PATRIOT REPORT

HERITAGE ACADEMY - COLUMBUS, MS

March 8, 2019

MAIS CHAMPIONS

HA Varsity Boys Basketball Team wins Championship!

There is a first time for everything as the old saying goes…and it was HA's first time ever to win the MAIS Basketball Overall Championship! The final game, against Hillcrest Academy, seemed as if it was meant to be as the Patriots displayed talent, composure and team effort in a 81-52 win. Moak Griffin, named MVP, scored 29 points for HA. He began the game with 4 back to back 3 pointers getting the Patriots off to a great start! Heritage led by a strong margin throughout the game. Following the victory, the team was presented with the Championship trophy and each player was presented with a medal much to the excitement of their families and fellow students. It was truly a great day to be a Patriot! - Click here to read more in the *Commercial Dispatch* -

HERITAGE NAMED APPLE DISTINGUISHED SCHOOL

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HA Named Apple Distinguished School

One of only two schools in Mississippi currently holding this designation

Community leaders joined our faculty, staff and students as we celebrated the 2nd time in school history that HA has earned the Apple Distinguished School Designation. (The first time was in 2010.) **Dr. Kameron Ball** (pictured right) presented Headmaster **Dr. Greg Carlyle** and Director of Instructional Technology **Janet Lewis** with a certificate and banner. *Click here to learn more.*

Some of the High School Teachers who received a certificate are pictured above.

Following the program **Dr. Ball**, School Board President **Robbie Upton**, HA Elementary Principal **Cindy Wamble**, and **Janet Lewis** visited each Elementary Teacher's classroom who has earned the certification. In the photo above, they presented a certificate to 4th grade teacher **Mrs. Vicki Hardy**, second from left.

(left) Several HA School Board Members were on hand for the assembly. Pictured with Dr. Greg Carlyle are Trip Hairston, Allison Kizer, Robbie Upton, Kelly Trout and Melissa Buxton.

Distinguished School

More Faculty, Students & Staff in the Spotlight

HA STUDENTS ARE TOP TWO SPELLERS IN LOWNDES COUNTY

Sid Stegall (8th grade) won 1st place in the Lowndes County Spelling Bee! Coming in 2nd place was **Gracie Dinh** (7th grade). Students from city, county and private schools competed in the annual event.

- STAR Student & STAR Teacher -

Heritage Academy is proud to announce that Lores Sharp has earned the STAR STUDENT honor and she selected Mrs. Cindy Cline as the STAR TEACHER. Congratulations on this distinguished academic award!

Glitz & Glamour

HA's High School Beauty Revue was held recently. Finalists included: 4th place, **Eli Acker** and **Rayon Scott**; 2nd place, **Moak Griffin** and **McKenzie Rhett**; Most Handson, **Clay Walters**; Most Beautiful **Evans Rhett**; 1st place, **JR Lott** and **Lauren Short**; 3rd place,**Jared Long** and **Sara Curtis**.

Emmie Fair (not pictured) was voted Miss Congeniality.

2019 MAIS NORTH STATE SOCCER CHAMPIONS

Congratulations to our soccer team on an outstanding season!

HA SENIORS NAMED MAIS SOCCER ALL-STARS

Jackson DiCicco

Lex Rogers

Photos courtesy of Kelly Hayes Photography

ROGERS SIGNS SOCCER LETTER OF INTENT

HA Senior **Lex Rogers** signed a letter of intent to play soccer at Belhaven University in Jackson.

Life is like soccer - you need goals.

MAIS BASKETBALL ALL-STAR

Moak Griffin

Photo courtesy of Kelly Hayes Photography

FIELDS SIGNS LETTER OF INTENT

HA Senior **Gigi Fields** signed a letter of intent to play volleyball at Birmingham-Southern College. **Congratulations, Gigi!**

Tuition, Trips & Tickets Raffle Exceeds Goal!

With the addition of tickets to this year's raffle, the annual tuition and trips fundraiser became the "T3: Tuition, Trips, and Tickets" raffle. Heritage Academy students, parents, and faculty were determined to reach the goal of $40,000 – and did so by raising $42,350! The raffle winners were drawn and announced during HA's Beauty Revue. The winners are:

Free Tuition: **Stephanie Woodard**
Florida Beach Vacation: **Lezli Waits**
Weekend in the Delta: **F. Wade Steed**
Concert of Your Choice: **Julia Phillips**
Egg Bowl 2019: **Jan Atkins**

Our top 3 student sellers were **Casey Johnson**, **Anna Studdard**, and **Sam Hannon**. The winner of the $300 drawing for students who sold 10 or more tickets was **Will Ellis**. The top teachers were **Sally Edwards** (elementary school) and **Brenda Polk** (high school). This year's funds will be used for technology infrastructure, dining hall tables for the high school, and teacher mini grants.

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