



I have set the Lord continually before me;
Because He is at my right hand, I will not be shaken.

-Psalm 16:8-

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Spring Fundraiser!

Our latest merchandise fundraiser is a **student-created** design! Be sure to get our new design, now available on clothing, tote bags, and tumblers. At Manhattan Christian Academy, Romans 8:37, "No, in all these things we are MORE than conquerors through him who loved us," our school verse, is the inspiration behind our mascot, the CONQUEROR!



Click to donate!

MCA Spring Fundraiser

[<https://www.customink.com/fundraising/mca-spring22>]

Creative Writing | ACSI Writing Competition

We are so proud of our middle school students who participated in the ACSI Writing Festival! Five students, Isham Rivas, Karina Rosas, Tiffany Williams in 7th grade, Niley Camilo and Lisenia LaSalle in 8th grade were awarded excellent for short stories and poetry, and 8th grader Carolina Lugo received notable superior for her poem, featured below. Congratulations!



Twelve Days Apart | Free Verse Poetry by Carolina Lugo

Ill-ness

[il-nis] noun

A specific
sickness or disease,
or an instance of poor health.

As in: My mom got mad at me
for faking an illness to not go to school.

As in: My grandparents say to take care
of the plants or else they
could get an illness like us.

As in: People are wary of the new illness.

As in: My whole world stopped when
I saw the blue and red lights,
as my grandparents were diagnosed
with this illness.

Heartbeats

Saturday, April 8, 2020, 6:58 a.m

The doctor called and said my grandpa
was still intubated yet he was getting better.

11:36 a.m

I heard my mother's voice break
into parts as she got the
heart-wrenching news.

Thursday, April 20, 2020, 7:50 p.m
My cousins called me to play and
take our minds off of it.

8:43 p.m

Dad got home and consoled mom.

9:40 p.m

The doctor called and said
my grandma beat covid.

11:34 p.m

It turned out she wasn't alright,
indicated by the pulse going flat
in the background

Fine, since you asked, I'll tell you why I have repressed feelings

Because covid is a thing.
Because I wish it didn't exist.
Because if it didn't exist grandpa would still be here.
Because grandma died from a blood clot.
Because she already beat covid before she died.
Because she was about to come home.
Because if she came home I wouldn't be crying over the loss of two people.
Because my pillow feels like a river.
Because whenever I try to sleep it feels like I'm being stabbed awake.
Because their funeral is days away.
Because I can't explain how I feel without going numb.
Because the plants are dead.



Meet the Board | Pastor David Martin

Blessings be to thee, friends, family, and supporters of our beloved MCA. I first came to MCA as a parent of 4 year old Judah Martin, and was looking for a Christian school where the presence of God was dwelling, as well as excellence in reading, writing, and spelling. ... Oh, and math, music, and especially worship. That's what I found at MCA, so I decided to stay. First, my son Judah, and then in year 10, I was a parent of MCA again when my daughter Hosanna Martin began to attend. She played basketball for MCA's Lady Conquerors.

I played the keyboard for worship each day. If you don't know by now, then I'll go ahead and say: "I'm Pastor David Martin, Secretary of the Board of MCA. I've been here since '95, and I'm not going away. I hope that you'll stay too, to give and to pray, 'cause the King and His kids, I'm sure, want it that way! So let's give, and let's pray that the LORD have His Way, and make MCA even more of a blessing than it is today!"



Gratefully, to Him, and for you!

Pastor David Martin, Frances, Judah and Hosanna (fruit of MCA)

Admissions | Mrs. Cathy Matos

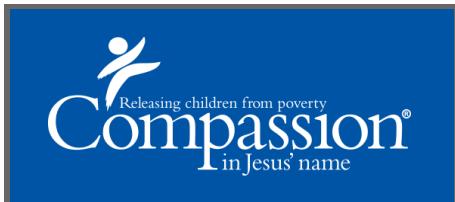
Admissions are in full swing for the 2022-2023 academic year! We are so excited about serving new families at Manhattan Christian Academy. Finding the right school and environment for your child is one of the most important decisions you and your family will make. As a parent myself, I appreciate all we do in laboring to find the best school for our children.



Manhattan Christian Academy is a PS-10th grade school located in the Inwood neighborhood of Upper Manhattan. MCA offers a strong, Christ-centered education to students and families who value God's Word and instruction that reflects a Biblical worldview. Please join us in our mission to educate New York City children to serve and lead by knowing God and understanding His world. We are happy to once again welcome families to our school to tour, meet the staff, and experience a little bit of the MCA family.

