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✠ HIGHLAND CHRISTIAN SCHOOL



**Come and See  
What God  
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from  
the **COVER**



The 1970's classroom pictures on the cover are in recognition of Highland Christian School's centennial year.

## Welcome Back!

We are so excited for the start of the new school year. The entire staff is busy making plans, cleaning, and preparing for the first day of school.

The first day of school for grades K-8 is Wednesday, August 26. PTO will begin the day with a prayer service in the gym from 8:30-8:45 a.m. to ask God for His blessing on our 2009-2010 school year. After the prayer service, we will begin our convocation service. All parents, grandparents, and friends are invited! Students will be dismissed at 12:15 p.m.

# Theme for 2009-2010

*"Come and see what God has done,  
how awesome His works in man's behalf,"*

Psalm 66:5 NIV

Each year Highland Christian School selects a theme that is the focus of our activities, both instructional and celebratory. Fiscal 2009-2010 has been chosen as the year that we will observe our centennial anniversary. What better way to call attention to the abundant blessing bestowed on Highland Christian School than to choose the text, *"Come and see what God has done, how awesome His works in man's behalf,"* Psalm 66:5 NIV.

Highland Christian was established at a time when the land of northwest Indiana was still being tamed. Ridge Road was a rutted, unpaved road that became nearly impassible during wet periods. For two years prior to the establishment of the school, students traveled to Munster Christian School which stood on the Munster CRC property. The decision to have a school in Highland met with immediate success because of the desire for a distinctly Christian education, one that was consistent with biblical teachings, the theology of our denomination and the reformed world and life view.

How did Highland Christian School survive the challenges of time? Prayer has been a critical component at every meeting, on every project, and in every classroom especially during times of trial. The founders of Highland Christian School had a vision for their children and grandchildren. That vision included knowing and serving Christ from cradle to grave. They envisioned a school that provided academic instruction which was biblically consistent, and supportive of the values taught in the home and church. The Christian community took seriously the baptismal promise of communal support of all members of the body of Christ to "train a child in the way he should go..." (Prov. 22:6). Facilities for Christian education were Spartan during the early years. With need came the demonstration of determination, resourcefulness, generosity, and God's blessing of a kingdom cause.

Following World War II, Highland Christian School looked to expand its capacity to handle the "war baby" generation. The current campus was acquired and through a series of additions the school has grown to the current full program, serving students pre- kindergarten through grade eight.

We hope that you will exercise each opportunity during this year to "see what God has done" and to envision with us the awesome things God will continue to do through Highland Christian School. Let's truly be *reformed* in this centennial year!

## New Family Open House

We will be hosting a New Family Open House, Tuesday, August 25 at 6:30 p.m. After gathering in the gymnasium for a brief orientation, you will be dismissed to your child's classroom to meet their teacher. Light refreshments will be provided by our P.T.O.

Maybe your older daughter had Miss V. when she was in 3rd grade. Maybe you walked through the new Jr. High wing last year. Maybe it's your last child at HCS and you've been there, done that. There may be some reasons not to come to the Ice Cream Social, but we think you might want to rethink that this year!

## Ice Cream Social

A Special 100th Anniversary Edition of the Ice Cream Social will be held on Friday, August 28, from 6:30-8:00pm. Take a few moments to visit your child's classroom. Even if your older daughter had Miss V., chances are she's in a different classroom now! Walk through the Heritage Room to see some of the history from Highland Christian School's last 100 years. Stop in the gym for some fellowship and ice cream with all the toppings. Now, don't leave yet!! A little history... Years ago, HCS held a picnic every summer with food and games which ended with a fireworks show. The 100th Anniversary Committee decided to keep with that tradition and will be hosting a fireworks display across the street at Main Square Park at 8:30pm. What a fun way to celebrate! Plan to come!



## Highland Christian School Prayer Ministry

The 2009/2010 school year will be the start of the 3rd year for the HCS Prayer Ministry. The women's group continued to meet weekly throughout the year on Monday mornings praying Biblical Virtues for our students and the men's group finished a successful year of Tuesday morning meetings with a men's night out to hear Captain Wendell Levister speaking on the topic of God's faithfulness. The men's group is meeting throughout the summer at First CRC of Highland to build on the momentum of prayer established in the 2008/09 school year.

Meeting times for this year will remain the same with women meeting Monday mornings at 8:25am and men gathering Tuesday mornings at 8:25am. Our theme for prior years has been to pray scriptures for our school and students, as well as support the school vision, board members, administrators, and teachers in prayer. We hope to expand that vision this year by trying to implement a prayer mail box for students to put in requests for prayers throughout the week.

We thank all those who were able to be part of the Monday or Tuesday groups as well as those who faithfully pray for HCS on an ongoing basis. May we enter this new school year and *"Pray without Ceasing"* I Thessalonians 5:17 NKJV. If you have any questions or need more information please contact Scott/Jen Stevens @ (219) 972-0881.

# back to school



## 100th Anniversary Shirts

The Anniversary Committee would like our students to be involved in the celebration as well and has ordered orange t-shirts with an anniversary logo for all SEC and HCS students. We will pass out the t-shirts during the first week of school. Then look for special dates throughout the year where the entire student body is asked to "wear orange" in celebration of our 100 years! As the Anniversary Committee does not have a large budget for events, there will be a donation box in the office for the t-shirts. If you can help us out, we would appreciate it!

Parents and friends of HCS may order orange or blue polo shirts stitched with the Anniversary Logo for \$25.00. Order forms are available in the school office and at the PTO table during the Ice Cream Social, and are due by September 11.

## e-Notes

HCS is increasing its use of email for direct communication with families and constituents. If you haven't done so already, please submit your email to the office or visit us online to update your contact info.

These are a few of the things you can do at [www.highlandchristian.org](http://www.highlandchristian.org):

- Lose your Parent Note? Pull it up on the web!
- Want to make a tuition payment? Pay online!
- Planning to attend a school function? Check out the calendar!
- Are you an online shopper? Make [www.goodsearch.com](http://www.goodsearch.com) your search engine and HCS will earn a penny each time you search! Make a purchase through [goodsearch.com](http://goodsearch.com) and HCS earns even more!

## New Spanish Curriculum

After much discussion a faculty/board committee has presented a Spanish curriculum proposal. The curriculum was approved by the full Board and will be implemented this September. Students in the seventh and eighth grades will study Spanish one semester for each of their final two years at Highland Christian.

