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## The Lord's Purpose Stands

A NOTE FROM LEAD ADMINISTRATOR, MRS. JACKIE MATHEWS



God's plans are unwavering and never fail. When we align with His will, we have the privilege of experiencing true success. This truth was vividly

evident during our recent Casting Our Vision fundraising dinner, where we celebrated the incredible work God is doing at Chapel Hill Christian School. Reflecting on how God spoke things into existence in biblical times—long before they unfolded—we are reminded that His plan for Chapel Hill has remained steady for nearly 60 years.

If you couldn't attend the event, you were missed. The theme focused on inner growth, outward expansion, and the recognition that God's plan for CHCS has been in motion far longer than we could have anticipated.

One memorable highlight was a feature video of Mr. Schipper from The Schipper Group. He shared his role in helping bring part of God's vision for Chapel Hill to life. Mr. Schipper played a crucial role in securing the South Campus building through an auction, holding it for nearly seven years in the hope that Chapel Hill would one day call it home. For over a decade now, this building has been a tremendous asset to our school. Additionally, he had the foresight to acquire adjacent land, some of which Chapel Hill recently purchased, trusting in God's perfect timing to reveal its purpose. During the event, we dedicated the four acres of newly acquired land through a time of prayer, seeking God's guidance on its future use.

Our fundraising goal this year was \$160,000. These funds will support the steps necessary for future planning for the acquired land, building upgrades at the North Campus, and our commitment to narrowing the pay gap for our teachers between public and private schools. Additionally, each donation helps us keep educational excellence within reach for our families. If you would like to partner with us on these projects, please visit our website at [CHCSeagles.org](https://CHCSeagles.org), click on the "Giving" link, and select the "Vision Casting" fund. For additional ways to support Chapel Hill Christian School, feel free to contact our Director of Development, Bill Anderson, at 330-212-6304.

*"Many are the plans in the mind of a man, but it is the purpose of the Lord that will stand." Proverbs 19:21*

## CHCS Purchases Acreage Adjacent to South Campus

Chapel Hill recently completed the purchase of 4.35 acres of land adjacent to the South Campus building. With the South Campus currently operating at full capacity, the school has been finding creative ways to accommodate a growing number of classes. This new property opens up exciting possibilities for potential future expansion.



David Schipper

We extend our heartfelt thanks to Mr. David Schipper and The Schipper Group, who had the foresight to acquire this land nearly two decades ago with the hope that it would someday benefit the school. This acquisition is a tremendous blessing for Chapel Hill and a testament to God's continued providence and provision for His school.





## Intentional About Giving Thanks

NORTH CAMPUS NOTES FROM MRS. LISA STEWART, PRINCIPAL

*Rejoice always,  
pray continually,  
give thanks in all  
circumstances; for*

*this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.*

*1 Thessalonians 5:16-17*

The Word of God never goes out of style, and it stays relevant no matter the month or season. Often, the month of November is associated with the Thanksgiving holiday, which means we will be on a three-day break from school, spend time with family and loved ones, and enjoy an amazing spread of delicious foods.

Some of my fondest memories include being at my favorite aunt's house with a houseful of loved ones and all the best homemade foods you can imagine. Every Thanksgiving, we would gather around the table with at least three to four generations of family, and everyone would share something they were thankful for as part of our grace before

indulging in the meal. While eating the food, this was the time we shared our testimonies and encouraged one another with how the Lord brought us through hills and valleys. Generations passed words of wisdom to the next generation, which included the Word of God and the importance of prayer.

This is the heritage that believers in Christ have the opportunity to share with their families. We don't need to wait until the Thanksgiving holiday to give thanks in all circumstances.

Have you ever thought about how challenging it is to give thanks in the midst of trials and tribulations? The Lord has shown me that everything we go through is a part of His plan for our lives. We may not understand it, but we know the Lord is still sitting on the throne, and He is in control. I can't help but think about the story of Joseph. He was Jacob's favorite son, but he was hated by his 11 brothers, sold into slavery, lied about

by Potiphar's wife, and thrown into jail. But through it all, he was faithful and continued to praise and trust God. In the end, we know the Lord restored and elevated his position and his relationship with his brothers, and even reunited him with his father, Jacob.

