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HUDSONVILLE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL



CHALLENGING MINDS AND LIVES FOR CHRIST

IN CHRIST ALONE

May 31, 2022

Sometimes it is good to take some time to look back and reflect. As 3 School and 4 School ended last week, our teachers and aides gathered to share lunch together and talk about favorite memories from the school year. It was a joy to share some of the fun and priceless moments that put a smile on our face, reflect about ways we saw our students' faith start to take root, and celebrate the ways we saw our families come around one another and walk together in community. God is so faithful, and we give HIM the praise and thanks for this school year!

Sometimes it is good to take some time to look ahead. Even though this first school year experience has come to an end for our 3 School and 4 School students, there will be many more years ahead for these young learners. There will be years of great joys and years that bring lots of challenges. Through it all, we serve a faithful God, and it is my prayer that they will continue to deepen their love and faith in their Heavenly Father.

As they walk out of these doors, may these students live the prayer they often sang this year:

*I wanna be like Jesus, think like Jesus, do what He would do.
In every way, everywhere, every day let His love and grace shine through.*

*I wanna be like Jesus so that Jesus will be seen in me.
Father, help me be like Jesus.*

Praising God for His faithfulness!

Julie Moes
Early Childhood Director

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SCHOOL-WIDE NEWS

Last Day of School

The last day of school for grades Y5-7 will be Wednesday, June 8. It will be a half day, dismissing at 11:10 a.m.. Kids' Corner will close at 3:00 p.m.

Summer Office Hours

This summer, the administrative office and middle school office will be open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9 AM to 3 PM.

Choir/Orchestra Concert

The Spring Concert for our Middle School choir & 5th - 8th grade orchestras will be at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 1 at Fair Haven Church. This concert will feature our 6th, 7th, and 8th grade choirs and the 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th grade orchestras.

Band Concert

The 5th-8th grade bands will be presenting their Spring Concert on Thursday, June 2 at 7:00 pm at Fair Haven Ministries. Students should arrive no later than 6:40 in their black/white "concert" uniform.

2022-2023 HCS Theme T-Shirts

Each year students in 3 School - 5th Grade receive an HCS t-shirt to wear for field trips, chapels and other activities. All students in preschool-5th Grade will receive a shirt in the fall, no need to order! Middle School students are given the option to order one free of charge and parents, if you want to order a theme t-shirt for yourself, there is a cost of \$5.00 each. To order a 2022-2023 HCS Theme T-Shirt for a **middle school student or family member**, fill out this [form](#) by June 3.

2022 Golf Outing

HCS is committed to partnering with everyone who desires a Christian education for their family! The HCS community makes this possible through the HCS tuition assistance fund. PLEASE join us Monday, August 1 at Railside Golf Club for a fun day of golf where all proceeds go to our tuition assistance fund. Morning and afternoon flights available. We are also looking for corporate/individual sponsors for this event. Click [here](#) or contact the golf outing committee at golfouting@4hcs.org for more information.

Camp Crazee Fun is Back!

Mr. Los is offering a 4 day crazee fun games camp June 20-23 at Hudsonville Christian Middle school. The camp is available for all students entering 3rd-8th grade. Please fill out the [registration form](#) and return by June 10. Any questions, email Mr. Los at dlos@4hcs.org

A Cultural Exchange Opportunity for Parents of Current Grades 5, 6, And 7 Students

We are happy to share with you that once again we will welcome Guatemalan students to HCMS during the 2022-2023 school year through the Faces and Our Cultures Program. Middle school aged students from Guatemala have been selected to spend nearly two months living with a host family while attending classes and participating in extracurricular activities here at our school. The program has led to wonderful friendships and provided our students and our Guatemalan guests with valuable cultural experiences. Guatemalan students apply to be Cultural Ambassadors of their country and are carefully selected by the Faces & Our Cultures Program Team. They go through a preparation process during the year and also prepare cultural projects to share with their host family and school.

If you are interested in hosting a student and participating in this life-enriching experience, you can contact Gaby Padilla, State Coordinator, at gaby.padilla@facesandcultures or complete the Host Family Form [HERE](#); she will coordinate meeting with your family to present the details of the program. Gaby will also be hosting informational Zoom meetings on May 26, June 2 and June 9 at 7:00 pm. Please [join](#) her or email her to learn more about this opportunity.

LINK: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83931789904>

MEETING ID: 839 3178 9904

Summer TRIP Schedule

TRIP will continue through the summer on the following Mondays from 4:30pm - 6:00pm in the Connector by the Admin Office (Door F): June 6, 13 & 27. July 11 & 25. August 8, 22 & 29.