The implementation phase this year will have the eighth grade students learning first semester Spanish during the fall term. Seventh grade students will study first semester Spanish during the spring term. Future eighth grade students will study a second semester of Spanish in the fall term each year. The Spanish instruction period will replace one semester of literature instruction. The language arts curriculum has been appropriately adjusted to provide good coverage of the state goals for language arts.

Elementary students (grades 3-5) will be introduced to basic vocabulary and the Spanish culture one period per week. This instruction will be scheduled as a special.

## Grandparents' Day 2009

"Come and see what God has done,  
how awesome His works in man's behalf!"  
Psalm 66:5.

October 16 is the date for Grandparents' Day! We will celebrate 100 years of God's faithfulness to Highland Christian School with songs, costumes, and stories. Students in kindergarten through 8th grade will be participating in this special day, showcasing their talents and praising God! We hope you will be able to come and join us. Visit classrooms, enjoy lunch, and spend some time with the students who are extra special to you. See you there!



celebrate 100 years

## 100th Anniversary Celebration Dinner

All alumni, parents, and friends of Highland Christian School are cordially invited to attend our 100th Anniversary Celebration Dinner on **Thursday, September 24**. This event will be held at Illiana Christian High School in Lansing, Illinois. Punch and fellowship begins at 6:30 pm, followed by a delicious family-style dinner.

After a short time of trivia and reflection on HCS, it will be time for some laughs as David Ferrell, a Christian comedian and impressionist, entertains us. David was nominated twice in the past few years for the Comedy Act of the Year Award by the Inspirational Country Music Awards. Part stand-up, part motivational speaker, David delivers non-stop laughter with a positive message.

HCS's 100th Anniversary Book will also be available for purchase for the first time at this event. This keepsake will feature an interesting account written by Julie De Young (Class of '86) of the school's history using fictional characters; as well as a listing of all HCS graduates. Historical pictures and pictures of the current student body and staff are also included.

Seats for the Celebration Dinner are \$25 per person and may be reserved in the school office or online at [www.highlandchristian.org/100thanniversary.cfm](http://www.highlandchristian.org/100thanniversary.cfm) by September 10, 2009. Limited seating is available so don't miss out!



## Highland Huskies Homecoming

On Thanksgiving weekend this year, you will have eaten the turkey and shopped 'til you dropped; so take some time to relax and meet up with some old friends! Mark your calendars now to attend the HCS Alumni Open House on Saturday, November 28, from 1:30-4:30pm. Meet up with some old friends and teachers, and take a tour of the new additions. Visit the Heritage Room for a little history, but don't forget to also look at your graduation picture in the elementary wing! Enjoy the coffee bar and hors d'oeuvres as you mingle with other Highland Huskies. Please enter through the gym doors so you can sign the alumni book and get a name tag. We may not recognize you!

We plan to have different decades of alumni meet in special areas, so we would like to get an idea of how many plan to attend. To RSVP, you may: send an email to [100years@highlandchristian.org](mailto:100years@highlandchristian.org) containing your name and graduation year; visit [www.highlandchristian.org](http://www.highlandchristian.org) and click on the "Huskies Homecoming" link on the 100th anniversary page; or call Gayle Vande Werken at (219)924-4404.

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## Student Drop-Off and Pick-Up Instructions

Keeping our children safe is of the utmost importance to each of us. We therefore request that parents and carools abide by the following rules when dropping off and picking up students at HCS. Do NOT use the circular drive for pick-up or drop-off. Mixing auto and bus traffic is the most hazardous exposure we could give our children.

### DROP-OFF:

- Please enter the campus at the east drive (Delaware Street).
- Drop you children at the sidewalk on the south east corner of our gymnasium.
- Exit the campus using the south drive to Lincoln Avenue.
- We encourage everyone wishing to go west on Ridge Road to proceed to the traffic light at 5th Avenue.

### ALTERNATE DROP-OFF:

When the lot at Highland II CRC is not occupied, we have permission to utilize it as an alternate drop-off.

- Please enter the lot at the southern most drive or from 5th Avenue and proceed to the sidewalk along the eastern edge of the lot.
- Discharge passengers at the sidewalk and proceed to exit via the north drive onto 5th Avenue.

### PICK-UP:

- Please enter the campus at the east drive (Delaware Street).
- Find a parking spot in the east parking lot. When your young child exits the building please meet them and walk them through the lot to your car.
- We encourage everyone to exit the campus using the south drive to Lincoln Avenue.
- If you will go west on Ridge Road, proceed to the traffic light at 5th Avenue. East bound Ridge Road traffic should exit to Carolina Street.

### ALTERNATE PICK-UP:

When the lot at Highland II CRC is not occupied, we have permission to utilize it as an alternate pick-up point.

- Please enter the lot at the southern most drive or from 5th Avenue and proceed to the sidewalk along the eastern edge of the lot.
- Collect passengers at the sidewalk area and proceed to exit via the north drive onto 5th Avenue.

## Tuition and Fees 2009-2010

### 1. Tuition:

- a. \$4,820.00 per full time student
- b. \$3,860.00 per five full-day kindergarten student
- c. \$2,900.00 per three full-day kindergarten student
- d. \$2,410.00 per five half-day kindergarten student
- e. \$95.00 per month 2-day AM or PM Sonshine Enrichment Center
- f. \$125.00 per month 3-day AM or PM Sonshine Enrichment Center

### 2. Bus Fee:

- a. \$350.00 per full time student.
- b. \$175.00 per 1/2 day or 3 full day kindergarten student or one way

### 3. Capital Improvement Fee:

- a. \$200.00 per family in grades 1-8 for a family from a supporting church
- b. \$100.00 per family if you only have a kindergarten student and are from a supporting church
- c. \$310.00 per family in grades 1-8 for a family from a non-supporting church
- d. \$155.00 per family if you only have a kindergarten student and are from a non-supporting church

### 4. Milk Fee: \$16.00 per student

## 2009-2010 Tuition Policy

The School Board has established this Tuition Policy to bring greater fiscal accountability to the school's budget. The policies are designed to eliminate or control delinquent tuition balances from month to month during the school year and from one school year to the next. Below is the Tuition Policy for the 2009-2010 school year:

