KAUS Radio Show with John Wright

Talking Points

4/22/16

Academic Celebrations

Monday 4/18 **was** Night with Our Poets Event

* Celebrates the Richard Eberhart Poetry Contest
* Top 24 student out of 344 entries shared poems
* Each student honored an Inspiring Adult or Teacher in their lives
* Collaboration with Friends of the Public Library, Historic Hormel Home, Austin Public Education Foundation, and APS

Thursday 4/21 **was** 5th Grade Math Masters Competition in Austin

* 155 students competed individually
* 30 teams competed
* 13 schools in the region
* Austin teams took 4th and 6th places
* Math Masters originated in Austin back in the 1980’s under the direction of Lew Aase and Julia Espe

Monday 4/25 **is** the High Distinction Banquet

* Honors seniors who are graduating with a 3.90 GPA or higher
* Honored students return the recognition by honoring a special educator in their life
* Students then speak at graduation
* Tradition in Austin for decades

Thursday 5/19 **is** the annual Young Authors, Young Artists Conference

* 4th and 5th graders learn from authors and artists
* 40 students attending
* 6th, 7th, and 8th graders attend the YAYA in the Fall
* Authentic experiences – writing, painting, drawing, book making, sculpting, origami, songwriting, cartooning, poetry
* Return with new ideas and inspirations