



*Trust in the Lord with all your heart
and lean not on your own understanding.*
Proverbs 3:5 (NIV)

WSCS COMING EVENTS:

- September 16:** School pictures for grades K, 1, 2, 3, and preschool
- September 25: HALF DAY** - Dismiss at 12:00 - WSCS Foundation Golf Outing

- October 19-21:** Bus Safety Week
- October 20:** School picture retake / make-up day
- October 21:** End of 1st quarter
- October 22-23:** CEA Convention

SCHOOL PICTURES: School pictures will be taken **TOMORROW**, Wednesday, September 16 for students in preschool, kindergarten & grades 1-3. Please send order/payment envelopes to school with your child.

2020 WSCS EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION GOLF OUTING: We are grateful for the outstanding response to this year's WSCS Educational Foundation Golf Outing as the maximum number of golfers has been reached. (A waiting list has been started.) If you would like to inquire about being a golfer, contributor/sponsor, or volunteer for the event, please contact Dale Burghgraef @ dburghgraef@wschristian.org or 616-453-3925, ext. 109. Also, anyone can participate in the drawing for a wonderful three day, two night getaway for two at the Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island. This \$2,100 trip includes lodging, meals, and golf!

HOT LUNCH

HOT LUNCH will begin later this fall. Details will be sent at a later date.

PLAYGROUND VOLUNTEERS:

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| Wed., 9/16 | E. Koopmans |
| Thur., 9/17 | M. VanSingel |
| Friday, 9/18 | R. Hendricks |
| Monday, 9/21 | J. Lucas |

TRIP

Our TRIP program is back into a weekly ordering schedule. Tuesday TRIP orders for this week are due today by 4 p.m. today. They will be ready to pick up next week Tuesday.

TECH BYTE

[Childhood 2.0 - The Living Experiment](#) - About the documentary: Childhood 2.0 is required viewing for anyone who wants to better understand the world their children are navigating as they grow up in the digital age. Featuring actual parents and kids as well as industry-leading experts in child safety and development, this documentary dives into the real-life issues facing kids today — including cyberbullying, online predators, suicidal ideation, and more. Click [here](#) for the links to watch the trailer and/or the film.

BOARD SHAVINGS

The Board has been busy working closely with An and the reopening committee this summer and we are thankful to be back to in person school this fall. We are thankful for the men and women who are teaching and leading our children to become effective servants of Christ and we are doing what we can to help support them in that effort.

The Board this year is made up of

Executive Committee: Annette Roorda, President; Lisa Hyma, Vice President; Derek Broene, Treasurer; Jack Van Oss, Secretary

Strategic Planning Committee: Lisa Hyma, Chair; Chad Boersma; Derek Broene

Operations/Safety/Busing: Drew Koopman, Chair; Jack Van Oss

Finance: Derek Broene, Chair; Meg Dushane; Kristy Shoemaker

Communications/Policy/Nomination: Beth Recker, Chair; Emily Schab, Aaron Kauffman

Education: All Board members

We know this year will not be without it's challenges but as this year's them verse states:

"Have I not command you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go." Joshua 1:9

-2020 School Board

COVID HEALTH AND SAFETY UPDATES

In our ongoing effort to provide updated information to our West Side Christian community, we have created this area in the newsletter to address questions we are receiving, and for the sharing of information, guidance, and resources as it becomes available. Please remember that information is changing rapidly.

- Health Screener - In order to make sure we have a safe place to learn. Please submit one [HEALTH SCREENER](#) per child.
 1. Parents, please fill out the form and hit "submit" (for each child)
 2. If you do not fill out the form, the office will give you a call.
 3. If there is no answer, WSCS staff members will ask your children the screening questions.

- Weekly the Kent County Health Department sends all schools updates on CDC guidelines including safety recommendations and contact tracing. Please see the latest toolkit [here](#).

COVID-19 Weekly Data Update for WSCS

- The number of confirmed positive cases in our school (These individuals have tested positive for COVID-19 and are in isolation) = 1
- The number of students who are in quarantine (These individuals have been in close contact and/or exposed to someone who has tested positive) = 7
- The number of staff members who are in quarantine = 2

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

PLAYGROUND VOLUNTEERS are needed! If you are able to help out, please contact Emily at eschab24@gmail.com.

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

6TH AND 7TH GRADE CAMP SUB SALE: 6th and 7th Grade students will be selling Frandale Subs to help offset the cost of camp. These subs make great school lunches as they are already made for you! Along with the subs there are cinnamon rolls and garlic bread available to purchase. There will be an order form in the office for those that have not been contacted by a 6th or 7th grader. Sale starts Sept. 11 and ends Sept. 28.

THE 7TH AND 8TH GRADE STUDENTS will have the opportunity to sell Entertainment Books and Key Cards beginning in October in order to earn money for the 8th grade trip. Watch for details!

MIDDLE SCHOOL INFORMATION NIGHT for 6th – 8th grades. Parents of students in grades 6-8 were you unable to attend last week's meeting? Click [here](#) for a recap of the middle school information night.

BEYOND BELIEF BULLETIN: In case you missed it, highlights and news from West Side Christian School can be accessed [here](#) in the September 2020 Beyond Belief Bulletin.