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A letter from the Academy Director

I'm so excited about all that God is doing in and through NorthStar Christian Academy! A special thank you to all who have and continue to support the Academy through prayer, volunteerism and your generous giving. None of this would be possible without you being the hands and feet of Christ. We have made

some changes to our programming this year that we feel will give us the best opportunity to reach the high school aged students in our community.

- We are launching an innovative PSEO Pilot Program (see article)
- The Ground Zero "discipleship training program" was a huge success last year and will continue to build on that program this year (see article)
- We are working with both FCA and YFC to facilitate a variety of different after school activities at NCA for students throughout the year.
- We will be periodically offering other academic opportunities for students before or after school such as Dave Ramsey's "Foundations in Personal Finance" and the "U.S. Constitution Course" from the Institute on the Constitution.
- Unfortunately, due to the challenges in scheduling, we will not be holding classes as part of "Religious Release" for the 1st semester.

In addition, we are exploring different Biblical worldview educational opportunities that we can present to the entire community.

Thank you again for your prayers and support of this amazing God breathed endeavor. Please feel free to stop in and visit whenever you're in the neighborhood.

In His Service,
Jay Jenson
Academy Director

NCA Launches PSEO Pilot Program

NorthStar Christian Academy (NCA) is excited to announce a pilot program that, starting this fall, will provide students with the option of studying together at NCA while receiving both high school and college credit!

"Post-Secondary Enrollment Options" (PSEO) is a state wide program that has

been around for 30 years and allows eligible 11th and 12th grade students:

- **To enroll in and take classes from a participating college free of charge.**
- **To receive both college and high school credit.**
- **To leave their high school campus and study wherever they and their legal guardian believe is best.**

NorthStar Christian Academy will provide students with the option:

- **Of studying together at NCA in an online learning group that we are calling a “cohort”.**
- **Of perusing truth wherever the clues do lead.**
- **Of studying under a knowledgeable and caring adult (Dee Novotny) who will provide encouragement, accountability, and a solid Biblical World View foundation**

The students registered for this fall’s cohort will be taking a “World Religions” course offered online by the University of Northwestern in St. Paul.

The cost of participating in the NCA cohort program is \$250/course*. Scholarships are available and it is our desire that no student will miss out on the learning opportunities at NCA because of money. I would like to say a big thank you to the churches and individuals who have given to our scholarship fund. Together we are making a difference in the lives of our young people!

* Fee waived for students participating in the “pilot program”



NCA’S Ground Zero 2017-2018 ***“Where heroes are discovered”***

We are excited to announce the 2017-2018 Ground Zero program at NorthStar Christian Academy (NCA) will kick-off on September 20 th (girls) and September 21 st (boys).

Ground Zero is a 15 week intense discipleship training program that encourages high school aged (9-12 th grade) students to “do the hard things” that will allow them to understand and live up to their full Christ-like potential. The program’s goal is for these students to get a solid understanding of who they are in Christ and to help them discover the “hero” that God created them to be for their generation. Participating 9-12 th grade students and Life Coaches meet each week during the “Zero” hour, **7:00AM-8:00AM. (Girls – Wed.s/Boys- Thur.s)**

As part of the program, each student is matched with an adult “Life Coach”. These coaches walk alongside each student to mentor, challenge and hold them

accountable to doing the “Weekly Hard Things”. Some examples of these “Hard Things” include; committing to do daily devotions, developing a consistent prayer life, making amends in damaged relationships, maintaining sexual purity, severing unhealthy relationships, practicing servant leadership, choosing to do the hard/right thing in every decision, etc.

If you are interested (parent or student) in learning more about the program and ways that you can get involved please join us at NCA:

Ground Zero Informational Meetings
BOY’S – Thursday, September 7 th , 7:00am
GIRL’S – Wednesday, September 13 th , 7:00am NCA
Or call Jay or Moriah at (320)219-6489

Statistics say that if you effect 10% of any people group you can influence the entire culture. Our long term goal is to develop a strong society of young people whose common denominator is wanting to impact their generation for Christ by their example. Come and be a part of what God is doing in and through Ground Zero! GO GOD!

We have 20 **free** parking passes available for high school students on a 1st come, 1st serve basis. They must register their vehicle with Moriah to receive their pass.