

Hull Protestant Reformed Christian School SCHOOL NEWS

August 2023

Take fast hold of instruction, let her not go: keep her; for she is thy life. Prov. 4:13

School Board Notes

Meeting Held August 9, 2023

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1. President Dan Poppema reads from Hebrews 1:1-14 and opens with prayer.
2. Treasurer's Report is received
3. Scrip Report is received
4. Technology Committee report is received
5. School will purchase 21 Microsoft Surface SE laptops and charging cart
6. Tuition Report is received
7. Building Fund Report is received
8. Transportation Committee report is received
9. Principal's Report is received
10. The 2023 Volleyball schedule is approved
11. Mrs. Shayna Maassen and Mrs. Sarah Mantel will be the Volleyball coaches
12. New music selections for band will be purchased
13. Songs for the combined band and choir program this fall are approved
14. Foundation Committee report is received
15. Nathan Van Maanen closes with prayer.

Next Meeting Scheduled for September 6, 2023



**Cash and Carry Scrip is available every school day
in the school office.**

Church Collection Report

Received YTD: \$28,373.12
Budgeted YTD: \$29,575.00
Difference YTD **(\$1,201.88)**

Ladies Guild Notes

*"Then I will give you rain in due season, and the land shall yield her increase, and the trees of the field shall yield their fruit. And your threshing shall reach unto the vintage, and the vintage shall reach unto the sowing time, and ye shall eat your bread to the full, and dwell in your land safely. For I will have respect unto you, and make you fruitful, and multiply you, and establish my covenant with you. And I will walk among you, and will be your God, and ye shall be my people."
Leviticus 26:4,5,9 & 12*

We praise God as we read His Word. It is true. We have experienced the goodness of God. Let us thank HIM for the abundance He has provided both physically and spiritually!

As we begin another school year, we pray for His tender care for us and look to Him to guide us in all our decisions. We humbly ask for you to remember us with support in gifts, donations, encouragement, but most of all in prayer!

Be sure to stop at the school office to pick up your new school calendar! We thank the School Calendar Committee for all the work they have been doing during the summer months compiling a new school calendar for us!

The Ladies Guild will meet Monday, September 11, 2023, at 7:30 p.m. in the 7th grade classroom. We invite new members to join and/or visit us.

School Calendar

AUGUST	21 & 22: teacher work days 21: teacher meeting 23: first day of school Convocation @ 8:45 2:30 dismissal
SEPTEMBER	4: Labor Day/no school 13: 2:30 dismissal 27: 2:30 dismissal

Principal's Corner

By Mr. Gritters

I hope everyone has had a safe and enjoyable summer so far and is now ready to begin another school year. Our school doors will open for the 2023-2024 school year soon with our first day being on Wednesday, August 23, the Lord willing. Convocation exercises will be held at the Hull Protestant Reformed Church at 8:45 A.M. Rev. Brummel will be giving the address. Everyone is welcome to attend and begin the school year with us. School will be dismissed at 2:30 on the first day with bus service being provided. Kindergarten students will be attending school on Wednesday and Thursday, the 23rd and 24th of this first week, but not on Friday, the 25th. I also would like to remind everyone that hot lunches will be served on Thursdays this year beginning on Thursday, August 24.

It is important to always communicate with the teachers and bus drivers if your child is going to be absent, late, or picked up early from school. Those of you who have students bused in from out of town are reminded that if you receive a busing check in your name from your local school district this fall, please endorse the check and send it to school. This money is needed to help pay for the buses we have leased this year.

I would like to remind parents to instruct their children to limit their use of phones in school to necessary

A Prayer on Preparing To Go To School

By: Brenda Vande Kamp

"Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? by taking heed thereto according to thy word. With my whole heart have I sought thee: O let me not wander from thy commandments," Psalm 119:9, 10.

O Lord, who art the fountain of all wisdom and learning, since thou of thy special goodness hast granted that my youth is instructed in good arts which may assist me to honest and holy living, grant also, by enlightening my mind, which otherwise labors under blindness, that I may be fit to acquire knowledge; strengthen my memory faithfully to retain what I may have learned: and govern my heart, that I may be willing and even eager to profit, lest the opportunity which thou now givest me be lost through my sluggishness. Be pleased therefore to infuse thy Spirit into me, the Spirit of understanding, of truth, judgment, and prudence, lest my study be without success, and the labor of my teacher be in vain.

In whatsoever kind of study I engage, enable me to remember to keep its proper end in view, namely, to know thee in Christ Jesus thy Son; and may everything that I learn assist me to observe the right rule of godliness. And seeing thou promisest that thou wilt bestow wisdom on babes, and such as are humble, and the knowledge of thyself on the upright in heart, while

calls only. If any students take cell phones to school, they are to be turned in to the classroom teacher upon arrival and will be returned to the student at the end of the school day. Volume and vibration notifications should be turned off to avoid classroom distractions. Any cell phone that rings or is used without the teacher's permission will be confiscated and returned to the student at my discretion.

Our building and grounds are smoke-free. Please comply with this rule.

It is my prayer that all parents, students, and teachers have a great upcoming school year and that all things be done to God's honor and glory. The goal of God's glory underlies our goal in regard to our children, namely, that our children shall serve God in this world and in that which is to come. God works in them to will and to do the life and work of God's kingdom. What a privilege we have to instruct our covenant children together in the mighty works of God! May God bless our labors throughout another school year.



thou declarest that thou wilt cast down the wicked and the proud, so that they will fade away in their ways, I entreat that thou wouldst be pleased to turn me to true humility, that thus I may show myself teachable and obedient first of all to thyself, and then to those also who by thy authority are placed over me. Be pleased at the same time to root out all vicious desires from my heart, and inspire it with an earnest desire of seeking thee. Finally, let the only end at which I aim be so to qualify myself in early life, that when I grow up I may serve thee in whatever station thou mayest assign me. AMEN

"The secret of the Lord is with them that fear him; and he will shew them his covenant," Psalm 25:14.

From John Calvin's Selected Works, vol. 2, pp. 96-97.

This prayer was printed in the August/September 2009 issue of the Beacon Lights. May this prayer be on the lips and in the hearts of each student as, Lord willing, we will soon begin another school year.

May our Heavenly Father's love guide students, parents, and teachers each day of this school year.

Brenda Vande Kamp