HCS Employment Opportunities:

Elementary ESS Paraprofessional

The elementary school will have 1 to 2 ESS paraprofessionals openings for the 2022/2023 school year. This person will work in classrooms and small group settings with students in grades K-5. Teaching experience or college degree preferred. If you are interested in exploring this position further, please contact [Jenny Gorter](#) by June 3.

Part-Time Middle School Accompanist

HCS is seeking a part-time accompanist to assist the Middle School Music department. If interested please fill out the [application form](#) and send it to Anna Hulst at ahulst@4hcs.org.

Kids' Corner Aide

Hudsonville Christian School is seeking applicants for Kids' Corner aides for the 2022-2023 school year. Interested applicants should have a love for God and His children and enjoy working on a team. We are looking for additional people after school between the hours of 2:15 and 5:45pm. Applicants must be at least 16 years

old. This is a great after school job for high school and college students! Please send your resume and completed [application](#) to Julie Moes at jmoes@4hcs.org.

ELEMENTARY NEWS

Chapel

This Friday all elementary students will gather in the east gym for chapel at 10:00 am. Wednesday, June 8 we will have a special last day of school chapel at 8:15 am. Parents are welcome to join us!

Hot Lunch

The [May/June Menu](#) and other information on the Elementary Hot Lunch Program provided by JenHud Food Service can be found on the [JenHud Food Service website](#).

Library Books

Please look around your house for misplaced library books. All books need to be returned by Friday, June 3. Thank you for helping your child return their books.

Parents of K-5th Grade Students

Parents are invited to come to Blacklight Dodgeball PE class with your child during the week of May 31 - June 6. Please check in at the main office and dress in neon colors & tennis shoes ready to enjoy PE class in the dark with your son/daughter. Any questions, please email Mr Los dlos@4hcs.org.

Summer Art Camp

August 1-4 - If you are excited about art and want to learn more, then this is the camp for you! Mr. Randall is looking for students entering grades 4-6 in the 2022-2023 school year who want to grow in their art skills and have fun in the process. All materials will be provided, as well as a snack each day. All you have to bring is your creative energy and willingness to learn! Click [HERE](#) for more information and to register.

Lost and Found

Our elementary lost and found area is bursting with discarded items. Please stop by when you are at school and remind your child to check out the items to see if anything belongs to them. Items not claimed by the end of the school year will be donated to Revive.

School Shopping Lists for the 2022-2023 School Year

The list showing supplies that are needed for students in Y5-5th grade for next year is available on our [website](#).

MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

Chapel

- Tuesday, May 31: Honors Chapel
- Thursday, June 2: Staff Praise Team Leading chapel

Students and staff will gather in the south gym for chapel from 7:55-8:25AM. Parents are welcome to join us! If you would like to view the Middle School Chapels at a later time, you can also find recordings on our Middle school website. [Chapel](#)

Hot Lunch

There will be no hot lunch the final two weeks of school. Please be sure to remind your student to bring lunch. **Check with your son or daughter if they have any outstanding hot lunch IOU debt that is owed. It should be paid back by the end of the week!**

6th Grade Service Project Day

The sixth graders will be out in the community serving on the morning of Tuesday, June 7 as part of their year-end unit on Justice. They will spend the afternoon at Millenium Park. A handout with more details will be coming home later this week.

Parents of Grade 8 students

Last week of School Reminders for 8th Grade:

Monday, June 6 Class Trip to Silver Lake Dunes and Craig's Cruisers

- Students may take normal transportation to school and be picked up by parents at 8:00 p.m.
If the weather forecast is questionable, a decision will be made Sunday night about whether or not the trip will be changed to Tuesday.

Tuesday, June 7 NO SCHOOL for 8th Graders

- If the trip is changed to today due to weather, all the same info from Monday will apply to Tuesday.

Wednesday, June 8 Graduation Day – Practice and Ceremony

- Students may take normal transportation to school. Students will be picked up at the school at the normal early release time at **11:15 a.m.**

Students arrive at Fairhaven Church at **6:45 p.m.**

Graduation Ceremony will commence at **7:00 p.m.** at Fairhaven Church.

Graduation After Party at Rebounderz in Jenison **9:30 p.m. - 11:30 p.m. (Parent drop-off/pick-up)**

Uniforms, Library Books, School Property Items

Parents, please take a few moments with your middle school student this week to check your homes for things that NEED TO BE RETURNED TO SCHOOL.