- A. Tuition payments are based on a ten (10) month payment schedule, the first of which is due on or before August 15. The balance of your tuition will be divided into nine (9) monthly installments. Your next statement will be mailed out on September 1 and tuition is due during the first week of each month. It is Board policy that all accounts must be paid in full by May 31 of the current school year.
  - B. Any family that falls two months behind in their tuition obligation must meet with the \*Finance Committee.
  - C. Children will not be permitted to return to school at the end of the third month in which the family is behind in their tuition unless they have met with the \*Finance Committee.
  - D. Newly enrolled families must pay a tuition down payment equal to one month's tuition, the Capital Improvement Fee, and Milk Fee by the 15th of August.
  - E. All previous year's tuition accounts must be paid in full by the earlier of 8th grade graduation or May 31 of the current school year unless an alternate arrangement has been made with the \*Finance Committee.
  - F. Articles "D" and "E" above must be satisfied before the children are permitted to start the new school year.
  - G. The Finance Committee reserves the right to withhold an 8th grade student from participating in graduation exercises and/or receive a diploma if their account is outstanding.
  - H. If a family withdraws their child(ren) from Highland Christian School during the school year, the Tuition Fee, Bus Fee, and Milk Fee will be calculated on a per day basis. The Capital Improvement Fee is a yearly fee and will not be refunded.
- \* It is the family's obligation to contact the Finance Committee when problems arise with the tuition payments.

## Farewell Miss Haagsma

Miss Rebecca Haagsma has chosen to advance her career by accepting an appointment as a librarian in the Hindsdale, IL Public Library. Miss Haagsma completed her master degree in Library and Information Science from the University of Illinois Urbana/Champaign in May of 2008.

Her many friends and colleagues at Highland Christian School wish her the very best in her new position. We thank Miss Haagsma for the three years of wonderful teaching in third grade at HCS.

## 2009-2010 Staff

### Kindergarten

Mrs. Shirleen Brown  
Mrs. Judy Zandstra

### Grade One

Mrs. Jeaneen Moore  
Mrs. Jeana Otte

### Grade Two

Mrs. Megan Donovan  
Mrs. Laurel Reynhout

### Grade Three

Mrs. Julie Sylvester  
Miss Karin Vredevelde

### Grade Four

Mrs. Sara Jabaay  
Mrs. Sandra Wagenaar

### Grade Five

Mrs. Vicki Huizenga  
Mrs. Jackie Mulderink

### Grade Six

Mr. Mark Brink  
Mrs. Pat Scheeringa

### Grade Seven

Mrs. Lorrie Musch  
Miss Allison Kragt

### Grade Eight

Mrs. Joyce Groen  
Mr. Rick Vander Woude

### Band, Choir, General Music

Miss Laurie Boekeloo

### Discovery Center

Mrs. Gail Achterhof  
Mrs. Kathy Natelborg

### Jr. High Tutor

Mrs. Kathleen Vant Hoff

### 7th Grade English

Mrs. Karen van Belle

### General Music

Mrs. Karen van Belle

### Librarian

Mrs. Judy Zandstra

### Art

Mrs. Lauren Evers

### Physical Education

Mr. Derek Van Dyke

### Before/After Care Director

Mrs. Christine LaBuda

### Sonshine Enrichment Center

Mrs. Marilyn Derks  
Mrs. Julie De Young  
Mrs. Donna Dykstra  
Mrs. Gigi Eriks  
Mrs. Karen Huizenga  
Mrs. Lori Koedyker  
Mrs. Patricia Slager

### Bus Drivers

Mrs. Sandy Dittrich  
Mrs. Paula Grede  
Mr. Ed Van Vuren  
Mrs. Ann Lynch  
Mr. John Cruse  
Mrs. Amy Wilcox

### Sub Drivers

Mr. Dave Barth  
Mrs. Shelly Kelby  
Mrs. Jill Johnson  
Mrs. Karen Zandstra

### Custodian

Mr. Glen De Young

### Office Staff

Mrs. Jody Moes  
Mrs. René Fennema  
Mrs. Suzanne Jonkman

### Development Director

Miss Jodi Lineburg

### Principal

Dr. Richard Vanden Berg

## P.T.O. Executive Board

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Assistant Treasurer ..... Kathi Fulton  
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Vice Vicar.....Janet Laballiere  
Clerk..... Lori Hofstra  
Assistant Clerk ..... Michelle Cruse

## P.T.O. News

Happy Birthday! Highland Christian has founded many traditions over the last 100 years and the PTO is no exception to that! Having been a mothers group that started back in 1947, the PTO has grown into a thriving part of HCS. We are so thankful for the many hands that have served over the years.

This year is no exception to that! We are looking forward to a year of celebration! We hope to unify both the families and staff of HCS. The PTO offers many opportunities to do this. Volunteering is a great way to get plugged into the school community and meet new people. You will find it such a blessing to be working along side other Christian moms and dads who have a love for Christ and for serving. Even more exciting is seeing how God blesses the fruits of our labor.

Your involvement is important to us. We encourage you to be a part of history and consider serving in whatever capacity you can. A brochure will be going out listing the various functions that will be available for service.

The PTO thanks you in advance for your time, support and most importantly your prayers for the upcoming school year. We look forward to see how God blesses HCS in the next 100 years. To God be the Glory!

# school board

## 2009-2010 School Board

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Matt Lenting

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Jeff Laninga, chairman  
John Boender  
Matt Lenting  
Mary Mitchell

## 2009-2010 School Board Members

Highland Christian School welcomes three new board members this year. The ten member board is elected from the constituency on a rotating basis. Three members are elected each year, except that in the third year of the cycle four members are elected. Board members serve for three years. The board is organized at the regular board meeting in June. Officers are elected and each member is assigned to two of the standing committees. The standing committees are Education, Finance, Transportation, and Building & Grounds.

