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Computer training kicks off the year

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At the start of each school year, new incoming students are equipped with new laptop computers. Each of the students attends the Laptop Computer Training in Anderson Lecture Hall as part of this technological handoff.

These meetings took place this year during the two weeks before school started in early August. It gave the new Knights the opportunity to set up their Apple computers, one of the most important tools they will have to be successful navigate their time at Episcopal.

The training courses are led by the IT Mr. Greg Melius, who also works at the Help Desk, and he is assisted by a number of current and graduating students. Not only do the new computer owners learn about their new computer's functions, but they also learn about the programs that come with them.

The computers stay with each student for their four years of high school. Many teachers prefer students to use these computers as a means of notetaking and other classwork. They are important for any accessible online textbooks and library data bases, for example, but most importantly,



Freshman students receive new computer training. Photo by Julia Toups

they are the primary form of communication among teachers and the student body. From a new math assignment to an honors society application, email is a crucial part of getting information at Episcopal.

Receiving these computers is another signal of the start of a new year and high school experience for incoming Knights.

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The Class of 2023 goes to Camp Allen

The Freshman Class attends the annual retreat for a day of bonding before school starts



New Knights Kate McQueary and Lindsay Sauer brave the daunting high ropes course with a classmate during the Freshman Retreat. The students participated on the zipline and other outdoor activities during the full day of bonding. Photo by Julia Toups.

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The Freshman Retreat kicked off the school year with a bang this past weekend. Students traveled to Camp Allen for a day of bonding activities and trust exercises to facilitate their first day of school. Grouped by advisories, the Class of 2023 had the chance to meet classmates and prepare for their next four years of high school.

Learn more about the Freshman Retreat on Page 3

Summer renovations around EHS campus

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Many construction and renovation projects occurred over the summer at Episcopal, which have a tremendous impact on the school. As school begins, students and teachers alike have taken notice of some of the visible changes around the EHS campus. These changes range from a wider driveway in front of Trotter to new lighting and court design in Scurlock Gymnasium.

The Trotter driveway, where many freshmen and sophomores are dropped off and picked up, has been expanded. With this new expansion, there will be more room for cars to pass if needed and creates two separate and efficient carpool lanes. Another major revamp at EHS was an update of Scurlock Gym.

According to JV Blue Volleyball Coach Stephanie Gloor, the floor inside of Scurlock "has a new coat of paint" as well as new lighting, which, according to Gloor, was "so needed" and has been beneficial for her and her team during practice and games.

Although not as obvious as Scurlock's floor or the widened carpool lane in front of Trotter, sports locker rooms were refurbished as well. Inside the Hildebrand



Updated lighting and a new court design were part of the Scurlock Gym renovations. Many facility projects were completed over the summer. Photo by Nick Held.

Athletic Center, the boys locker rooms have been cleaned out thoroughly and repainted. Though these were not drastic changes, the locker room areas look new.

In addition, multiple shelves were added in Hildebrand in various storage locations for a variety of programs for equipment and uniforms.

Episcopal welcomes new faces to faculty and staff ranks



PHUC LUU
Religion

Something surprising about me is I acted in an independent movie and recently did a reading for the play "Gates," put on by the Ensemble Theatre. *My favorite thing to do with free time is* spend time with friends talking about the important things in life: theology, art, literature, and film. *If I weren't a teacher, I would be* a full time writer, only if I could be independently wealthy. *I couldn't live without* my wife and my best friends.



EVAN HARRIS
English

If I won the lottery, I would buy an apartment on the beach and start producing music in a home studio. *Something surprising about me is* I wrote a play about a dolphin that battles a celebrity sushi chef for control of a restaurant. It took me a year. *My favorite thing to do with free time is* go to the gym. *If I weren't a teacher, I would be* a defense contractor like my dad and brother.



REMON MAXIMOS
Mathematics and Computational Sciences

Something surprising about me is I am 100% Egyptian and was also born there (Cairo, Egypt). *My favorite thing to do with free time is* spend time with my wife and kids. Also play soccer. *I would tell myself at age 16* that life is too short to stress about the small things. *I couldn't live without* my wife and kids.



