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## FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR, MR. BRIAN KUIPER

### "NOISE"

Noise is all around us. Defined in a very loose and somewhat unscientific way, *noise* is that which accompanies meaningful sound and obscures it in some way. A mother in a busy home might not hear the kitchen timer because of the noise of children playing. A child might not hear their parents call them for dinner because of the noise of their piano practice or their sandlot ballgame. With all of the noise around us in the world today, how does one hear the important sounds?

There is only one way! "Be still and know that I am God" writes the Psalmist (46:10). Here are the noise cancelling headphones that we need if we are to filter the noise from the important sounds. Stop believer! Stop all that you are doing. Listen! What do you hear?

We hear a command to love the Lord God with all our heart. That command is first for a reason. It's because in the busyness of life, we often do not remember the One Whom we do not see, and thus focus on only that which we can see and hear in our physical world. Only by intentional stillness and listening are we able to recall that our first and greatest command is to love God in ALL words and deeds. May God grant the Spirit and the will and the desire that we may obey Him in this greatest command.

We hear a command to love our neighbor as we love ourselves. This command might be second in the list, but it is as important as the first. The Word is clear. One cannot love the Lord if there is hatred of the neighbor. "Be still". Reflect for a few minutes today on your dealings with your neighbor. Put aside the noise in your head that seemingly justifies your actions based on their actions. How can and do you and I show that love in word and action? May God grant forgiveness for our lack of love, and the desire to walk in a more loving way each day. Indeed, as He is holy, may our sanctified walk be that of one who desires to be holy as well. *"But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation; Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy."* (1 Peter 1:15-16)

We hear a command to filter out all of the noise that is in the world around us, and to hear only the Savior as He speaks to us, *"Come unto me..."* (Matthew 11:28). Repent. Believe. Love. Speak the truth in love. And, there are so many other practical commands to us

as we live our daily lives. As we begin a new school year, may we hear the words of the Lord - because we are filtering out all of the noise around us, and paying heed to the One whose sound is so important to our lives.

Then the promise of the passage is ours as well. God *will be* exalted in the world. In all of the noise, man tends to exalt himself and his cause at the expense of God. See Him today as exalted and know Him as your refuge and strength.

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**FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT ~ MR. TOM HOLSTEGE**

As we start another school year, the Finance Committee has reviewed the tuition from the past year. As a committee, we have been reminded again of the commitment that each family at Heritage makes when they promise to see to it that their children are instructed in the truths of God's Word. They are not only making a commitment to the time and effort it takes to instruct these children, but to the great financial burden which tuition places on each of these families. The financial sacrifice that is made by the families that support HCS is not unnoticed, and the Finance committee along with the rest of the board would like to thank all of these families.

The 2020/21 school year, as you all know, was very different from years past. We are pleased to inform you that we did end the year with a balanced budget. This was due to the generosity of all of our supporters and some COVID-19 assistance from our federal government. Our expenses for the year were slightly under our budgeted amount. However, there was a shortfall in income due to no monies coming in from Fundraisers. Their main fundraising event, The

We take this opportunity to welcome Rochelle Heyboer and Lisa Potjer to the teaching staff. When we continued to advertise for teachers, the two of them came forward to assist HCS. Lisa taught for five years at Adams Christian School prior to having her family. Rochelle had completed her bachelor's degree and was blessed with children prior to completing the student teaching portion of her coursework. Rochelle will be teaching mornings in the junior high, and Lisa will take over for the afternoons.

Hudsonville Fair, was cancelled last year due to COVID-19. But even with this event being cancelled, our school's finances ended the school year stronger than when we started.

This past spring, the Society approved a budget for the school. The budgeted expenses for the upcoming school year are \$3,049,621 with tuition accounting for \$2,425,621 of these expenses. The remaining funds must come from drives, church collections, fundraisers, the HCS Foundation, and other gifts. The new budget has a Fall drive of \$175,000 and a Spring drive of \$175,000. For the 2020/21 school year, we give thanks to God for receiving 13.3% more than the budgeted amounts for these drives.

The Finance Committee would like to especially thank those who do not have children at HCS, but who willingly give at the time of the drives and to the collections. Without the success of these drives, fundraisers, and collections, the tuition for each family would be much higher. We ask for your continued support for the coming school year and that you continue to give as God has blessed you.

**ENROLLMENT COMMITTEE REPORT ~ MR. MIKE LANGELAND**

Heritage Christian School will soon begin her 37th year of Reformed Christian education. For the 37th September we will again begin school with faithful teachers and staff, committed parents, and excited students all aiming to develop God's wondrous gifts in each child entering Heritage Christian School. We trust in God to continue to bestow his providence and blessings on HCS.

Our enrollment committee welcomes ten new families desiring to enroll their child(ren) at Heritage Christian School for the 2021/2022 school year. The Enrollment Committee interviewed and approved all ten families as they committed themselves to a Reformed Christian education at HCS. Please welcome to the Heritage Christian School family: Matt and Brianna Fisher, Kyle and Kelsey Glass, Jim and Renae Kuiper, Andrew and

Kristin Talsma, Nicholas and Susan Talsma, Thomas and Katy Vander Schaaf, Mitchell and Kelli Van Overloop, Ryan and Amy Van Putten, Jonathan and Katelyn Ver Meer, and Jacob and Rebecca Wesorick.

This coming September HCS will open its doors to 564 students from 238 families. This year our staff of teachers, aides, bus drivers, office staff, librarians, janitors, Special Ed, and Administrator numbers 79. Please lift them all up in prayer before the throne of our Father as they take up and continue this important calling. Our prayer is that in this coming year parents, staff, supporters, and students will all continue to help and encourage each other in the cause of Reformed Christian education at HCS. God has been faithful for 36 years at HCS and is our hope and prayer for another successful year at HCS.

## **NEW FAMILY INTRODUCTIONS**

- **Matt and Brianna Fisher family:**

Hello, we are the Fisher family. Our oldest son Calvin can't wait to start kindergarten. He loves learning and meeting new kids, so he is so eager to start this new adventure! His younger brother Dax, is really jealous that Calvin gets to go off to school like a big boy this year. However, we keep reassuring Dax that his time is coming for preschool next fall :). The boys are also excited to have a new baby brother arriving this November. Matt is a music composer, composing music for films, documentaries, commercials and other various media platforms. Bree enjoys being a busy mom at home and caring for her fun loving boys. Bree also shares a love for music, and especially singing. We enjoy biking, swimming, and spending time with our families. The boys also love collecting bugs, exploring in the woods and going to grandpa and grandma's cottage in the summer!