As you approach each day, I encourage you to get into a practice with your children to share at least one thing you are thankful for. Starting a gratitude or thankful journal provides a great opportunity to reflect on what the Lord has done for you. I love how Chapel Hill uses the S.O.A.P. (scripture, observation, application, and prayer) method for reflecting and studying scripture. As we approach these last few months of the year 2024, let's take a moment to be intentional about giving thanks to the Lord on a daily basis. I challenge you to pray about all things and watch Jesus turn some things around for you and your family.



## Parenting Challenge

SOUTH CAMPUS GREETINGS FROM MRS. VICKI KEYS, PRINCIPAL

When our youngest was born, we were the parents of four children, seven years old

and under. I remember saying things like, "There is not a more difficult job than being a parent, including being the President!" "There is no way that I will be more excited about college graduation than I am about my toddler being potty trained!" "I have no idea what I am doing!" "Lord, please heap on the wisdom!" "I will never rest again!"

Being a parent is a VERY big responsibility! We have the God-given role of training and teaching our very little people to become adults who love Jesus and know the Word of God! This is not the job of teachers, the Christian school, the church, coaches, or others, even though they can be a huge help along the way. This is a job for dad and mom!

I love that God never asks us something without giving us instructions to do the job! In Deuteronomy 6:6-7, God very specifically instructs parents: "These commandments I

*give you today are to be upon your hearts. Impress them on your children. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down (bedtime), and when you rise (morning).*" Teaching and training our children to become followers of Jesus is a constant, intentional responsibility we are to do every day, all day long!

"Sit in our house." Do we even sit down with our children—at a meal, in the family room, or on the porch? Do we put the phones and tablets down so we can have conversations that impress God's Word and His heart on our children? Do we talk about their day, a friend problem they are having, or something they are worried about, and then share with them Jesus' heart and mind on those things.

"Walk by the way." For us, this might include a drive in the car. Do you talk with your children as you drive to or from school? This is a great time to work on their Bible verses, not just memorizing but talking about what the

verses mean. Encourage them with Scripture about challenges they will face in their day or ways they can shine for Jesus.

"Lie down." (Bedtime) Make bedtime a sweet time for reading a Bible story or singing worship songs. Pray together and have quiet conversations about what is on your children's hearts and minds. The bedroom should not be a place for electronics.

"When you rise." (Morning) Mornings can be hectic, but we still need to model God's gracious heart to our children as we prepare the family for the day. Put on worship music as you hustle about getting everyone ready. Pray together before you leave the house.

Now that my four are grown with families of their own, I still say that there is not a more difficult job than being a parent. It is also the most rewarding job! We have the privilege of leading our children in knowing Jesus and living in an authentic relationship with Him! Every day, all day, impress Him and His Word on their hearts and minds!



# Chapel Hill Students Thrive with Intervention

Kimberly Floyd, Intervention Specialist

God created each of us with special gifts and talents. At Chapel Hill Christian School, part of our vision is to empower students to fulfill their unique, God-given purpose and make a lasting, positive impact on the world. A part of students fulfilling their God-given purpose begins in the classroom.

After several years as a classroom teacher, I quickly realized that all students have unique learning experiences. Some learn quickly, while others require a few extra repetitions. Some thrive with visuals, while others learn best with hands-on activities. No two students are alike, so there cannot be only one approach to learning. This is where an Intervention Specialist comes in.

An Intervention Specialist's job is to intervene in a student's learning process. Having an Intervention Specialist on staff at both campuses allows CHCS to offer a more unique learning experience for the students



who need it most. This opens up opportunities for more small-group instruction, individualized interventions, and accelerated learning. Intervention starts by meeting the students where they are while having a vision for where they could go.

