

HERITAGE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

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*"Lead me in thy truth, and teach me: for thou art the God of my salvation; on thee do I wait all the day."
Psalm 25:5*

SONG OF THE WEEK

NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD

Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done, in whom His world rejoices;
Who, from our mother's arms, hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God thro' all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts to and blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in His grace, and guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills in this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,
The Son, and Him who reigns with them in highest heaven,
The one eternal God, Whom earth and heav'n adore;
For thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

HOT LUNCH

December 5 – Arrows

Workers: Please be at school by 11 AM – Natalie, Kelly, Lori, and Meghan VanOverloop

December 12 – Burger King

Workers: Please be at school by 11 AM – Jennelle, Evelyn, and Kelli VanOverloop, and Amy VanPutten

MOMS IN PRAYER

Join us on Monday, Dec. 1 from 8-8:30 AM for a time of prayer! We'd love to have you join us in prayers of thanksgiving this time. This coming week's attribute will be, "God is Immutable."

Please bring your Bible. Thanks!

*"For I am the LORD, I change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob, are not consumed."
(Malachi 3:6)*

SCHOOL NEWS

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thanksgiving Break

November 27-28

Christmas Break

December 24-January 3

SPORTS SCHEDULES

All games begin at 4 PM unless
otherwise noted

8th Grade Boys Basketball

T 12/2 Tm1 vs Dutton (H at 5:15)
Th 12/4 Tm1 vs Hope (A)

7th Grade Boys Basketball

T 12/2 Tm1 vs Dutton (H at 5:15)
T 12/2 Tm2 vs Huds. Chr. (H)
Th 12/4 Tm1 vs Legacy (A)
Th 12/4 Tm2 vs Huds Chr (H)

We extend our Christian sympathy and lift up in prayer Brian and Karen Kuiper and their children, Ross, Claire, Lauren, and Kent as their mother and grandmother Mrs. Dorothy Vink was called to her heavenly home on Saturday. Especially at this time of Thanksgiving, we take comfort and give thanks for the beautiful hope that we have in the promise of eternal life with our Heavenly Father. Isaiah 41:10 "Fear thou not: for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, will I uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness."

Thanksgiving Break begins once school dismisses today. Have a safe and relaxing break, and we will see you back at school next week Monday. "Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus." (Philippians 4:6)

The *Herald* was recently distributed to area PR churches. It was also emailed out last week Friday. If you haven't seen it, please see it using this link: <https://www.heritagepschool.com/about-us/herald/> Included is next year's school calendar.

Last week's All School Program is uploaded to the school's YouTube Channel. Please click on the following link to watch it: <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLthssQEBDWhNj8F1VtNtNAiLhwxpGaeFv>

Congratulations to our 4 RoboPanther Lego Robotics teams on their completed season! All the teams gave a great effort at RoBowl XI at Hope School this past Saturday! The theme was "Unearthed," and all of the robot tasks involved archeology. Team 1.0 was HCS's highest finisher for the day, ending up in the top 5 robots. For the innovation project, where teams must solve a real-life problem based on archeology, Team 2.0 (Emma denHartog, Kaiya Bylsma, Isla Kamminga, Milo Holstege, Jordan Koll, & Wyatt Lenting) bested the 10 other teams by taking home the trophy for best presentation. They researched and developed an archeological experience for families to try out at an actual dig site that raises awareness of the work that archeologists do. A terrific, God-honoring effort was given by all our RoboPanther teams!

Please note the upcoming MAP testing dates – January 19-23. This involves all 3rd through 8th grade students. Please avoid appointments during school hours those days if at all possible.

Winter is here soon! 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 be certain your students are dressed for the weather. Thank you!

Thank you all for continuing to bring in your paper gator recycling. 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.

Christmas gift items from the Main Office:

- God's Creation 2026 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 2025 for sale for \$10 each.
- Cookbooks – HCS ones for \$15 and PRCS School from the Illinois/Indiana area for \$15.

The Fair Committee is looking for someone to fill our Co-Chair position for this year's fair. This is a 3-year term, and you'll greatly

appreciate co-chairing for a year before taking on full responsibility on your own in Year 2! You'd be responsible for organizing and running the Fair Committee meetings (there are only a few!), communicating with the Fair Board and Heritage community, and helping committee members as needed. Please reach out to Natalie VanOverloop (616-323-7738) with any questions on this position. Another note from the fair committee is that we would love to collect a handful of ice cream buckets to be used in the food prep kitchen. If you could keep us in mind, and put any empty clean buckets in the school kitchen with a note on them "for fair", we would appreciate it!

From the Heritage Restaurant Committee~ The Heritage Restaurant has been going for over 10 years now! We have served thousands of happy customers over this time and raised over a million dollars in profit for the school! With that being said, it's natural that a few of our kitchen items are starting to break down. We have created a small wish list that will give us a head start on updating needed kitchen items this year. Every item on the list needs to be replaced this summer, so even the small purchases are much appreciated.

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/187CORLP09YG3?ref_=wl_share

AREA PR SCHOOLS

CCHS GIFT CARD DRIVE: The Student Council of Covenant Christian HS is again sponsoring its **Gift Card Drive** (December 1-23) to help those who have need in our area Protestant Reformed churches. To participate, you can send money or gift cards to grocery stores, gas stations, etc. to Covenant, c/o Student Council. Thank you!

Save The Date!!! Adams' Annual Soup Supper will be held on February 12, in the gym. Many delicious soups, bbq, hot dogs and

homemade desserts! Hope to see you there, and thanks for your support!

The Redeemer Christian School Mother's Circle will again be making their Brown Sugar Cinnamon Rolls with cream cheese frosting. To place an order for a 1/2 or full dozen (\$15/\$30) please email cinnamonrolls@redeemerchrschool.com — pickup will be December 5 from 2:30-4:30 pm.

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

The 2025 Hope Heralds recording is available now. We are offering CDs and a limited number of flash drives at \$10 each. Please stop in at Covenant Chr. High School, Heritage Chr. School, the PR Seminary, or the Reformed Book Outlet to purchase your items. We are thankful to have concluded another season of praise to God, and look forward to sharing the music with you.

The Young People of Providence PRC are selling delicious, homemade banket for \$9 each, with proceeds going towards the 2026 YP Convention. The banket comes frozen, ready for you to bake fresh. If you would prefer yours baked, please let us know. Place your order by Nov 30 by contacting Heidi Kleyn (616)723-4841 or hkleyn82@gmail.com. Orders will be ready for delivery/pickup the week of December 8.

Eastside Christian School is having our online auction next week Tuesday, December 2. You can find the auction link at <https://bid.miedemacharity.com/auctions> and bid from the comfort of your home from 8am-9pm. Pickup of items will be Wednesday, December 3 from 1-7PM at Eastside. We appreciate your support!

Reformed Book Outlet: You're invited to join us for our annual Holiday Open House on Monday, December 1, from 1-8! Shop our 25% off sale and sign up for a giveaway, and bring your kids along to enjoy the special activities we have planned. We will also have special guests Kelsey Kamminga (*King of Glory*) and Lee Kamminga (*Grace House*) in the store from 5-7, **for book signing!** See attached flyers for more information; hope to see you there!