- **Kyle and Kelsey Glass family:**

Hello! We are the Glass family - Kyle & Kelsey, and our three boys, Brecken, Crew, and Riggs. Our oldest son, Brecken can't wait to start Kindergarten this year! He turns 6 on August 14 and loves all things outdoors. Crew is our middle son and is 3 years old. He loves trucks and dinosaurs and playing outside with Brecken! Riggs is our baby at 7 months old. He enjoys watching his older brothers and finds a lot of entertainment in that. Kyle has worked for Gerber Collision since he was 12 years old. He also is part owner of MG Properties, building spec houses with Marcusse Construction. He loves designing spec homes and seeing them come together from start to finish. Kelsey stays home with the boys most days but works one day a week at Hair Xtraordinaire doing hair! We are so excited to start our journey at Heritage Christian and can't wait to see how God uses the teachers and staff there to help shape our boys into young men who love to serve Jesus!

- **Andy and Kristin Talsma family:**

Hello, we are the Talsmas family. Aiden is so excited to start kindergarten. His brothers, Brandt (3), and Callen (2), will miss him but they will be occupied with their newest sibling at the end of September. Aiden loves anything outdoors, especially fishing. We have a small farm of pigs, chickens, cats and a dog. The boys love every bit of it. Andy works at the family business, Talsma Furniture. Kristin is a stay at home mom. We love boating, fishing, playing sports and being outdoors.

- **Nick and Susan Talsma family:**

Hello! We are one of the two new Talsma families this year! Sadie is so ready and excited for kindergarten. She leaves me (Susan) home with three little boys Isaac (3), Weston (1), and Micah (4 months) They will for sure miss her while she's at school and I will miss her helping me! Nick is a salesman for the family

business, Talsma furniture. This year we have been keeping busy with a lot of projects around the house and spending a lot of time by the pool!

- **Tom and Katy Van Der Schaaf family:**

Hello from the Van Der Schaafs! Our oldest, Lily, is starting kindergarten this year. She is excited to see some of her friends from preschool last year and looking forward to making some new ones. Her sister, Ava, is a year younger than her and misses Lily very much when she goes to school. Judah is three and does is best to keep up with his older sisters. Our youngest, Grace, was added to our family in July. Tom is the Night Shift Supervisor for the Psych Med Unit at St. Mary's. Katy works in the home and is kept very busy, which she loves. You can usually find us at the park, on a walk, or at home reading, playing games, or doing puzzles.

- **Mitch and Kelly VanOverloop family:**

We are the VanOverloop family! Our son Sawyer is very excited to go to the "big school" to attend kindergarten this fall! His little brother, Carter (3 and 1/2), wishes he could go as well, but has one more year before he will be old enough for preschool. Sawyer likes to play outside, do puzzles, and of course give his little sister, Payton (5 mo. old), plenty of love and attention. Mitch works for Emergency Care Specialists and is a Quality Program Manager there, working with all the ER doctors in the West MI area to improve the quality of their care. Kelli is a stay at home mom but also does painting when she has time. We also own the Old Wooden Barn that we rent out as a wedding venue from May-October. When we have time off, you can usually find us camping or traveling for a hiking adventure as a family.

- **Jonathan and Katelyn VerMeer family:**

Hi! We are the Vermeer family. We go to Zion PR church. Our daughter Alex is looking forward to kindergarten this fall, hoping to meet some new friends. Her little sister Arya is going to miss her a lot, but she gets to join Alex at school next year. The youngest is Adalind, who is one and a half. Jonathan works from home, programming for Betz Industries. Katelyn works in the home. Our favorite places are the beach and the pool, but we all love a good book.

- **Jake and Becca Wesorick family:**

Hello, we are the Wesorick family. We are looking forward to joining the Heritage family this fall. Our oldest, Reid (5), will be starting kindergarten after a great year at Genesis Christian Preschool. His younger brother, Carson (3), can hardly wait for his turn. Becca enjoys staying home with the boys, and Jake works for Jonathan Kamps Carpentry. As a family, we love to camp, spend time outdoors, and play golf. We attend Hudsonville Protestant Reformed Church.

## TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT ~ *Mr. Scott Ensink*

"Except the Lord build the house, they labour in vain that build it: except the Lord keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain" (Psalm 127:1). With this verse in mind, ask the Lord's blessing on our school and the work being done there. Looking back at the past school year, we see that many things we may have taken for granted have only ever been given to us through the hand of our heavenly Father. Indeed, we have seen first-hand that the Lord's will does not conform to our expectations, but that we must conform our desires to His will.

We are glad to report that Rachelle VanderKolk has successfully completed training and testing to become a fully licensed bus driver. Thank you Rachelle for attending summer school! She will be driving the afternoon route that formerly had been split by Dan VanDyke and Matt Kuiper. We express our thanks to Dan and Matt for pulling double duty the last few years by driving a bus after a full day of teaching.

We also thank our returning drivers for their work. Not only do they navigate ever-busier traffic to pick up and deliver our children, but they also keep the busses clean and fueled, and perform daily safety

inspections. Please encourage your children to show their gratitude by respecting and obeying the drivers, behaving in a godly manner with their fellow students while riding, and cleaning up after themselves. Once again, please be reminded that the use of electronic devices, including phones and tablets, is not allowed on our busses.

Keeping our fleet of five busses running smoothly would not be possible without the hard work of organizing bus maintenance and repairs, scheduling routes, supervising drivers, and countless other things put in by our Transportation Coordinator Jessica VanderKolk. The Board is thankful for her efforts and expertise, and willingness to serve the school.

Even though we are hoping for a more normal school year, we also must acknowledge that our world is ever-changing, especially in regards to COVID rules and restrictions. We as a Board and Transportation Committee will be tracking developments and will communicate any rule changes as soon as we are able. Again, we ask for your prayers for the safety and health of our students and staff in the year ahead.

## BUSING INFORMATION AND ROUTES

Those who are planning to ride Heritage buses, please read the following information:

- Remember that the morning pick up times may be adjusted in the first couple of weeks of school. The corrected times (if there are any) will be published in the school directory.
- Please mark your houses and mailboxes clearly so that our drivers can find your houses easily.
- Parents are asked to have their children at the bus stop 5 minutes before their scheduled time. *At times students wait in cars at the bus stop. Please make sure your kids are out of the car and ready to board the bus before it stops instead of waiting until the bus is stopped to exit your cars.*

Time is vital to keeping the bus routes on schedule.

