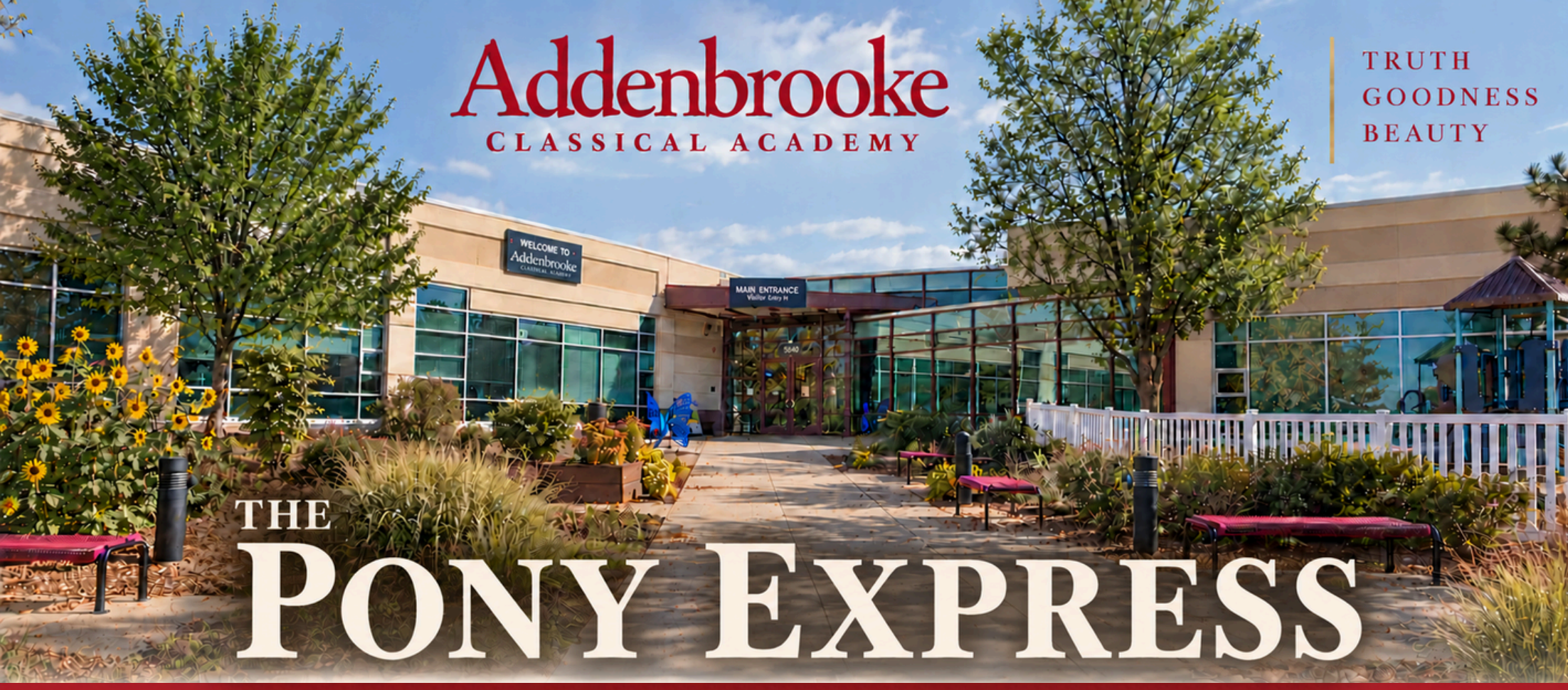


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PRINCIPAL'S LETTER

Veterans Day Reflections

Dear Addenbrooke Families,

Wow, yesterday knocked my socks off. Our students and staff continue to rise to the occasion. We had over 75 veterans at the assembly and while I am tired by the end of events like these, I am moved by how much love and support our community has for this school.

Tonight, we will have the final campus event of the week as we get to see student artwork and have families participate in activities at the Art Show (5:30 - 7:00 p.m.). Please join us! You will get a chance to see some amazing pieces that your children have created.

There are so many thanks and words of gratitude that come to my mind right now, I don't really know how to start. The staff, students, and community continue to make Addenbrooke the most amazing place to work. I find myself teary as I think of all I have to be grateful for during this time of year. I marvel at the amazing work done here. I knew at age seven that I was gonna be a teacher, but I would have never been able to imagine being so blessed to work at a place like this. Many thanks for all of you and the magic we have all created here at ACA.



Mrs. Julie Spencer

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K-8 Principal

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AROUND CAMPUS

Habit of the Month

PUNCTUALITY

This month, our Charlotte Mason habit is punctuality.

Arriving at school on time is one of the most straightforward ways students can practice this habit and set themselves up for a successful day. Those first few minutes in the classroom matter. They give students space to put their things away, connect with their classmates, and begin learning on time.

Every time you arrive at school on time, you help your student practice this habit—thank you! If your kids struggle with tardiness, we gently encourage you to consider adjustments to morning routines that can help students arrive on time, ready to learn.

Mornings can be busy and getting everyone out the door isn't easy. But by prioritizing punctuality, we're teaching children to value their education, respect others' time, and take responsibility for their day.

Staff Spotlight



Ms. Audrey Pigott

4TH GRADE TEACHER

Ms. Audrey Pigott joined us this year after graduating from Colorado Christian University with a degree in Classical Elementary Education. She is originally from Illinois, but grew up coming to Colorado to visit family in Boulder. She also spent a semester abroad in Oxford. Ms. Pigott says, “I have a huge passion for teaching and learning. It is my greatest joy in life being able to pour into these young people!” She enjoys reading, spending time with loved ones, and trying new coffee shops.