GRANT GOULD
Performing Arts

If I won the lottery, I would invest it, live off the interest, travel the world and use it for some humanitarian relief. *My favorite thing to do with free time is* playing video games with friends online. *If I weren't a teacher, I would:* Be a Constitutional lawyer. *I would tell myself at age 16* to get a job while in college



ANDY CLACK
Religion

Something surprising about me is that I lived in a van for two months. *My favorite thing to do with free time is* play Settlers of Catan (assuming I can find three other gamers). *If I weren't a teacher, I would be* an attorney. *I couldn't live without* Rold Gold pretzels.



SHAUN FLOOD
Science

If I won the lottery, I would set up my family and future generations for financial security. *My favorite thing to do with free time is* spend time with my son Patrick and daughter Violet. *I would tell myself at age 16* to invest in Amazon. *I couldn't live without* Reese's peanut butter cups.



ANDREW LAUER
History and Social Sciences

Something surprising about me is my interest in gemstones. *My favorite thing to do with free time is* spend it with my wife and my two dogs. *If I weren't a teacher, I would be* in the Army... still. *I would tell myself at age 16* the winning lottery numbers from the first question.



ROYA McARTHUR
World Languages

Something surprising about me is I love pit bulls. *My favorite thing to do with free time is* read and reread Daniel Silva's books. *I would tell myself at age 16* to listen for understanding when parents talk and not just to disagree. *I couldn't live without* my comfortable shoes.



DICK GASTON
Wellness

If I won the lottery, I would disappear, literally. Cell phone would be deactivated, purchase land west of Sealy, TX, and build a ranch with a massive garage. *Something surprising about me is* I am a bit of a nerd. *My favorite thing to do with free time is* building motorcycles. *If I weren't a teacher, I would* win the lottery.



SOLE TORIELLO
World Languages

Something surprising about me is I have three citizenships: Chilean, Italian and American. *If I weren't a teacher, I would be* a pediatrician. *I would tell myself at age 16* that I will meet an amazing guy, have 4 beautiful kids, and will raise my family in different places. *I couldn't live without* visiting family in Chile.



LAUREN CUNNINGHAM
Visual Arts

If I won the lottery, I would go back to school and be a full-time student. I love learning new things! *Something surprising about me is* I am an introvert. I love people but have to balance social time with quiet time. *My favorite thing to do with free time is* go to an art museum, play the piano, or ride my bike. *I couldn't live without* beauty and laughter.



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Gong Squad reloads for 2019

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Football season helps kick off the new year of school, and with that comes weeks of fun games and pep rallies. Helping to cheer on the teams and their school, the EHS Gong Squad can be found in the stands with their giant metal gong. The leader this year is Dean Jess Adams. Making up the student group is Gong Master



Jack Podsednik, Daniel Davis, Pierce Zylman, and Cole Aaronson - Gong Squad 2019. Photo by Amelia Traylor.

Jonathan Clay. With fellow classmates Will Walmsley, Diego Garcia-Moros, and Weston Stanley, the squad's goal as always is to pep up the crowd.

With every football game comes a new theme, and the themes this year will help members of the student body show off their school spirit. Here are the themes for

this season: 8/30: HOME vs. Navasota - Gold superheroes. Dress as your favorite character from Marvel, DC, or anything in between.

9/13: AWAY vs. St. Pius - Patriotic. Give your support at the first away game of the season with some red, white, and blue.

9/20: HOME vs. ESD - Armor up Knights-Blue out. Show off your EHS pride by decking yourself out in the school colors.

10/4: HOME vs. St. John's - Pink out and/or western. Still waiting for someone to combine the two.

10/18: AWAY vs. Kinkaid - Camouflage. Kinkaid will never see us coming.

10/25: HOME vs. Legacy Sports Science - Disco. Bring back the 70's... for better or for worse.

11/1: HOME vs. Houston Christian - Neon Knight. A wonderful theme, but will the puns never cease?

11/9: SPC Championship - To be announced. Everyone loves surprises.



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Welcome
new
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and
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