

SEE YOU AGAIN A NOTE FROM PRINCIPAL BROWER

I have never been good at saying goodbye, so please consider this a "I can hardly wait to see you again" note. I wasn't expecting a phone call more than 2 years ago when I was asked if I would consider applying for an interim Head of School position at WSCS. Nor was I expecting to fall so in love with our school community, but there was simply no other choice!

The deep roots of our school are solidly anchored in Truth and hold us fast as the generations of families branch out and continually reach upwards – always changing, always growing. Our students approach God's world with wonder and awe as they learn about his world and his ways. They are surrounded by staff who sincerely love them and are dedicated to nurturing them – mind, body, and soul! Parents, grandparents, and friends encircle and uphold WSCS through prayer, partnership, and grace. Home, school and church weave together, forming a bond that holds us close to one another and to our Lord – the King of Kings! There is absolutely no other place I would have wanted to be during this time of my life. What a gift!

You have challenged me, grown me, cared for me, and become part of who I am – forever. Thank you for the honor of serving as your principal. I have cherished my time at WSCS and treasure each of you. May the Lord continue blessing you as you remain committed to growing student's minds, guiding servant hearts, and glorifying Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory!

Until we meet again,

Melissa Brower

PS – Go Vikings!



SUPPORTING TODAY'S MISSION, SECURING TOMORROW'S VISION

The WSCS Educational Foundation focuses on the future while providing for the present. With the generous support of donors, gifts to our foundation exceeded \$700,000 this year. This tipped the total endowment to more than \$6 million. These funds generate income that the WSCS Educational Foundation uses to make annual donations to our school. Their gift to WSCS is expected to be \$228,000 for the 2026-27 school year, reducing each student's tuition by more than \$700. *If you are interested in more information about the WSCS Educational Foundation, contact our Development Director, Dale Burghgraef at dburghgraef@wschristian.org.*

RECONNECTING THROUGH SHARED MEMORIES AND LASTING RELATIONSHIPS

The WSCS Philanthropy Committee welcomed alumni to a night dedicated to celebrating friendships, mentorships, and connections that have shaped our community over the years. *If you didn't receive an invitation from us and want to be included in future events, please email your name and contact information, including your email address, to school@wschristian.org.*



BRANDING UPDATE

This year, WSCS has been engaged in a thoughtful process of refining and strengthening our school branding. While our mission remains unchanged – growing students' minds, guiding servant hearts, and glorifying Jesus Christ – this work helps us communicate more clearly and consistently who we are as a school community.

Earlier this summer, we introduced a preview of our updated branding during the golf outing as part of a soft launch. Attendees saw early expressions of refreshed visuals, messaging, and design elements that reflect the direction we are moving as a school.

Growing Students' Minds

LEARNING TAKES ROOT: GROWING MINDS AND FAITH

Step into our greenhouse and you'll quickly see that we are growing more than lettuce and winter greens – we are growing students' minds, faith and knowledge.

Our middle school students work in crop teams structured around real-world roles such as marketing, finance, administration, and operations. Within these teams, students apply their content learning to authentic, hands-on work. They analyze sales data, create promotional materials, organize logistics, manage the planting schedules, and prepare produce for customers and the community.

The greenhouse has become a remarkable space where learning comes alive.

Math becomes meaningful as students track revenue and project future growth. Writing gains purpose as they craft newsletters and presentations. Science comes alive through soil health, plant biology, and sustainable growing practices. Social Studies connects as they explore food insecurity and the impact of our local food systems. Communication and collaboration are strengthened as students work together toward shared goals.

This space serves as a living classroom where students witness how God teaches through His word and His creation, and experience His provision through both. Through food donations, local sales, and shared harvests, they experience and live out service, generosity, and stewardship in tangible ways. Even more importantly, students see that they are participants in God's ongoing story. They experience the joy of being used by God to bless others, discovering that their learning today is shaping God's Kingdom in meaningful ways.

These experiences beautifully complement what is happening in our classrooms deepening understanding while building confidence, responsibility, leadership, and faith.

At WSCS, the greenhouse is a vibrant extension to our learning community – a place where knowledge takes root and grows. Here God is equipping students' minds – right now – to use their gifts for His glory, cultivating skills and faith that will continue to flourish beyond their time at school.



Guiding Servant Hearts

TAILORED TOURS INTRODUCE LEARNERS TO CAREERS

All of our middle school students ventured out to see businesses in motion as part of our annual career exploratories. This year, small groups of students were granted tailored tours as 21 area businesses graciously opened their doors to our learners! Time spent at Aeromed, nursing schools, law offices, manufacturing industries, architecture firms, the GR Police department, and more businesses helped students explore several careers. Those who facilitated tours focused on the history and mission of companies, products and services offered, and the variety of careers represented at each organization.

As our young men and women continue maturing into the people God has created them to be, our prayer is that they will be Christian agents of change serving our Lord in every area of their lives.



Glorifying Jesus Christ

Faith in Action on Earth Day

Our 1st and 8th grade buddies partnered for a meaningful community service experience – praying over neighbors and delivering basil plants grown at our school. Through simple acts of kindness and care, students were able to serve, connect, and share God's love in a tangible way.

This is what it looks like to grow both academically and spiritually – learning to give, serve, and lead with Christ-centered hearts.

The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it. – Psalm 24:1

Hearts Overflow with Love on Grandparents Day

Students recently celebrated Grandparents Day at WSCS. Family ties through the generations were celebrated and our Lord was praised from A to Z. A joy-filled program started the day and classroom visits followed as boys and girls enjoyed sharing school stories and spaces. The gym was full, hallways were packed, and hearts overflowed with love on this very special day!

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, To him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen. – Ephesians 3:20,21



Connecting with Our Mission

ANSWERING THE CALL: HOW OUR COMMUNITY GAVE TO GROW, GUIDE AND GLORIFY

When the WSCS community sees a need, they answer the call! We hosted three key fundraisers this year. Goals for each were exceeded and students' lives were impacted in so many positive, unmeasurable ways. **Total giving to WSCS added up to over \$651,000.**

Annual Loyalty Drive. Thank you to our more than 250 donors who shared more than \$345,000 in support of our annual Loyalty Drive, WSCS' most important fund drive each year.

#GivingTuesday. Nearly \$90,000 was donated towards building improvements to help us create welcoming spaces for students, families, and friends.

Auction. Things heated up in a fun way at our Backyard BBQ themed auction held at the Gypsum Grill in February as guests bid, bid, and outbid one another on a wide variety of items, including fishing and ATV adventures, cooking lessons, and trips to France! Exceeding our goal by reaching about \$130,000 students were set up for a school-wide backyard BBQ and our principals were sent up to the roof to spend a night under the stars.





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