

HERITAGE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

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*"Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid:
for the Lord Jehovah is my strength and my song; He also is become my salvation." (Isaiah 12:2)*

SONG OF THE WEEK

Psalter # 289

*Let hearts rejoice that seek the Lord,
His Holy Name adore;
Seek ye Jehovah and His strength,
Seek Him forevermore.*

*His sacred word to Abraham
He kept, though waiting long,
And brought His chosen people forth
With joy and thankful song.*

HOT LUNCH

March 15 – Pizza Hut/Fazoli's

Workers: Please be at school by 11 AM – Dawn Kuperus, Lucy Lamar, Annie and Michelle Langerak

March 22 – Taco Bell

Workers: Please be at school by 11 AM – Ashley Leatherman, Karla Lennon, Jennifer Lenting, Kelly and Brittany Looyenga, Hillary Lotterman

Hot lunch ordering for April will open next week Monday, March 18 at 8 AM and will close Thursday, March 21 at midnight! Link to order hot lunch: <https://heritagehotlunch.schoolchoice.com/index.php>

SCHOOL NEWS

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 15
Hearing Screening

March 20
Solo & Ensemble Festival

March 29 – April 5
Spring Break

April 26
Kindergarten Program

SPORTS SCHEDULES

All games begin at 4 PM unless otherwise noted

Boys Volleyball

Th 3/14 vs. Hudsonville1 (A)
M 3/18 Tournament (details TBD)

Public busing families –public schools have early release this week Friday, March 15. There will be no public busing in the afternoon.

Heritage has several aide openings for next year. Typically these are part time positions, but full time can be considered. If interested, please contact Brian Kuiper (bkuiper@hchr.org or 616-669-1773) for more information.

Bus monitor needed for the 2024-2025 school year! This is a PAID position! Our public bus students who transfer at Hudsonville High School need a person there to make sure everything goes well. The times

for this position are 7:10 – 7:30 AM, and 2:40 – 3 PM. Grandpas, grandmas, aunts, uncles, moms, dads, we will take anyone interested in saying hello to our public bus students and keeping them safe from harm! Want to share the position? This is a great idea! Contact Cori (businessoffice@hchr.org) for details!

Appreciation Week for our Teachers and Staff is RIGHT NOW! Fundraisers supplied a morning snack Monday, lunch today, and is preparing another lunch tomorrow. God has richly blessed our children with teachers, aides, librarians, secretaries, and janitor and principal to help them learn and grow in knowledge of His creation and His people. Don't forget to *email, text, or write a note* to one of these that has made an impact on your child's life this year! (Other ideas):

send some books to the library that are no longer read at your house, or bring in an item off an Amazon wishlist <https://www.heritageprschool.com/teacher-wish-lists/>.

Solo and Ensemble Festival will take place here at Heritage on Wednesday, March 20 from 4:00 to 7:30 PM. All 6th-8th band students are required to participate

Mark your calendars for the Heritage Fundraisers meeting Thursday, March 21 at 10AM at Hudsonville PRC. We warmly welcome and encourage all Heritage moms to come out and be part of this amazing fundraising group. Nursery will be provided.

PR Grade School Spelling Bee results: The Traveling Trophy has returned to us at Heritage again this year. Congratulations to Gavin Heyboer on his first place finish and to Aliya VanOverloop for finishing in 3rd place! Congratulations as well to the other participating students from Heritage and from our sister PR grade schools in the GR area.

Hearing Screening will take place at Heritage by the Health Department this Friday, March 15- Hearing Screening for grades K, 2, 4 and on Monday, April 15—rescreening for absent/sick children and those that did not pass the first screen.

Parents of 8th graders: Mr. Rick Noorman has met with all 8th grade students and distributed a packet of information about CCHS. Please review all information with your student and return the required papers (4 colored papers) from the packet to your school office by next Wednesday, March 20. Covenant will host a meeting for parents regarding the high school program and how to choose courses on Thursday, March 14 at 7 pm in the Covenant Library. Parents are encouraged to attend but it is not required. This meeting is designed to help answer questions about the process.

Also from CCHS: Parents of 8th grade students: MARCH 18 IS THE DUE DATE FOR SUBMITTING THE CCHS APPLICATION FOR YOUR 8th grader. PLEASE follow the detailed instructions

emailed to you on March 4 or use the following link: <https://covenantmi.client.renweb.com/oa/?memberid=3233>. If you did NOT receive the email, contact the CCHS office immediately (616-453-5048/office@covenantchristianhs.org) so we can gather and send you the information needed. REMINDER: The Application Packet is only step 1. The Enrollment Packet is step 2 and will be emailed to you later.

We just received a Paper Gator check for \$103.10. Last year at this time, the check was over \$250. Let's try to hit that number next time! Thank you for your effort and work into filling the dumpster up – it's free money for the school! **What may go in the dumpster?** Newsprint, Catalogs/Magazines, Junk Mail, Phone Books, Office/School paper, Hard and soft cover books, Paperboard (Grocery Item boxes), Standard staples & paperclips are ok, Shredded paper (preferred in CLEAR plastic bags). **What may NOT go in the dumpster?** Plastic, Metal, Trash, Glass, Cardboard.

All students (K-6) have the opportunity to earn 2 free tickets to a Whitecaps baseball game by reading during the month of March. A voucher was given to each student last week for parents to fill out. The voucher can be redeemed online, in person (take to the game), or via mail for the two free tickets. Please note: the library only has ONE voucher per student, so we will not be able to replace lost vouchers.

