

THE McADAMS MEMO

EMBRACING AND EDUCATING SOCIETY'S NEGLECTED KIDS

GIVING BACK GIVES MORE



In the middle of May McAdams held two local events to help bring awareness and support to the neglected youth in Wichita. On May 9th patrons dining at Chicken N Pickle supported our students by 10% of every dining purchase giving back to McAdams. The very next weekend Kendra Scott opened

their doors and online shopping in support of McAdams by having 20% of all sales give back to our organization.



We are honored to partner with two National companies with local Wichita establishments who come alongside us to support embracing and educating neglected youth in our community. Be sure to follow us on Facebook, Instagram and LinkedIn announcing future pop up events with local businesses to raise funds for McAdams Academy.



CONGRATS, GRADS!

We are so proud of our graduates! Read more about them and everything they achieved in "Dr Chuck's Corner" (back page)



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At the end of the school year, students who had accomplished academic goals they had set for themselves got to "pie" a staff member of their choice! Suffice to say, they took full advantage of the opportunity!



THANK YOU FOR PARTNERING WITH US TO CHANGE THE LIVES OF OUR SOCIETY'S YOUTH!

- I would like to attend the next tour of McAdams
- I am signing up for the Lions Pride Monthly Giving Club
- I would like to be a part of the Lionsheart Prayer Group
- I would like more information about volunteering
- I am making a one-time donation

Name _____ Phone _____
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 City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Email _____

see back for more information about partnership and giving



Final Thoughts from the Executive Director

In my letter to our Lion's Pride members (monthly donors), I mentioned McAdams' unique position in our community. Over the past ten years, McAdams has continued to grow and meet the needs of struggling youth in Sedgwick County. We had several "firsts" this year. We had more students than classroom space, computers, and teachers. The most disappointing "first" was that we could not enroll all the students who applied to our program. Unless we increase our financial base and find a new building, we will repeat this "first" next school year. The most exciting "first" is we had the largest graduating class McAdams has ever had. I want to introduce you to our six graduates:

- ◆ Tyler, a single teen mom, was expelled from high school. Initially, she dropped out of McAdams but returned to finish the 12 credits she needed to graduate. Working day and night, Tyler completed all 12 credits in six months.
- ◆ Fatima came to McAdams three years ago during Covid on a recommendation from another family. She is the first McAdams student to earn dual credits toward a college degree. She will continue her education at Hutchinson Community College.
- ◆ Kylie completed her 0.5 English credit.
- ◆ Rylie completed his 1 English credit.
- ◆ Marcos attended McAdams online and completed his 0.5 credit.
- ◆ Jerry completed 6 credits fall semester.

There are many reasons why McAdams is passionate about "Embracing and Educating Society's

Neglected Kids". Each child earning their high school diploma is one less child who becomes a statistic. According to the National Center for Education Statistics, 21,884 Kansas students received out-of-school suspensions or expulsions in the 2017-18 school year. Fifty percent of students that are expelled or receive a long-term suspension more than twice, drop out of school entirely. Research suggests that students not in school are more likely to engage in risky behaviors and be involved in the criminal legal system.

According to the "Prison Policy Initiative", 36,000 Kansas residents are behind bars or under Community Supervision. Seventy-five percent of the population in our state prisons did not finish high school. Every year Kansas prisons release 6,000 ex-offenders into our communities. Hang on; there's more. Those 6,000 individuals released from prison are 15 times more likely to become homeless! Youth without a high school diploma or GED have a 346% higher risk of experiencing homelessness than youth with a high school diploma.

Let's recap... Removing kids from school decreases their quality of life and increases their chance of being involved in the judicial system and becoming homeless. Is everyone okay with that? This year, based on statistics, McAdams' donors prevented six teens from becoming a statistic. An amazing opportunity lies within your grasp. Join the Lion's Pride and watch "The Power of Knowledge" change lives. ***There is no monthly amount too small. Can we count on you to help us with the financial resources needed to enroll every child that applies to our program?***

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Our programs help expelled youth and youth in the foster care system from falling behind academically and address behavioral problems that often ruin their ability to complete their education. Every day we have opportunities to make life-changing interactions with our students. You can help us invest in their lives and make a difference in the following ways:

Praying

You're invited to be a part of the Lionheart Prayer Team! It simply involves praying for McAdams Academy upon receiving a monthly email with prayer requests and praise reports for McAdams. There may also be an occasional urgent or time sensitive email sent requesting prayer. If you want to be included in this volunteer prayer team, please email info@mcadamsacademy.com and we'll add you to this special group of volunteers. Thank you for prayerfully considering this vital support team for McAdams.

Volunteering

Tutoring, mentoring, cooking, administration - whatever you enjoy doing we have a place for you! Please give us a call or come visit us to see where you might be able to help.

Visit McAdams

Call or email to RSVP for a tour! 316-239-6472 or events@mcadamsacademy.com

Giving

Lion's Pride Monthly Giving Club
Members get exclusive McAdams content!

PayPal of Venmo:
scan QR codes or search McAdams Academy or Center for Behavioral and Academic Research

Online:
mcadamsacademy.org -or- ictcbar.com -or- scan the Lion QR code

Mail a Check:
payable to McAdams Academy or CBAR to 2821 E. 24th St. N, Wichita KS 67219

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Log into your rewards account, click the "Community Rewards" tab, and search MCADAMS ACADEMY



OUR VISION STATEMENT

Teaching youth to be successful in life, regardless of their circumstances.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Providing a safe place where vulnerable youth practice academic, emotional, and spiritual skills for thriving lives that affect families and communities.

