



# The Crusader Connection Summer Edition

July 17, 2009

## **USED UNIFORM SALE PROCEEDS TO ENHANCE SCA PROGRAMS**

We will be having our annual used uniform sale from July 27-Aug. 7. All proceeds from this sale will be used to enhance SCA programs. If you have any uniforms you would like to donate, you may begin dropping them off in the school office. This year uniforms will be accepted as donations only. Your donation will be tax deductible. We have changed our format and will no longer be consigning uniforms. Only items in good condition will be accepted. Please continue to check our website ([SCAcrusaders.com](http://SCAcrusaders.com)) about upcoming information on this sale.

**The school supply list is now available to download on our school website at  
[SCAcrusaders.com](http://SCAcrusaders.com)**



### **UNIFORM POLICY CHANGE FOR ELEMENTARY BOYS**

K-5 thru 5<sup>th</sup> grade boys will be allowed to wear uniform shorts next school year. Last year, shorts were only allowed thru 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, and there were designated months that they were to be worn. This year, they can be worn anytime throughout the year, and this will include boys in all elementary grades. We do want to remind our parents that the only shorts allowed are the uniform shorts purchased from Educational Outfitters. Our parents were tremendous last year in their cooperation with this policy, and we hope to have the same positive experience this year as well. Please contact the school office if you have any questions.



### **SCHOOL BUS UPDATE & ADDITIONAL LOSSES**

Thank you for all your prayers and phone calls regarding our bus fire. We are waiting to find out the amount we will receive to purchase new buses. Please continue to pray that we will find buses that will meet our needs and that we can financially afford. Also lost in the fire were 2 mowers and a drag rake machine, all used to maintain our athletic facilities. The SCA Athletic Department is looking to borrow or rent a commercial-type mower (Dixie Chopper, Hustler, etc.) for one day each week for the next couple of months until insurance money comes in and allows us to purchase new mowers. This is very important to be able to maintain our athletic facilities. If you would be willing to help, or know someone that would be willing to help, please contact Mr. Holmes at ext. 225 or [aholmes@scacrusaders.com](mailto:aholmes@scacrusaders.com).

### **STUDENTS NOT RETURNING TO SCA**

We ask that any student not returning to SCA for the 2009-10 school year please contact the school office so that your records are handled correctly.



### **IMPORTANT CALENDAR CHANGE FOR NEXT YEAR**

We are adding one extra day to the 2009-10 school year, which means High School Graduation and our last day of school will be Friday, June 4. By adding an extra day, we can get all our exams in during the week of June 1, as opposed to having to start them on Friday, May 28. Please make these changes on your calendars.



### **ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT IMPROVEMENTS**

SCA is needing new team bench chairs for the gym. The approximate cost of the chairs is \$3,000-3,500. If you are interested in helping our Athletic Program obtain the chairs, please contact Mr. Holmes at x225 or email [aholmes@scacrusaders.com](mailto:aholmes@scacrusaders.com).

**Please visit our website @ [www.scacrusaders.com](http://www.scacrusaders.com) for additional information.**

### BAND CAMP JULY 27-31

Summer Band Camp for all students who have played at least 1 year. Those going into 7<sup>th</sup> grade band strongly urged to attend. July 27<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> 10am to 12pm each day.



Cost: \$50.00 due the first day of camp. Contact Mr. Smith at [ismith@scacrusaders.com](mailto:ismith@scacrusaders.com). Those attending will not have to audition the first week of school.

### SUMMER OFFICE HOURS



Just a reminder that our school office remains open during the summer, with the exception of being closed June 3rd in observance of Fourth of July. Office hours are 7:30 to 4:00. Please feel free to contact us with any questions that you may have for the upcoming school year. Also, all information is updated daily on our school website [www.SCAcrusaders.com](http://www.SCAcrusaders.com).

### 2010 ITALY AND GREECE SPRING BREAK TRIP



Planned for 2010, this trip, led by High School Academic Principal, Dr. David Head, will include guided tours of Rome, Capri, Pompeii, Delphi and Athens, with an optional day trip to Florence and an optional Greek Island cruise extension. Contact [www.eftours.com](http://www.eftours.com) to sign up for detailed information on Tour #560324

### LIBRARY SUMMER HOURS



This is just a reminder that the library is open this summer. Summer hours are each Thursday from 10:00-1:00. Come in and check out your books for your summer reading programs. Hope you enjoying your summer and happy reading.

