

Circle News

The Circle is off to another great start this year! We welcomed the teachers and new parents, on the first day of school, with cookies, coffee and juice. We had our first circle meeting, of the 2023-2024 school year, that evening. There was a great parent turnout. We met the new parents of HCS and got them introduced to the circle and its function/activities/projects. Our project committees have been formed for the year and the new handbooks will soon be out. Parents be sure to check the back of the 2023-2024 handbook for projects to see where your name is listed, and what month you have for pop can sorting.

The Circle would like to thank all who gave for the Cheerful Giver Project, that took place this past summer. What a blessing to have such generous and gracious Hull Christian supporters! We so appreciate your giving!

Please SAVE THE DATE for:

*The **Rally Day Bake Sale and Supper**: A bake sale will be at the pre-sale of the Rally Day Sale on Saturday, September 16, then come to the Rally Day sale, put on by the promotional committee, that evening. Enjoy supper and a lot of great items to be auctioned off. All taking place at HCS.

*The **HCS Soup supper**: We will be serving delicious soups, sandwiches, pies, and desserts on Thursday, November 9, in the HCS gym.

***Pop Can Donation Bin**: Located north of the community building. This has been a great fundraiser for HCS. Please drop your empty cans and bottle in the bin! We have awesome volunteers who are running this project and we always appreciate extra help. Please check the handbook and be checking your emails and texts to see when its your turn to sort.

As we all know, our yearly projects require many volunteer hours to be successful. We want to thank our Circle members for giving of their time, talents and treasures in supporting Hull Christian. We are looking forward to another year of fun and fellowship!! It is a blessing to serve with all of you!!!

Rachel Bolkema, President

SCRIP News

We are looking forward to another school year. We had a very busy summer and we want to thank you for continuing your support of the SCRIP program!

The SCRIP payout will take place the first week of October. If you need to change where your scrip rebate gets applied to, please contact the office by September 27.

SCRIP orders will be placed each Monday morning. You are asked to have orders placed at school by 8:30 AM to guarantee your order will be filled or the on-account items get processed that week. Orders will be ready for pickup or sent home with a student on Friday afternoons. Exceptions are Monday holidays and weeks we do not have school on Thursday or Friday. Your orders can also be placed in the SCRIP mailboxes at Hull 1st CRC or Hope CRC. A third option is to order online by going to hullchristian.com, and click on "Order Scrip Online". Please sign up in the office for this option. If you would like to check out any other retailers available go to www.glscrip.com

Glass Doctor from Rock Valley has joined our scrip program. They are offering a 5% rebate on all automotive/tractor glass.

ORDER DATES

Monday, September 11
Monday, September 18
Monday, September 25

DELIVERY DATES

Friday, September 15
Friday, September 22
Friday, September 29

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tuesday, September 5 -
First day of Preschool

Thursday, September 7 -
Volleyball Practice 3:30-5

Thursday, September 9 -
7th & 8th Grade Volleyball
Round Robin at Western

Monday, September 11 -
Volleyball Practice 3:30-5

Tuesday, September 12 -
7th & 8th Volleyball at
Rock Valley

Wednesday, September 13 -
Society Meeting 7:00
music room

Thursday, September 14 -
School Pictures
7th & 8th Volleyball at
Orange City Christian

Saturday, September 16-
Rally Day Supper & Sale

Monday, September 18 -
Volleyball Practice 3:30-5

Tuesday, September 19 -
7th & 8th Volleyball vs
Sheldon

Friday, September 22 -
Midterm Report Cards go
home

Monday, September 25
Volleyball practice 3:30-5

Tuesday, September 26
7th & 8th Volleyball at Sioux
Center

Thursday, September 28
7th & 8th Volleyball at Ireton

**Thursday, October 5 &
Friday October 6 -**
No School - Heartland
Conference

Knighly News



Hull Christian School
Rooted in Christ

The mission of Hull Christian School is to educate covenant children in the light of God's Word, preparing them for a life of Christian discipleship, responsible stewardship, and humble service in His kingdom.

Opening Day Assembly

We had our opening day assembly on Wednesday morning, August 23. This year we welcomed 225 students from 131 families in preschool through 8th grade. Principal Randy Ten Pas had opening comments and introduced the faculty, staff, and classes. Pastor Keith Hoekstra from Hope CRC in Hull was our speaker. Enrollment for the 2023-24 school year is the following:

Preschool has 40 students; Kindergarten has 22 students; 1st grade has 21 students; 2nd grade has 21 students; 3rd grade has 26 students; 4th grade has 12 students; 5th grade has 21 students; 6th grade has 22 students; 7th grade has 20 students & 8th grade has 20 students.

The Parent Circle welcomes the following new families to our school K-8:

Kindergarten families: Stella Stark (Ben and Coral), Shiloh Vink (Austin and Vanessa), Easton & Emmett Wiersma (Evan and Sarah), Lilly De Groot (Dash and Amber), Jacob Hulstein (Dan and Carla), Chloe Johanns (Paige Van Dixhoorn), Karson Van Der Zwaag (Tyler and Janelle). We also welcome a few families from other grades: Jeff and Jenn De Wild (Makenzie - K, Austin - 3 & Blake -5), Aaron and Michelle Greydanus (Katelyn - 6 & Eli - 8), & Tim and Leah Blankespoor (Elliot - 8). We are off to a great start and looking forward to what the 2023-24 school year has to bring. We appreciate your prayers and support for this school year.