- The Zeeland bus (#15) students will be picked up in the bus driveway after the CCHS shuttle is completed, at approximately 3:05 in the afternoon.
- There will be NO catechism busing this year. Please keep this in mind as you plan for catechism days this fall.

The first family on each HCS bus route will be notified when the bus will not run, or will be late due to bad weather or a breakdown. It is important that each family then call the next family on the list. If the next family in line cannot be reached in person, please leave a message, then call the following family on the route so that the calls will continue through to the last person on the list. Don't stop calling until you speak to a live person, please!

## BUS RULES ADOPTED BY THE BOARD

1. Instruct your children what they should do if you are not at home when they get dropped off the bus. Tell them about a spare key, a neighbor to go to, or the like.
2. No eating or drinking on the buses.
3. Noise must be kept to a minimum and children must remain seated during the running of the bus.
4. If windows are open, nothing may be thrown out, and no part of the body extended out windows.
5. Anyone destroying bus property will be responsible for repairs.
6. Proper, Godly behavior is the utmost importance and must always be emphasized to our children. We must remember that if students misbehave and distract the driver, they endanger everyone on the bus.

**Bus 13 Jenison/Grandville AM – Terry Kooienga (337-4002)**

6:43 Shawn Kamminga (6505 Oakland Dr) 318-9207  
6:53 Darren Vink (4177 Lila St) 238-5616  
6:56 Tom Pastoor (4115 44th St) 292-3306  
7:07 Andy Kalsbeek (7425 Thomas Ave) 291-7282  
7:12 George Kamps (7731 Henry Ave) 915-0184  
7:17 Nathan Pastoor (7327 Eastlane Ave) 667-2598  
7:19 Tom VanDerSchaaf (Redwood Dr/Birchwood Ave) 490-0623  
7:23 Chad Richards (2315 Chippewa) 589-8374  
7:27 Dave Ritsema (3369 Bauer Rd) 318-2650  
7:32 Mitchell Kamps (Bend Dr/Fillmore) 304-0482

**Bus 13 Jenison/Grandville PM – Rachelle VanDerKolk (634-0711)**

Chad Nienhuis (1354 Carol Dr) 446-9040  
Shawn Kamminga (6505 Oakland Dr) 318-9207  
Michael VanTil (980 Rushmore) 550-1543  
Brittany Nead (436 Port Sheldon Rd) 260-3001  
Jordan Koole (Bliss Dr/Port Sheldon) 890-2752  
Aaron Gunnink (4488 36<sup>th</sup> St) 531-7394  
Darren Vink (4177 Lila St) 238-5616  
Tom Pastoor (4115 44<sup>th</sup> St) 292-3306  
Andy Kalsbeek (7425 Thomas Ave) 291-7282  
Andrew Karsemeyer (7499 Brower Lane) 607-4840  
George Kamps (7731 Henry Ave) 915-0184  
Tom VanDerSchaaf (Redwood Dr/Birchwood Ave) 490-0623  
Kevin Timmerman (8599 Shadowbrook Dr) 457-3921  
Tom Spriensma (Willow Creek/Willow Creek Dr) 970-4864  
Chad Richards (2315 Chippewa) 589-8374  
Dave Ritsema (3369 Bauer Rd) 318-2650

**Bus 14 Allendale AM – Vern Haveman (566-8419)**

6:40 Tim Machiele (9551 Polk St) 218-9261  
6:48 Lance DeVries (9797 68<sup>th</sup> Ave) 862-8790  
6:50 Jordan Vander Kolk (68<sup>th</sup> Ave/Wood Lane) 634-0711  
6:54 Nate Holstege (St. Margaret Catholic Church) 634-6706  
7:01 Steven Griffioen (11551 56<sup>th</sup> Ave) 723-5615  
7:06 Rebecca Barton (5280 Stanton) 805-550-5256  
7:10 Ryan Bylsma (Redfield Ct/Bauer Rd in the 1<sup>st</sup> roundabout) 322-8628  
7:14 Kirk Karsemeyer (7694 Bass Creek Dr.) 610-3082  
7:15 Clint Karsemeyer (4272 Bass Creek Dr.) 889-2451  
7:17 Kenton Kalsbeek (7185 48<sup>th</sup> Ave) 797-4074  
7:25 Adam VanDyke (5781 Barry St) 566-8418  
7:34 Brent Bomers (5981 40<sup>th</sup> Ave) 970-3565

**Bus 14 Allendale PM – Vern Haveman (566-8419)**

Brent Bomers (5981 40<sup>th</sup> Ave) 970-3565  
Kenton Kalsbeek (7185 48<sup>th</sup> Ave) 797-4074  
Heath Jurgens (Manitoba Ct/Tyler St) 828-7750  
Ryan Bylsma (Redfield Ct/Bauer Rd in the 1<sup>st</sup> roundabout) 322-8628  
Rebecca Barton (5280 Stanton) 805-550-5256  
Kirk Karsemeyer (7694 Bass Creek Dr) 610-3082  
Clint Karsemeyer (4272 Bass Creek Dr) 889-2451  
David Bleyenbergh (8747 36<sup>th</sup> Ave) 826-5263  
Mitchell Kamps (Bend Dr/Fillmore) 304-0482  
Steve Griffioen (11551 56<sup>th</sup> Ave) 723-5615  
Nate Holstege (St. Margaret Catholic Church) 634-6706  
Jordan Vander Kolk (68<sup>th</sup> Ave/Wood Lane) 634-0711  
Lance DeVries (9797 68<sup>th</sup> Ave) 862-8790  
David Ondersma (6970 Bauer Rd) 848-5414  
Tim Machiele (9551 Polk St) 218-9261

**Bus 15 Zeeland AM – Jessica Vander Kolk (688-5456)**

6:45 Jared DeVries (4688 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave) 821-3247  
6:50 Ross Zuverink (4473 34<sup>th</sup> Ave) 886-6398  
6:54 Matt Dykstra (3485 146th Ave) 284-7805  
7:00 Daniel Langerak (4485 Mason St) 886-0742  
7:04 Brent Vander Kolk (4238 Adams St) 688-5456  
7:06 Brad Kuiper (4085 Adams St) 550-1104  
7:17 Mitch Zuverink (9091 Homerich Ave) 896-7096  
7:17 Dan Drnek (9091 Homerich Ave) 405-2172  
7:33 John Hopkins (1535 Homerich Ave) 909-499-7169

