



# TIGER ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

## OCTOBER 2016



### Board Update

The original meeting date for our December Board meeting has been changed from Tuesday, December 6, 2016 to **MONDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2016**. The meeting schedule remains the same with Governance meeting at 10:00. Finance at 10:30, the Board at 11:00 and Fundraising at the conclusion of the Board meeting.

Please remember to attend our Donor Recognition Event and Open House on **FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2016** here at Tiger from 11:30am until 1:00pm.

### Student Update

Our vision screenings were completed September 30<sup>th</sup> and our report received back in October: Screened a total of 245 students, 46 of whom were identified with additional vision screening needs and referred out to vision services through Vision is Priceless. Hearing Screenings were completed September 27-29<sup>th</sup> with K, 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and new students.

On October 27<sup>th</sup>, 10 Tiger Academy scholars and their families spent the morning at Episcopal School of Jacksonville. We were able to meet with the Spiritual, Athletic and Art Directors, walk the school grounds, talk with a panel of scholars (one being Tiger Alumni, Ms. Jewel Hardwick), and ate lunch on campus. The weather was not only beautiful, but the parents and scholars were able to ask meaningful questions and discuss the realities of what it takes to be a part of the Episcopal Family. As parents were leaving, some were happy to announce they will be starting the application that night. All parents and scholars were asked to follow-up with Jessie within the next few weeks to discuss their thoughts and next steps.

The Young Banker's Club collaboration with Fifth/Third Bank and Tiger Academy's 5<sup>th</sup> Graders took place each Monday in the month of October. Bank representatives came to the school weekly to

### Community Development

Agape Community Health Center has opened on Edgewood Avenue near Tiger Academy. We are working on partnering with them for health care services for our children and families.

Tiger Academy kicked off Literacy in October with a Parent Night on October 6<sup>th</sup>. Ms. Bridget McGee from PBS (Public Broadcast System) presented information to parents on literacy in an assembly. The parents visited the classrooms where the teachers shared our literacy program and how they can provide support at home. The literacy night ended with a spaghetti dinner for all.

Tiger is happy to have Ms. Elaine Kitchen from the Tale Tellers Guild to read to our Pre-kindergarten student weekly.

### Staff Update

Our 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade teacher, Mrs. Jennifer Olson, returned from maternity leave on October 27<sup>th</sup>.

### Tours

Tiger Academy hosted the October Charter School Principal's Meeting on Thursday, October 13<sup>th</sup>.

- Dr. Yendell Hoppey
- Warren Jones

#### UPCOMING EVENTS:

**Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>: Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>:** Veterans Day – No School  
**Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup>:** Grandparents Day  
**Nov. 24<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>:** Thanksgiving Holiday Break

**\*Board members are welcome to attend school events\***