

Circle News
Soup Supper

Mark your calendars for the HCS soup supper on Thursday, November 14 in the Hull Christian School gym. We will be serving delicious soups, sandwiches and desserts. Come enjoy great food and a night off from cooking!

Jr. High Girls Basketball Tournament

This event will be taking place on Saturday, December 7. Come cheer on the 5th-8th grade Jr. Wolfpack girls and surrounding teams. Basketball games will be played at Western Christian, Hull Christian and also Boyden Hull this year! Enjoy some great food served at the concessions between your games.

Pop Can Collection

Keep bringing your cans and bottles to the community collection bin on the north side of the community building! Check the handbook for your month of sorting, and if you can't make it your month, please trade with somebody. We have great volunteers who are running this project and always appreciate the extra help. If you are able to volunteer please contact Shondra Wielenga, Cindy Te Slaa or Maria Mulder and they will add you to the list.

Hull Christian School Apparel

Be on the look out for some new school apparel coming out in the next month! Designed by 712 Custom Designs. Be sure to purchase some cloth-



SCRIP News

We encourage everyone to use the SCRIP program. It does make a difference for you and our school. We would also like to encourage parents of future HCS students to begin funding an account. SCRIP is a great way for grandparents and friends to help with your tuition just by using it for their everyday purchases.

Reminder: Enroll on www.raiseright.com for an easy and convenient way to order each week. Payment by check is an option, but the online payment service associated with Raise Right, PrestoPay, is a secure way of transferring the payment directly from your checking account. If you order SCRIPNow, you can receive it in minutes, just by using PrestoPay. Stop in the office if you would like more information on anything SCRIP related.

If you would like a complete listing of all national businesses go to shopwithscrip.com **Scrip payout happened the week of September 30. You will notice the credits applied on your October statement.

ORDER DATES DELIVERY DATES

Monday, October 14 Friday, October 18
Monday, October 21 Friday, October 25
Monday, October 28 Friday, November 1

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tuesday, October 15
Volleyball vs OCCS

Thursday, October 17
Volleyball at Sheldon

Monday, October 21
Foundation Meeting 12:00
Volleyball Practice 3:30 – 5:00
Finance Meeting 6:00

Tuesday, October 22
Board Meeting 7:00

Thursday, October 24
Volleyball Practice 3:30-5

Friday, October 25
End of First Quarter

Saturday, October 26
Round Robin Volleyball
Tournament at Western

Tuesday, October 29
Chapel 2:50

Monday, November 4
Parent Teacher Conferences
3:00-8:00 PM
11:55 dismissal

Tuesday, November 5
Parent Teacher Conferences
5:00-8:00 PM
11:55 dismissal

Friday, November 8
No School

Thursday, November 14
Soup Supper

Saturday, December 7
Girls Basketball Tournament



Knighly News



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.

Chapel Theme

Every year, Hull Christian has a chapel theme that all the monthly chapels are centered around. The theme this year is "Rooted in Christ." "So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness."

Colossians 2:6-7

October - Growing in Knowledge: God's Word

November - Growing in Knowledge: Prayer ~ led by 2nd Grade - October 29 at 2:50

December - Growing in Knowledge: Worship ~ led by 6th Grade - December 3 at 8:30

January - Growing in Knowledge: Body of Christ ~ led by 7th Grade - January 14 at 2:50

February - Flourishing in God's Kingdom: Faithfulness ~ led by 4th Grade - February 4 at 8:30

March - Flourishing in God's Kingdom: Service ~ led by 3rd & Preschool - March 4 at 2:50

April - Flourishing in God's Kingdom: Stewardship ~ led by Kindergarten - April 1 at 2:50

May - Flourishing in God's Kingdom: Discipleship ~ led by 8th grade. April 29 at 2:50

PK-8th Grade Program - May 5, 2025 at Western Christian Event Center.

Theme Songs- "Keep Me Rooted" and "Like a Tree"

*You are welcome to join us in the gym for our chapels each month! Dates and time will be on the calendar on our website at hullchristian.com.

*Chapel dates are tentative - subject to change.

Update on the Building Project

A few weeks ago, we sent out an update on the building project campaign. We paused fundraising for several weeks to give proper attention to the flooding and the possibility of consolidating our middle schools with other local Christian schools. Although the lasting effects from the flood remain, we are now turning our full attention to our building project as the possibility of consolidating middle school is no longer an option.

The need for expansion is still present for phase 1 of the project:

- 1) Additional classroom spaces**
- 2) Designated middle school area**
- 3) Workspace for specials services**
- 4) Office location that offers a single point of entry**
- 5) Space for after school programs**

We plan on visiting every HCS supporter to share our vision and renew our excitement to work together to meet the needs of our students.

Board Notes - September 2024

1. John Emerick opened with devotions.
2. Correspondence
3. Principal's Report was received. Reviewed the September 5 lockdown.
4. Committee Reports
The work of all the committees was supported and approved.
5. Old Business
Reviewed School Board Policy #10000 and By Laws.

Update on Title IX Policy.
Update Pop Can Bin.