**Bus 15 Zeeland PM – Jessica Vander Kolk (688-5456)**

*(CCHS Shuttle Bus – HCS students will leave school at approximately 3:05 PM)*

Greg Kalsbeek (1000 McClelland St) 805-5659  
Ben Rau (Rivera Dr/Rushfield Dr) 644-2546  
Brad Schut (4706 Highland Ct) 706-7737  
Jared VanBaren (Floyd Ave/Happy Hollow) 260-5929  
Brian Koole (Kuiper Dr/64<sup>th</sup> St) 808-6237  
Mitch Zuverink (9091 Homerich Ave) 896-7096  
Dan Drnek (9091 Homerich Ave) 405-2172  
Brad Kuiper (4085 Adams St) 550-1104  
Brent Vander Kolk (4238 Adams St) 688-5456  
Mark Koole (5911 Adams St) 298-9131  
Ross Zuverink (4473 34<sup>th</sup> Ave) 886-6398  
Jared DeVries (4688 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave) 821-3247  
Daniel Langerak (4485 Mason St) 886-0742

**Bus 16 Zeeland/Hudsonville AM – Paula Steenwyk (292-2115)**

6:44 Chad Wassink (First PRC Holland) 481-5593  
6:52 Mike Langeland (510 E Central Ave) 748-1239  
6:59 Luke Koops (1983 84th Ave) 648-2570  
7:02 Matt VanOverloop (2174 E Maple Ct) 772-0076  
7:10 Dustin Boven (6956 Riley St) 446-6823  
7:15 Nathan Schipper (1739 64<sup>th</sup> Ave) 745-5159  
7:15 Chris Dykstra (1739 64<sup>th</sup> Ave) 836-2418  
7:22 Mike Cnossen (4330 Riley St) 283-5540  
7:22 Kevin Gritters (4330 Riley St) 644-5926  
7:26 Drew Duthler (3879 Quincy) 304-6076  
7:30 Tim Ondersma (2766 Quincy) 644-1632

**Bus 16 Zeeland/Hudsonville PM – Paula Steenwyk (292-2115)**

Drew Duthler (3879 Quincy) 304-6076  
Alex Bylsma (Zutphen CRC) 218-4491  
Kevin Gritters (48th Ave/Riley) 644-5926  
Mike Cnossen (4330 Riley St) 283-5540  
Adam VanDyke (5781 Barry St) 566-8414  
Derek Cnossen (72<sup>nd</sup> Ave/Barry St) 644-4103  
Dustin Boven (6956 Riley St) 446-6823  
Ben Bomers (6607 Riley St) 886-6552  
Nathan Schipper (1739 64th Ave) 745-5159  
Kyle Kooienga (8877 Amethyst Dr.) 218-2653  
Matt VanOverloop (2174 E Maple Ct) 772-0076  
Mike Langeland (510 E Central Ave) 566-0076  
Chad Wassink (510 E Central Ave) 481-5593

**Attention students planning to ride the bus to Covenant Christian High School: WE NEED YOUR FORMS ASAP.**

Please be ready to board the bus in the circle drive of Heritage **BY 7:47 AM**. At the conclusion of the school day, the bus will arrive back at Heritage at approximately 3:05 PM. If you have not signed up for the shuttle bus, but are interested, please call Sharon Kraker at Heritage (616-669-1773) or email her (businessoffice@hchr.org). The cost for the year is \$500; the lack of worry on snowy mornings is priceless!

## HERITAGE CHRISTIAN STUDENT DRESS CODE POLICY

The dress code policy of Heritage Christian School follows. Please review it in order to answer any questions which you may have regarding appropriate dress for school days.

The parents have the primary responsibility for the clothing their children wear to school. We are confident that parents desire to exercise proper judgment in this regard. Because there are occasions when the school and the parents may differ on what is proper and appropriate clothing, Heritage Christian School reserves the right to decide on what is proper and fitting for school wear in accordance with Heritage Christian School policy.

For all the students in grades 6-8, clothing must be modest, and clean. While young children may wear sleeveless blouses or shirts, all students in grades 6-8 will wear blouses or shirts with sleeves. Top garments must be shoulder covering, i.e. no tank tops or straps over the shoulder; bottom garments must be at least mid-thigh length. Ensure that all pants are modest and

rips are not above the knees. Bare midriffs and backs, low necklines, and exposed undergarments are not acceptable in any position, i.e. reaching down, stretching, etc. All clothing which is made of sheer material, or which is suggestive, offensive, or advertises alcohol, tobacco, or other "inappropriate-for-school" messages, is prohibited. Hats are not to be worn in school except on specified days; footwear is to be worn at all times during the school day. No forms of sandals may be worn for indoor or outdoor gym classes or for intramurals, due to practical and safety concerns.

At any time during the school year, the principal, in consultation with the staff, may prohibit any grooming practice, article of clothing, accessories, emblems and logos, if they are deemed to be a safety concern or a distraction.

Students who choose to violate this policy may be asked to change their clothing or be held out of class. Parents will be notified by the classroom teacher if there is a lack of cooperation on the part of the students.

