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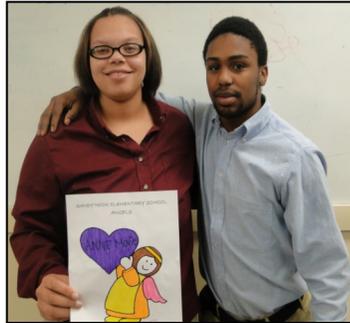


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Students Respond to Newtown, Connecticut Tragedy

In the days following the tragedy in Newtown, Connecticut, the faculty and students of The Academy Integrated Program and Charter School spent time talking about the many victims lost in this senseless and unimaginable act. Although many students in our school are fully aware of the reality of violence in our world, their community and even their own lives, the age and innocence of the victims at Sandy Hook Elementary made a significant impact on them.

Coordinated by Special Education teacher, Casey McKinney, the students responded to a program initiated by Pittsburgh radio personality, Bubba and his 100.7 radio show. Specifically, Bubba challenged his listeners to participate in an Angel Project to help memorialize the lives of the victims. The project involved our students learning about the children and staff members of Sandy Hook and then creating an angel dedicated to one of those special individuals. In all, our students colored more than 75 angels in memory of the 27 amazing lives that were cut too short. Just before the holiday break, the angels were collected and mailed to Sandy Hook Elementary School as a sign of support and encouragement from our students at The Academy Integrated Program and Charter School.



Above, students proudly display an angel in memory of Anne Marie Murphy, a Special Education Teacher at Sandy Hook who died protecting her students.

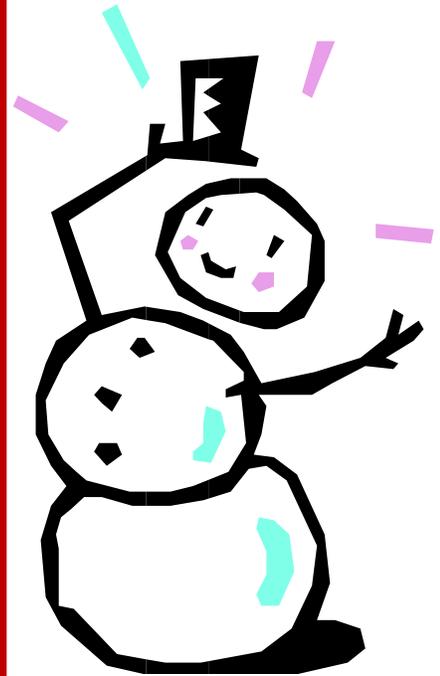
Below, students prepare to create their own original commemoration for one of the victims.



The Academy Charter Schools Opens New Library

This year, The Academy Charter School received funding to open a new school library. The opportunity, provided through the Title I school improvement Program, allowed Teachers and Administrators to purchase furniture, equipment, books, and technology for the students to use and enjoy. In addition to supporting classroom education and curriculum, the library offers students the opportunity to develop

new interests in reading and learning. The quiet and comfortable environment offers an alternative to the traditional classroom atmosphere for students to grow as reflective learners who are curious about the vast knowledge available to them in the library. The Academy Charter School is thrilled that this additional resource is now available to all students.



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The Academy Charter School proudly announces our students who achieved academic excellence for the first grading period of 2012.

Highest Honors (3.75-4.0)

Ryan W.	4.0
Markeiz J.	3.91
Justin S.	3.91
Alexis M.	3.81
Bryan D.	3.77

High Honors (3.45-3.74)

Jon L.	3.72
Jaijuan R.	3.68
Garrick M.	3.67
Schwannnda M.	3.66
Jenna M.	3.65
Isaac W.	3.63
Tayvonn K.	3.58
Charae B.	3.54
Nashayla M.	3.54
Brittany B.	3.49
Andrew J.	3.48
Taylor B.	3.47

Honors (3.0-3.44)

Mia B.	3.39
Zron P.	3.37
Raymond W.	3.36
Eric W.	3.36
Chase G.	3.34
Jordan S.	3.34
Miranda C.	3.33
Jade B.	3.32
Desmond Y.	3.32
Tyjaun R.	3.29
Marisa D.	3.27
Asha J.	3.26
Bridgette N.	3.24
Essence M.	3.23
Michael P.	3.21
Jaquon J.	3.16
Larry M.	3.12
Kenneth C.	3.11
Joe L.	3.10
Monaey C.	3.06
Sedrick N.	3.05
Cody S.	3.05
Janelle J.	3.03
Elijah D.	3.02



Career Services Unlocks Opportunities for the Future

Juniors and Seniors at The Academy Charter School have a lot to look forward to as the end of their high school career comes into focus. As they begin to consider their future, Guidance Counselor, Julie McMullen educates them on the many opportunities that exist. From voca-

tional training at Triangle Tech, Empire Beauty School or ITT to post-secondary degrees at CCAC, students can choose the course of study best suited for them. Career Services also offers SAT preparation, application & financial aid assistance and campus tours. Also pro-

vided is career planning for students who choose to pursue employment following graduation. Above all, students are encouraged to identify their dreams and then provide them with the tools and resources necessary to achieve success.