## New School Board Members

We are pleased to introduce our newly elected board members:

### Jerry Huizenga

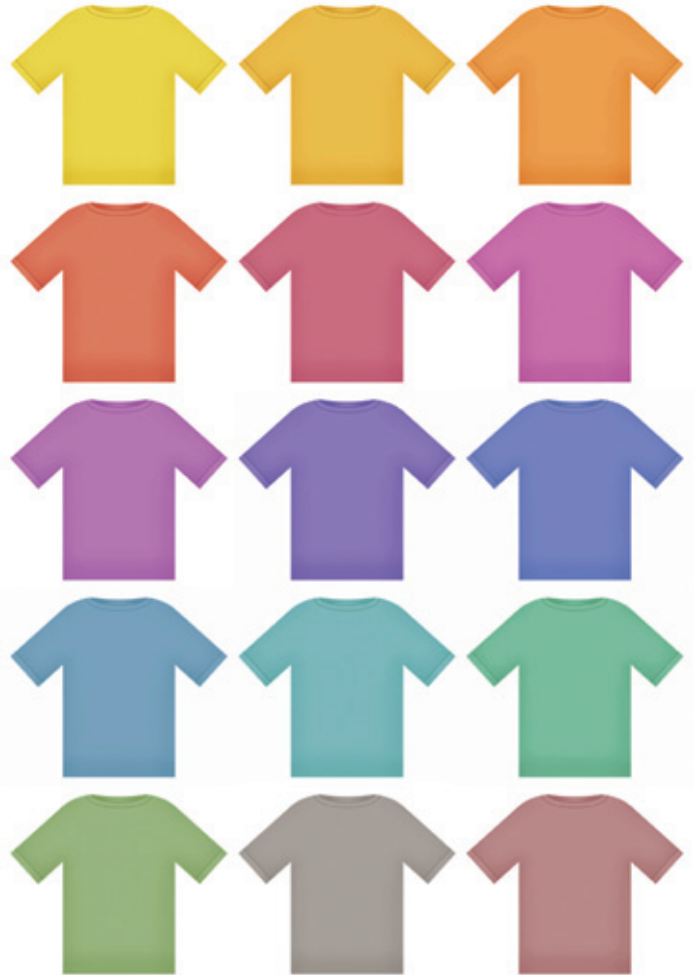
Jerry grew up in Munster and attended Lansing Christian School, Illiana Christian High School, Trinity Christian College, and Dordt College. He married Kathy (Zafros) in 1972 and moved to Highland in 1974. Their three children; Tim, Julie, and Lisa all attended H.C.S. and their grandson, Matthew, is currently in Sonshine Enrichment Center. Kathy and Jerry are members of First Church in Highland where Jerry has served as an elder and deacon. He is a mobile mechanic for Viox Services, servicing the First Financial Bank branches in this area. Christian education has been a big part of their lives. Daughter, Julie is a teacher at Southwest Chicago Christian School, Kathy works at Calvin Christian School, and Jerry has served on the HCS Board of Directors in the '90's. He is willing to serve again because he believes that Christian education gives us a God-centered world view. He feels it's a blessing to know our children will learn and see that God is ruling every part of creation.

### Matt Lenting

Matt is a graduate of Calvin Christian School and Illiana Christian High School. He and his wife, Amy, have been married for 13 years and have two children; Jake (3rd grade) and Anna (1st grade) both attending Highland Christian School. They are members of 1st CRC of Crown Point where he has served in many different areas. Matt has been employed by Roseland Stairs for 17 years, and when not working, he enjoys spending time with his family. Matt and Amy deeply value Christian education and feel blessed being a part of the Highland Christian School Community.

### Mary Mitchell

Mary attended Highland Christian School, Illiana Christian High School, and graduated from Trinity College with a teaching degree. She has taught at both Calvin Christian and Highland Christian, and is still substitute teaching. Mary was grateful for the opportunity to help start Sonshine Enrichment Center, where she worked for four years. She enjoys being active in her church, 2nd Highland CRC, and her hobbies include music and sports. Mary is married to Randy Mitchell, who is the owner of The Woodshop, Inc. They have three children; Jason is married and works in the family building business, Joshua is recently married and will graduate from I.U. Medical School this coming May, and Jori will graduate from Calvin College this May and is getting married in August.



Christian Education is a cooperative endeavor between the home, school and church. It requires the active support of each party. Educational research has shown a direct relationship between student attire, behavior, attitude and academic achievement. School attire is a major contributor to the atmosphere at Highland Christian School. We request your support in establishing high expectations for our children.

## Dress Standards

We rely on parents to exercise mature discretion and ensure that each child's appearance is within the bounds of Christian good taste. Each child will be taught that he or she is a reflection of God's glory and a representative of Christianity to the secular world. Please weigh the following guidelines in the selection of your student's wardrobe.

- Blue jeans are allowed if they are clean and contain no holes or tears.
- Dresses and skirts (including skorts) must be at least fingertip length. Miniskirts are not permitted.
- Summer wear, i.e., shorts may be worn from May 1 to Sept. 30 only. All shorts must be at least fingertip length. No cut-offs, spandex, or biker shorts are permitted. Bare midriffs are not permitted.
- Sweatpants are permitted only if worn as part of a matched set of pants and top.
- Sweatshirts and t-shirts are permitted if clean and free of holes, tears, or cuts. Advertisements and/or language deemed inappropriate or offensive to the Christian lifestyle are not permitted.
- Shoes must be worn at all times. If shoes have provisions for laces, laces must be worn and tied. Sandals are permitted; flip-flops are not permitted.
- Shirts must have sleeves - period.
- No jackets, coats, caps, or hats may be worn inside the building. They must be stored inside lockers after arriving at school.
- Extreme styles in clothing, make-up, hair color, and jewelry are not permitted. This includes, but is not limited to, baggy or low worn jeans, earrings on boys, jewelry worn in pierced body parts, unnatural hair colors.
- The school's Principal will have the final determination regarding the interpretation of the Dress Code Policy.

## Sunshine Enrichment Center

Sunshine Enrichment Center is the Christian preschool ministry of Highland Christian School. It was developed to provide a safe, loving environment where children can grow to know Christ and recognize their value in this amazing world He has created for them.

As we look forward to a new year we are excited to see what God has in store. With moving into the Highland Christian School building last year we can now accommodate a much higher enrollment. We offer two morning classes that run simultaneously and an afternoon class each day. Enrollment has continued to grow over the summer and we are excited to begin a new year meeting new friends and families.

We will begin our journey Traveling in God's World as that is our main theme for the year. The first day of school children will get to bring a parent with to say Aloha to their new friends as we enjoy a Luau. Throughout the year we will travel to many different places such as China, Canada, and the rainforests, as we go through the alphabet learning our letters. We will see what an amazing world God has created. We covet your prayers and support throughout the year!