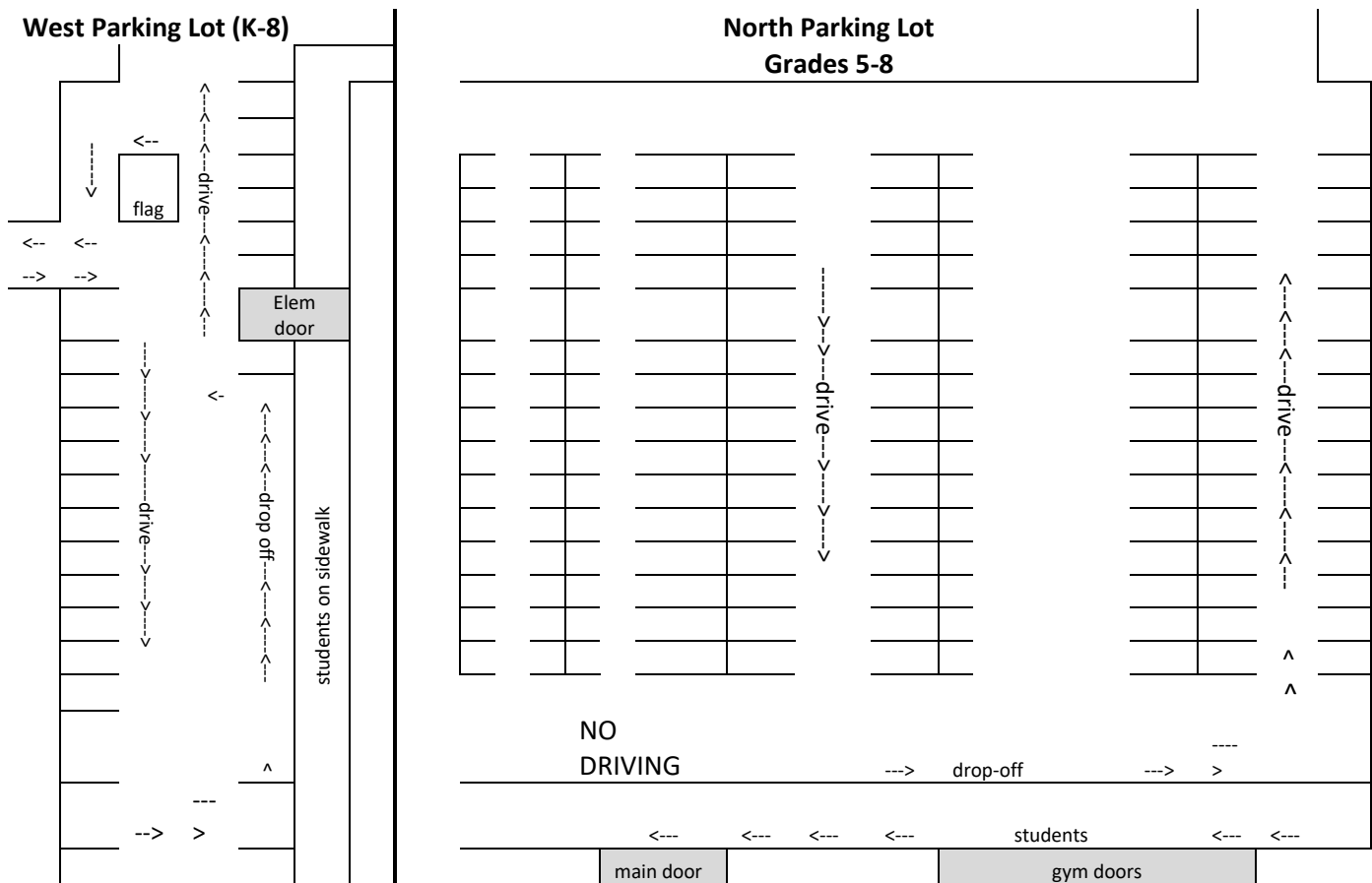
## ***Beginning of the year information:***

- School starts on **MONDAY, August 30** at **7:52 AM**. We will see you then, D.V.
- ***There WILL be public school busing on the first day!***
- There will once again be NO Catechism busing this year. Please keep this in mind as you plan for catechism days this fall.
- Volunteer Program: If you are interested in volunteering to help with our precious covenant children, we would love to hear from you! There are opportunities to help with various things. You can volunteer to help once a week, every other week, or once a month. Email Wilma at [receptionistwest@hchr.org](mailto:receptionistwest@hchr.org) if interested.
- Students are not to take I-Pods, MP3 players, or any other listening devices to school. Cell phone use and display by students is also not permitted during school hours.
- Immunization Records are required for all students entering 7th grade, all kindergarteners and all students new to Heritage. Kindergarten health appraisal forms and vision screening certificates are due in the office by the first day of school, August 30. If you sent them in already, thank you! If not, you may drop them off, mail them, or email them to the office. Any questions, please call the office (669-1773). Thanks!
- Thank you: The staff of Heritage Christian School would like to thank all the Board members, Fundraisers, volunteers, bus drivers, and anyone else who has a part in making the school run so smoothly. We look forward to another year of working together!
- Parents who drop off and pick up children – for the safety of our children, **please follow procedures for morning and afternoon!** Read the following notes carefully so that you fully understand the procedures for drivers in the school parking lot. If you are reading this but your spouse drops off the children, PLEASE make sure that they read it or read it to them!! These guidelines apply each and every day of the school year. It appears to be confusing, so if you have questions please ask someone at school! THANKS!

## Morning Procedure

- **If you have students in K-8, use the WEST** parking lot –Drive south, make a U-turn at the far end of the lot, & then pull ahead towards the entrance doors as far as possible and drop off ALL students. (see diagram below).
- **IF you have students ONLY in 5-8, use NORTH** parking lot – Enter the 3<sup>rd</sup> (center) driving lane and pull up to the sidewalk in front of the gym entrance (see diagram below).
- **BOTH LOTS:** Have your children quickly exit your vehicle on the **passenger side** and go directly to the sidewalk. Your children can then walk on the sidewalk to their designated door. You **DO NOT** have to wait to be first in line to let your children exit your vehicle, but you do need to be by the sidewalk. You will then exit the parking lot either through the west drive to Balsam or through the north drive to Port Sheldon. We are not allowed to exit through the apartment lot to the north of school.
- If you have business in school, first drop off your students and then park in one of the parking spots in the north parking lot (by the main doors).
- **DO NOT PARK** in the **WEST** parking lot before 8:15.
- **DO NOT ENTER** the bus drive at any time.