Board Notes - August 2023

- Marianne Bleeker opened with devotions.
- Principal's Report was received.
Reviewed enrollment history.
* Topic to discuss throughout the year
Conversations about collaborating with other school to provide services together.
- Committee Reports
 - ♦ Education
MMS to hire Adeling Bergstrom as a part-time para.
 - ♦ Promotion
Reviewed duties for Rally Day sale held on Saturday, September 16.
The work of all the committees was supported and approved.
- Old Business

- Reviewed School Board Policies
- Discussed gym bleachers.
- 5. New Business
 - Proposed additions to Student Dress Policy
 - Reviewed jobs at Rally Day Sale.
 - Reviewed Society Meeting Agenda.
 - Reviewed Wellness Policy.
- 6. The meeting was closed with prayer.

**MMS = Motion Made and Sustained



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“Give a Book”

The “Give a Book” program is a special part of our HCS Library. If you would like to honor a child, grandchild, or special friend on their birthday or “just because” please send/bring \$10 per child to HCS. The person will choose a book from Mrs. De Jager’s basket and the book will become a new addition to the HCS Library collection. A nameplate will be attached inside the front cover stating the child’s name and date. It is fun for each child to take ownership of this book and even years later point it out to family and friends when they visit our library! Donations will be listed in the Knightly News. Join the fun and help our library add books to the collection! If you have any questions, call Mrs. De Jager.

CSI Accreditation

HCS received official notification that we have been approved for accreditation by the Christian Schools International (CSI) Accreditation Commission. This process took place last year, but must be certified through the commission. This certification runs through July 2028, but we will submit annual reports to CSI every year on the progress of our goals. Below is the accommodations and recommendations CSI Accreditation Commission gave to HCS.

Commendations:

1. Hull Christian School is congratulated on hosting a successful accreditation site visit this school year.
2. Commendations are extended to Hull Christian School for developing a conflict of interest policy as requested and for completing an updated financial review which included parent fundraiser assets in the review process.
3. Hull Christian School is commended for the growth in its kindergarten and first grades.
4. The school is also commended for seeking to more fully and intentionally integrate biblical perspective into all parts of the curriculum and school culture.

Encouragements:

1. Hull Christian School is encouraged as it makes decisions regarding stewardship of current classroom space issues, including possibly initiating a fundraising campaign to build additional classrooms.
2. Encouragement is also extended to Hull Christian School as it seeks to improve staff retention and to hire qualified individuals so that the school can continue to provide a formative Christian education for its families.

Hull Christian Rally Day Sale and Supper Saturday, September 16, 2023

***Pre-priced meat & Certificates 3:00-6:00**
***Supper 5:00-6:30**
***Sale Begins at 6:30**

If any constituents have an item they would like to donate to the auction, please bring items to the office or contact the school 712-439-2273 or a Board Member.



Biannual Society Meeting

The Biannual Society Meeting will be taking place on Wednesday, September 13 at 7:00 PM in the music room. A copy of the agenda/budget for the Society Meeting will be in local church mailboxes or available in the school office 2 weeks prior to the meeting.

Asbestos Information

In compliance with regulation of the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) and Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), in the summer of 2022 we performed inspections of our school building for asbestos-containing building materials. The finding of the inspection and asbestos plans are on file in the school office for your review.

Candy Sales

6th-8th grade students will be selling *World’s Finest®* chocolate bars for \$1 each. \$2 for Mint Meltaways and Caramel Whirls. The sale begins September 8. All profits support the Student Activity Fund, supports admission charges to special programs our students attend, field trips, and our athletic programs. We thank you for your support!



Rooted in Christ - Theme Wall

If you’ve been in Hull Christian recently, you may have noticed something new in the hallway! The goal for this new installation is that those entering the building will immediately and easily see who we are and what we believe. It is both a message for those that don’t know us yet and a reminder for those of us in the building every day.

The overall theme, Rooted in Christ, follows our new school logo. It conveys how we see ourselves as educators in a Christian school. It is only because of the roots of Christ that we are able to guide students along the journey of their growth in faith and wisdom.

A large, black, metal tree is the main feature of the installation, showing healthy growth coming from an abundant root supply. This represents a life fully rooted in Christ and capable of growth through Him.

At Hull Christian School, our mission is to educate covenant children in the light of God’s Word, preparing them for a life of Christian discipleship, responsible stewardship, and humble service in His kingdom. We strive to do this by planting our roots deep in Biblical truths. Colossians 2:7 tells us to be rooted and built up in Him, strengthened in the faith as we were taught.

There are three wooden arches along the wall to represent how a child would progress in their faith walk throughout their time at Hull Christian (establishing, growing, and flourishing).

- **Establishing a Firm Foundation**

Being rooted in Christ gives us a strong foundation from which to grow. Matthew 7 encourages us to build our lives upon the rock of our salvation so that when the rains come, our foundation holds fast. Our prayer is that our students claim this foundation for themselves and are able to live with the assurance that their hope comes from the Lord.

- **Growing in Knowledge**

2 Peter 3:18 instructs us to grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior. At Hull Christian School, we believe that the best way to do this is right alongside academic learning. Each subject that we teach shows the order and beauty of our world and helps us further explore who Jesus is.

- **Flourishing in God’s Kingdom**

Our students will be given opportunities to learn who they are as part of God’s kingdom, and our hope is that we will see this reflected in their character, how they interact with the world, and how they choose to serve one another. They will resemble a tree planted by the water, sending its roots deep, thriving, and bearing good fruit. (Jeremiah 17)

Different-sized acrylic frames hang throughout the installation, showcasing prints of our students working, singing, praying, learning, and being in community with one another. The students have already been enjoying looking for themselves in the all-school program photo! We hope the new wall installation will be enjoyed for many years to come and will be a good testimony to who we strive to be at Hull Christian School.