# back to school

## Library Books for Sale



The HCS Library is cleaning their shelves. Used books will be for sale for only 10¢ each! They will be on tables in the front hallway for the first few weeks of school. You just may find some great family favorites for a real bargain price!

## New Definitions on Attendance Issues

The faculty, administration, and Board have articulated new definitions on attendance and tardiness. This is an attempt to define an "excessive" number of occurrences. Families who may have exceeded these limits last year have been informed by letter. The goal is to minimize the disruption of instruction for the students and families who faithfully meet the commitments to attendance and punctuality required for successful learning.

Complete details on the definitions and anticipated interventions will be included in the Directory which will be distributed in September.

## Medical Records

The State of Indiana has mandated that all medical records must be up-dated within the first week of school and all kindergarten records must be turned in by the first week of school. All children in grades kindergarten, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th, must have the Varicella Vaccine (chicken pox) or show date of disease. All children in kindergarten through 8th grade must have received their second MMR immunization and must be immunized against Hepatitis B to be enrolled for the 2009-2010 school year.

## Hot Lunch

Every Wednesday throughout the school year, volunteers provide hot lunches for the students and staff. Hot lunch tickets can be purchased in the office for \$18.00 for 12 lunches. The ticket can be used for a single entree, two entrees or even more for the very hungry. Tickets with remaining punches from last year will be given to the new classroom teacher. Watch the Parent Note for more information on the first hot lunch day.

## New Delayed Start Schedule

The Board of Highland Christian School, at the recommendation of the Transportation Committee, has approved plans for a delayed start schedule. It is anticipated that this schedule would be invoked for sub-zero days when the buses are difficult to start due to gelling of the diesel fuel. Parent notification will follow snow day procedures. The information will be posted on the HCS webpage, the school phone system, and also on the Emergency Closing site. The information will also appear on the school closing lists of the area television coverage.

Delayed start days will begin at 10:30 instead of 8:30. Details for Before and After Care are incomplete but scheduled care will be provided. Look for additional details in the HCS Directory when it arrives in September.

## Candy Sale 2009



The Highland Christian School Candy Sale will begin on Friday, August 28 and will run for two weeks. Our candy sale will fund two very important projects - Grandparents' Day and our school playground. The candy sale will function as it did last year. All students will be permitted to participate with parental consent.

Highland Christian School appreciates the financial support we have received for this project in the past. Please watch for details that will be coming home with your child sometime during the first week of school.

## Before and After Care

Before and After Care will continue to be available this school year to those families who need care for their kindergarten through 6th grade child. The hours for the morning are 6:30-8:15 and the afternoon hours are 3:15-6:00 (earlier for early release days). The hourly rate for the 2009/2010 school year will be \$5.50 per child. This service will be available as of the first day of school, August 26.

## Athletics

If you have a child that would like to participate in a fall sport, please remember that they will need a sports physical before they will be able to try out. These forms are available in the brochure rack in the school office.

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## class lists

### Kindergarten

**Mrs. Zandstra - KZ**  
 Nathan Bennett  
 Jacob Bodnar  
 Emma De Boer  
 Madison Derks  
 Lorelee De Young  
 Samuel Gaiser  
 Dylan Hanson  
 Austin Immig  
 Genevieve Johns  
 Brynn McGuffey  
 Eli McGuffey  
 Reese McGuffey  
 Max Meter  
 Joey Norman  
 Olivia Oostema  
 Elena Parodi  
 Wesley Tiemens  
 Kaden Van Dyke  
 Camille Van Laten

**Mrs. Brown - K1/2**  
 Lydia Montalvo  
 Clarissa Moreno  
 Parker Schutt  
 Peter Thompson

**Mrs. Brown - K5**  
 Samuel Burbage  
 Ashley Burgess  
 Cayla Costello  
 Anna Crowel  
 Madelynn Hada  
 Mikayla Hart  
 Billy Henry  
 Daniel Kielpikowski  
 Gabriel Kooy  
 Kendall O'Connor  
 Aubrey Porter  
 Brianna Riley  
 Hailey Ross  
 Thijs van Belle

### Second Grade

**Mrs. Donovan-2D**  
 Marco Amatulli  
 Isabella Arndt  
 Elliot Basem  
 Ella Crowel  
 Anna Delahunty  
 Kaylee Evers  
 Anna Floyd  
 Erica Gillespie  
 Logan Kikkert-Miller  
 Anna Lenting  
 Savannah Morgan  
 Lance Mulderink  
 Te'nia Phillips  
 Cloe Schipper  
 Eddie Spoelman  
 Carli Strbiak  
 Kayla Sylvester  
 Lexi Terpstra  
 Joe Thompson  
 P.J. Tiemens  
 Arianna Winchell

### Third Grade

**Mrs. Sylvester - 3S**  
 Madison Buder  
 Gina Cardinale  
 AsaSaunee Cartegen  
 Jordan Costello  
 Abby Ebbens  
 Matthew Fulton  
 Paige Gora  
 Emma Groot  
 Madilyn Holesinger  
 Taran Jeffery  
 Julia Kooistra  
 Lindsey LaBuda  
 Hannah Last  
 Julia Oostema  
 Joshua Otte  
 Joshua Parodi  
 Logan Pietrzak  
 Aslynn Riemersma  
 Morgan Rinkema  
 Connor Robertson  
 Riley Schutt  
 Emma Stevens  
 Isaac Sytsma  
 Natalie Togtman  
 Isaac Williams  
 Seth Witham  
 Erin Yonkman

**Miss Vredeveld - 3V**  
 Lily Armendariz  
 Taylor Bapst  
 Ronald Bass  
 Jessica Bell  
 Abby Bennett  
 Heidi Bultema  
 Madelyn Colby  
 Sam Delahunty  
 Katie Dykstra  
 Joseph Graziano  
 Nick Huizenga  
 David King  
 Ben Knoll  
 Lyla Kooistra  
 Chris Koutz  
 Lily Laballiere  
 Sarah Mapes  
 Macy Margherio  
 Kyle Mulderink  
 Sarah O'Riley  
 Nathan Oh  
 Cate Peerbolte  
 Katera Phillips  
 Tori Ruffolo  
 Dylan Vander Woude