## Morning Procedure diagram:

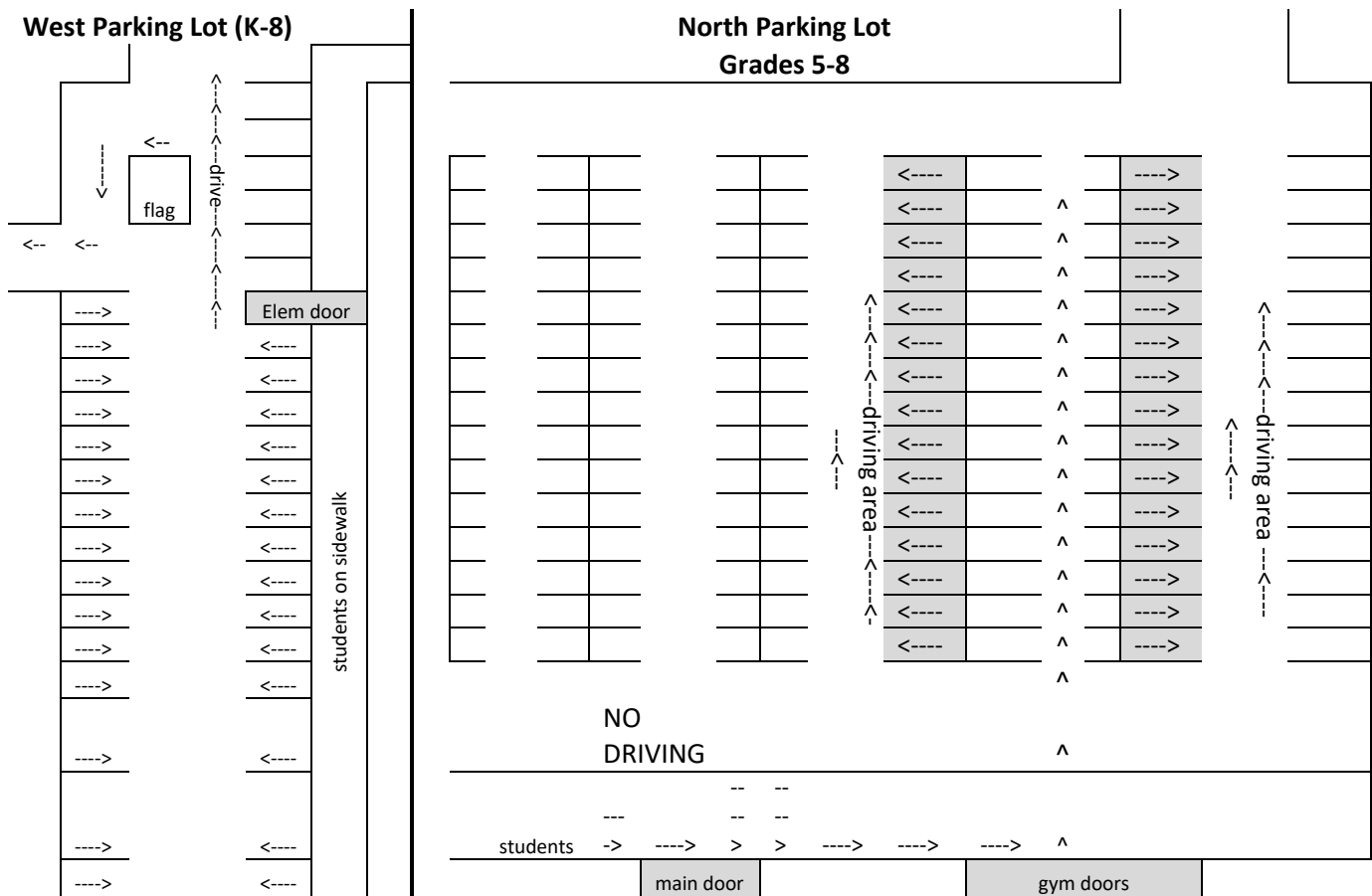




## Afternoon Procedure

- **For families with students in K-8:** Please back into a marked spot on either side of the **WEST** parking lot. School personnel will help children cross and find rides.
- **If you ONLY have students in 5-8:** Please pull into a parking spot on the east side of the **NORTH** parking lot facing out (see diagram). After 2:30, there will be no driving in the open area between as this will be the walking area. Students will approach cars from the rear and once you have your students, you can exit by using the outside driving lanes. If you arrive later than 2:30, please DO NOT drive in the student walking area. You will need to back into a spot when you can safely do so.
- **If you only pick up occasionally,** i.e. if there is no public busing, please use the **NORTH** parking lot. If all spots in the designated area are taken, back into a spot on the far east end, leaving enough room for students to walk behind your car. NO students may walk in the designated driving area.
- Students who are walking to the car in either lot are instructed to walk **ONLY** on the sidewalk or a designated area in or around the parking lot. If they need to cross the parking lot, they may cross when the monitor tells them it is safe to cross.
- Parents are asked to show by example and only use the crosswalk and the sidewalk.
- If you do not have a handicapped plate, you are not allowed to use the handicapped parking spaces.

## Afternoon Procedure diagram:



## Kindergarten Parents, please take note!

The schedule for the first two weeks of school will be as follows:

- Monday, August 30: Kindergarten Roundup (8:30 -10:30 AM) for KA and KC classes and one of their parents.
- Tuesday, August 31: Kindergarten Roundup (8:30 -10:30 AM) for KB class and one of their parents.
- Wednesday, September 1: KA and KC classes (half day – 7:52 – 11:30 AM)
- Thursday, September 2: KB class (half day – 7:52 – 11:30 AM)
- Friday, September 3: Labor Day break (no school)
- Monday, September 6: Labor Day break (no school)
- Tuesday, September 7: KB class (full day)
- Wednesday, September 8: KA and KC classes (full day)
- Thursday, September 9: KB class (full day)
- Friday, September 10: KA and KC classes (full day) \*\*Note only two classes, to keep days even for the first two weeks of school.

Normal schedule begins on Monday, September 13

### Heritage Chr. Bell Schedule

7:52	First Bell
8:00	School begins
11:30	Lunch begins
12:10	End of Lunch
2:31	School Ends
2:38	Heritage Buses Leave

Please remember to continue to be courteous to all the neighbors around our campus!

We remind you that **at no time** is school traffic allowed to use the driveways of the apartment buildings to the north of school!

*"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven." (Matt. 5:16)*

### **Room Mother announcement:**

Please consider being a room mother for your child's classroom this school year. Your duties would include throwing the teacher a birthday party, giving the class a Christmas party, going on the annual class trip, and going on any field trips your teacher might have. You will be asked to provide snacks and drinks for these parties and field trips.

You might have to drive and sometimes even pay for some of these field trips.

If you would like to be a room mom, please e-mail Wilma at [receptionistwest@hchr.org](mailto:receptionistwest@hchr.org) and let her know you are interested. We only need 2-4 moms per teacher, so contact her soon.

A formal letter will be sent home with your child once we have all the room moms needed.

You will also be notified if you are not needed. Thank you for considering this.

## **CLASS LISTS**

Class lists will be emailed out to HCS families on Monday, August 16. If you don't see an email by lunchtime, please email or call school at ([receptionist@hchr.org](mailto:receptionist@hchr.org), [businessoffice@hchr.org](mailto:businessoffice@hchr.org), or 669-1773).