Reminder: Planned absence forms are required for all students in grades 6-8 taking any days taken off from school. Students may get one from the main office.

BASEBALL COACH NEEDED! This year we plan to field two baseball teams. One will be a 7th grade team and the other an 8th

grade team. If this is going to happen we need a 7th grade coach. Please contact Doug DeBoer (ddeboer@hchr.org) if you have any questions or are interested in coaching our 7th grade team. Season begins end of March, games begin in April.

Attention PARENTS of 8th graders: If your son or daughter desires to participate in a sport at Covenant during the 2024-25 school year, please make note of these important items:

- 1) In order to participate in a FALL sport (cross country, boys soccer or volleyball), the athlete MUST have his/her physical form completed AND turned into the CCHS office **by August 1.**
- 2) The date of the doctor's exam MUST be April 15, 2024 or later. We encourage you to call your doctor's office NOW and set up an appointment between April 15 and July 31 so your child will be ready to go for the fall season.
- 3) A Sports Physical Form has been included in the 8th grade packet which will be given to your 8th grader between March 5-8. The 2-page form is also available on the Covenant website at www.covenantchristianhs.org (go to the "Athletics" Tab) or at <http://www.mhsaa.com>.
- 4) Practices may legally begin on August 12 (YP Convention is Aug. 5-9), so get the form in by Aug. 1!
- 5) Other due dates: WINTER sports (basketball) - **Nov. 1** and SPRING sports (golf, girls soccer, baseball, softball or track & field) - **March 1.**
- 6) If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the CCHS Office at office@covenantchristianhs.org or the Athletic Office at covenantad@covenantchristianhs.org.

AREA PR SCHOOLS

Redeemer Garage Sale: Our 3rd Annual Garage & Bake Sale will be held on Saturday, April 20 from 9am - 3pm. If you are interested in being a seller, a baker or if you have any questions, please email us at garagesale@redeemerchrschool.com -- Please find our flyer and seller information attached.

Redeemer Christian School is hosting their 2nd Annual Online Auction. Bidding will be live 8am to 8pm on Thursday, April 18. We have some fun and exciting items available. Mark your calendars! More details to come. To donate contact auction@redeemerchrschool.com

4th-8th Grade Girls' Basketball Open Gym Clinic: Adams Chr. School will host seven open gyms for girls in 4th-8th grade, on Saturdays, beginning this Saturday, Feb. 3 through March 16, from 9:30-11:30am. This is an open gym style clinic, where your daughter(s) may come to any and all open gyms. Please pay \$5 per child every

Saturday she attends. Your money will be fully donated to Adams Mothers' Club. To learn more and sign your daughter(s) up, please use the following link:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdn_s4E2Q6APeymWq2LaE70yNk9em-15eOT0lBrSf-2-OVWqA/viewform?usp=pp_url

BEAN BAG TOURNAMENT: Registration is now open for the Adams Christian School Bean Bag Tournament! We are looking for more teams to help make this event a success. There is no age restriction! The tournament will be held on Friday, April 19 at 6 pm. Cost is only \$50 per team of two. A pork BBQ dinner is planned with an ice cream sundae bar for dessert. You can register by emailing adamsbeanbagtournament@gmail.com. Please come help support our school!

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kingdom Voices, our new PR Mass Choir, will present a concert this Sunday nights, March 17 and also on March 24. The March 17 concert will be held at Trinity PRC at 7:45 PM, and the March 24 concert will be held at First Byron CRC at 7:45 PM. Join us in praise to God!

Please plan to join us for a night of praise with The Hosanna Choir, Lord willing on April 19, at 8 PM. The theme of the concert is "A New Day Dawning" and will be held at Mayflower Congregational Church at 2345 Robinson Road, SE Grand Rapids, MI. For more information on Hosanna Choir, check out hosanna-choir.org. The cost is \$10/person or \$30/family. For tickets to support Hudsonville PRC Young Peoples, contact hosannafundraiser@gmail.com. Tickets will also be available at the door and will benefit the Protestant Reformed Special Ed program. We hope to see you there!

Byron Center PRC YP's Byron Meats Pick Up -Thank you to all who ordered meat to support our young people, it is greatly appreciated! Just a reminder that the pickup date for your order is

Monday, March 18 from 3:45 to 5:00 at Byron Center PRC. It is important that you make other arrangements if you cannot make the pickup time as the meat will be delivered frozen to us. Thanks again!!

SW Young People's Softball Tournament: Sign your team up now to play in our annual softball tournament on May 25, 2024 at Whistletop Park in Byron Center. We are looking for co-ed youth (ages 14-18) and mens teams to participate. Cost is \$125 for co-ed and \$300 for mens. Deadline to sign up is April 22. Email southwestsoftball@gmail.com to sign up or contact Teresa Zandstra at 616-648-2240 with any questions.

Providence PRC Young People are selling homemade cookie dough to raise funds for the PRC Convention. Choose from 3 flavors: Chocolate Chip-\$15, Peanut Butter-\$15 and White Chocolate Macadamia Nut-\$22. They come in 38 oz tubs. Please contact a Providence young person or call/text Cynthia Koole at 616-298-9131. Deadline and pickup will be March 15 & 16.