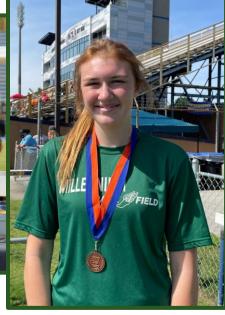


Rising 11<sup>th</sup> grade student **Ava Utt** won the 4<sup>th</sup> place medal at the division 1A women's high jump at the NC High School Athletic Association track and field state championship. The tournament was held on June 25 at North Carolina A&T State University in Greensboro. Congratulations, **Ava**!





## Summer Reading and Math Camps Are a Success

During the month of June and into early July, MCA hosted a three week reading camp and a two week math camp. Campers strengthened their academic skills and had tons of fun at the same time. In addition to engaging academic activities, students enjoyed guest readers, making tiedye shirts, a marshmallow roast, making special math t-shirts, and a water balloon toss at Mr. Reeves.

Thanks very much to all our students who participated, our teachers who came in to teach the camps, and especially to Mrs. Shaylee Moore for directing the camp.



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## Ms. Lissa Carter, New Lower School Director

Lower school director Mr. Michael Reeves resigned his position as MCA Lower School Director this summer in order to return to teaching. His young family is growing, and he stated that he made his decision in order to better fulfil his duties as a father since the time demands on a school administrator are so extensive. Mr. Reeves has been a wonderful asset to MCA during his five years on the faculty, and he has been very instrumental in helping move the school forward, securing strong curricula for the Lower School, and helping the school work through complicated COVID issues. We certainly wish him well in all his future endeavors.

To take the position of Lower School Director, the school welcomes Ms. Elisabeth (Lissa) Carter.

Ms. Carter is a graduate of Emory and Henry College and UNC-Greensboro. She has a B.A. in elementary education and a M.A. in Library and Informational Studies. She currently serves as librarian in the Winston-Salem / Forsyth County Schools, where she transformed her school's library from a dull, dated, and ineffectual space to a vibrant, engaging heart of the school. She has taught first, third, fourth, and fifth grades in both public and private schools. She is well read and thinks logically from a worldview that is in sync with a classical school, such as ours.

Her solid understanding of classical education and her passion for it provides the foundation for her imagination with which she can paint pictures of what could be, even should be, but isn't yet, and



Ms. Lissa Carter
MCA Lower School Director

all for the advancement of MCA's vision. She has firsthand experience and is skilled with various aspects of MCA's curriculum and practices, including Everyday Math, inquiry science, standardized testing, discipline by principle, standard of literature, literature instruction, parental engagement, use of testing data, and the value of relationships. She understands the importance of school culture and the process to modify it as necessary. Her references enthusiastically affirmed Ms. Carter as an excellent employee. One said, "She served as the principal's right hand assistant," and all described her as personable, having high moral standards, conscientiously well-prepared for everything she undertakes, and always learning.

We welcome Ms. Carter, and we know that you, our families, will enjoy working with her as much as we do!

## Important Dates

Thursday, August 12 Kindergarten Welcome Day

meet your teacher, 6:00-6:30 pm

playdate/snack (on the playground), 6:30-7:00pm

Monday, August 16 Welcome Back Day (1st -5th grades), 6:00-7:00pm

Welcome Back Day (6th-12th grades)

6th grade and new 7th-8th grade student orientation, 6:00-7:00pm

6th-8th grades open house, 7:00-8:00pm

Freshmen and new high school student orientation, 6:00-7:00pm

9th -12th grade open house, 7:00-8:00

Wednesday, August 18 First Day for All Students, Early Dismissal, 11:00/11:15