### FOOTBALL NEWS

SCA Football is coming soon! Spring Football practice at SCA will begin May 1, 2010. In order to prepare for our inaugural season, there are many team needs for the program. Here is a list if needs for our football program with approximate costs, all checks should be made payable to SCA Football. Any questions please contact Mr. Holmes.

- 5-Man Sled- \$4,200
- Goal Posts- \$2,500
- Goal Post Padding- \$200
- Oklahoma Chute- \$600
- Dial-a-Down Chain Set- \$550
- Sideline Markers- \$237
- Pylons- \$150
- Chain Gang Vests- \$40
- Blocking Shields- \$1,195
- Coaching Platform- \$250
- Kick Off Tees- \$12
- Extra Point Tees- \$6
- Easy Hold Football Holder- \$32
- Helmet Cart- \$300
- Shoulder Pad Rack- \$600
- Kicking Cage- \$135
- Gatorade Coolers- \$272
- Inline Hydration System- \$330
- Football Field Marking System- \$220
- Football Equipment Cart- \$290
- Commercial Washer/Dryer- \$1,500
- Game Balls- \$250
- Practice Balls- \$280



**In addition to these needs, our biggest Capital Needs will be the following:**

- Uniforms- \$25,000-\$30,000
- Equipment/Dressing Facility- \$5,000
- Bleachers- \$20,000

# 2009 SCA Summer Sports Calendar

## **Annual Parent Athletic Meeting**

This year's annual Parent Athletic Meeting will be on Friday, August 21 at 6:00 in the cafeteria. This is for all parents of athletes grades 5<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> who will have a child participating in athletics this year. At least one parent is expected to attend the meeting. We will have a pot luck dinner starting at 6:00. All parents are asked to bring some sort of food item, drink, dessert etc. ALL PARENTS ARE ASKED TO DOWNLOAD THE 2009-10 ATHLETIC HANDBOOK FROM THE GENERAL INFORMATION PAGE UNDER ATHLETICS ON THE SCHOOL WEB SITE. ALL PARENTS MUST SIGN THE HANDBOOK COMPLIANCE FORM BEFORE THEIR CHILD IS ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN A SPORT. **The Handbook Compliance Form is on the very last page of the Athletic Handbook.**

***The Athletic Department will be selling Nike "Seffner Christian Athletics" T-Shirts this fall for \$12 each. Shirts must be pre-ordered by Friday, August 28. These will be made available to all parents, students, teachers, etc. To place an order email Mr. Holmes at [aholmes@scacrusaders.com](mailto:aholmes@scacrusaders.com) with the quantity of t-shirts you wish to buy and the sizes***

- **Cross Country**- Practices Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, and select Saturdays starting June 1 7:00-8:30am with Weight Training immediately to follow. Any athlete intending on participating in Cross Country this fall must contact/or have their parents contact Mr. Holmes, if they have not yet been running with the team this summer, at x225 or [aholmes@scacrusaders.com](mailto:aholmes@scacrusaders.com)
- **Baseball**- Practices, August 3 & 10 9:00-10:30
- **Weight Training Schedule**- (June 8-July 31) Every Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday 8:30-10:15 and 1:00-2:45
- **Girls Soccer**- Mr. Canterbury will be holding practices for all girls interested in playing soccer this year on the following dates and times: July 14, 21, 28, and August 11 6:00; August 4 7:00
- **Girls Tennis**- For all girls interested in trying out for our first year of Girls Tennis, the Brandon Sports and Aquatic Center is putting on camps each week throughout the summer Monday-Friday from 9:30-1:00 each day. The camps are run by Allen Liberato, Girls Tennis Coach at Academy of the Holy Names. The cost of the camp is \$115 per week. This is their Junior Development Camp. They warm up from 9:30-10:00, are on the court from 10:00-12:00 and then optional pool/soccer/games until 1:00. If 6 or more girls from SCA sign up, they each get a 10% discount. Any girls wanting to try out for the team in the spring are strongly encouraged to take part in the camps. You can reach Coach Liberato at 416-2315. Any girls interested in participating in tennis for the upcoming year should have their parent email Mr. Holmes at [aholmes@scacrusaders.com](mailto:aholmes@scacrusaders.com) to get an idea of how many girls will be coming out.
- **JV Volleyball**- tryouts will August 13 and 14 from 4:00-6:30
- **Middle School Volleyball**- tryouts are TBA

## **Varsity Volleyball Tryouts**

Currently scheduled for August 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> from 6:30PM to 8:30PM. The practices will be closed to anyone not trying out for a varsity position.

