

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 # 107

*O Lord, regard my fears.
And answer my request;
Turn not in silence from my tears,
But give the mourner rest.*

*I am a stranger here,
Dependent on Thy grace,
A pilgrim as my fathers were,
With no abiding place.*

HOT LUNCH

April 25 – Burger King

Workers: Please be at school by 11 AM – Marie, Katie, Carrie, and Danae Karsemeyer

April 30 – Pizza Wednesday

Workers: Please be at school by 11 AM – Lacey Key, Heidi Kleyn, Julie Koll

May 2 – Arrow's

Workers: Please be at school by 11 AM – Abbie, Lisa, Sarah, and Brittany Kooienga

Hot Lunch ordering is open NOW! Ordering will stay open through tomorrow at midnight! Please check the dates below and make a note regarding class trips on hot lunch days!

Please note - Class trips we are aware of at this time (DATES TO NOT ORDER):

May 9 – Kindergarten gone from 11 AM to 1 PM; May 16 – Kindergarten gone all day; May 21 – 3rd and 6th grades gone all day; May 23 – K-3 Field Day (lunch is provided for all K-3 children, no hot lunch needed); and May 23 – 5th, 7th, and 8th graders gone all day

SCHOOL NEWS

Fair Restaurant & Grandstand Fundraiser: Sign-up Genius will be open for fair week volunteer shifts starting **TODAY** at 8 am! Your help is needed and is greatly appreciated. We have 542 shifts to fill! A yellow sheet of paper is going home today with shift descriptions on it (it's attached as well). To sign up, follow this link which will take you directly to our sign-up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/o/20F0945AEA829A3F94-55717973-2025> If you have a Sign-up Genius log-in, **please sign in**; you'll want that in order to edit or delete your shifts in the future. You can also sign up directly from our Facebook page or by searching on [signupgenius.com](https://www.signupgenius.com) by clicking on the magnifying glass in the top

right corner, type in hcsfair@gmail.com, and choose your shifts. This year's sign-up has the tabbed days again so be sure to tab through every day, and the pre and post fair shifts as well. If this is your first year volunteering and you have any questions about the sign-up options, please reach out to any committee member; we're happy to help you find a shift that fits you best! We can't wait to see you there! Your 2025 Restaurant & Grandstand Committee: Hillary Lotterman, Lisa VanTil, Natalie VanOverloop, Sheila Griffioen, Amy Horvat, Lindsay Schimmel, Alyssa Pastoor, Tara Koole, Beth VanSingel

ORDERS ARE DUE TOMORROW!! Blue Summer Bridge Activities Workbook order forms went home last week. The books are for students attending K-8th grade next year. If you cannot locate the order, please print and send in the attachment or email receptionist@hchr.org with the grade level book you would like to order and we will communicate payment details to you.

From the Walkathon Committee: Envelopes came home Monday and need to be turned in **THIS FRIDAY**. We are counting everything Friday so is important that we get everything in. If you have any questions, please contact a committee member. We appreciate your cooperation! Lindsay Boer, Holly Feenstra, Emily Joostens, Alyssa Van Baren

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 25

Kindergarten Program 6:30 PM at Georgetown PRC

May 5-9

3-8 MAP Testing PLEASE avoid appointments

May 7

Elementary Music Program (Grades 1-3) 1 PM Main Gym

May 13

5-8 Band & Choir Concert 7 PM Main Gym

May 19

All Schools Band Concert

May 26

Memorial Day (no school)

May 28

Last day of school (1/2 day) Graduation

SPORTS SCHEDULES

All games begin at 4 PM unless otherwise noted

HCS Track & Field

Th 4/24 Practice and team meeting until 4:15 PM

F 5/2 Meet at CCHS

Boys Baseball

Th 4/24 7th vs Moline (A)

Th 4/24 8th vs Dutton (H)

M 4/28 7th vs Byron Center Chr (A)

M 4/28 8th vs Hope (H)

W 4/30 7th vs Huds Chr (H)

