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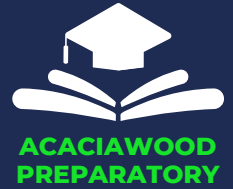


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EMBRACE THE DAY

By: Arwen Dy Buco, Sieun Kim, Camila May



On November 17th, AcaciaWood gathered for the elementary's fall music performance. Meticulously crafted by Mrs. Blatz and Mrs. Favorsky, the performance's theme was "Rise Up! Embrace the Day!" The track list included "Golden Rule", "It's a New Day", "I'm Grateful", "It's Easy to Be Kind", "Take a Breath", "Make a Difference", and "We Thank You!", all showing how small actions make huge impacts in our everyday lives. Attendees learned to practice gratitude and thankfulness in order to encourage positivity.



The grand finale was dedicated to staff, teachers, volunteers, and parents who serve tirelessly for our school. This is the first music performance since COVID induced a 3 year hiatus. AWP is so proud and can't wait to see what is planned for next semester!



GUIDE TO FALL

By: Sarah Bolton and Carissa Kuan



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As finals approach, lowered spirits encroach. Coupled with gloomy weather, fall is notoriously known for bringing feelings of apathy and indolence to its target audience, students. As we reach the finish line, don't let gray skies and short days discourage you from finishing the year with a bang. The end of the year welcomes the readiness for a new beginning. Embrace the gloomy weather and get ready to grind out your studies to enter 2023 on a good note! Be on the lookout for your finals schedule and remember to stay motivated for the next 6 days before winter break. Don't forget to stay updated with school whereabouts by following the Instagram account, @acaciawoodstudentcouncil. Now, grab your fuzzy socks and buckle in to finish the year strong!



EYES UP

By: Emmanuel Quinones, Vincent Chiang, Daniel Nicasio



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Starting off the season with 3 close losses to Newport Christian, Santa Ana Valley, and Compton, the Eagles needed a victory to get their momentum going. Arriving at the Crypto.com arena, the team was ready to give their all to win their first game of the season. With only a few minutes to warm up, the game took off with AcaciaWood winning the tipoff.

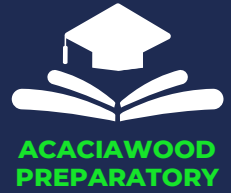


Taking the lead in the first quarter, by halftime the Eagles led with a whopping 21 to 4. In the 2nd half, Samueli slowly caught up but the Eagles coasted home with a 28-20 win, emerging victorious and sustaining only minor injuries. The Eagles are back and better than ever, ready to make a comeback from their rocky start and make it to playoffs!



THANKGIVING LUNCHEON

By: Silvia Aramburo, Lianna Alvarez-Sager, Anamaria Viana



Annual Luncheon

Every year, our community comes together to enjoy the holiday of Thanksgiving with our annual luncheon. Graciously prepared by Maria and her team, the entire school enjoyed an array of dishes, including stuffing, mashed potatoes, and most importantly, pumpkin pie. AcaciaWood would like to show our gratitude and appreciation firstly for the kitchen staff who carried out this celebration, as well as all of the students, teachers, faculty, families, and friends that have contributed to our school since its establishment! Thank you for making AcaciaWood everything that it is!



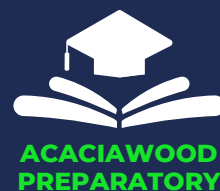
Golden Eagle Award

The Golden Eagle Award is the highest achievement a student can earn. The student receiving this award is strong in character and high in standard, showing at all turns their outstanding leadership and character. This quarter, the Golden Eagle Award was rightfully handed to our student body president, Samuel Quinones! Our entire community would like to congratulate you on all of your hard work and can't wait to see what the future holds for you.



ALUMNI ARTICLES: DANIEL KUAN

By: Karissa Lim and Rebekah Rosario



Q: What advice would you give to the students now?

A: Something I believe to be a powerful tool is the ability to identify things you want to learn more about or get better at, and then leverage your personal network to pursue them. This can include family friends, parents' co-workers, extended family, or friends' friends. You'd be surprised how they may be able to provide invaluable insight into academics, pre-professional competitions, sports, admissions, niche skills e.g. solving a Rubik's cube, professional skills e.g. networking, unique objectives e.g. launching an organization, or navigating personal issues.



Q: If you had to go through your highschool years again, what would you do differently?

A: I don't think I'd change too much, but I'd read the Bible more and never say no to hanging out with a trainee.

Q: What was your favorite memory while at AWP?

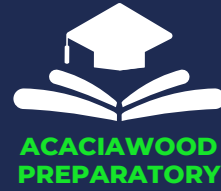
A: One of my favorite memories was when the basketball team played in a tournament in Florida in March 2021. The tournament featured great competition, while we were able to hang out around the resort, at the beach, and classic Florida spots such as Universal Studios. We were really thankful for the opportunity to escape academics and focus on nothing but basketball and having fun for a week.

Q: What skills did you acquire to prepare you for college?

A: The willingness to be pragmatic and preemptive in communicating with professors, proactively reaching out to classmates, or quelling social tensions can do you wonders as a college student.

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT: CYRUS LEE

By: Alethea Fong and Esther Jou



Q: How long have you been at AcaciaWood?

A: I've been at AcaciaWood since 7th grade, which means that I've been here for 5.414 school years (as of Nov 23, 2022).

Q: What is your favorite memory from your years here?

A: Running in cross country practice with the team, because we encouraged each other to push ourselves



Q: What are your plans for the future (college acceptance, location, career, goals, etc)?

A: I plan to major in computer science, hoping to get into MIT, Caltech, or UC Berkeley. I'm not yet sure what my career goals are, but I will probably pursue some CS-related career.

Q: What are three words you would use to describe yourself?

A: Logical, optimistic, individualistic.

Q: Words of advice to younger students?

A: Don't sacrifice your sleep; you will regret it.

Q: What are your hobbies and extracurriculars?

A: Cycling, running, fixing bikes, chess, coding





Thank you for reading the fourth edition of the Eagle Flyer! We hope to keep you updated with school events and help you get to know members of our community.

If you have any comments, questions, or suggestions please contact James Kuan at mrkuan@acaciawood.org. Go Eagles!

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