

HERITAGE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

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September 6, 2023

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SONG OF THE WEEK

Psalter # 337

Thy wondrous testimonies, Lord,
My soul will keep and greatly praise;
Thy word, by faithful lips proclaimed,
To simplest minds the truth conveys.

Direct my footsteps in Thy word,
From sin's dominion save my soul,
From man's oppression set me free,
That I may yield to Thy control.

HOT LUNCH

Hot Lunch ordering is open through this week Thursday.

If you did not get the PINK sheet of paper with all the information that you need to see for ordering and other information, please email the office at receptionist@hchr.org

September 15 – Arrows (formerly Rainbow Grill)

Workers: Please be at school by 11 AM – Kristin Bleyenbergh, Lindsay Boer, Rebecca Bol, Emily Bomers

September 22 – Burger King

Workers: Please be at school by 11 AM – Rachel Bomers, Amanda Booth, Leah Booth, Tricia Bouma

SCHOOL NEWS

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 6 and 7
School Pictures

Week of September 11
Grades 3-8 MAP testing
(please avoid appointments)

September 21
Fall Family Supper/Meet the
Teacher

September 30
Children's Clothing & Toy
Sale

SPORTS SCHEDULES

All games begin at 4 PM unless
otherwise noted

8th Grade Volleyball

Th 9/7 – T1 vs Huds Chr 1 (A)
Th 9/7 – T2 vs Huds Chr 2 (H)
T 9/12 – T1 vs Moline 1 (H)
T 9/12 – T2 vs Moline 2 (A)
Th 9/14 – T1 vs Byron Cen. Chr (H)
Th 9/14 – T2 vs West Side Chr (A)

7th Grade Volleyball

Th 9/7 – T1 vs Huds Chr 1 (H at
5:15)
Th 9/7 – T2 vs Huds Chr 2 (A)
T 9/12 – T1 vs Allendale 2 (A)
T 9/12 – T2 vs Adams 2 (H at 5:15)
Th 9/14 – T1 vs Byron Cen. Chr 1 (A)
Th 9/14 – T2 vs West Side Chr (H
at 5:15)

7th Grade Soccer

8th Grade Soccer

We express our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Mary VanOverloop and her family in the passing of her brother, Mr. Gerald VanBaren last week Saturday. Jerry was also the uncle of Mrs. Erin VanRijs and the cousin of Mrs. Sarah Decker. It is our prayer that God comforts the family in their grief over the sudden loss, and gives them peace. Psalm 23:4: "Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me."

MAP testing for grades 3-8 takes place next week. Please do your best to avoid appointments during school hours.

During MAP testing (3 weeks out of the school year) we have need of helpers for students who have various accommodations for testing. This is something that Grandmas can easily help with as it's not a regular volunteer position. Moms are welcome to volunteer as well, but you are not able to bring your children along. Please email Cara at receptionist@hchr.org if you are interested or have questions. **Helpers are needed next week already!** Thank you!

Memo announcements have to be in by 9 AM on Wednesday mornings this year! We are printing a bit earlier due to the schedule.

Public busing families – the public schools have early release next week Friday, September 15. There will be no busing in the afternoon that day.

Students in Kindergarten and will receive a Google permission form today. Please sign it and return it to school by next week Tuesday.

3rd to 8th grade teachers use Gradelink to record their grades. Remember you can keep up to date on your child's grades at www.gradelink.com. Please contact the school office if you forgot your logon information. We are glad to help. Parents in grade 3 will be emailed log on information today. Please check your spam folder if you do not see the email from Gradelink by the end of the school day. A reminder sheet for how Gradelink works is attached to the memo email today.

The 7th and 8th grade Lego Robotics teams will meet for their first practice this Friday from 2:45 to 4:45pm. If you haven't sent an email yet to say that your 7th or 8th grader is interested in joining the team, please email Mr. Jason Holstege at jaholstege@hchr.org by Friday. We will send home a note explaining our program and how this year's challenge will work.

Annual Fall Family Supper: We are so excited to welcome you back to the Fall Family Supper on **Thursday, September 21 from 5-7:00pm!** A delicious supper of pulled pork, hot dogs, potato salad, baked beans, oreo fluff, potato chips and ice cream is being planned. We will be having 2 separate food lines. One line will be in the elementary gym and the 2nd line will be in the hallway of the 4th grade classrooms. The entrance for this line will be at the doors on the North side of the school, near the bus circle. This food line will be available from 5-6pm and then will be taken down to allow you to visit the classrooms in that hallway. When you arrive at school that evening, if the seating in the gym looks full, please consider visiting the classrooms first and then coming to the gym for supper when it is less busy. Teachers will be at their rooms between 6 and 6:30 PM. This night is not possible without the help of student and adult volunteers and food donations. We appreciate everyone who has signed up so far. We are still in need of many food donations and adult helpers. There are also a few openings left for student volunteers. Please see the sign-up genius links below to help us out. **Please label your food donations with your name and place them in the school kitchen by Wednesday, September 20.** Thank you!

