

Mrs. Carlson is now Official Principal of John Marshall



Our future could not be brighter or more focused.

OKC Thunder General Manager Sam Presti Teaches JM Leadership Class

Twenty JM students with leadership qualities meet with Mr. Presti bi-monthly to work on and improve leadership abilities to better prepare them for the future. 🐾



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Marching Band Returns to JM



After missing for the last several years, band director, Mr. McCool, now has enough members to be able to play during games and perform at half time. The high school only has 19 members, but the middle school has 75 in two classes, beginning & intermediate. The OSSAA now oversees fine arts eligibility including band, so seventh & eighth graders can't perform, but the freshman can, allowing Mr. McCool to field a spirit band. They will also play during home basketball games. 🐾



JM Debate Team Volunteers at UCO

On Saturday, November 5th, 2011, from 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., the following students attended the Edmond Fine Arts Institute, Fine Arts & Literature Academic Meet.

Leilani Hicks, Madison Belanger, Violeta Mustofa, China McCauley,

Dejohn Brown, Rajahn Johnson, Germany Willrich, Majestic Williams, and Natasha Stanley

Our students were in charge of keeping score, clearing buzzers, and keeping time while at the meet. There were teams at competition from all over Oklahoma including Drummon, Chandler, and Byng. We spent the day learning all of the rules of the academic team meets and making new friends. John Marshall took lots of pictures and even took video footage of the event to send back to others that also have a news program class at their school. We made lots of contacts with former and current academic team coaches that offered to come out and help us prepare a team for next year's meet. 🐾

Ms. Clark

The JM League of Speech & Theater Educator

Thanks OG+E for the \$5,000 Robotics Grant

For the second year in a row the JMHS Foundation was awarded a \$5,000.00 Grant for the Robotics program. The money will be used to purchase a program called "Gateway to Technology" a Pathway to Engineering for students 8th through 10th grade. Their program includes teacher training, along with equipment for Design and Modeling, Automation Robotics and Technology. 🐾



FUN FACT: *John Marshall became the fourth Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States of America on February 4, 1801.*

JMHS Foundation Scholarships for 2012

All JM Senior Applicants must have Minimum ACT of 20 to apply

Barbara Tucker Valedictorian Scholarship	\$2,500.00
Harry A. West Top Scholar/Athlete Scholarship	\$2,500.00
Quail Creek Bank Scholarship	\$1,000.00
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Warren Collins Scholarship	\$1,000.00
Alumni Scholarship	\$1,000.00
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Foster & Evelyn Harrington Scholarship	\$1,000.00
Mel Thee	\$1,000.00
The Chuck Gulley	\$ 750.00
Outstanding Sr. Woman Scholar/Athlete	\$ 750.00
Alumni Scholarship	\$ 750.00
The Barbara Schuermann-Harris	\$ 500.00
Trina Liles	\$ 500.00
Denise Caton Fine Arts	\$ 500.00

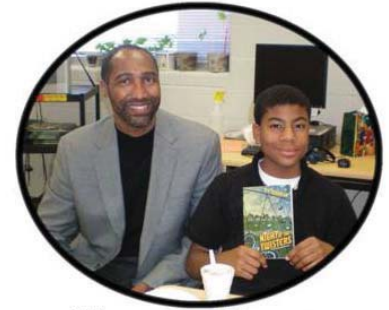
We want to thank Daryl Stallings and Ed Kirby for their wonderful commitment to the scholarship program over the next three years. For every dollar donated, it will be matched up to \$8,000.00 per year. 🐾

Financial Academy coming to John Marshall

Focusing on Banking, Accounting & Business

A place where students can chart a path for success in life! This Academy is being set up by a committee comprised of business leaders and educators. Their charge is to create a working environment that allows for learning and training in specific professions whether by internships, scholarships, hands on shadowing, and classroom participation. It is a very exciting concept for John Marshall to have been selected to house the Finance Academy.

Projections have it up and viable for the 2012-2013 school year. Students will be required to apply and have strong academic credentials to get in. As you read about this wonderful development, we could use your help! If you would like to serve on the Finance Academy Board, or feel your company may be able to assist with internships, student activities, or fund raising, please contact: Sherry Barton at 405/813-7447 or sherrybarton@hotmail.com 🐾



**Today a Reader
Tomorrow a Leader**

Dr. Ed Simmons Passes Away

Dr. Simmons was an educator at JM for more than fifteen years. He came to JM one day a week to work directly with special education students and had just finished his day when he suffered a heart attack on the way home on December 6th.

Dr. Simmons was a School Psychologist in the Special Education Office, and served the OKCPS since 1977. 🐾

John Marshall Makes Huge Improvements In Numbers to Fine Arts Academy by Improving Class Options

Dance	HS-41, MS 36
Vocal	HS-61, MS -57
Drama	HS-25, MS-32
Speech	HS-14, MS-26
Videography	HS 18
Orchestra	HS-21, MS-40
Band	HS-19. MS-75
Music Theory	HS-3
Music Appreciation	MS-35
Art	HS-130, MS-134

Paul Bianchi

John Marshall Teacher of The Year 2012

US Air Force, Lieutenant Colonel.

Active Duty 1986 - 2006. Retired. 🍷



**J.R. Giddens
leads PAOK
past Cholet
- Nov 22,
2011** (by

Eurobasket News)

JR is currently playing in the professional basketball league in Greece.

