HERITAGE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

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"But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

To Him be glory both now and for ever. Amen." II Peter 3:18

SONG OF THE WEEK

Psalter # 293

To Jehovah then they cried
In their trouble, and He saved.
Threw the prison open wide
Where they lay to death enslaved,
Bade the gloomy shadows flee,
Broke their bonds and set them free.

Sons of men, awake to praise God the Lord Who reigns above, Gracious in His works and ways, Wondrous in redeeming love; Iron bars He breaks like clay, And the brazen gates give way.

HOT LUNCH

December 6 - Arrows

Workers: Please be at school by 11 AM – Ashley Bouwkamp, Brooke, Lindsey, and Kate Boverhof
December 13 – Burger King

Workers: Please be at school by 11 AM - Cathy Brands, Audra Bruinooge, Tricia and Belinda Brummel

SCHOOL NEWS

UPCOMING EVENTS

November 28-29 **Thanksgiving Break**

December 21 – January 4 Christmas Break

Week of January 13, 2025 Grades 3-8 MAP testing (please avoid appointments)

January 17, 2025 Professional Development Day (no school)

SPORTS SCHEDULES

All games begin at 4 PM unless otherwise noted

8th Grade Basketball T 12/3 Tm1 vs Byron Center Chr1 (A) T 12/3 Tm2 vs Huds. Chr. (A) Th 12/5 Tm1 vs West Side (A) Th 12/5 Tm2 vs Dutton1 (H)

7th Grade Basketball T 12/3 vs Huds Chr2 (A@5:15) Th 12/5 vs Dutton1 (H@5:15) Thanksgiving Break begins once school dismisses today. Have a safe and relaxing break, and we will see you back at school next week Monday!

2025 Fair Committee: We are still looking for two more individuals to join committee. One of the open positions is Health Department and one is Building. In both of these roles you would be stepping into a good system already in place. The past committee members organized the process and left step by step instructions. We understand it can he intimidating to be on this committee; but we'd like to assure you it's possible to be on this committee and have time for all your other things. (Many committee members work parttime jobs, have high schoolers in sports, or babies at home.) It is a commitment, but it is truly a joy to work together for a cause we all love. To have another successful fair year, we

need a few more people to step up and give of their time. Please reach out to Natalie VanOverloop (616-323-7738) or any committee members with interest or questions. We can't wait to hear from you! Your 2025 Fair Committee (so far)...Sheila Griffioen, Hillary Lotterman, Natalie VanOverloop, Lisa VanTil, Lindsay Schimmel, Amy Horvat ...Grandstands: Tara Koole, Beth VanSingel

Please note the upcoming MAP testing dates—January 13-16. We ask that you avoid appointments during school hours those days if at all possible.

The *Heralder* was recently distributed. If you haven't seen it, please see it at this link: https://www.heritageprschool.com/about-us/heralder/

Approximately 60 of our 208 families have responded by ordering yearbooks or signing up as patrons. A very small number of our businesses have responded with page sponsorship for this year's book. You will be able to send in orders again in February, but we would love some more right now! Please consider supporting our 2024-25 Yearbook in this way for the December deadline, especially by being a patron or a page sponsor. Thank you!

- 2024 tax write-off: The yearbook has two deadlines, one in December, and one in February. They would love to have more of the patrons and page sponsors before the December deadline! Please consider sending it in ASAP to take advantage of a 2024 tax write off, instead of waiting until just before the February deadline! You have the option to be a patron (\$50) or page sponsor (\$100) for this year's yearbook. All patrons and page sponsors receive a free yearbook if they are interested. Send form from the back of the memo and payment to the main office.
- YEARBOOKS CAN (should?) BE PRE-ORDERED so that we don't run out! Please fill out the form below to pre-order a book and send it in to either office WITH PAYMENT. 8th grade parents remember, each 8th grader receives a complimentary yearbook. Don't order one for them

The 2nd 6 weeks report cards for grades 3-8 were sent home yesterday via Gradelink. If you need help accessing GL, please contact the Main office after Thanksgiving Break.

Congratulations to our 4 RoboPanther Lego Robotics teams on their completed season! All the teams did very well at RoBowl X at Hope School this past Saturday! The theme was "Submerged," and all of the robot tasks involved ocean exploration. An exciting finish resulted in both Teams 1.0 and 2.0 tying for second (only 5 points behind one of Hope School's teams) and Team 4.0 ended up in the top 5 as well. For the innovation project where teams must solve a real-life

problem based on ocean exploration, Team 3.0 (Hannah Drnek, Mallory VanBemmel, Sophia Boverhof, and Emma den Hartog) bested the 10 other teams by taking home the trophy for best presentation. They researched and developed a board game for people to play that raises awareness of the environmental problems harming our oceans. A terrific, God-honoring effort was given by all our RoboPanther teams!

Winter is here! The weather is getting colder! Make sure to send your students with appropriate winter gear. Unless there are extreme weather conditions, recess is typically outdoors, so make sure your students are dressed for the weather. Thank you!

Reminder: What may go in the Paper Gator 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. Thank you all for continuing to bring in your paper gator recycling.

Christmas gift items from the Main Office:

- God's Creation 2025 calendars are for sale for \$10 each.
- Farbers books are for sale \$6 each. These books, written by Gertrude Hoeksema, present life lessons for children in easily understandable and short stories.
- CDs Voices of Victory or Hope Heralds (the 2024 CD will be here this week or next!) for sale for \$10 each.
- Cookbooks HCS ones for \$15 and PRCS School from the Illinois/Indiana area for \$15.

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REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hudsonville Little League 2025 Spring Registrations are Open! Visit www.HudsonvilleLittleLeague.com for more information All Heritage Christian students are eligible to play in HLL.

The Young People of Providence PRC are selling delicious, homemade banket for \$9 each, with proceeds going towards the 2025 YP Convention. The banket comes frozen, ready for you to bake fresh.

Special arrangements can be made if 1 you would like yours baked. Place your order by Dec 9 by contacting Heidi Kleyn (616) 723-4841 or hkleyn82@gmail.com. Orders will be ready for delivery/pickup the week of December 15.