Join us Saturday, April 9 at 9am. Email: cmatos@mcanyc.org to RSVP!
To start our easy Online Application Process, [Click Here!](#)

Compassion Project | Isham Rivas, 7th grade



Hello everyone! I'm one of the MS/HS Student Leadership Team members, and recently we have been trying our best to support Compassion International to help make the world a better place. As God's image-bearers, we are called to be kind and help one another. However, some people need help desperately, and many choose not to help them. This is where the Compassion Project comes in!

Compassion is a project where you can donate money to help people in need.

Some examples of things you can donate towards are water wells, cows, seeds, baking lessons, and if you have the money, a life-saving surgery! However, you don't have to choose costly options like surgery because you can donate just a bit of your money for people to get necessities like a mosquito net! You don't necessarily have to give the exact amount of money needed. Any amount you can give will be added to the donations of others.

Since the early days of March, MCA's MS/HS Leadership Team has been promoting the Compassion Project. As of March 29th, MCA students and families have **donated \$2,264!** Each grade has a goal, and the classes that reach their goal will receive a class prize. We appreciate your help donating to this amazing cause so that we can help people around the world.

"Finally, all of you, be like-minded, be sympathetic, love one another, be compassionate and humble." - 1 Peter 3:8.



Update: Student Activities

Math Olympics: Over 30 MCA students in grades 3-8 participated in the 2022 ACSI Virtual Math Olympics held at MCA this year! Our very own 6th grader, **Adam Disla**, placed 4th! We are so proud of the diligence and perseverance of each of our students and their love for math. We pray they continue to grow in their knowledge and understanding.

Basketball: Our boys and girls' basketball teams have been diligently practicing and conditioning twice a week! Although our season looked slightly different this year with more scrimmages, we're grateful for our gym and time to build our team for next season! Go Conquerors!



FaithLeaders: The MCA FaithLeaders have been an exciting addition to our school this year. Cheerleading is a sport that requires a commitment to excellence, the willingness to work as a team, and the humility to endure the constructive criticism required to improve not only in our actions but also in our attitudes. The group has come together nicely as they support the boys' and girls' basketball teams. Through their efforts, excitement, and jubilant cheers, the MCA family is rallying together in the gym to support our players while conducting ourselves as women of God.

Art Festival:

On Monday, March 7th, five of our middle school students competed in the ACSI Art Festival held at Cairn University in PA, along with 19 other schools: Johnny Lucero, Carolina Lugo, Jeremy Alvarez (8th grade) and Anyali Sanchez, Jeyra Acevedo (7th grade).

We are so proud of their hard work and good stewardship of God's gift of creativity. Special congratulations to Johnny and Carolina for earning "Superior" awards and to Carolina for "Best In Show" in her category.



2022 Spring Musical | Anneli Lofgren

MCA will put on its first whole-school (PS|PK - 8th) musical entitled “Are We There Yet?”, telling the story of Moses and the Exodus of the Israelites from slavery in Egypt. This comical show features the characters of a timid Moses, overly-confident Miriam, assertive Aaron, and level-headed Joshua, who try to follow God and lead a group of misfit Israelites.



In addition to the show being comprised of over 40 students who will bring these characters to life, the show also features the talented singing voices of several students, the artistic work of student volunteers in charge of creating props, and the background set. Other student volunteers fill the roles of ushering and set management.

Our desire to put together such a large production is to enhance our school community among students, families, and staff, connecting everyone through the gift of music. We believe God has given us unique gifts and talents to draw others to Him. Through dedication, focus, and determination, I believe this show will facilitate sharing the Gospel message.

Update: Sponsor Christian Education

After 7 months of sharing our “Sponsor a Year (or day, week, month) of Christian education at Manhattan Christian Academy” fundraiser, we’ve raised...

\$396,380 with 52 donations and reached 66% of our goal!!!

To date, we've raised:

about **317 days, 63 weeks, 18 months, 7.5 quarters, 3.7 semesters, and 1.9 years for a whole class!!!**

Please consider making a gift today!



Prayer Requests:

- Health and safety as we end the year with optional masks
- Planning: Rescheduling of Spiritual Emphasis Week
- Fundraising / Finances
- Planning and growth of MCA High School
- Development and implementation of a Christian worldview in our school culture
- Growth of Christian education
- MCA parents and families
- Weekly Chapels and our study of our Statement of Faith
- Middle /High School Leadership and Discipleship
- Training, growth, and development for MCA's Board of Trustees
- Manhattan Bible Church

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