As the Intervention Specialist at the South Campus, one of the most impactful things I've seen is the difference intervention can make in a child's confidence. One example of this is a student who has a hard time in math. After working together in a small group for several weeks, he feels so confident in a concept that he can't contain his excitement

when sharing his answers. Another student needs individualized writing instruction. In the first week, he had a hard time writing one sentence, but now he is writing short stories! These are two very different students with unique needs, but both have gained the confidence to try and to learn.

Intervention truly considers the whole child to determine their needs, and supports the learner, teacher, and family. CHCS strives to be a place where students are empowered to fulfill their unique, God-given purpose and seeks to empower their students in their learning through the intervention process.

## Meet our New Faculty and Administration



**Dorothy Boggs**  
Speech & Language  
Pathologist  
North & South Campus



**Kimberly Floyd**  
Intervention Specialist  
North Campus &  
Curriculum Coordinator  
North & South Campus



**Mary Foguth**  
3rd Grade Teacher  
North Campus



**Dawn Garee**  
3rd Grade Teacher  
South Campus



**Angela Hinkle**  
Kindergarten Teacher  
South Campus



**Christina Kovacs**  
Events Coordinator



**Kaela Marsh**  
4th Grade Teacher  
South Campus



**Chloe Messner**  
Art Teacher  
South Campus



**Ruthie Stahl**  
1st Grade Teacher  
South Campus



**Cedric Talbert**  
Music Teacher  
North Campus



**Jada Wright**  
Physical Education  
Teacher - North Campus





▲ chcs grandparents club

## Chapel Hill Celebrates Grandparents WELCOME TO “THE CLUB”

We love our CHCS grandparents! We were so excited to host nearly 600 grandparents between our two campuses in recognition of Grandparents Day. Each grandparent was able to visit their grandchild's classroom, and enjoy singing, skits, and special presentations during our Chapel services. We also launched our Grandparents Club at both campuses. Each grandparent who signed up received cool gifts, including a one-of-a-kind CHCS Grandparent t-shirt, plus some special events to follow.



If you are a CHCS grandparent and missed the event, but would like to join the Club, you can sign up at [chapelhillchristianschool.org/giving/grandparents-club](http://chapelhillchristianschool.org/giving/grandparents-club).





## OHIO CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NETWORK

**You have the potential to give an Ohio student a life-giving opportunity to attend a high-quality Christian school, that otherwise might be unaffordable to his or her family, at no cost to yourself.**

## Scholarship Granting Organization Makes a Difference for Families

The state of Ohio's Scholarship Granting Organization (SGO) tax credit authorizes donors who contribute to K-12 student scholarships, through a certified SGO, to receive a dollar-for-dollar reduction in their state taxes, up to \$750 per individual taxpayer.

Your gift to the **Ohio Christian Education Network SGO (OCEN SGO)** can go directly to a scholarship for a student attending Chapel Hill Christian School.

For more information and answers to questions please scan this QR code, go to <https://ohiocen.org/ocen-sgo/>, or contact the CHCS Business Office at 330-896-0852.



## 2024-2025 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Giving Tuesday  
December 3

Christmas Break  
December 19 – January 3

No School  
Records Day January 17

No School – MLK Day  
January 20

No School – President's Day  
February 17

Spring Break  
March 24 - 28

Spring Arts Festival, South Campus  
May 2

Spring Arts Festival, North Campus  
May 9

Last Day for Students  
May 22

CHCS Charity Golf Outing  
June 23



## We Need Your Help! CHCS Introduces New Volunteer Portal

Have you thought about volunteering at the school but didn't know how to get involved? So glad you asked! We are really excited to have recently launched our new Volunteer Portal. There are so many ways you can help our staff and students by volunteering your time and talent. Go to [chapelhillchristianschool.org/giving/volunteering](https://chapelhillchristianschool.org/giving/volunteering) to see all of the opportunities awaiting you.