PAOK- 74 - Cholet – 62. PAOK celebrated the first win in EuroCup regular season. They knocked down Cholet in front of the home crowd. J.R. orchestrated the victory with 22 points and 12 rebounds to his name. 🍷

JM Business Investment Team Finishes Second Out of 30 Schools

The Junior Achievement team at JM competed against 30 teams from across the city and came in second. The team was chosen by business teacher, Mr. Todd DeArmon. They were given money to invest and a sponsor. They invested during the day and the teams with the most money at the end of the competition won.

The team from John Marshall included Remington Brooks, Soph, Dallas Moore, Soph, Kaelon Love, Freshman, Edward McNair, Junior and Stacy Bledsoe, Freshman. The sponsor will come to JM and work with their team throughout the rest of the year. 🍷

JM celebrated Veteran's Day

The students & staff wanted to recognize the men and women on the John Marshall staff who have served our country as military veterans. Mrs. Carlson said it is important to recognize our veterans from time to time and acknowledge their sacrifice and service to this country. Veteran's Day is an annual American holiday honoring military veterans, always observed on Nov 11th. It is also celebrated as Armistice Day or Remembrance Day in other parts of the world, to commemorate the signing of the Armistice that ended World War I.

Our John Marshall veterans are:

- 1. Glenda Allen:** U.S. Army: 1975 to 1978, and Army National Guard: 1978 to 1980.
- 2. Michael Grasham:** US Air Force: 1970 to 1991. Retired from Active Duty.
- 3. Lisa Williams** (front desk): US Army Retired from Active Duty/Reserves of 21 yrs working as a FEMA Nurse.
- 4. Kimberly Massicotte:** US Navy: Aircrewman Combat Support: 1992-1999. Disabled from Active Duty.
- 5. Troy Vance:** U.S. Army: 1996 – 2000. Inactive Reserve.
- 6. Lindy Huey:** US Air Force: 1999 – 2005. Honorably Discharged from the US Air Force.
- 7. James Herider:** E-6, US ARMY: 1974-1977. Inactive Reserve.
- 8. Gene Newcomb:** US Navy: 1987 to Present; Drilling Reservist.
- 9. Randall Robinson:** US Air Force, Master Sergeant. Active Duty 1972 – 1992. Retired.
- 10. Paul Bianchi:** US Air Force, Lieutenant Colonel. Active Duty 1986 - 2006. Retired.
- 11. Pedro Martinez:** US Army, Lieutenant Colonel, Reservist.



Kids making pancakes



Vets talking to students

Kahlil Denson, with the John Marshall High School Air Force JROTC, presents the colors during the 45th Infantry Division Museum's Veteran's Day ceremony. Photos by Steve Gooch, The Oklahoman



FUN FACT: *John Marshall served as Secretary of State from 1800-1801*



JROTC Travels to Altus AFB

Friday, Nov 18th, 21 JM JROTC cadets traveled to Altus AFB to take a motivational flight aboard an Air Force C-17 aircraft. The C-17 Globemaster is the workhorse of the Air Force's worldwide mobility mission, flying many millions of miles each year to deliver critical supplies to American forces all over the world. The Air Force also deploys the C-17 extensively in response to worldwide natural disasters, providing emergency humanitarian relief to those in need. Our JROTC cadets got to see the C-17 up close and personal and learned about the various missions it performs. The cadets also got to witness an air refueling training mission with a KC-135 tanker aircraft. Flying on an operational military airplane was truly a "once in a lifetime" chance for many of our cadets, and they enjoyed the experience and learned a lot about the rugged and versatile C-17. 🐾

JM Middle School Girls Excel During FCCLA District Events

Family, career and community leaders of America

Here are the specifics from the Nov. 28th competition.

Destiny Hansen- 1st place children's literature senior division

Nina Alexander- 1st place children's literature junior division

Aliya Short- 1st place children's literature 6-8 division

Keirah Baker- 1st place creed speaking and interpretation senior division

China McCauly- 1st place 6-8 division

Kiannah Robinson- 3rd place New Member Facts junior division

Paxton McCrea- 1st place New Member Facts 6-8

Leilani Hicks- 1st place Life Event Planning Junior

Madison Belanger- 1st place Career Investigation Junior 🐾



Antonio Smith & Houston Texans Make History & Head Into Playoffs



Top 30 Enhanced Studies Students Ap/Pre-AP

This year approximately 170 students are enrolled in HONORS or AP Classes in grades 6-12 which makes up about 20-22% of the current student population. AP Classes Include: AP Lit, AP Lang, AP Environmental Science, AP Biology, AP French V

12th grade

Bria Thompson, Jordan Smith, Kristina Berry, Tylesha Taylor, Ashleigh Jackson, Christopher Mathews, Calvin Coulter, Tiffany Neuman

11th grade

Kiera Stafford, Imani Graves, Asia Smith, Makaela Pierce, Mi'Leah Lyons, Bria Allen, Frank Duvall

10th grade

Remington Brooks, Dallas Moore, Tristan McCrea, Austin Anderson, Kristiann Andrews, Ja'Tay Scott

9th grades

Sefanit Admasu, Lyric Porter Corlteiz Parker, Alexis Vela, Alaysha Walker, Eric Bostic, Kaleon Love, Jacy Bledsoe, Scholarstica Uzuegbunem 🐾

It's the first time the Texans have been to the playoffs in their history. When Scooby was recruited from the Cardinals after the Super Bowl his goal was to get the Texans to the playoffs. As one of the Team Captains he has been working the younger guys to help them see the bigger picture. Their next goal is to get a playoff game at home. 🐾

Photo from Houston Texans Web Site