### First Grade

**Mrs. Moore - 1M**  
 Fletcher Bandstra  
 James De Vries  
 Matthew Groot  
 Tiffany Henry  
 Stephanie Huitsing  
 Caleb Jeffery  
 Samantha Knoll  
 Brandon Moreno  
 Gabriel Munda  
 Joshua Nolen  
 Matthew Pyle  
 Ethan Reynhout  
 Morgan Rudenga  
 Joshua Sylvester  
 Sophia Thompson  
 Samuel Vargo  
 Isabella Verastegui  
 Dylan Vlietstra  
 Samuel Washington  
 Josiah Wildman  
 Leila Witham  
 Olivia Yonkman

**Mrs. Otte - 1O**  
 Micaela Bragg  
 Tristan Buder  
 Jack Burbage  
 Joey Cardinale  
 Dylan Colby  
 Emily Feikema  
 Riley Gora  
 Makayla Hoeksema  
 Mia Jenkins  
 Reid Klarer  
 Josiah Mireles  
 Michael Moore  
 Addison Oakes  
 Presley Peek  
 Carson Pietrzak  
 Justyce Reed  
 Audrey Ross  
 Logan Smith  
 Evan Stevens  
 Hallie Van Kley  
 Vanessa Wilcox

### Mrs. Reynhout - 2R

David Akinbobuyi  
 Cassidy Derks  
 Olivia De Young  
 Jessica Hanson  
 Ashley Immig  
 Annie Kielpikowski  
 James Klapak  
 Clarissa Koutz  
 Ashley Laskarin  
 Joshua Maticcik  
 Jacqlyne Mattingly  
 Ben Meter  
 Noah Ramirez  
 Abby Van Vuren  
 Gevon Wade  
 Lauren Woo  
 Riley Woodward  
 Tiernan Williams  
 Cade Yonkman  
 Madeline Zandstra  
 Audrey Zoeteman

### Fourth Grade

**Mrs. Jabaay - 4J**  
 Kaitlyn Arndt  
 Ben Basem  
 Alainna Carey  
 Kenna Crowel  
 Nathan De Vries  
 Andrew Feikema  
 Lauren Gora  
 Jeffrey Kroll  
 Sarah Kuiper  
 Jake Lenting  
 Emily Montalvo  
 Ryan Rudenga  
 Anna Thompson  
 Noah Vander Woude  
 Travis Wiers  
 Kyle Zuidema

**Mrs. Wagenaar - 4W**  
 Lauren Amatulli  
 Emily Blink  
 Joseph Brown  
 Collin Bultema  
 Jordan Kikkert-Miller  
 Cassie Laninga  
 C.J. Lineburg  
 Marissa Montalvo  
 Danielle Porter  
 Hannah Ramirez  
 Kyle Reynhout  
 Ajai Smith  
 Victoria Terpstra  
 Tylor Torres  
 Rachel Wilcox

# class lists

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## Fifth Grade

### Mrs. Huizenga - 5H

Christian Akinbobuyi  
Whitney Brummel  
Christina Camp  
Nia Dickson  
JoAnn Huitsing  
Jared Jonkman  
Tiffany Ketelaar  
Jak Klapak  
Hannah Kortum  
Caleb Last  
Katie Lineburg  
Sarah Looney  
Ellie Maticsik  
Jacob Mulderink  
Nehemiah Nunnery  
Ethan O'Riley  
J.P. Peerbolte  
Jaicie Reed  
Sarah Schoon  
Norman Standish  
Matthew Vargo

### Mrs. Mulderink - 5M

Opeyemi Akinbobuyi  
Jack Barth  
Raena Bass  
Joshua Boender  
Cheyenne Childers  
Samuel Dittrich  
Anthony Hart  
Timothy Hoeksema  
Bo Hofstra  
Noah Holderman  
Vanessa Huizenga  
Gelena Jones  
Isaiah Ramirez  
Avrey Riemersma  
Eden Schipper  
Jacob Sokolevski  
Jacob Thompson  
Melanie Van Til  
Da'Yna Whitehead

## Sixth Grade

### Mrs. Scheeringa - 6S

Alivia Ash  
Luke Boss  
Maya Bragg  
Anneke Brummel  
Lucas Delahunty  
Lorna DeWindt  
Isaiah Gaiser  
Chandler Kimmel  
Joshua Kostelyk  
Garrett Lytle  
Diamond McCrimon  
Cy Muraida  
Elyssa Patricks  
Aaron Riemersma  
Jack Thompson  
Mandie West  
Cameron Zandstra  
Luke Zandstra  
Matthew Zandstra  
Robby Zandstra

### Mr. Brink - 6B

James Bell  
Rebecca Dauro  
Susan Evak  
LaTanya Gaiser  
Ryan Griffin  
Noah Holesinger  
Joshua Klapak  
Aaron Knapper  
Martha Mapes  
David Montalvo  
Jonathan Neeley  
Jared O'Reilly  
Emily Otte  
Jonathan Otte  
Steven Otte  
Destini Pimental  
Takoda Potts  
Emma Spoelman  
Luke Sytsma  
James Zandstra

## Seventh Grade

### Miss Kragt - 7K

Israel Akinbobuyi  
Arthur Carey  
Carlye Cruse  
Colton Ebbens  
Joci Hanson  
Courtney Herald  
Andrew Hladek  
Carmen Huizenga  
Chad Ketelaar  
Laura Kortum  
Joel Kostelyk  
Phillip Kostelyk  
Katherine Reynhout  
Andrew Stammis  
Aireal Sandidge  
Leah Smit  
Hannah Sonner  
Devin Terpstra  
Jon Van Til

### Mrs. Musch - 7M

Sean Armendariz  
Payton Ash  
Joel Bergsma  
Justine Evenhouse  
James Fedele  
Rachel Herrera  
Lydia Huizenga  
Kristen Laninga  
Garrett Porter  
Carolyn Sanjurjo  
Ryan Schulz  
Andrew Sitter  
Courtney Smith  
Ilandi Thomas  
Leah Vander Wall  
Sara Vander Woude  
Gavin Yonkman  
Nathan Zuidema

## Eighth Grade

### Mrs. Groen - 8G

Henry Akinbobuyi  
Maddy Beezie  
Tyler Blink  
Molly Boender  
Mackenzie Chapman  
Maggie Durham  
Tony Dykstra  
David Eriks  
Deland Freehauf  
Jessica Gillespie  
Emily Horvat  
Joanne Klapak  
Bethany Krooswyk  
Alec Lytle  
Zach Marciniec  
Nikki Moes  
Emma Raschka  
Alex Riemersma

