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Academy Prep to Host Grand Oak Classic Golf Tournament
Annual Event Has Raised Over One Million Dollars for Student Scholarships

Ybor City, FL – The Academy Prep Center of Tampa presents the *2013 Grand Oak Classic* golf tournament to benefit the Student Scholarship Fund. The event will feature a pre-tournament dinner at Old Memorial on Sunday, September 15, followed by the tournament at Old Memorial the next morning, on Monday, September 16, 2013.

The *Grand Oak Classic* tournament dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. with a cocktail hour, with the dinner following at 7:30 p.m. The dinner will feature a program which includes a key note testimonial from an Academy Prep student, a live auction-style paddle raise to support student scholarships, and an award of recognition given to tournament founder Fred Ridley.

This year marks the eighth year Academy Prep has hosted the Grand Oak Classic – and in that time it has become one of the school's signature events, and its highest grossing fundraiser. In the last seven years under Fred Ridley, the Grand Oak Classic has netted over one million dollars for Academy Prep Center of Tampa. In honor of reaching this threshold, the school will be honoring Ridley during the pre-tournament dinner. All proceeds from the event go toward supporting Academy Prep's student scholarship fund. All students at Academy Prep attend on full scholarship.

The fundraising golf tournament is open to the public. An individual player package starts at \$5,000 per player or \$16,000 per foursome. Non-golfers may also purchase tickets to the fundraising dinner only for \$250 per person. Sponsorship opportunities are also available. The tournament will be held at Old Memorial Golf Club on Monday, September 16, from 8 a.m. until approximately 2 p.m.

For sponsorship information, to reserve your spot, or for more information on the Academy Prep Center of Tampa, please contact Maggie McClelland, Development Manager, at 813.248.5600 (ext 1138) or 813.486.8107 (cell) or mmcclelland@academyprep.org. An invitation is also attached.

The Academy Prep Center of Tampa is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. It is an urban college preparatory middle school whose mission is to inspire and empower students qualifying for need-based scholarships to be future community leaders through a rigorous middle school program coupled with ongoing graduate support. Academy Prep's main building is housed in the historic former V.M Ybor Grammar School building. This original structure was renovated,



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new buildings were added to the campus grounds, and Academy Prep officially opened in 2003.
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