## Giving Tuesday Let's Give the Gift of Smiles!

This year, for Giving Tuesday, CHCS will raise funds for playground improvements. We invite you to join us as we bring new and exciting upgrades to both campuses. At the North Campus, we would like to add more activity options to the lower playground. Currently, it is primarily a blacktop, allowing for games such as football, kickball, and soccer. We would like to provide more opportunities for physical and motor skill development. At the South Campus, our students (and teachers) would love to have some shade, and we would like to give them a shelter near the playground. This shelter can serve dual purposes, allowing teachers to take lessons outside on occasion.



## Do you play golf? Mark your calendars for our Annual Golf Outing!

Don't miss your opportunity to play a great course while benefiting the students at Chapel Hill Christian School. Plan to join us at **Glenmoor Country Club on Monday, June 23, 2025**. Registration details coming soon!

## Thank You for Your Generous Gifts!

Donations to CHCS may be made in memory or in honor of someone at [chapelhillchristianschool.org](https://chapelhillchristianschool.org) or call the school office at 330-896-0852.

DONOR	NOTE
Janelle Rasnick	In memory of Barbara Monteith
Larry and Wendy Rybka	In memory of Barbara Monteith
Aileen Edwin Niehaus	In honor of Bill Foulk

# CONNECTING HEARTS UPDATE

## Time to Celebrate! – Kelly Foguth, Missions Director

Going to Guatemala in October to celebrate the graduations of our sponsored students is a very special time. It is a culmination of all their hard work throughout the year and also a time of deep gratitude for the blessing they have been given. Connecting Hearts Ministry celebrates the graduations of kindergarten, sixth, and ninth grade at the Amigos school, as well as the sponsored students that graduate from high school.

Our students want to make their sponsors proud. They work really hard to get good grades despite the difficult circumstances in which they live. Many of the students who finish at the top of their class are sponsored students. They earn the honor of carrying one of the three flags and wearing a sash of distinction. This is one way they can show how much they appreciate the love and support they receive. Throughout the evening, the sponsored families always express their gratitude towards their sponsors for the

**What an honor to be a small part of the journey God has for these students. We celebrate their achievements and pray that God will continue to walk with them in the next season of their lives.**



Ryan celebrating Angel's achievements

these moments. What a blessing for them to experience first-hand the joy and gratitude of their students!

Ryan Foguth was able to attend Angel's sixth-grade graduation and celebration. When he met Angel in first grade and decided to sponsor him, he knew he wanted to cheer him on in person for his graduation. Since school wasn't in session, Ryan was also able to take advantage of the visit, making precious memories with his sponsored student. Angel was so appreciative of their time together

sacrifice they are making to help these children achieve their goals and have an opportunity for a better life.

It is wonderful when sponsors come to take part in



Having fun together playing basketball



Sponsored students at the top of their class

but very sad that Ryan had to return home at the end of the week. He explained that he gets really bored in his house during the school break. It was very sad for both Ryan and Angel when the week ended.

What an honor to be a small part of the journey God has for these students. We celebrate their achievements and pray that God will continue to walk with them in the next season of their lives. God's plan is perfect for each one, and we have seen how He uses sponsorship to make an impact in the life of every child.



Ninth-grade graduation



High school graduates



# CHCS Reveals New Athletic Logo and Brand

CHCS is proud to introduce its new primary Eagles athletics logo to students, families, faculty, and staff. The reveal took place in the gymnasium, where new pennant banners featuring the updated logo were displayed alongside the CHCS pennant and the U.S. and Christian flags. The new CHCS Eagles athletics brand, set to be fully rolled out during the 2024-25 school year, includes a range of primary and secondary marks, plus sport-specific logos.

*"When I joined CHCS in 2023, one of the first things I noticed was that we didn't have a unified athletics logo or brand that truly represented the school. While athletics is not the primary focus for our students, we want it to complement our mission of helping students build a foundation for a Christ-centered life, excel academically, and discover God's path for their future. We wanted to create a strong Eagles brand that unites our teams, generates school spirit, and reflects our core values."* – George Combs, Marketing Communications & Design Manager

This marks an exciting time for CHCS Athletics. For the first time in the school's nearly 60-year history, we now have an athletic brand that reflects the excellence and mission of CHCS. We can't wait to see our students, athletes, and families proudly wearing the new CHCS Eagles gear at school, athletic events, and throughout the community.