INSIDE THE CLASSROOM









Art In Classical Education

Three guiding tenets of classical philosophy and education are the **good**, the **true**, and the **beautiful**. The study of what is good, true, and beautiful has historically given humans ways to understand the world, grasp wisdom, and live meaningful lives.

When studying beauty, students learn that it’s often perceived as that which is harmonious, ordered, excellent, and meaningful. We can recognize this in art, but also in music, literature, math, and nature. Long, slow attention to these things helps students develop their capacity to recognize and appreciate beauty.

Tonight’s Fall Art Show will give you a chance to experience this alongside your child. We love their creativity and you’re proud of their artwork, so take an extra second in front of the artwork that’s hung around campus to consider their work as a demonstration of their knowledge.

Tonight, you’ll be included in their experience of growing appreciation for beauty, which is an essential part of a liberal arts education.

UPCOMING EVENTS



November

9-13 — **Scholastic Book Fair**
Hours: Mon-Fri from 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
On Thursday, the Book Fair will stay open until 7:00 p.m. during the Art Show.

12 — **Pre-K–8th Family Fall Art Show**
Students art will be on display and campus will be full of hands-on activities for families to participate in.

13 — **Senior & Kindergarten Connection**
Addenbrooke high school seniors visit Kindergarten classrooms to do a themed activity.

16 — **Board of Directors meeting**
Learn more at Addenbrooke.org/board

17 — **School Accountability Meeting**
Volunteer and learn more at addenbrooke.org/school-accountability-committee

17 — **2nd Grade Field Trip**
Teachers will send communication about event details as the classes head to the Children's Museum.

18 — **Prospective Parent Meeting**
Prospective Pre-K–8 grade families are invited to attend to learn about Addenbrooke.

18 — **Mom's Math Club**
Moms of K-5 grade students are invited to join us on campus for a fun math activity in the library.

18 — **4th Grade Curriculum Day**
Teachers will send communication about event details as the class participates in Medieval Day.

20 — **Pre-K–8 Pajama Day**
Wear your cozy, appropriate pajamas and bring $5!

20 — **Preschool Thanksgiving Feast**
Preschoolers enjoy a Thanksgiving Feast in their classrooms.

STAY CONNECTED

FOR MORE EVENT DETAILS

For the most up-to-date information, subscribe to our school calendar.

SCHOOL CALENDAR
addenbrooke.org/calendar

INSTAGRAM
@officialaddenbrookemustangs

FACEBOOK
Addenbrooke Classical Academy

PACS is a parent-led organization that supports Addenbrooke through community events and volunteer opportunities. All parents are welcome!

Join our next meeting on Friday, November 13 at 8:00 a.m. in the Grammar School Commons

WINTER WORKSHOP

SAT, DECEMBER 12 FROM 9-12

Winter Workshop is an event where your family makes pre-packaged, personalized crafts to gift this holiday season! Kits are available for purchase in advance. Then, on 12/12, collect your kit on campus between 9am - noon. Instructions and supplies are provided. There's even a wrapping station so you don't have anything left to do when you get home.

Click here to learn more.

FUNDRAISER

Red Robin
GOURMET BURGERS AND MORE

Join us at Red Robin on November 19 for a school fundraiser. Stop by or order to go, mention the fundraiser, and 20% of your purchase will go back to Addenbrooke.

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GIVING TREE



TEACHER WISHLISTS ARE READY FOR YOU!

Our annual Giving Tree is an opportunity for families to support Addenbrooke teachers by purchasing an item a teacher wants for their classroom. Families are invited to choose a teacher and purchase a gift.

Click here to learn more.

SCHOLASTIC

BOOK FAIR

The last day of our Scholastic Book Fair is tomorrow, November 13.

Fri Hours: 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

If you haven't had a chance to check it out, it's not too late!

Stop by tonight until 7:00 p.m. during Thursday's extended hours

BULLETIN BOARD





Immunization Deadline

DECEMBER 10

All required immunization documentation for the 2026–2027 school year is due by December 10th.

If you have received a notice from the clinic indicating that your student is not currently compliant, please submit documentation ASAP to the nurse or front desk. If you have questions or would prefer to submit your paperwork digitally, contact abrown@addenbrooke.org.

Canned Food Drive

Our canned food drive started during Fall Fest and you brought a lot! Help us finish strong by sending a non-perishable food item by next Friday, November 20. Kids can place them along the inside hall walls.

APPLY

Join Our Team

We have open staff positions.
Join our Addenbrooke team!
Click here to review the postings.



Send Yearbook Photos

If you have a great photo from a school event, send it to p8yearbook@addenbrooke.org

Learn About Enrollment

Enrollment and re-enrollment open on December 1!
Join us or tell a friend about next week's campus events.

Prospective Parent Events

PRE-K-8 PROSPECTIVE FAMILIES

Prospective Pre-K–8 families are invited to attend to learn about Addenbrooke. Hear from Principal Spencer, learn about our tuition-free classical education, and discover how we partner with families.

Click here to learn more.

Middle to High School Transition

6-8 CURRENT & PROSPECTIVE FAMILIES

Current and prospective 6-8th grade families are invited to attend to learn about Addenbrooke High School. Explore classrooms, meet teachers and students, and hear from Principal Byrne.

Click here to learn more.

MUSTANG MOMENTS



Veterans Day Assembly & Breakfast













Want to see more campus life?

[Click here to watch the Veterans Day video]