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Upcoming Events

- 11/29- Youth for Christ (The Roost); 7:15 a
- 11/29- HFAA Bball vs. John Marshall (AWAY) JVB-4:30 p, VG-6:00 p, VB-7:30 p
- 11/30- HFAA - Choir and Show Choir Holiday Concert; 7:00 p
- 12/1- Holiday Dance Performance; 7:00 p
- 12/2- HFAA Performance and Exhibition Assembly; 11:20 - 11:55 a
- 12/2- Oklahoma Christian Academy Basketball (AWAY); VG-6:00 p, VB-7:30 p
- 12/3- Student / Parent Volunteer Day & PTO Meeting; 9:00 a
- 12/3- HFAA Cheer Clinic; 12:00 - 3:00 p
- 12/5- Combined Guitar and Piano Holiday Concert; 7:00 p
- 12/5- Capitol Hill Basketball AWAY; JVB-4:30pm & VG-6:00pm, VB-7:30 p
- 12/6- Instrumental (Winds, Strings and Percussion); 7:00 p
- 12/6- S & B Burger Night (N.W. 9th Street Location); 11:00 a - 10:00 p
- 12/7- Pizza Hut Night for Speech and Debate (23rd & Blackwelder)
- 12/9- Winter Formal; 7:00 p
- 12/10- Martial Arts Belt Test; 10:00 a
- 12/12 - 12/14 Semester Finals
- 12/13- Crooked Oak (HOME); JVB-4:30 p & VG-6:00 p, VB-7:30 p

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Harding Fine Arts Academy Martial Arts Team Produce World Champions

Members of the Harding Fine Arts Academy (HFAA) Martial Arts team qualified and travelled to Massa, Italy to compete at the Martial Arts Unified World Championships. Over 100 countries were represented at the event held October 25th- 30th.

Five HFAA student team members and two coaches, Jennifer and Anthony Allman qualified to compete at the World Championships by placing in the top three of their divisions at the 2016 International Sports Karate Association (ISKA) U.S. Open Tournament held in Florida this past summer. The HFAA students traveling to Italy were Emily Alvarez-Hamilton, Emilee Harmon, Autumn Sutton, Mireya Sanchez, and Vien Schmelzenbach

Medaling in Italy were HFAA Sophomore Vien Schmelzenbach with a Silver medal in Weapons, Bronze medal in Point Sparring, Bronze medal in Kubudo Weapons and a Bronze medal in Traditional Intermediate Karate; Senior Mireya Sanchez with a Bronze medal in Traditional Forms and a Bronze medal in Traditional Weapons; Sophomore Emily Alvarez-Hamilton won a Gold medal in Girls Beginning Karate; Coach Jennifer Allman earned a Gold medal in 30+ Womens Black Belt Traditional Form, a Gold medal in 30+ Womens Black Belt Traditional Weapons and a Bronze medal in Womens Shotokan Karate. Coach Anthony Allman earned a Bronze medal in Mens Kumite.

The HFAA Martial Arts team, whose ages range from 14 to 18, competes in a wide variety of martial arts divisions including Weapons where a kata is performed using a weapon, Sparring, CMX (Creative, Musical and eXtreme) and the Forms division which is a kata with a choreographed set of moves that are performed. The program, established in 2010, has so far produced 3 black belts and 25 brown belts and numerous other belts.



HFAA Merchant Reward Programs

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STUCO Adopts Angels

For the past four years, HFAA's student council has adopted angels from The Salvation Army's Angel Tree. Being able to fundraise through the student body and spend that money on such a good cause brings the students a lot of pride and happiness, and it is one of Stuco's favorite things to do. This year we have adopted a senior woman as well as a teenage girl and boy. If you would like to donate new, unwrapped items in exchange for service hours, all of our Angels have clothing listed as a "need" item. Additionally, we are going to work to get donations for the "forgotten angels" -- the 15% of angels who get taken from the tree and are never returned with gifts. That said, listed below are the needs for our specific adopted angels, but we will happily donate any new and unwrapped clothing or toys for the forgotten angels:

- Senior woman: size 12 pants, size xl shirts, size 8 shoe, size X-Large coat.
- Teenage girl: size 3 pants, size medium shirts, size 7.5 shoes, size medium coat
- Teenage boy: 29x30 pants, size small shirts, size 9.5 shoes, size small coat

Deliver donations to Ms. Rothrock's classroom.