### Mr. Vander Woude - 8VW

Austin Brummel  
Andrew Clark  
Danny Dittrich  
Andie Durham  
Glenn Haag  
Hallie Hofstra  
Nick Huffman  
Caleb Jonkman  
Steve Kuiper  
Laurren Ladwig  
Marissa Lang  
Delia Mapes  
Haley Marino  
Emma Pawlowski  
Edythe Robbins  
Cassidy Robertson  
David Schell  
Samantha Tarkington  
Natalie Vander Woude  
Ben Van Til

# calendar

August 25 New Family Open House 6:30-7:30 p.m.  
 August 26 School Starts - 12:15 Dismissal  
 August 28 Candy Sale Begins  
 August 28 Ice Cream Social w/Fireworks  
 6:30-9:00 p.m.  
 Sept. 4 1:45 p.m. dismissal  
 Sept. 7 Labor Day -No School  
 Sept. 8 First Day S.E.C.  
 Sept. 9 Market Day  
 Sept. 14 S.E.C. Picture Day  
 Sept. 15 H.C.S. Picture Day  
 Sept. 15 Room Parent Meeting-8:30 a.m.  
 Sept. 23 See You at the Pole  
 Sept. 24 100th Anniversary Celebration Dinner  
 at Illiana - 6:30 p.m.  
 Oct. 6-8 Aurelios' Days  
 Oct. 14 Market Day  
 Oct. 16 Grandparents' Day-12:30 Dismissal  
 Oct. 19 Parent Performance of  
 Grandparents' Day Program - 7:00 p.m.  
 Oct. 22,23 CEA Convention-No School  
 Oct. 27-29 Apple Slices Pick Up  
 Oct. 30 Record's Day - 12:15 dismissal  
 Nov. 10 Soup Supper - 5:00-7:00 p.m.  
 Nov. 11 Market Day  
 Nov. 12 Conferences - 12:15 Dismissal  
 Nov. 13 Faculty Work Day - No School  
 Nov. 20 Cake Roll Pick-Up  
 Nov. 25 Thanksgiving Vacation - 1:45 Dismissal  
 Nov. 26,27 Thanksgiving Vacation - No School  
 Nov. 28 100th Anniversary  
 Alumni Open House 1:30-4:30 p.m.  
 Dec. 9 Market Day  
 Dec. 10 Christmas Concert - 7:00 p.m.  
 Dec. 18 1:45 Dismissal  
 Dec. 21-  
 Jan. 3 Christmas Vacation  
 Jan. 4 School Resumes  
 Jan. 4 Magazine Sale  
 Jan. 11 Kindergarten & SEC Open House 6:30 p.m.  
 Jan. 13 Market Day  
 Jan. 18 Martin Luther King Day-NoSchool  
 Jan. 22 Record's Day - 12:15 Dismissal  
 Jan. 22 Scrapbooking Evening  
 Feb. 2-4 Aurelios' Days  
 Feb. 6 Scrapbooking Evening  
 Feb. 10. Market Day

Feb. 11 All School Skating Party 6:30-9:30 p.m.  
 Feb. 12 Faculty Retreat - No School  
 Feb. 15 Presidents' Day - No School  
 Feb. 16 Chili Dinner 5:00-7:30 p.m.  
 Feb. 26 Family Fun Night  
 March 2-4 Scholastic Book Fair  
 March 4 Kindergarten Screening  
 March 8-12 ITBS Testing  
 March 10 Market Day  
 March 16 Pastors' Event  
 March 16 Illiana Jr. High Choir Festival  
 March 18 J.H. Spring Concert & Beg. Band  
 PTO Meeting Before Concert  
 March 26 Record's Day - 1:45 Dismissal  
 March 29-  
 April 4 Spring Vacation - No School  
 April 5 School Resumes  
 April 13 Open House 6:00-8:00 p.m.  
 April 14 Market Day  
 April 16 HCS Service Day  
 April 23 Silent Auction  
 April 24 Live Auction  
 April 30 Sub-Sandwich Pick Up  
 May 2 100th Anniversary Worship  
 Service - 6:00 p.m.  
 May 3 Annual Society Meeting 7:30 p.m.  
 May 6 Kindergarten Round-Up  
 May 6,7 Junior High Musical  
 May 12 Market Day  
 May TBA 8th Grade Banquet  
 May 28 1:45 p.m. Dismissal  
 May 31 Memorial Day - No School  
 June 1 8th Grade Graduation 7:30 p.m.  
 June 8 Last Day (K-7) 1/2 Day  
 Field Day K-5

## School Closings

In case of weather related closings, please listen to:

### Radio Stations

AM 720 WGN  
 AM 780 WBBM  
 FM 94.7 ZONE

### TV Stations

2 - CBS  
 5 - NBC  
 7 - ABC  
 9 - WGN  
 32 - FOX  
 CLTV News

# school supplies

## Kindergarten

- \_\_\_ Crayola crayons - basic 8 (small)
- \_\_\_ Elmer's glue (4 oz.)
- \_\_\_ 2 heavy duty two-pocket folders
- \_\_\_ 2 rolls of paper towels
- \_\_\_ 1 box of Kleenex (150 or more count)
- \_\_\_ 2 containers anti-bacterial wipes (to clean tables)

## First Grade

- \_\_\_ school box (approx. 8"x5")
- \_\_\_ 1 box of Crayola crayons (24 count)
- \_\_\_ 1 eraser (pink or green)
- \_\_\_ 1 Fiskar children's scissors (pointed)
- \_\_\_ 1 4 oz. Elmer's white glue
- \_\_\_ 2 two-pocket folders
- \_\_\_ 1 box 150 or more tissues
- \_\_\_ 1 roll of paper towels
- \_\_\_ boys buy 1 box of Ziplock sandwich bags
- \_\_\_ girls buy 1 box of bandaids
- \_\_\_ 1 container anti-bacterial wipes
- \_\_\_ 2 #2 pencils

## Second Grade

- \_\_\_ Crayola crayons (24 count)
- \_\_\_ 2 two-pocket folders
- \_\_\_ Elmer's white glue (4 oz.) & glue stick
- \_\_\_ 12 #2 pencils
- \_\_\_ soft, pink eraser
- \_\_\_ spiral notebook (large rule)
- \_\_\_ school box
- \_\_\_ scissors
- \_\_\_ large box of Kleenex
- \_\_\_ 1 roll of paper towels
- \_\_\_ 1 box Ziplock sandwich bags
- \_\_\_ 1 container anti-bacterial wipes
- \_\_\_ pencil sharpener (one the collects shavings)
- \_\_\_ colored pencils

