



# HIGHLIGHTER

TO INSPIRE AND MENTOR OUR STUDENTS TO EXCEL IN ALL CHRIST CALLS THEM TO DO.



## Happy New Year!

As we wrap up the first semester of 2025, we are thankful for our HVA friends who have become family. We are excited to welcome our new students arriving in January: ninth graders - Caroline, Samuel, and Rachael, tenth grader, David, and eleventh grader, Biruk. Welcome to the HVA Family! We are excited to get to know each of you better.

## Holidays at HVA

The holidays at Highland View Academy are a special time. We enjoyed Christmas performances by our music groups at the Frederick Church on 12/6 and the Highland View Church on 12/13. On Sunday 12/14, students and staff went to the Maryland Theater to see a beautiful performance of the Nutcracker. Final exam week kicked off with our first De-Stress Fest/Muffin Monday. Staff made muffins for students to enjoy as they made final preparations to take exams, and the kids loved the unexpected treat! We also had our school Christmas party at lunch that day. The cafe served breakfast in response to a vote taken by the student body. Campus Families shared gifts while Christmas music and fellowship swirled around the cafeteria.

The students finished the week with final exams and left for Christmas break on 12/18 to enjoy time with their families. We are happy to have them all back on campus to start the second semester on January 5, 2026.

## BIRTHDAY CORNER



**JAN**

- 7 Brenda
- 13 Bella
- 18 Chika
- 18 Dean Brie
- 19 Mrs. McCain
- 27 Dakoda



# Coming Up in January

## Welcome International Exchange Students

On January 9, 12 students and 2 sponsors will be joining us from the Colegio Adventista del Ecuador (CADE). We will be privileged to spend several weeks getting to know them in classes, dorms, and activities.

## SWOP Retreat

A couple of weeks ago, staff and students selected speakers for the upcoming Student Week of Prayer that will take place in March. To prepare and connect more deeply with God, the speakers will participate in a speaker retreat the weekend of January 9. Please join us as we pray for these students as they prepare their messages for our school family.

## Martin Luther King Jr Service Day

Students will participate in their first service project of 2026. More information will be provided as it becomes available.

## STUDENT OF THE MONTH

In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

MATTHEW 5:16



## Looking Ahead

### January

**9** SWOP Speaker Retreat

**15** Basketball vs MVCA Varsity Girls

5:30pm, Varsity Boys 7:00pm

**16-18** JV Girls Basketball Tournament in Collegedale, TN

**19** Service Day

**20** Basketball vs Frederick Force Varsity Boys 5:30

**21-25** Varsity Basketball

Newmyer Classic Tournament at Andrews University, MI

**24** THIMUN Netherlands

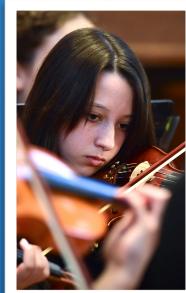
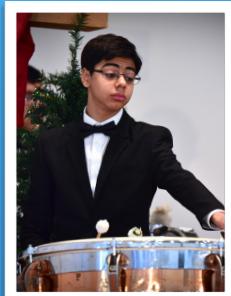
**29** Basketball at SVA Varsity Girls 5:00pm, Varsity Boys 6:30pm

**30** Winter Break

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