W 4/30 8th vs Huds Chr (A)

F 5/2 7th vs Hope (H)

F 5/2 8th vs Moline (A)

Girls Softball

Th 4/24 vs Moline (A)

M 4/28 vs Huds Chr (A)

W 4/30 vs Calvin Chr (H)

Girls Soccer

W 4/23 vs Dutton (H)

Th 4/24 vs Huds Chr 8th (A)

M 4/28 vs Legacy (A)

T 4/29 vs Calvin (H)

Th 5/1 vs Adams (A)

Heritage's 1st through 3rd grade Elementary Music Program will be held in the Junior High Gym on Wednesday, May 7 at 1 PM.

Yearbooks were handed out last week to those who pre-ordered, those who were page sponsors, and those who were patrons. We have some extra available for purchase if you would still like one. Cost is \$25, checks payable to school.

Annual Society Meeting - Our Annual Society Meeting will be held on Monday, April 28, at 7:30 PM in the Junior High gymnasium, D.V.

Chargers Middle School XC Team Signups are now open for 6th-8th graders for Fall 2025. We compete in 7 races throughout the fall. Our team typically consists of about 60 middle schoolers from Covenant's feeder schools. Even if you might not be able to run in all of the races, why not be one of them? You may just discover your new favorite sport or a new friend from a different school. Please sign up at <https://www.covenantchristianxc.com/middleschool>. If you have any questions, please contact middle school XC coach Jared Kraker at xcountry@hchr.org.

K-3 Field Day is planned for Friday, May 23. Volunteers are needed to help make the day a successful one. To sign up, and for more information see the purple sheet that came home last week. Sign up requests are due by this Friday, April 25.

2025-26 Class Lists: The only class placement requests that will be considered for next year are those that are sent to Mr. Kuiper using a form which can be obtained from the main office of our school. The purpose of this form is for parents to inform us of significant learning or social challenges that their child faces that are unknown to the staff. To be clear, these forms are NOT intended to be used to request a certain teacher, so we ask that you refrain from pressuring teachers into making decisions that are not officially approved. Parents have until May 2 to return this form. Requests turned in after then will not be considered.

A reminder about MAP testing – please avoid appointments during school hours on May 5-9 for 3rd through 8th grade students. We will be doing the final MAP testing for the school year in that time period.

AREA PR SCHOOLS

RCS Auction: Redeemer Christian School is hosting their 3rd Annual Online Auction on Miedema Charity Auctions. Bidding will be live 8am to 9pm TOMORROW, April 24 and you can place your pre-bids now. We have some fun and exciting items available! Please follow our Redeemer Christian School Online Auction Facebook event for the most recent updates to our auction! Thanks for your support!

Join us for the 1st annual Charger Summer Baseball League for students going into 9th-12th grades this fall. Each team will be guaranteed 7 games. The games will take place on a Tuesday or Thursday the weeks of June 24, July 8, July 15, and July 22. See more information on the attached form. Sign up by May 24!! We'd love to see a good turnout. We will need about 44 kids to make this work. Sign up here: <https://forms.gle/gXB8nfUWVvK8s7EHu6>

CCHS K-9th grade Running Night Camp is scheduled for Thursday, August 7 at Covenant Christian HS. This is for all boys & girls entering K-9th grade in fall of 2025. Please sign up for this FREE event at <https://www.covenantchristianxc.com/middleschool>. If you have any questions, please contact middle school XC coach Jared Kraker at xcountry@hchr.org, high school XC coach Brian Kalsbeek at brijenkalsbeek@gmail.com, or high school T&F coach Brantley Van Overloop at bvanoverloop@covenantchristianhs.org.

The 27th Annual Hope Classic race registration is now open! The races will take place on Saturday, May 24. Go to www.hopeprcschool.org/classic to view details and register to run or walk in the 5K or 1 mile races. The deadline to register and receive a free shirt is Friday, May 10.

