

# A SCHOOL YEAR FOR THE HISTORY BOOKS.

#### A NOTE FROM JOHN ESSIG - SUPERINTENDENT

Looking in the rearview mirror, the 2021-22 school year was incredible. Thank you for being a part of the Emmanuel Family.

Not only did we complete another year of academic education, but while doing so, we also integrated God's Word, grew closer together, and cared for each other along the way. At the end of it all, we celebrated the class of 2022's graduation (the largest ever with almost half being 13-year students).

Looking through the window towards the future, a new school year will be here before we know it. This year's theme is embedded in Micah 6:8, "Do Justly, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly". Spirit wear is in production that celebrates these truths. Through all the changes in our society and our world, our God given mission remains the same. We are wholly dedicated to imparting a biblical worldview and to academic excellence that together create a solid foundation upon which lives can be built. Without that foundation, where would a young adult turn when adversity and temptations present?

Financially, making it all happen is The Way They Should Go Fund. All students enrolled benefit from this fund. I am excited to share with you an amazing new development that impacts all donors. The Way They Should Go Fund is in the process of becoming a Scholarship Granting Organization (SGO) registered as a 501(c)3 with the Ohio Attorney General. Ohio law permits each taxpayer to claim a dollar-for-dollar state tax credit (not to be confused with a tax deduction) up to \$750 for contributions made to our SGO.

This means donors are able to give to The Way They Should Go Fund at essentially no cost to themselves. The donor simply claims the tax credit on their state taxes when they file, and their state tax liability will be reduced by the amount of their donation, up to \$750. Since the credit is applicable per taxpayer, a married couple filing jointly could contribute up to \$1500 and receive a tax credit for the entire amount. The tax credit, of course, would not exceed the amount of the taxpayer's Ohio tax liability.

The Purple and Gold Gala (Saturday, September 17, 2022 @ Emmanuel) is a great time to realize this new opportunity! Drew Flamm, Executive Vice President at Grace College will be our speaker, and we invite you to join us.

Thank you for journeying with us! God has rich blessings in store for you and for the Emmanuel Family.

Blessings.

John Essig Superintendent

### 2021/22 HIGHLIGHTS

#### **ATHLETICS**

We kicked the year off with Madness in The Den where we raised \$1.800 for the Salvation Army Angel Tree. Emmanuel hosted the First Annual ECA Cross Country Meet successfully, with the help of our parents and coaches. The Varsity Girls Bowling team, and the Boys Track team were all Metro Buckeye Conference Champions.

The Boys Track team sent the following to the OHSAA State Track Meet this year. Boys Individual 200 meter dash, boys 4x400, and boys 4x800.

We were able to get an outdoor scoreboard installed for the soccer and baseball fields.

Thank you to the boosters and all of our local donors who helped to make this happen.

#### **SCHOLARSHIPS**

Students were offered approximately **\$700,000 in scholarships this year** across all of the colleges for which the students were accepted.



## THRIVING IN ADVERSITY.

#### A NOTE FROM DAN MOORE - PRINCIPAL

It is exciting to reflect on this past school year and celebrate the way in which our students, staff, and teachers have continued to shine in new ways and triumph through challenges and into successful endeavors.

The school year began with a little uncertainty about how Covid challenges would continue to affect us, but careful planning allowed the majority of our students to stay in the building with the exception of several classes, who were remote for short periods of time. Emmanuel substitute teachers helped to cover absences and Emmanuel did not have one school day where a class was not covered! Our teachers continued to navigate and advance with Google classroom and guide students toward academic success.

Over 51 students made the Honor Roll (GPA of 3.3 or higher) and over 80 additional students were able to sustain "Academic Excellence (GPA of 3.7 or higher) during the 2021-22 school year. In addition, 13 new students were added to the National Honor Society. Finally, several academic enrichment events were orchestrated including the Spelling Bee and the STEAM Museum.

The "Student of the Week" awards were determined through voting and collaboration among theteaching staff to provide weekly recognition for the following levels: TK-3, 4-6th grades, 7-9th grades and 10-12th grades. Students were recognized via certificates presented in chapel, school announcements and the Week Ahead newsletter. These students were acknowledged for their Christ-like character, attitude, and actions, all being important aspects of our school culture.

The Fine Arts programs shone this year with outstanding performances in the fall, winter and spring. Highlights include: The Band program continued to provide fantastic performances and achieve an Excellent rating at the OMEA band competition. Our musical, "The Little Mermaid," performed to sell-out crowds on two of the three nights! Select Choir received a Superior rating at OMEA and was chosen as the Grand Prize winner to perform for the Dayton Dragons on their opening night of baseball. This choir has also been chosen to sing the National Anthem for the Cincinnati Reds on July 27.

There were many athletic highlights during the year including a project that had been explored for a long time, the installation of an outdoor scoreboard for soccer and baseball. In addition, ECA sports teams had several league championships (Girls Bowling, Boys Track & Field). Our Boy's Track and Field team were District Champions for the first time ever. Finally, eight of our Cross Country and Track athletes advanced to the OHSAA State Semi-Finals and four athletes have signed to continue with their respective sports in their chosen colleges.

We saw a major accomplishment at Emmanuel as the Emmanuel Aerospace Program had five students to pass the USI industry Certification and one to pass the FAA Part 107 Pilot License Test. These five students became the first class to graduate through the program. In addition, Emmanuel had the largest graduating class (31) in its history.

Although school has ended, Emmanuel maintains much activity in the building. Enrichment and sports camps have provided a high level of involvement, with some of the largest participation we have ever seen. The building is being thoroughly cleaned and several classroom and library modifications will provide us with some wonderful new learning areas.

My hope is that our staff, faculty, parents and teachers all have a chance to spend some quality time this summer and come back rejuvenated for the 2022-23 school year.

In Christ,

Dan Moore Principle

## **2021/22 HIGHLIGHTS**

#### **ECA AEROSPACE**

In 2022 the Emmanuel Christian Aerospace Institute graduated the first class of students to complete all 4 years of the program!

In the first 4 years we have trained over 50 students, with previous graduates flying Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) in the Precision Agriculture sector, and starting their own small business in aerial photography for the Realty sector.

We have had 7 students receive their FAA Small UAS Commercial Pilot License, and we have issued 30 industry credentials in UAS Safety and Visual Line-Of-Sight Operations.

This year's class completed a capstone project in aerial photography/videography while exploring small business creation/operation by forming a full business plan. They are prepared to conquer the world of UAS!!