## LIONS:

## **Beauty in the Atmosphere**

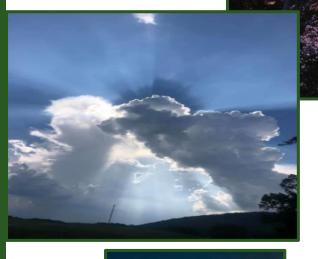
Culminating the 7th grade students' study of atmosphere and weather, Mrs. Maria Kern, 7th grade science teacher, encouraged her students to pause and observe the beauty of the sky and to photograph what they saw. Students had a two week window to make observations and take photographs. These are the award winning photos, and the students photographers received small, cash prizes for their excellent work.

## NIUM CHARTER ACADEMY EVENTS WORTH ROARING ABOUT



1<sup>st</sup> Place: Izabella Ward

2<sup>nd</sup> place: **Kyndal Martin** (not pictured)





3<sup>rd</sup> place: **Dallas Ashburn** 









Honorable Mention: **Gabriella Medrano** (not pictured)



## Sports Are Back!

Millennium sports have returned! Even though students have been working out since last July, they've had to wait to get their season started.

On November 4, our volleyball and cross country teams officially began their season. The Lady Lions played four games in the month of November, and scored their first win against 3A Parkland High School from Winston-Salem on November 24, defeating them three sets to zero! The MCA cross country team competed in two meets and improved greatly since last year with each runner making gains in personal times. Unfortunately, injuries sustained by key runners have prevented the team from winning their first two meets. Calvin Devore and Nick Johnson currently hold the team's fastest times.

Basketball is getting underway. The 6th-8th grade teams began this last month, and their first games are scheduled for the week of December 7. High school girls and boys basketball will officially start practice December 7, however they have been working out and staying fit since July. Both teams are eager to start their season and see some competitions.

MCA's sports teams follow strict COVID-19 protocols with individual screenings prior to practice and equipment sanitized frequently during practice. All our indoor sport teams wear masks during practice and competition. Cross country, being an outdoor sport, lets students run without masks while they are distanced at six feet from each other, but runners wear their masks if they cannot be distanced or anytime they are not on the field. All coaches wear masks at all times, whether they are inside or outside.



Go Lions!!

Calvin Devore (left) and Nick Johnson are staying ahead of the pack at cross country meets.

