org/sites/default/files/librarycards/applicationandletterforschools.pdf>

If you have any questions, please email Mrs. Randall at arandall@maclarenschool.org

Is Your Family New to the Upper School? US New Parent Orientation II - Thursday, September 23



If your family is new to the Upper School at MacLaren, there will be a **mandatory parent meeting via Zoom** lead by Mr. LaBadie on Thursday, September 23, at 6:30 p.m. The Zoom link will be emailed to you prior to the event.

Chick-Fil-A Fundraiser - Thursday, September 23

Come support Thomas MacLaren!

The **Garden of the Gods** location of **Chick-Fil-A** will be hosting a **fundraiser** for the school all day **Thursday, September 23**. Tell your order taker "I'm here to support MacLaren" OR with your team member delivery or mobile order put "Spirit Day" in notes! **We will receive 15% of all purchases** where MacLaren is named. **Spread the word!** Tell your family, friends and neighbors!



Touching Tiny Lives 5K and Fun Run - Friday, September 24

Our Touching Tiny Lives fundraiser



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FOUNDATION

is back!

This fundraiser raises money for the [Touching Tiny Lives Foundation](#) and the [Lesotho Food Initiative](#).

What: 5K run or 1-mile walk

When: Friday, September 24, from 3:30-5:00 p.m.

Where: Participants gather on the Plaza and walk

to the start on the Rock Island Trail across the street from the school. The race/walk will take place on the trail.

Cost: \$10 **Registration is open on [MySchoolBucks](#).**

This event is open to the whole family to participate.

Build community as we practice goodness together!

Donations accepted.

Contact Ms. Grieshaber at kgrieshaber@maclarenschool.org or Mrs. Oram at joram@maclarenschool.org for more information.



Volunteers Needed for Touching Tiny Lives Event - Sign Up Today

We are excited to again be putting on this wonderful fundraiser, but **it takes many volunteers to make this a successful event.** Do you think you might have time to help out? **Check out the sign up form [here](#) to see what is needed.**

If you have never volunteered before, you will need to undergo a background check. To learn more about volunteering at MacLaren and fill out the volunteer application, please go to our Volunteer Information page on the website under the Parents tab or by clicking [here](#).

Highlander Athletics Updates - Week of September 19

US Boys Basketball Updates

US Boys Basketball open gyms are in full swing!

High School Boys: Saturdays, 10 a.m. - Noon

Middle School Boys: Saturdays, Noon - 2 p.m.

All boys are welcome to participate in this **free** weekly basketball workout. Registration is mandatory. Please go to [MySchoolBucks](#) to sign up.



Upper School Girls basketball open gyms will begin in October.

Please contact the Athletic Director, Mrs. Steigerwald, at csteigerwald@maclarenschool.org with any questions you have.

Middle School Boys Basketball Team Registration Due Tuesday, Sept. 28

Middle School boys basketball season is quickly approaching! **Practices start on Monday, October 4.** Register today at [MySchoolBucks](#). **Registration is due**

REGISTER NOW!

Tuesday, September 28. Please note: A current sports physical filled out by your health provider is necessary to be able to practice.

Direct any questions to the Athletic Director, Mrs. Steigerwald, at csteigerwald@maclarenschool.org.

Highlander Games and Meets This Week

Come and cheer on your Highlanders this week!

September 20

- MS Boys Soccer @ Vanguard - 4:00 p.m.
- MS Girls Volleyball @ James Irwin (Astrozon) - 4:00 p.m.

September 21

- HS Varsity Boys Soccer @ Dolores Huerta Prep - 4:30 p.m.

September 22

- MS Boys Soccer @ Ellicott MS - 4:00 p.m.
- MS Girls Volleyball @ Banning Lewis - 4:00 p.m.

September 23

- HS Cross Country Cougar Classic Meet @ Monument Valley Park - 2:00 p.m.
- HS Varsity Boys Soccer vs. Atlas Prep - 4:00 p.m.

September 24

- MS Cross Country Meet @ Vanguard - 4:00 p.m.

September 25

- HS Varsity Boys Soccer @ Ellicott HS - 11:00 a.m.



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

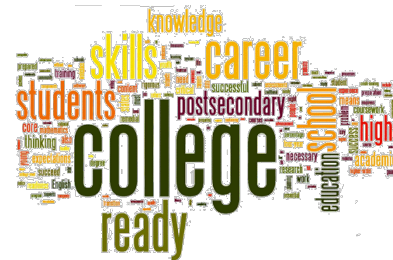
Now Livestreaming All Home Games!



If you can't make it to the game, **we are now livestreaming all home games on the [NFHS Network](#)**, a subscription-based streaming platform. You can subscribe monthly for \$10.99/month or get an annual subscription for \$69.99 and can cancel at any time. Many of the schools we play also stream on this network, so **you can also watch away games**. This is a **great way for relatives and friends who don't live in town to see your child play!**

Save the Date: Senior Parents College Night via Zoom - September 28

Parents of 12th graders are invited to attend a Zoom meeting with the college counselors on Tuesday, September 28 at 6:30 p.m. During the parent night, the **counselors will be discussing how parents can support their child during the college application process, resources for application completion, and a general overview of Financial Aid and resources**. The Zoom link will be sent to parents via email just prior to the event. Please direct any questions to Ms. Cooper at acooper@maclarenschool.org or Mrs. Fadgen at



Want to Buy a Spirit Shirt, Fleece or Highlander Gear? School Store Opens on Thursday, September 30



We will again be selling Spirit Shirts, uniform fleece, and Highlander Fan Gear beginning on September 30. **This will be the last time the School Store at BSN will be open this semester.** Items ordered during this window are estimated to be delivered before Thanksgiving Break. The order form links will be posted [on the website](#) on September 30.

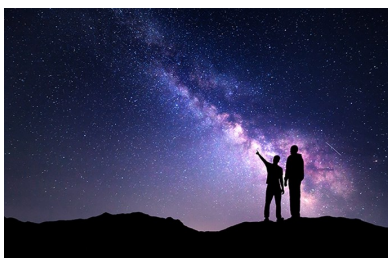
Save the Date: Senior Drama Productions: Sept. 30-Oct. 1 and Oct. 4-5

Some of the senior class will be presenting the first two plays of the senior drama season. We hope you can join us in the MacLaren Auditorium for these **free performances**. They will begin at 6:30 p.m. and run approximately two hours. **Students will receive clan points for attending!**



- **September 30-October 1:** *Pygmalion* by George Bernard Shaw
- **October 4-5:** *The Importance of Being Earnest* by Oscar Wilde

Save the Date: Community Stargazing Event Returns! - Saturday, October 2



Come enjoy a night of hands-on science and community as we host the National Space Science and Technology Institute, the Colorado Springs Astronomical Society, Cool Science... and food trucks on our MacLaren Campus. The event will run from **5:00-8:30 p.m. on Saturday, October 2.**

This fun night is **free and open to the public!** Bring your lawn chairs and blankets, your friends and your family!

Volunteers are needed to help run this fun event. Click [here](#) to see how you can help!

If you have questions about this event, please contact Mrs. Oram, Director of Community Engagement, at joram@maclarenschool.org.



Save the Date

- 9/28 - Senior Parent Night via Zoom
- 9/29 - CLT Exam: 10th Grade
- 9/30-10/1 - Senior Drama I Performances
- 10/2 - Community Stargazing Event
- 10/4-5 - Senior Drama II Performances
- 10/6 - No School/In-Service
- 10/7-8 - Fall Break

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