K-12th Boys/Girls Charger Soccer Camp July 14-17, 2025! Register for the camp - [Soccer Camp Form](#) Payment and Registration due May 31. If you have any questions or concerns please contact Marissa Holstege at marissajo29@gmail.com / 616-264-1128 or Shon

Griess at sgriess@charter.net / 616-437-7871. **Due to construction, camp will be held here at Heritage Christian this year.**

CCHS Boys Basketball Camp: June 9-12 (Grades 3-8) : This camp is open to boys going into 3rd-8th grades (Fall 2025). Due to the PRCA 100th Anniversary and the ongoing construction at Covenant, we are moving the camp to Heritage Christian. To sign up, please go to: covenantchristianathletics.bigteams.com/main/campsclinics and click on the 2025 boys basketball camp link. The deadline to sign up is May 15. There is limited space, so please sign up right away.

Girls Youth Bball Camp Registration is now open! Basketball camp for girls entering grades 3-8 & 9-12 will be Monday - Thursday, June 9-12, 2025. Dates, time & cost are listed at the top of the registration link. New this year: please register those entering 9th grade as well (grades 10-12 do not need to register). We can't wait to see you there! Please use this link to register: <https://forms.gle/npw58qMiVsWRoQmD6>

Save the Date: Hope PRC School will be hosting an open house on Saturday, April 26 from 3-5 to honor Mr. Ronald Koole for his many years of service within our Christian schools. All are welcome to come and join in this event, or send cards!

Redeemer Christian School: Join us for our 4th Annual Garage Sale this Saturday, April 26! We will have our amazing bake sale with all the cookies, coffee cakes, pies, breads, bars, and cinnamon rolls you can imagine, a beautiful selection of plants from Dekker Bros. Farms, mattresses from Talsma Furniture, and of course all the fun garage sale finds! At 2pm, shoppers will have the opportunity to fill a brown paper bag with ANYTHING they can fit in there for \$10. Larger items that do not fit in the bag will be marked down accordingly. All proceeds from this portion of the sale will go toward RCS. We hope to see you there!

Advance notice: Eastside Christian School is planning to host art camp for K-8th graders again this summer (evenings July 7-9).

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRSO string summer camp for string players on June 23-27, 2024: The camp will be held at Adams Christian School in Byron Center Michigan. Elementary/middle school camp will be held in the mornings; high school/post high camp will be held in the evenings. A combined concert is planned for Friday evening, 6/27. We invite string students who are school-aged as well as adult string players. PRSO alumni and other adult string players are encouraged to consider joining us! <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScl2R6emBbcat1f7WVe4MJqK5VltoBlplY37fwY6tZtUXJvJw/viewform?usp=dialog>

Georgetown PRC VBS 2025 will take place from July 22 to July 25 for children ages 5 to 11. Join us in spreading the gospel to your friends and neighbors as we explore the life of Jesus at VBS. Bring a friend and register at georgetownprc.org/events.

Plan now to attend an evening of praise with the Hosanna Choir at Mayflower Congregational Church on April 25, 2025, at 7:30PM. We are asking that you pre-purchase tickets at mrcnossen2@gmail.com or call/text Mike at (616)218-1840. Tickets are \$12/individual or \$40/family. Tickets ordered will be available for pickup in the office at

Covenant Christian High School or at Heritage Christian School. All ticket sales will go to benefit Protestant Reformed Special Education.

Save the date – Saturday, April 26 from 7:30-9:30am - Breakfast, Car Wash & Pop Can Drive – an unlikely trio that works, but just for one day!!! Come enjoy the most important meal of the day while your car takes a bath as the Faith PRC young people put their service skills

to the test. Menu will include fresh cooked eggs, meat, French toast, pancakes, orange juice, coffee, and, of course, great fellowship. This event helps raise funds for the 2025 Young People's Convention, and to further support their efforts, we're also hosting a pop-can drive. Bring in those extra cans cluttering your space, and we'll take care of them for you! We can't wait to see you there!!!!