# CDS Middle School



#### **Upcoming Events**

June 8th
MS End of year Assembly

June 9th

Summer Concert 6pm~9pm

June 10th Arch Day

June 11th
CDS MS Graduation
10am-12:30pm

"Education is our passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to the people who prepare for it today"

-Malcolm X



On May 5th, CDS Middle School student council hosted its annual Talent show. This year, we had 8 groups who signed-up to showcase their talents. Students talents varied from singing, dancing, and playing an instruments. G5 Erica and Hanna performed the most adorable gymnastic choreography and placed 3rd. G8 Kate sang Beyonce's Listen and wowed the judges and audience with her singing ability, which placed her in 2nd. This year's talent show winner was G8 Jasmine who played a very challenging piano piece. Not only the performers, but also the audience had fun. G8 Boys (Jungmin, Kevin, and Robin) had some teachers up on the stage during their rap performance, adding a surprise to all of us. G8 girls (Tammy, Grace, Kate, Jasmine, Gloria, Eva) had some teachers and students on the stage so they could all dance together. CDS Middle School would like to thank all the participants who made this show very entertaining and student council members for their hard work successfully organizing this

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As announced in our last CDS MS newsletter, CDS Middle School students played 'Ultimate Frisbee' for term 5 Dalton Cup. Due to rainy weather, there were some days when it was impossible to play outside, so students competed on free-throw basketball shoot-outs as an alternative. This term, team Cheongna boys showed their great ability to strategize and play ultimate frisbee while remaining undefeated for the entire tournament. Team Korea girls also shined with their excellent throwing and catching. In the end, team Korea won the tournament followed by team Cheonga, team Phoenix, and finally team Dalton which placed the last.

As the school year comes to the end, so does Middle School Dalton Cup. CDS MS was surely more fun because of our Dalton Cup events and the other academic activities for which students received Dalton Cup points. Dalton Cup brought all the students together in collaboration, and engaged the school community while creating a positive general school culture. The final winner of this tournament will be announced during our final year assembly on June 8th. The final winner will receive the Dalton Cup and their victory

CDS 1ST ATHLETIC BANQUET



On Thursday May 26 from 5-8pm, CDS held its first ever Athletic Banquet in the cafeteria, to recognize all the student-athletes that took part on a sports team that represented The Phoenix. With about 14 teams across 3 seasons (Fall, Winter, Spring), the athletes participated in a variety of sports from the field, on the court, and in the pool. There were over 100 athletes from middle and high school and about 15 coaches at this year's event which started off with dinner, along with a powerpoint presentation composed of pictures from the year's sporting events. After, each team's head and assistant coach went up to give a short recap about their season, present some 'oscar' awards to students that brought uniqueness to the team or a certain attribute/personality, followed by scholar award for the highest GPA, MIP for the most improved player, and lastly MVP for the most valuable player. After that, KAIAC scholar awards were given to those athletes that had a high GPA amongst all those that participated in the KAIAC association. Following the team awards, major awards were given to both genders in middle and high school: scholar award for the highest GPA and athlete of the year. Then, the All-Phoenix Teams were announced which composed of athletes that made a significant contribution for their respective teams. The last and possibly the most rewarding award, 'The Phoenix', was given to the student that not only excelled at academics and athletics, but also made a significant contribution to the school, creating, building and making a better community for everyone around them to succeed in, CDS's inaugral Athletic Banquet was a success but we are already looking forward to next year's event with an even more formidable setup,- Mr. Parmar



## CDS MS BOYS' BASKETBALL



### May 7th. Jamboree @ Cl

On Saturday, May 7th CDS travelled across Incheon to take on our rival school Chadwick international in a boys Middle School basketball jamboree. The first game of the day caught CDS players still sleeping and unable to build any momentum on the way to an 8-18 loss. The second game was a battle, a real test of the spirit as CDS pulled off a tough victory against YISS, 16-15 thanks to a late 3-pointer by 7th grade guard Solomon Choi. The third game of day featured a rematch with CI, a team we had lost to by 20 points in our first match of the season. The Phoenix fought and scrapped to keep the game close, but would wind up losing in heart-breaking fashion, 16-18. The final game of the day again tested the spirit of the Phoenix as it was tightly contested throughout. Thanks to a free throw by 7th grade Bonil Koo in the final minute CDS went on to win 12-11. MVP of the day was 8th grader Brian Kim who hustled after every loose ball and played superb defense, earning the praise of everyone in the gym.

- Mr. Clem.

#### May 14th. Tournament @ DSS

The CDS Middle School boys played in their final basketball games of the season at the KAIAC White Division basketball tournament hosted by Dwight. CDS Was excited to see where they stand after playing against Red and Blue division teams all year long. The team would start the day by blowing out ICS-P 31-6. In the second game the boys defeated KKFS 14-3. The third game resulted in another CDS victory, 28-8 over DSS B Team. The final match of the day was won 10-7 against DSS A Team, meaning a perfect 4-0 record on the day and the undisputed champions of the KAIAC White Division! 8th grade guard Ricky Kim was named MVP on the day and received a gatorade shower to celebrate! The boys battled hard this year, and improved mightily over the course of the season. The championship was well deserved by each player on the team.- Mr. Clem.



On April 30th, our 8th grade students Jasmine Kwon, Tammy Lee, Sue Shin and Yerin Park went to APIS to showcase in KIMEA Solo Ensemble festival. Even though there were some troubles with time managements and Sue's violin fell out of tune, girls performed just fine. Girls received a bronze rating which is a lowest before merit. They also received some comments and did not seem too discouraged. The piece they selected was very advanced, and if they had chosen an easier piece, they could have performed better. Overall, it was a good learning opportunity and will definitely help them grow as an ensemble. - Mr. Tolley



Dalton Distinguished. Congratulations!

#### **Alex Kim**

Alex Kim has been nominated for Dalton Distinguished this week, because of his hilarious, intelligent, and positive attitude. In the classroom he has excellent collaboration skills, and is sure to involve everyone during group assignments and discussions. Alex has also established himself as one of the class' top debaters. Alex always tries to include a specific word (you know which one, Alex!) into each list we create as a class, even if it doesn't apply! But he's always got a reason as to why it does--and usually it is a good one. Congratulations to Alex! Keep doin' you. - Ms. Laders







G5 Ali Elmagalash (7/20)

G5 Ye June Kwon (6/1)

G5 Joohyuk Lee (7/15)

G5 Minseong Park (7/2)

G5 Shaylee Yoon (6/28)

**G6 Siena Lee (7/30)** 

**G6 Ellie Lee (8/11)** 

G6 Andy Piao (7/8)

**G6 Sam Seo (7/17)** 

G6 Hyungmin Song (7/12)

G7 Eugene Kang (7/4)

**G7 Grant Lee (7/18)** 

G7 William Lee (7/1)

8A Kevin Cho (7/24)

8A Gloria Yoon (7/17)

8A Sarah Hong (7/7)

8A Brian Kim (6/17)

8B Ivan Gaponenko (7/28)

8B Eva Kim (6/18)

8B James Kim (7/18)

8B Andrew Lee (6/5)

8B Teresa Park (7/11)

**Ms. Erika Lee (6/18)** 



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**G7 Tongyeong** 



**G8 Seorak** 