## **2021-2022 School Year Calendar**

August 30, 2021 – First day of school  
 September 3-6, 2021 – Labor Day Break  
 September 8-9, 2021 – School pictures (see the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday memo for the schedule)  
 September 13-17, 2021 – Fall MAP testing  
 September 16, 2021 – Fall Family Supper  
 October 9, 2021 – Fall Children's Clothing and Toy Sale  
 October 21-22, 2021 – Teacher's Convention  
 November 3-4, 2021 – Parent Teacher Conferences  
 November 18, 2021 – All School Program  
 November 25-26, 2021 – Thanksgiving Break  
 December 23, 2021 - January 2, 2022 – Christmas Break  
 January 17-21, 2022 – Winter MAP testing  
 February 2-3, 2022 – Parent Teacher Conferences  
 February 18, 2022 – Mid-winter Break  
 April 1-8, 2022 – Spring Break  
 May 2-5, 2022 – Spring MAP testing  
 May 11, 2022 – Elementary Music Program (afternoon)  
 May 30, 2022 – Memorial Day break  
 June 1, 2022 – Last day of school, ½ day, HCS graduation

## **Heritage Christian School Fundraisers**

### **Treasurer's Report (Danielle VanOverloop)**

**July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021**

**Balance on Hand July 1, 2020**

**\$48,313.67**

#### **PROJECT PROFITS**

#### **PROJECTS FUNDED**

3 on 3 Basketball Tournament	\$300.00	Field Day/Mini Olympics	\$1,734.30
Box Tops	\$342.70	HCS Library Fund	\$2,500.00
Cookbooks	\$170.00	HCS Sports Fund	\$300.00
Fair Restaurant	\$12,758.35	HCS Staff Shirts	\$160.00
Interest	\$2.20	HCS Year-End Overage ('19-'20 and '20-'21' school year)	\$40,250.40
Penny Wars	\$7,661.87	Kindergarten Round up	\$142.35
Precious Jewels	\$262.50	Kitchen Committee	\$22.76
The Farbers	\$107.00	Precious Jewels Supplies	\$30.73
TRIP	\$7,638.90	Penny War Prizes	\$201.98
We Sing Glory	\$12.00	Secretary's Day	\$50.00
Transfer (from Clothing Sale account)	\$5.00	Teacher Appreciation	\$318.12
		Teacher Birthday Gifts	\$1,450.00
		Teacher/Staff Year End Lunch	\$615.50
		Teacher Yearly Allowance	\$10,000.00
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$29,260.52</b>	<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$57,776.14</b>

**Balance on Hand June 30, 2021**

**\$19,798.05**

## FROM THE *TRIP* COMMITTEE

Thank you to all of our TRIP (Tuition Reduction Incentive Program) customers! We are having a busy and successful summer! We would like to encourage new families to sign up for the TRIP program. Information can be found on the school's webpage or you can simply fill out the registration form found on the next page and send it to school or bring it on a TRIP morning!

All current TRIP families, please fill out the disclaimer section of the form on the next page in order to clarify where your TRIP needs to go and with what child it

should be sent home. Return the form to school or a member of the TRIP committee as soon as possible. A new form is needed each year! TRIP hours for this school year are from 8-9:30 AM on Tuesday mornings. The TRIP ladies will always be set up in the far east end of the school, in the junior high gym lobby. Come in and see us, start saving on your tuition dollars, and benefit HCS at the same time! We look forward to seeing you soon!

Thanks again from the TRIP Committee!

## TUITION REDUCTION INCENTIVE PROGRAM

### 1. New Account Registration:

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

### 2. Direct my tuition credits to (check one):

( ) My personal tuition account - account number: \_\_\_\_\_

( ) Family of \_\_\_\_\_

Confidential contribution: ( ) Yes ( ) No

( ) General Tuition Assistance Fund

### 3. **FUTURE FAMILIES ONLY** – Please complete this section if your children are not yet enrolled at Heritage Christian School:

Projected date of enrollment \_\_\_\_\_

### 4. I have read, understand, and will abide by the general policies of the Heritage Christian School TRIP program

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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## DISCLAIMER SECTION

(To be completed if your TRIP orders may be sent home with your child)

I authorize the TRIP Committee to release my TRIP certificates to my child as indicated below or to be mailed if I provide a self-addressed stamped envelope with my order. I will not hold Heritage Christian School or the TRIP Committee responsible for any lost or misplaced certificates as a result of my child's actions or as a result of postal delivery.

Child's name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade/Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



# Peer to Peer

*A friend loveth at all times*  
**Prov. 17:17**

## Special Education Awareness Walk

We are excited to once again host the Peer to Peer Special Education Awareness Walk at Millenium Park in Grand Rapids, MI on September 25, 2021! As many of you know, the objective of this walk is to raise awareness of the work of the Protestant Reformed Special Education Society in the education of our special needs students with their peers in the body of Christ. It will again be an event for the whole family with balloons, face painting, and a playground near the walk. We plan on providing T-shirts to those who are interested at a nominal price as well as coffee and donuts to those in attendance.

To that end, we are seeking to raise funds to offset the costs of hosting such an event. We ask that you consider one of the following:

- General gifts of any amount are greatly appreciated
- A gift of \$100 will be recognized at the event with a sign listing your name along with other \$100 sponsors.
- A gift of \$250 will allow you to be a sign sponsor. We place individual sponsor signs around the walk path and in the park along with signs that give insight into the work and challenges of Special Education

If you are willing to give, please fill out the form below and send it in with payment. You can direct any questions to the committee at [info@peertopeerwalk.com](mailto:info@peertopeerwalk.com).

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Make checks payable to Protestant Reformed Special Education and write "Peer to Peer" in the memo. Mail to: Lisa Potjer, 3866 Brookfield Dr, Hudsonville, MI 49426

Name (as you would like it shown): \_\_\_\_\_

Gift Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

Address for sending our thanks to: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Note: Any funds raised in excess of our costs will be donated to the PRSE society. All gifts and donations are tax deductible.

# *Thank-you for volunteering your time at* **Heritage Christian's Fair Restaurant**

## **Here's what you need to know before you come**

### ***From the Health Department:***

- No tank-tops, open-toed shoes or sandals allowed
- Long hair must be tied back
- Kitchen help must wear a baseball cap, or we will provide a hairnet
- Food from home may not be stored in the restaurant kitchen. If you wish to bring in food for your break, please keep in your vehicle until break time.

### ***Dress code and suggestions from the committee:***

- Expect your clothing to get dirty, particularly if you are working in the kitchen.
- Neat, modest, clothing is always appropriate. Wear comfortable tennis shoes.
- Shorts are permitted by the Health Department, and suggested by the committee, since it is usually hot in the building.
- Please do not bring large purses or bags with you for your shift. We have limited shelving, so take only what fits in your pockets or a very small bag.

