#### Northeast Christian High School

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### **Employee Spotlight: Michael Megafu**

This week's employee spotlight features Michael Megafu, who teaches ACT/SAT Prep this semester, and will also teach Geometry next semester.

Mr. Megafu grew up in Queens, NY. He holds a bachelor's degree in biology, and a master's degree in public health. He came to Kirksville in 2019 to attend A.T. Still University. This year, he decided to remain in Kirksville to pursue a research fellowship. He is working with surgeons at NYU to create a more efficient method of knee ligament repair surgery and ultimately hopes to specialize in joint surgery.

Mr. Megafu came to NCHS through an act of God. As a research fellow, his schedule is extremely full. But, he knew he wanted a job this school year. Mr. Megafu applied at different places in Kirksville, but none of them panned out. He has always loved teaching (he taught at his alma mater



for 3 years right after college), but there was no way he'd be able to take on a full-time teaching position on top of his fellowship. That's when a friend from ATSU's Christian Medical and Dental Association told him about NCHS. When he heard the schedule and when he would be in class, he couldn't believe it - it worked perfectly into his fellowship schedule.

Since becoming a teacher here, Mr. Megafu has also begun volunteering his time as an assistant coach with the Lady Knights basketball team (a number of whose players attend NCHS), and has been a speaker at one of our weekly chapel services. He demonstrates trust in God, joy, and the value of hard work and determination. Our students are so blessed by his influence.

# **NCHS Notes:**

Important updates and information for parents

- Your student has 20 raffle tickets for the Reverse Raffle on February 5. Please help us to get ALL of these sold. This is important.
- Mark your calendars for a parent meeting at 5:30 on January 6 at Cornerstone Church. We will be discussing the Carnival Night and divvying up responsibilities for that event. (Every family will get a jobif you're not able to be there, we'll be happy to sign you up for something and let you know how you can help.)
- If you have not been able to sign in to our school information system, called Sycamore, please check your email for an invitation to create an account. Several emails were sent yesterday, December 15. This site is where you will find students' grades, scheduling updates for parents, and other important school information. If you did not receive this email.

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Ask your NCHS student to purchase raffle tickets or to offer them to your friends!

For more information, call the school at 660.342.1100



December 17	Service Day @ Cornerstone Church and Salvation Army bell ringing - NOON RELEASE
December 22	NCHS Christmas Party Bring goodies to share AND Secret Santa gifts!
December 22	Last Day of 2nd Quarter - NOON RELEASE
January 4	First Day of 3rd Quarter
January 6	Important meeting re: Carnival Night, 5:30 PM
February 5	NCHS Carnival Night (see details at left)
May 7	NCHS Class of 2022 Graduation

## December 17 Service Day:



NCHS will be helping in two capacities on December 17. We will begin the day by helping our Cornerstone Church hosts. They need a good crew to help clean the building this week, and we are just the crew to do it! Then, from 10 to 11, we will be ringing bells for the Salvation Army at the north and south doors of both Walmart and Hy-vee in Kirksville.

Arrive at school at the same time as usual. Wear your NCHS shirts or hoodies. After our service is finished, we will return to Cornerstone. No need to bring your lunch, *release time is noon.* 

**Mission Statement:** NCHS is a non-denominational, God honoring, Christ centered high school with a biblical worldview curriculum where families, churches and the school equip students to have a personal relationship with the Creator, love and serve others, and be leaders for His Kingdom.