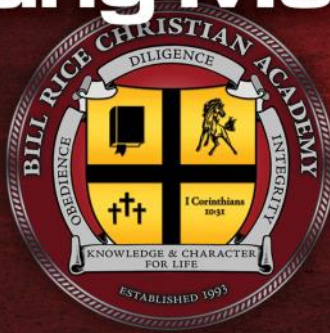


Mustang Message



September 2023

Let Me Count the Reasons

by Nathan Reeves

The start of a new school year always brings excitement! It's a fresh start, there are new people, and summer was getting a little long! (Can I get an "AMEN!") But this year, we have many reasons for excitement.

First of all, 2023-24 is our thirty-first year serving the families of Middle Tennessee. God burdened Dr. Bill Rice III to start a school on the Ranch in order to educate staff kids and kids from the community. Over three decades later, BRCA has grown more than fivefold as it continues to serve its original purpose. Day in and day out, students from all over Middle Tennessee grow in knowledge and character.

Another reason it's such a special year are all the new faces. First of all, Miss Young, Miss Richmond, Miss Carpenter & Miss King have all been a wonderful addition to our school! They are hard workers and good teachers; and, most importantly,

they have such a heart for their students. Then we have thirty-three new students and twenty new families. These students have fit in very well, made many new friends, and are working very hard in their studies and on their character. We love new students at BRCA – especially this year's!

Not only do the faces look different, our program does as well. Things that add to the excitement around here are a Middle School flex period & clubs, Teacher Coach, the Bright Idea Award (ask your child), and a new building coming later on! We hope these things are not just exciting but also helpful to each of our families.

We depend on God's leading for future growth as well. A new year is always special, but this year is different. God has given us so much to be excited about and to be thankful for. I would not want to be anywhere else!



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Current Events

Sept. 4 Labor Day

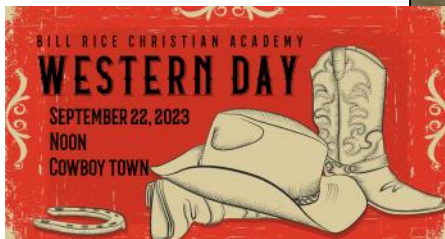
No school on this day! Enjoy this long weekend with your family.

Sept. 22 Western Day

Western Day is back! All parents are invited to join us for a cookout at Cowboy Town, pony rides, and a real, live Bill Rice Ranch **rodeo!** Parents can plan to arrive at lunchtime. More details coming later.

Sept. 28-29 TACS Educators' Convention

No school these days as our teachers get some extra training!



Welcome New Students

We want to welcome each of our new students to our school family! We are excited to watch each one learn and grow. We know everyone will make them and their families feel welcome.

Griffin Archer
Connor Adams
Adelaide Burnett
Emmarie Burnett
Grayson Burton
Kaia Forte
Asher Gray
Parker Gustin
Nehemai Jackson
Faith LaMorte
Adeline Lange
Emily Poplar
Everly Ratliff
Maleia Reedy
Reese Smith
Grant White
Zoel Woods

Hudson Yoder
Quinton Yost
Chase Cohen
Jordan Johnson
Katie Schaefer
Scott Schaefer
Dora Mousa
Sireniy Robinson
Ethan Traugher
Easton Yost
Elizabeth McQuiston
Mila Robinson
Paisley Bowen
William McQuiston
Amanda Plaza
Michael Traugher

New Facebook Group!



We are excited to announce the launch of the Bill Rice Christian Academy Facebook Parent Group! The goal of this group is to help BRCA parents create relationships with other school parents by sharing information and ideas, asking questions, and supporting one another. We'd love to see you there!

Fall Retreats

The Ranch offers several retreats this fall that can be a help to you and your family. Retreats are affordable and very relaxing. We will highlight the upcoming retreats in the *Mustang Messages*, and I hope you and your family will make a point to get involved this year!



Character Trait of the Month:

OBEDIENCE

Definition: actions brought about by submission to authority

Examples:

1. Learn the school and class rules. Follow them immediately, completely, and with a right attitude.
2. When your teacher tells you to do something, quickly and happily do it to the best of your ability.

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