- Make sure that all team uniforms are washed and returned to school after the final use for each season.
- All middle school media center library books must be returned **by this Friday, May 27.** Please make sure your son/daughter does not have any overdue books and/or fines due in our library.
- Any band, choir or orchestra music or books that belong to the school should be returned to the group director as soon as possible.
- It is VERY HELPFUL if you do a check of home lockers, bedrooms, desks, etc. to see if there are any other borrowed items OR classroom books from school that were used for homework, projects, games, etc. that can now be returned before the staff leave for the summer break..

Save yourself a trip back to school this summer to return any of these items! Thanks for your time and help!

Lost and Found

There are tables set up by the middle school office with lost items. Parents are welcome to stop by and check for their child's belongings. After school is out, we will donate the unclaimed items to Revive.

PARENTS' CLUB NEWS

Volunteers for Next School Year

Thank you to everyone who has signed up to volunteer next year! If you haven't had a chance to sign up, or have questions about the number of points required, check out the links on the Parent's Club Board webpage.

<https://www.hudsonvillechristian.org/parents/parents-club/>

Playground Monitor Need- We are in need of some more before school and recess playground monitors for the 2022-2023 school year. This role will fulfill the needed Parents' Club points! Sign up [HERE](#). If you have any questions, please contact [Cindy Palmbos](#).

The HCS Auction Committee wants to say a big THANK YOU to all who have already signed up to volunteer at the 2023 Auction! We appreciate our volunteers and couldn't do it without you! We still have a BIG need - Donation Assistants. These volunteers help get donations from business partners in the area. We still have 11 of our 18 slots open. Without our Donation Assistants, we risk not having enough items to make a big impact for HCS at the 2023 auction. The school needs you! We invite you to [sign up](#) today! You can email questions to auction@4hcs.org.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Unity Christian Summer Sports Camps

Registration for Unity's Summer Sports Camps for students ages 3 – 12th grade is now open! The registration link and schedule of camps can be found at this [link](#) or at unitychristianathletics.org under "Camps & Clinics". In order to plan properly for our camps, we ask that you register by June 8 and submit payment by June 10. There will be a \$5.00 late registration fee for registrations made after June 8. Please contact Unity's Athletic Office at 669-1820 or athletics@unitychristian.org with any questions you may have!

Unity Christian Youth Football for Grades 3 – 8

Registration for Unity Christian Youth Football is now open! We will again have a 3rd/4th grade team(s), a 5th/6th grade team(s), a 7th grade team, and an 8th grade team. Practices will begin on August 15 for 3rd – 6th grades and August 22 for 7thers (please note this date may change to August 15). For more information and to register online, click [HERE](#). Feel free to contact Unity's Athletic Office at 669-1820 or athletics@unitychristian.org with any questions you may have!

CALENDAR

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| May 31-June 3 | 8th Grade Exams and Faith Journey Projects |
| June 1 | Spring Choir & Orchestra Concert at Fair Haven |
| June 2 | Spring Band Concert (5th-8th grade) at Fair Haven |
| June 6 | 8th Grade Class Trip |
| June 8 | Last Day of School (half day) |
| June 8 | 8th Grade Graduation |
| June 9 | Teacher Day; Report Cards Posted |
| June 20-23 | Camp Crazee Fun |
| August 1 | Golf Outing |
| August 16 | Playground Visit Day |
| August 25 | 3S-5th Grade Parent Information Night |
| August 29 | Y5s-8th Grade Open House and Expo |
| August 30 | Y5s-8th Grade First Day of School |
| September 2-5 | Labor Day Weekend |
| September 7-8 | 3S/4S/NB4S Visiting Days |
| September 8 | Preschool Kickoff |
| September 12-13 | 3S/4S First Day of School |
| September 15 | New Family Welcome Event |

QUICK LINKS

- [School Calendar – 2021-2022](#)
- [HCS Parent Handbook – 2021-2022](#)
- [Middle School Handbook – 2021-2022](#)
- [Preschool \(3 School, 4 School and NB 4School\) Handbook – 2021-2022](#)
- [Kids' Corner Parent Handbook – 2021-2022](#)
- [TRIP Order Form](#)
- [TRIP On Demand Form](#)
- [Jen-Hud Food Service Information](#)
- [Middle School Hot Lunch Schedule](#)
- [Elementary Hot Lunch Deposit Slips](#)
- [2022-2023 School Calendar](#)
- [2022-2023 Online Enrollment Form - for currently enrolled students](#)
- [2022-2023 Volunteer Sign Up](#)