S&B's Burger Joint to Support HFAA- December 6th!

Through its "Pay It Forward" program, S & B's Burger Joint will be donating to the HFAA drama program. Dine at their N.W. 9th street location **the first Tuesday of every month** and HFAA will receive 20% of receipts.

Diners just need to drop their receipts in the provided box! This offer is valid between the hours of 11:00 a and 10:00 p and includes dine-in or carry-out. **So far S&B has donated over \$600 through this program. Thank you S&B's Burger Joint!**

Finals Week Information

Go to our website- hardingfinearts.org.

Current Students → Finals Week Schedule



HFAA Receives Top Grade

Harding Fine Arts Academy has earned an A+ on the State Department of Education's A-F Report Card for the 2015 – 2016 school year.

This grading system is designed to incentivize schools to strive for and reach high levels of college- and career-readiness.

This is the third year in a row that Harding Fine Arts Academy has received an A+ grade.

HFAA Musician Chosen for CODA

Musician Chris Maxwell auditioned for the Central Oklahoma Director's Association (CODA) Regional Honor Ensembles. Chris made the top regional ensemble! He will be representing HFAA on Bb Clarinet at the CODA Wind Ensemble performance on January 7th! This is a prestigious group and is very difficult to get into, especially on a more commonly played instrument like clarinet. Congratulations Chris!



International Thespian Society

Congratulations to Drama Teacher, Brenda Williams, and the HFAA Drama Department! Ms. Williams applied for a grant and received the funding to start a prestigious International Thespian Society (ITS)! The International Thespian Society is a drama organization and honor society for high-school theatre students and is a division of the Educational Theatre Association.

The ITS inducts high school and middle school students active in theater each fall or spring, with members earning points towards a higher rank. The International Thespian Society admits students who do work in all different aspects of theatre, such as build crew, stage crew, make up tech, costume designer, lighting tech, sound tech, actors, playwrights, directors, choreographers, vocal directors, stage managers, financial directors, marketing, and ushers.

Members have the opportunity to participate in national events such as Individual Events Showcase and the International Thespian Festival held at the University of Nebraska. Membership also provides leadership opportunities at the troupe, chapter, and national levels. In addition they are eligible for scholarships, grants, and awards.

PTO News

We would love to have all parents/guardians participate in the HFAA PTO. If you are a parent or guardian of an HFAA student, you are already in the club! Meetings are on Saturday mornings and are posted on the HFAA calendar. We are in the need of a PTO Vice-President. Our next meeting is December 3rd in the Media Center at 9:00 am. Hope to see you there!

There is also a Student / Parent Volunteer Day this Saturday from 8:00 am - 11:00 am. Please come help work on projects for your student's school!

HFAA Speech and Debate Team

The first meet of the season was in Okarche on November 5th, 2016. The impressive results were as follows:

- 4A Cross Examination Debate- 1st Sean Smith/Greg Samuel/Aaron Traylor, 2nd Lexi Hurley/Elaina Price
- 4A Lincoln-Douglas Debate- 3rd Richard Valadez
- 4A Humorous Duet- 3rd December McKenzie/Perri Lewis
- 4A Dramatic Interpretation- 1st Aaron Traylor, 3rd Tony Burke
- 4A Domestic Extemporaneous Speaking- 1st Greg Samuel, 3rd Whitney Clear
- 4A Foreign Extemporaneous Speaking- 1st Mady Smith, 2nd Hardy Williams

4A Team Okarche Sweepstakes- 2nd Place Harding Fine Arts Academy!

Recently in competing in Marlow the results were:

- 3rd Place 4A Poetry- Elaina Price
- 2nd Place 4A Monologue- Jady Powell
- 3rd Place 4A Original Oratory- Oni Montana
- 3rd Place 4A Dramatic Duet- Perri Lewis and December McKenzie
- 2nd Place 4A Standard Oratory- Hardy Lewis
- 3rd Place 4A Humorous Interpretation- Sophia Smith

Great job students and Mr. Gargas!

Support Speech & Debate with Pizza Hut

WHEN: Wed, Dec 7th - Open to Close

WHERE: Blackwelder Pizza Hut @ 1630 N.W. 23rd St
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