## A Bold, Traditional Look

The new primary mark features the powerful head of a Bald Eagle, balancing boldness with a nod to tradition. The blue and green color scheme ties directly to the well-established CHCS logo, maintaining continuity with our history. The "CHCS" acronym is set in a strong block typeface, while the new "Eagles" lettering brings a modern, athletic feel. Our goal was to create a logo that's bold, relevant, and rooted in timeless values—something that sets CHCS apart. A comprehensive style guide will be provided to explain the brand's guidelines.

## When Can You Get the New Gear?

Starting in the fall of the 2024-25 school year, CHCS Eagles fans will begin to see the new athletic brand on apparel and merchandise. While some of the previous logos may still be around for a while, updates to team uniforms, athletic venues, and signage on both campuses will roll out over the year. Look for the new athletic apparel in the Spirit Shop, courtesy of Young's Screen Printing and Embroidery.



## OUR MISSION:

Love... Learn... Launch... To build a foundation for young students to desire, pursue, and grow in an authentic relationship with Christ, while achieving academic excellence, and discovering God's path for their future.

## OUR VISION:

Our goal at CHCS, in partnership with home and church, is to create a Christ-centered environment where each student's God-given uniqueness is celebrated, and where they are taught to value a passionate commitment to academic excellence, Biblical worldview, and service for Christ, so that they are equipped with the necessary skills and spiritual maturity to succeed in life. We believe that fostering an authentic relationship with God and a lifelong passion for learning empowers students to fulfill their unique God-given purpose and make a lasting positive impact on the world.

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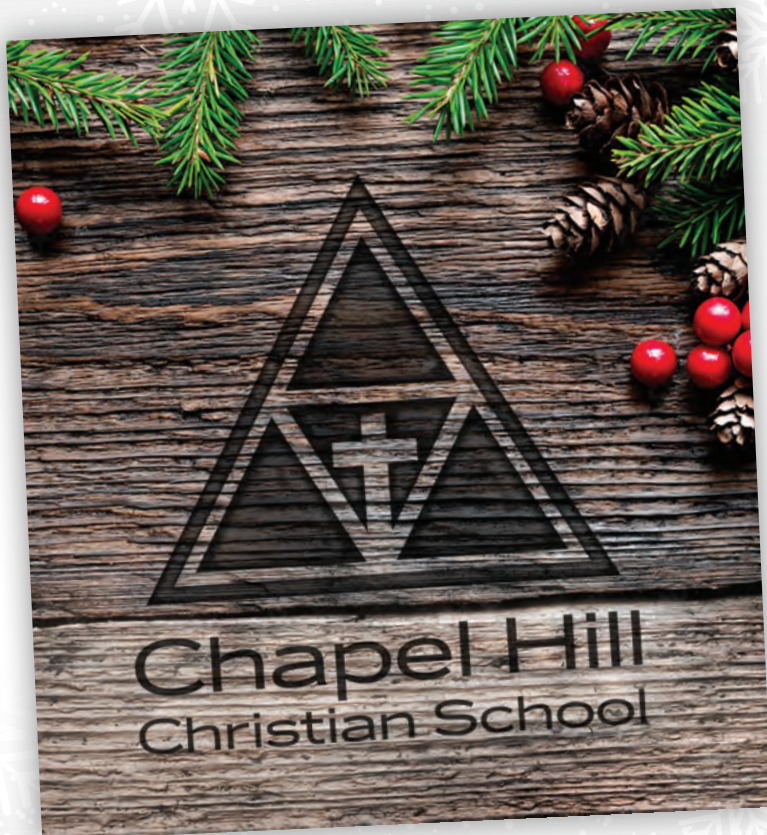
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She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet: "Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel" (which means, God with us).

Matthew 1:21-23

May the true meaning of  
this season fill your heart  
with peace and joy!

Celebrating Christ Our Savior,  
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