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**Wing Classical Academy is
Purposefully Partnering with Families**

By Hailey Mooney

Students are most successful when there is a good working relationship between home and school. What does it take for parents to positively nurture their children's education at school? Mandi Moore, of The Ambrose School, recently shared her top predictors of success at school as a series of mindsets and actions that parents can take:

1. *Parents are Primary:* You are your children's first and most influential teacher.
 - **Take a mindset of ownership over your children's education.** School can only take children as far as their parents have prepared them to go. It is the primary job of parents to impress the love of God upon the hearts of their children.
 - **Join in the great conversation of classical education.** Most parents did not have a classical education themselves, so to truly engage with your children you must take the journey alongside them. Look at your children's reading list and read (or listen to the audio-book) what they're reading so that you can discuss big ideas together. You don't need to be an expert; just allow the stories to shape you as well and have conversations with your children about what they're reading and learning.
 - **Develop and foster good habits in your children.** Left to themselves, children will develop bad habits that will mal-form the soul. Parents must provide corrections.

 2. *Parents are Protectors:* Limit exposure to negative cultural aspects.
 - **Limit screens.** Excessive and unsupervised screen time plummets attention, memory, and relationships. Social media and smartphones are among the top sources of harm to children in today's culture. Commit to keeping these influences away from children until age 18 when their brains are more fully developed and have the capacity for responsible use without addiction.
 - **Watch out for harmful pop culture influences.** Culture shapes children. It tells them who they are and directs their affections. Do not allow your children to be unduly shaped by popular culture. The Kingdom of God is counter-cultural in today's world. There is no escaping technology and popular culture, so be intentional and set limits.

 3. *Parents are Powerful:* Your voice is the loudest one that your children hear.
 - **Connect to positive communities that will amplify your voice.** Give your children roots and show them who they are in Christ by connecting to meaningful groups: family, church, school, and the local community.
 - **Take a mindset of unity and partnership with school.** It is the mission of a classical Christian school to share truth, goodness, and beauty with students and parents. Work together towards this common mission and goal.
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Updates

We are interviewing many candidates for our teaching positions. Stay tuned for more information.

We will be hosting a series of workshops in late July on Classical Christian topics. More information to follow.

Our first fundraiser was a success!

BARRELS OF HOPE TASTING NIGHT	
Revenue	\$19,005.56
tickets, auction, gifts	
Expenses	\$2259.01
tent, tables, chairs, bar, food, credit card fees	
“For the Children”	\$16,746.55
profit for operating fund	
<i>In-kind donations:</i> portable toilets, centerpieces, VIP gifts, linens, office supplies, printing	

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