

Quisqueya Eagles Newsletter

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Under Construction

Pastor Robert Wagler, one of the founders of QCS and the first Principal -- from 1974 to 1979 -- just spent last week on campus. Throughout the week he did what all followers of Christ should do -- shared the Good News, encouraged believers, offered hope and purpose. He also encouraged the faculty and staff of QCS by telling them the amazing story about how QCS came to be -- from the desire of godly men and women to have affordable Christian schooling for their children. He told the story of finding the present campus and then, amazingly, coming up with the arrangements to buy it. He told of starting QCS with 33 students, and watching enrollment rapidly grow in the first few years. It has been encouraging to spend time with Pastor Wagler and hear how God worked.



And God is still at work! QCS has a highly qualified faculty offering quality programs. This flows out of the vision that Pastor Wagler had when he laid a firm foundation for Christian Schooling -- a school build on Jesus Christ -- and that Rock has never been shaken. Every decision and every course, and every program reflects God and his truth.

I am thankful for men like Pastor Wagler, and our commitment to the unshakable foundation that he helped put in place is firm. While we remain "under construction," the foundation does not need to be shored up!



Preparations are underway for the new school year as we are finishing this school year. The pace of the administration is not slowing down but speeding up as each school year does. And with all the other activities happening on the campus, it will be an exciting finish. As God tells us all . . . *finish the race well.*



The overall goal of any school is student learning. At QCS, learning is experienced through the curriculum, the 'hidden' curriculum and all the happenings on the campus. Students can see through the QCS Relief what serving in a community is all about. But all this learning at QCS -- this construction that is happening with our students is not happening in a vacuum but in a context of our living faith so that we are able to live that JOY principle as stated last week.

In the profile of the graduate student of QCS the following is stated:

VISION - Lifelong Service

Quisqueya Christian School's vision is to prepare and equip the student to impact their world for the glory of God.
Bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord.
Ephesians 6:4

MISSION - Learning to Grow . . . in Him

Quisqueya Christian School's mission is to equip students with the necessary academic and spiritual training that prepares them to impact their world for the glory of God. Quisqueya Christian School shall provide a biblically integrated program based on and correlating with the American system of education.
the man of God . . . equipped for every good work.
2 Timothy 3:17

GOALS - Living for Jesus

As we strive to attain our vision, it is essential that Quisqueya Christian School develop programs, strategies and methodologies based on God's Word, producing graduates who:
Whatever you do . . . whatever your task . . . work heartily as serving the Lord
Colossians 3:17, 23

The implication of all of the above? We continue to learn and grow at QCS. May we all be growing -- under construction -- because God isn't through with us yet. Let's encourage each other along the way.

School Calendar

Today	Fri	- progress reports
April 2-5	Fri/Mon	- Easter Break
May 18	Tues	- Flag Day – no school
May 26	Wed	- Kindergarten program grade 6 step-up grade 8 promotion
May 26	Wed	- noon dismissal for all
May 27-28		- Teacher work days
May 29	Sat	- Graduation
Aug 17		First school day for the 2010/2011 school year!

Watch for the tuition schedule after April 14th.

Educational Tip of the Week

"Expand Your Child's Learning Skills by Teaching Them Critical Thinking Skills"

While watching television, take advantage of commercial breaks to ask you child what he thinks will happen next in the show, why he thinks the main character did what she did, and what might be the consequences if the character does what he thinks she will do.

This activity will help your child do better in all subjects in school. Reading teachers ask children to identify main ideas, make inferences, predict outcomes, and draw conclusions. It's easy to see how these same skills are applicable to social studies, science, and mathematics, too. With a little thought, you can raise television viewing from a boob tube activity to a brain-linking, thinking activity.

Recharging Your Batteries

Try one of these for a quick fix to get you through the rest of the day ☺

- Take the time to have a cup of your specialty coffee, or tea or soft drink.
- Play some favorite music and sing/hum along.
- Read something motivational from one of your favorite authors.
- Open the Word of God. Talk to God.
- Step outside and take a breath of fresh air. Take in the grandeur of God's creation.
- Talk to a colleague and see how s/he and the family are doing.

Remember the impact you have upon others each and every day by what you do and say.

Progress Report Cards

We believe that parental involvement is essential for children to succeed in school, and we encourage all parents to become participants in their child's educational journey. One way to communicate with parents about their child's academic journey is through the progress reports. These reports describe the academic journey and behavioral activity during this semester. We are about half way through our travels of this semester.



The progress reports will have a cover letter which needs to be read, signed by the parents **AND** returned to school so that we know that you have received the report. The letters need to be returned before the Easter Break.

If there is any aspect of the report you would like to discuss with the teacher, please make that known on the cover letter and arrangements can be made to meet after school on a specified date and time.

Let's continue our journey together.

By the way, did you enroll your child(ren) for the new school year? We are presently also accepting applications from families who presently do not have children at Quisqueya. These applications will be processed during the later part of April.



The chess masters – Wagler and Hersey

This past week we had the privilege of hearing the story of Quisqueya Christian School from one of the founding fathers of the school Pastor Wagler. It was neat to hear him address the children in chapel at the start of the day and then address the staff at the end of the day. Once again we heard God's story, how He worked and is still working at QCS. Under construction by His mighty acts - making a difference.