6. New Business
Discussed Society Meeting.
Motion to resume collecting money for the building project after it was put on pause for consideration of consolidating middle schools.
7. Adjournment and Closing Prayer

**MMS = Motion Made and Sustained

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Rally Day Sale

Many of you attended the recent Rally Day Supper and Sale. Your financial support was greatly appreciated! We have received over \$90,000 from the sale, supper and additional donations! We praise and thank God for the generous bidding and generosity of the HCS constituents and local businesses. Thank you to the students and parents who donated towards the class baskets, concession stand, or worked the night of the event; to room parents who put the class basket together; to the businesses and individuals who donated items to be auctioned at the sale or sponsored our event with special donations; and to the many who attended the sale and supper. We want to acknowledge the hard work and effort of the Auctioneers, Promotion Committee, Finance Committee, Board, and Cooks! Thank you to all who helped make this enjoyable and financially successful. We are blessed by your support each year.



Upcoming Concert Dates

- Monday, November 18** - Band/Choir/Orchestra Concert
3rd-8th Grade - 7:00 PM - HCS Gym
- Thursday, December 12** - 1st-2nd Christmas Program -
7:00 PM - HCS Gym
- Thursday, January 23** - PK-K Winter Program -
6:30 PM - HCS Gym
- Tuesday, February 18** - 3rd-4th Grade Folk Dance Night
- Thursday, February 27** - Orchestra Extravaganza
7:00 PM - Western Event Center
- Thursday, March 27** - Western Band Festival -
6th-8th Grade - 7:00 at Western
- Monday, March 31 & Tuesday, April 1** - JH Play
- Monday, May 5** - PK-8th Grade Chapel Program -
1:30 & 7:00 - Western Event Center
- Tuesday, May 13** - Band/Orchestra Pops Concert -
7:00 - HCS gym



Parent Handbooks

The 2024-2025 Parent Handbook/Directory has been distributed to families with students at HCS. We have extra copies available in the school office for anyone who would like one.

Pop Can Schedule

October	November
Chad Van Engen	Ben Wiersma
Tom Sheffield	Alex Van Den Top
Cory De Wit	Nate Van Kley
Brian Verwolf	Darrell Vande Griend
Andrew Hoekstra	Brad De Kam
John Emerick	Darren Bonestroo
Josh Hulstein	Dan Van Schouwen
Devin Bonestroo	Keith Hoekstra



1st Grade Field Trip to the Apple Orchard

On Friday, September 20 the first graders visited Altena Apples by Orange City. The first graders got to feed sheep, did a scavenger hunt, learned about apples, got to pick apples, and even ate an apple fresh from the tree! Then they went to Puddle Jumper Park in Orange City for lunch and time to play.



Mr. Ten Pas Kayaks the Rock and Sioux Rivers

The summer floods of 2024 will be recorded in history and will live in the memories of all of us for years to come. The destruction brought about by the raging water of the Rock and Sioux Rivers left the lives of so many in our neighboring communities turned sideways and upside down. Not only were homes and businesses affected by the flood waters, but also Rock Valley Christian School sustained extreme amounts of damage from the muck and mud that the waters forced through its hallways.

On a summer kayaking trip Mr. Ten Pas took many weeks after the flood waters receded, he took notice of all the debris that remained. He couldn't help feeling a sense of compassion for his fellow educator, Mr. Marcus De Jager, the principal of Rock Valley Christian School. That's when the idea came for him to try to bring about something positive from the flowing river water. He would take part in a Kayak Challenge as his annual Rally Day Sale Principal's Challenge. Little did he know that this idea would bring such a great amount of support and bring such blessing for both schools.

Mr. and Mrs. Ten Pas read the presentation they had prepared to introduce the Kayak challenge. They invited Mr. De Jager to come and give an update on the progress being made at Rock Valley Christian School. The HCS School Board had already approved the idea to share equally the donations that were brought in by the Kayak Challenge between both schools. What occurred next was nothing less than an overwhelming display of generosity and blessing!

The auctioneer opened up the bidding by asking if anyone was willing to give a \$500 donation to send Mr. Ten Pas down the river. Number after number went up as those in attendance rallied around this idea. With those bids alone, Mr. Ten Pas reached the goal he had set to raise \$8,000! Yet, the generosity continued; \$250 bids came in and then \$100 bids until all the numbers were written down and the tallying began. The grand total for the Kayak Challenge was just shy of \$20,000! It was truly amazing and a testament to the goodness and faithfulness of our God!

Three days later the fulfillment of the challenge began. On Tuesday September 24, Mr. Ten Pas put the kayak in the waters of the Rock River just before 7 AM in Rock Rapids. Making it through Doon and into Rock Valley before dark, he set up his tent on the sandy shore line just north of Highway 18. Refreshed by a good night's sleep, he was paddling again by 7:15 AM on Wednesday and heading for Oak Grove State Park. He was thankful to be given a camp site and a warm shower there and set off on Thursday morning on the last leg of the journey. He spent the entire last day on the Sioux River heading toward his final destination of Akron, Iowa, making it there at 5:00 PM on Thursday evening.

Were his muscles sore? Not as sore as he thought they would be. Was his body tired? Yes. Was he ready to be out of the kayak? Yes! But even though all those things were true, he still felt an overwhelming sense of knowledge that he was so blessed and supported. He knew he had been sustained by all the thoughts and prayers that were with him. He knew that God had taken his small idea and turned it into something much bigger than he ever imagined. But then again, that's what our God does!