### ***Other important things to note:***

- Children are not allowed to accompany parents to their shift at the restaurant or the food prep day. We could be shut down by the Health Department if this rule is not followed.
- If you are working in the kitchen, expect to wear gloves for most of your shift. We will provide latex-free gloves in two sizes.
- You will have a short break on your shift, and may order from our kitchen at half price.
- Per the Hudsonville Fair Board, our volunteers are required to pay the regular gate admission fee of \$3. Please consider this a donation to our school. If this is a hardship, contact a committee member during your shift for reimbursement.
- Have fun! Be cheerful! Remember, we will be representing Heritage Christian School to many people this week!

You should get a reminder from Sign Up Genius confirming the date and time of your shift.

**We are counting on you! If you are unable to make your shift, *please find your own replacement* and notify one of the committee members of the change.**

Thanks again for volunteering your time! We are looking forward to another fun and successful week at the fair!

### **The Fair Food Fundraiser Committee ~**

Megan Dykstra, Danae Karsemeyer, Susan King, Tara Koole, Ronda Van Bommel,  
Lori VanOverloop

# Heritage Fundraisers

is excited to host and welcome you back to  
**the Heritage Annual Fall Family Supper**  
on Thursday, Sept. 16, 2021  
Supper from 5:00-7:00pm

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## MENU:

Pulled Pork

Potato salad

Hot Dogs

Chips

Baked Beans

Ice Cream

Oreo Fluff

Coffee/Lemonade

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Also happening during the evening:

Meet your teachers

Visit classrooms

\*\* Please check with the kitchen at the end of the night to purchase any  
EXTRA food! We appreciate your support and donations! \*\*

## SEE YOU THEN!

Thank you to SHELDON MEATS for processing & cooking the pulled pork!

## 2021-2022 School Supplies

### Kindergarten Supplies - all labeled

Backpack  
Lg size Pencil Box (> 4" high)  
2 Large Erasers  
2 Large Solid Glue Sticks  
Thick Washable Markers  
Crayons (24 or less)  
Good Quality Scissors (round-tips)  
1 Sturdy Folder with Inside Pocket  
Gym Shoes (Velcro or Slip-on)  
Art Shirt  
Small Pillow (14" or smaller)  
One pair socks  
Picture of your kindergartener

### 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Supplies – all labeled

School Box – Large Size  
10 Pencils  
1 yellow highlighter  
1 Large Eraser ("Pink Pearl")  
3 Large Glue Sticks  
24 Crayola Crayons  
Colored Pencils  
12 Thick Washable Markers  
4 Dry erase markers  
Fiskar Scissors  
1 wide ruled spiral notebook  
Paint Shirt  
Gym Shoes  
2 Strong, Durable Pocket Folders

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Supplies - all labeled

KJV Bible  
Psalter  
12 Sharp Pencils  
24 Crayons  
24 Colored Pencils  
10 thick washable markers – standard colors  
1 Yellow Highlighter  
4 Dry Erase Markers – black or blue  
1 normal pink eraser  
Large Plastic Pencil Box (w/ Snap Lid)  
Fiskars Sharp-Point Scissors  
3 Large Glue Sticks  
1 Hard Covered Composition Notebook  
2 Strong, durable Folders  
Earbuds in a labeled bag/pouch  
Art Shirt  
Gym Shoes & Extra Pair of Socks

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Supplies

KJV Bible  
12 - #2 Pencils  
Earbuds in a small bag/pouch  
Fiskar Scissors

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Supplies, continued

2 Red Pens  
4 dry-erase markers  
2 Glue Sticks. 1 Glue Bottle  
Art Shirt  
Small Pencil Box  
12" Ruler w/Inches & Centimeters  
2 Blue or Black Erasable Pens  
1 yellow highlighter  
Small Notebook for assignments  
2 Black Flair pens (Papermate brand, fine point, non-permanent markers)  
1 Black Sharpie marker  
Crayons (~48)  
Markers, Colored Pencils  
3 Wide Ruled Spiral Notebooks  
3 Single Pocket Folders – incl blue  
Loose Leaf Paper –Wide Ruled  
Psalter  
Large Eraser  
Gym Shoes

### 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Supplies

KJV Bible  
Psalter – in Good Condition  
Crayons  
Thin washable markers  
24 pack of colored pencils  
20 sharpened #2 Pencils  
2 large glue sticks  
Yellow highlighter  
Large Eraser  
12" ruler with metric and customary measurements  
Pointed scissors  
Zippered 3 Ring Binder/Trapper  
2 pkg. wide ruled loose leaf paper  
Gym Shoes  
1 wide ruled 1 subject spiral Notebook  
6 2-Pocket PLASTIC folders (w/ holes)  
Earbuds  
2 dry erase markers (not for Woudenberg)

### 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Supplies

KJV Bible and a Psalter  
Zippered 3-Ring Binder/Trapper  
6 Folders  
Colored Pencils  
Markers  
#2 Pencils  
2 Red Pens  
Blue or Black Erasable Pen  
1 Yellow Highlighter  
Large Eraser  
Loose Leaf Notebook Paper

### 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Supplies, continued

5 wide ruled spiral notebooks  
Ruler (w/Standard & Metric)  
Pointed Scissors  
Calculator  
Gym Shoes  
1 Large Glue Stick  
2 fine tipped Black Sharpies

### 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Supplies

KJV Bible and a Psalter  
Pencils and Eraser  
Pens: Blue/Black for Work  
Pens: Red for Correcting  
Black Thin Tip Marker  
Colored Pencils  
Markers  
Highlighting Markers  
5 spiral notebooks (70-100 pgs)  
Calculator  
Gym Shoes  
Ruler with inches AND centimeters  
Glue Stick  
Scissors  
Zippered 3-Ring Binder/Trapper  
5 Folders w/Pockets  
200 pg. loose-leaf paper

### Junior High Supplies

KJV Bible and a Psalter  
Multiple Pencils and Pens (mechanical pencils preferred, but not necessary)  
Colored Pencils  
Highlighter  
1 good eraser  
Rubber cement  
White-out  
Scissors  
4 3-Ring Binders (1" rings)  
4 pkgs of 5 piece index tab dividers (1 pkg. per binder)  
Three Spiral Notebooks  
5 Folders w/Pockets  
Folder for Art  
Loose Leaf Notebook Paper (400 pages)  
Ruler with Inches & Centimeters  
Compass  
Protractor  
8th grade Math and 7<sup>th</sup> Acc. Math - TI-83 or 84 Scientific Calculator  
7<sup>th</sup> Regular Math – TI83 or above is recommended, but not required  
DC Math - TI-30XIIS or above calculator