TEACHER ACADEMY

Fall 2023 newsletter

THIS YEAR

The 2023-24 school year has started off with a bang! Our pathway is booming at 563 students, 2 internship opportunities, and 3 experiential learning classes. The new Leadership in Education class has started strong exploring how schools are funded and have had great shadowing experiences. Visits by Del Tech have expanded our students perception of what comes after high school, and Del State and WilmU are on deck! A charter school and the University of Rhode Island are visiting to see how we created our Grow Your Own program. Overall, the school year has had a successful start, and we can't wait to see where we go from here.



GEAR UP

Here's your chance to rep the SHS Teacher Academy pathway all year round! Now until December 8th get 20% off with guaranteed delivery by December 23rd- just in time for presents!

Get yours now!

KIBWE HARRIS- K-12 INTERN

Kibwe is a senior in the K-12 pathway at Smyrna High School. Along with interning at Smyrna Middle School, he is completing 2 dual enrollment courses through WilmU. Kibwe said, "I love the opportunity of helping younger students at Smyrna Middle School. Allowing kids to have fun while exercising is a cool way to keep kids active. This opportunity changed my perspective on gym teachers and their classroom management." Kibwe is a bright young man with an even brighter future!

EDUCATORS RISING

One of the things that sets the Smyrna High School Teacher Academy pathway apart is our local competition. Students in level 2 and above compete in Varsity and JV projects for a chance to participate at States! Approximately 250 students will present their best projects in Children's Lit, Exploring Careers, Ted Talk, Moment, Lesson Plan & Delivery, and more. These students showcase all they've learned throughout the years and their incredible public speaking skills. We are always looking for judges, so if you're available on December 7th, please let <u>Valerie</u> Coll know!

2023 NATIONAL CHAMPIONS



FIELD TRIPS

- Field trips, or experiential learning, allow students to put in to practice what we discuss in
- class. When students visited
 Cadence Academy, North Smyrna
- Elementary, & ClaytonElementary, they read books, built
- block towers, and sang songs!They love engaging with young children!



EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

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