If you have any questions please contact a committee member: Tricia Brummel (616)648-5652, Emily Zwak (616)335-1617, Audra Gritters (616)644-5926 or Amanda Gritters (616)350-3626

- **Adult volunteer schedule** - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4CADAD2FA1FFC61-fall6#/>
- **Kids volunteer schedule** - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4CADAD2FA1FFC61-fall7#/>
- **Donation Sign up** - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4CADAD2FA1FFC61-fall8#/>

The incorrect email was published in last week's memo for room moms and volunteers. If you haven't yet responded and would like to, give it another try please!

- **Thanks again for the overwhelming response to our call for room moms!!** We only have a few ore openings left. They are 4C (Woudenberg), 6A (Greg Holstege), 8B (Jason Holstege) and Band (Elzinga). If you are willing to serve as room mother this year, please send an email to Wilma at receptionistwest@hchr.org. If you have already signed up, you will receive a letter with information and details in the near future.
- **Thank you so much to the parents and grandparents who signed up to volunteer!** Your time and commitment helps things run so much more smoothly here at school. We appreciate you! Wilma will be contacting you in the next 3 weeks to try and match up your offers of help to our needs. If you haven't let her know that you would like to volunteer each week or every other week, please email her ASAP at receptionistwest@hchr.org. More detailed requests will be posted in upcoming memos if we have more needs. Thanks!

It's picture day today and tomorrow. Pictures were taken today for KA, KC, and grades 1-4 and will be taken tomorrow for KB and grades 5-8. 8th grade students will **view their proofs online**, so they did NOT get envelopes. Most 8th grade students dress up for the pictures, many boys even wear ties!

If you have questions regarding public busing routes and (missed) pickups or drop-offs, we cannot answer them. The bus barn number is 616-669-7757. Bus routes, shuttle bus information, public bus routes and transfers are still being tweaked. Please have patience with us and with the Hudsonville bus barn!

Directory: If you have ANY changes for the directory since you filled out your enrollment form please let Karen know ASAP (receptionist@hchr.org)!

Attention: 6th- 8th graders who plan on playing a sport at Heritage during the 2023-2024 school year - You must have a sports physical form on file with the main office dated **AFTER APRIL 15, 2023. If you plan to play a fall sport (cross country, volleyball, soccer) please turn your form in ASAP.**

Thank you for the response for Volleyball officials. We still have a shortage of SOCCER officials for our league though. Soccer games begin at 4 PM and end at 5:15, played on Tuesdays and Thursdays (2 officials per game). If you are interested, or know anyone who is, please contact our Athletic Director, Doug DeBoer by email at ddeboer@hchr.org.

Save the date! The Heritage Spring Children's Clothing and Toy Sale will be held Saturday, September 30, 2023, from 9:00 to 12:00 noon. Come shop our large selection of gently used infant to teen clothing, toys, books, maternity, baby gear, snow gear, delicious baked goods, and more. If you would like to sell, please contact Abigail Pastoor (616-292-3306, abigailpastoor@hotmail.com) to reserve your seller number (even if you have sold in the past). Thank you for your support!

AREA PR SCHOOLS

Attention Boys in Grades 3-6! The CCHS Boys Basketball program will again be offering the "Future Chargers" league for boys in grades 3rd-6th. The league will start with our "kick off" day in late October, and then 5on5 play begins on November 11 and finishes on December 16. Additional details can be found in the link below. It's a fun way to develop basic basketball skills while working with the boys varsity players and coaches. Please use the link below to sign up and to get more information. Please sign up ASAP as there is limited space. **Deadline to register is October 7. Click on Link below to sign up:**

<https://covenantchristianathletics.bigteams.com/main/adnews/ID/55538416>

If you have any questions, please contact Tyler Schimmel at tylerschimmel21@gmail.com.

Come join the CCHS volleyball teams and student council on September 28 as we host a PURPLE OUT! The games will begin with Freshmen at 5:00 PM, followed by JV at 6:00 PM, and Varsity at 7:00 PM against Thornapple-Kellogg. All gate proceeds and money from T-shirt sales go toward the VanAndel Institutes' cancer research. A link to order a CCHS designed t-shirt will be on Covenant's website soon! We look forward to celebrating cancer survivors, honoring cancer patients, and remembering those no longer with us by adding their names to a commemoration wall.