The first day will determine who returns for the second day of tryouts.

### **First Day Minimum Requirements:**

Consistent Overhand Serves that put the volleyball in play  
Multiple Self "Sets" within a defined space  
Multiple Self "Bumps" within a defined space

These are the MINIMUM skills sets and will be performed individually in front of the other athletes.

Open Gym is a great time to practice!

# INFORMATION FROM THE GUIDANCE OFFICE

## Congratulations to Bright Futures Award Recipients:

### Florida Academic Scholars:

Dylan Coleman  
Bobby Hinderliter  
Daniel LoCicero  
William Swartz

### Florida Medallion Scholars

Jordan Bolton	Austin Parimore
Breanna Bryan	Jessica Preston
Forrest Crim	Elisa Price
Spencer Dohrenwend	Sunny Rama
Heather Ferris	Zach Roosen
Elizabeth Greiving	Joseph Stephens
Brian Kelly	Hannah Walker
Bianca Lopez	Melissa Walters
Nick Marquez	Courtney Welch
Jenny Moorer	Samantha Whiting
Matt Murray	Brett Witherington

## ACT & SAT 2009-2010 Test Dates: 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> grade students mark your calendars!

SAT: [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com)

2009-10 Test Dates	Registration Deadline
October 10, 2009	September 9, 2009
November 7, 2009	October 1, 2009
December 5, 2009	October 30, 2009
January 23, 2010	December 15, 2009
March 13, 2010	February 4, 2010
May 1, 2010	March 25, 2010
June 5, 2010	April 29, 2010

ACT: [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)

2009-10 Test Dates	Registration Deadline
September 12, 2009	August 7, 2009
October 24, 2009	September 18, 2009
December 12, 2009	November 6, 2009
February 6, 2010	January 5, 2010
April 10, 2010	March 5, 2010
June 12, 2010	May 7, 2010

## PARENTING TIPS:

From the Biblical Parenting Organization: [www.biblicalparenting.org](http://www.biblicalparenting.org)

### **It's Like a Bonsai Tree**

The word "discipline" used in the Old Testament is translated from the Hebrew word "chanak" and means "to train." Training implies guidance to a particular goal.

I remember visiting a bonsai exhibit with many small beautiful trees, each in their own pot. Next to each tree was a card telling the story of that particular tree. In particular, I was interested in how long the training had been going on. Many had been in process for 30-40 years and one began its training over 100 years ago.

Training takes time. Too much force will break a branch and too little care returns the plant to the wild. The same is true with children. Firm consistent discipline is needed to guide and direct kids. Some parents are tempted to have a few big consequences to "really make an impression on this kid." Rather, many small corrections and consequences would be more effective.

Many of the problems children have are either behavioral habits or character deficiencies. It would be nice if they could have a "burning bush" experience that would change their lives instantly, but it usually doesn't happen that way. Even Moses had to spend forty years in the desert as a shepherd leading sheep before he was ready to lead people.

Change takes time and many small corrections and reminders can contribute to long-term change in your child. So choose a character quality your child needs, define it, think of ways to implement it, and pray that God will use your daily words and actions of correction to help your child make the heart changes necessary.

## High School Student Transcript Requests:

If your student needs a copy of his/her transcript during the summer, please visit [www.scacrusaders.com](http://www.scacrusaders.com) and click on "Transcript Request Form" under the "Quick Links" section on the homepage. This will allow to do download the transcript request form. Please complete and mail, fax, or drop off the request to the school. Transcripts can not be released without the student or parent signature according to federal law. The transcript request forms are also available in the front office, guidance office, and academic dean's office. It may take up 3-5 days to process a transcript during the summer, so please plan accordingly.