## Third Grade

- \_\_\_ Elmer's white school glue (4 oz.)
- \_\_\_ sharp scissors (Fiskar's are great)
- \_\_\_ pencils
- \_\_\_ crayons (no more than 24)
- \_\_\_ colored pencils
- \_\_\_ 1 large box of Kleenex
- \_\_\_ soft pink eraser
- \_\_\_ small school box
- \_\_\_ 3 two-pocket folders
- \_\_\_ 1 container anti-bacterial wipes
- \_\_\_ 1 roll paper towel
- \_\_\_ spiral bound notebook
- \_\_\_ 1 glue stick

## Fourth Grade

- \_\_\_ ruler with inches & centimeters
- \_\_\_ good scissors
- \_\_\_ 3 two-pocket folders
- \_\_\_ crayons (24 is enough)
- \_\_\_ small school box
- \_\_\_ pencils
- \_\_\_ 2 blue pens
- \_\_\_ 2 glue sticks (large)
- \_\_\_ 1 large box of Kleenex
- \_\_\_ boys buy one box of band aids & small Ziploc bags
- \_\_\_ box of fat markers
- \_\_\_ colored pencils (16 is enough)
- \_\_\_ girls buy 1 pack wide-ruled, loose leaf notebook paper & large Ziploc bags
- \_\_\_ 1 roll of paper towels
- \_\_\_ soft pink eraser
- \_\_\_ 1 container anti-bacterial wipes

Note: We will provide an assignment notebook.

## Fifth Grade

- \_\_\_ 1 highlighter
- \_\_\_ thin markers (no more than 12)
- \_\_\_ 24 colored pencils
- \_\_\_ small pencil box
- \_\_\_ 1 large glue stick
- \_\_\_ pencils
- \_\_\_ pencil sharpener (one that collects shavings)
- \_\_\_ good scissors
- \_\_\_ big, soft pink eraser
- \_\_\_ 1 roll of paper towels
- \_\_\_ 1 large box of Kleenex
- \_\_\_ boys buy 1 box Ziploc sandwich or quar bags
- \_\_\_ girls buy 1 box of bandaids
- \_\_\_ 1 ream of wide-rule lined paper
- \_\_\_ NIV Bible (student Bible preferably)
- \_\_\_ 1 folder

Note: We will provide an accordion folder and an assignment notebook.

## Junior High

- \_\_\_ NIV Bible
- \_\_\_ 2 boxes of Kleenex
- \_\_\_ pencils and pencil pouch or case
- \_\_\_ pencil sharpener
- \_\_\_ set of colored pencils
- \_\_\_ 1 glue stick
- \_\_\_ good scissors
- \_\_\_ calculator
- \_\_\_ ruler
- \_\_\_ protractor
- \_\_\_ loose leaf paper
- \_\_\_ large accordion folder
- \_\_\_ 3-ring 1" binder
- \_\_\_ 1 notebook for each of the following classes:  
Math, Science, History and English
- \_\_\_ flash drive encouraged

# What a GREAT Day!

The Lord blessed us with a cool breeze and a comfortable temperature for our 15th Annual Golf Outing at the White Hawk Country Club on Saturday, July 25th. Hosted by the HCS Foundation, proceeds benefit both current and future students of Highland Christian School. We appreciate each one of you who contributed to the success of our outing. And the WINNERS are:

**Lowest Score of 62:**

Dave Swets, Wayne Boer, Roger Maatman and Tim Van Zuidam

**Men's Longest Putt** - Scott Balkema

**Women's Longest Putt** - Luanne DeYoung

**Men's Longest Drive** - Jason Mitchell

**Women's Longest Drive** - Alissa Scott

**Women's Closest to the Pin** -

No winner (raffled off prize - John Boender won)

**Men's Closest to Pin** - Rick Balkema

**Raffle winner for Four Carts and**

**Golf Fees at White Hawk** -

Lori Balkema



## Save the Date!

Next year's outing will be at  
White Hawk Country Club,  
Saturday, July 17, 2010

# HCS Float in Highland Twilight Parade!

Highland Christian School joined the Town of Highland's Twilight Parade on July 3rd. Our float featured a school of the past with "old-fashioned" teachers, Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Zandstra (librarian), and several students who sat on benches. The next section featured a present day school with Mrs. Huizenga as the teacher. Students sat at desks, doing science experiments and using a laptop. The last section featured HCS students wearing sports and music uniforms, and even graduation gowns. Jim Van Prooyen (Class of '44) and Jay Zandstra (Class of '52) sat in chairs below a large medallion of our Anniversary Logo.



HCS parents and more children wore our new orange HCS 100th Anniversary shirts and passed out candy and HCS pencils, key chains, and magnets.

We'd like to thank the float committee (Jeana Otte, Judy Zandstra, and Julie Zandstra (Class of '79)) and volunteers for their time and creativity. Special thanks go to Krooswyk Trucking for allowing the use of their truck and trailer, and to Jason Krooswyk (Class of '03) who drove during the parade and did a great job of maneuvering the corners with the crowds standing so near. It was a fun event and the float received a great reception from the crowd!

**HCS MISSION STATEMENT**

In order to honor God,  
we nurture and guide students  
to see the Father's creation  
to sense order in a world saved by Christ  
to serve God through the leading of the Holy Spirit

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June 1	Graduation

## 100th Anniversary Calendars

Don't forget to pick-up a 100th Anniversary Year Calendar for the '09-'10 school year! This calendar is available for purchase in the school office for \$10. It features pictures of our student body and lists vacation dates and short days, concert and athletic dates, TRIP and Market Day dates, and just about every date we could get nailed down. It will be one of the handiest calendars you've ever had and will make a great gift for grandparents and other fans of HCS!

## Sign Up Now

*etc...* a resale marketplace needs volunteers. *etc* stands for Education The Children and is the name of the new resale store being operated for the benefit of Highland Christian School. It is largely staffed by volunteers. For more information, visit us at [www.etcresale.org](http://www.etcresale.org) or stop by the *etc* table during the Ice Cream Social.