Girls Basketball Camp Fundraiser for Adams Christian School is new and we would love your support. Signups are still open for grades 5th-8th grades. Please copy and paste this link to sign up: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfYctE8wpmSc0gD4SYySMwsorcnHhZO2-aer7biquMErA5qg/viewform>. Please call Stephanie McKinney with any questions at 616-335-1442.

FUNDRAISERS NEWS

Fundraisers will meet next Thursday at 10am at Hudsonville PRC. Meeting starts at 10am and a nursery will be available. We have some old and new business and one proposal (of up to \$2500) to consider on

the agenda. We warmly welcome ALL Heritage moms to come out, meet other moms and be part of an amazing fundraising group that supports our children's Christian education.

TRIP NEWS

The TRIP Committee is excited to see so many families using TRIP! Our TRIP program has really taken off with all the online purchasing right from your phone app. So many items are available to order or reload instantly. It's an easy way to save some tuition dollars

and also help this fundraiser. If you would like to sign up, contact Charlynn Kamps by text or phone at 616-328-3328 or Leesa VanOverloop at 616-551-9506.

TRIP News to Note:

- **Wendy's** – after a long absence Wendy's \$10 are back in stock!
- **Rainbow Grill** – The Rainbow Grill GRANDVILLE location has now changed ownership and will not be participating with TRIP at this time. The Rainbow Grill HUDSONVILLE location is operating under a new name, Arrows restaurant. We have Arrow giftcards in stock, but they will still accept Rainbow cards if you have some to use yet.
- **Meijer** – Meijer is now offering an instant reload on the app. If you are interested in reloading your Meijer card, you must first purchase a Meijer card from our stock box. We are here Tuesdays from 7:45 to 9:30 AM if you would like to stop for one.
- **Payout** – We will be running our annual tuition payout on October 3. If you would like a TRIP payout and have not paid out before, contact Charlynn or Leesa by September 29.

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Hope Heralds will present a concert next Sunday, September 17 at Trinity PRC at 7:45 PM, and this week Friday, September 15 at the Jack H. Miller Center for Musical Arts (Hope College's music auditorium) at 7 PM. Parking for the concert at Hope College is available on lots 40 and 41, in the public parking of Holland, and on the streets in the college campus.

Trinity PRC Young People's is inviting you to come and support our young people at this years Cook Off and Kid's Carnival on Saturday, Sept 23rd from 2:30-4:30pm. This years theme is ANYTHING SMOKED. Tasting tickets are \$10 each-this allows you to sample all the tasty dishes and cast your vote for your favorite. Prizes will be awarded to the top 3 entries. Grilled hotdogs will be available for kids as well as multiple carnival games to play. Each game will be one ticket-10 tickets for \$1.00. If you're interested in submitting your best creation or for any questions, please contact Angie DeVries at 616-293-4338 (call or text) or email 0702angiedv@gmail.com.

Join us Saturday, October 7, for the annual Jenison Christian School mom-to-mom sale! Shop our sale to find great deals on gently used children's clothing (size infant through teen), maternity clothing, baby items, books, games, toys, and sports equipment. The sale time has been extended this year to 9:00 am - 12:00 pm. The sale will close briefly, and then re-open at 12:30 for a 15 minute grab bag sale (a big hit last year!). You will be able to purchase a bag for \$10 that you can fill with items remaining at the sale.

Mark your calendars because Septemberfest is right around the corner. Come out and support our school at the annual arts and craft show on September 16th from 9am to 2pm at the Hudsonville Fairgrounds. This will be your one stop shop! Shop our 200+ vendors in all five barns along with many more outside booths. Tickets are \$2 with kids 12 and under free. Strollers are welcome. VIP tickets are available that will allow you early entry before the crowds at 8:15am. The VIP passes also include a shopping bag full of local business coupons. These are available to purchase on our Facebook page. There are limited bags available so get yours soon! Cost is \$10. Please help us spread the word by finding us on Facebook, liking it, and sharing us with your friends. Watch for current updates and giveaways on Septemberfest Arts and Craft Show on Facebook. We cannot wait to see you all there!

Employment Opportunity: Post Family Farm in Hudsonville is looking to hire energetic ADULTS for seasonal work for our fall season. Our Spring season runs from September 5, 2023 - November 4, 2023. Opportunities include donut makers, tour guides, Fun Farm Day workers and Saturday Festival workers. Donut making involves working with several others in our bakery making donuts, filling orders and running the cash register. Tour guides take a group of children, teachers and parents around the farm both on and off a tractor (training provided). Festival and Fun Farm Day workers may work in donuts, office, tickets, drive the pumpkin train or drive tractor to the pumpkin patch. No previous experience is required for any position. Work days and hours are very flexible to fit your schedule. Please contact Julie at Post Family Farm, if you have any interest in working in a fun, farm atmosphere. Phone – 616/669-1964, email – tours@postfamilyfarm.com