Home and School - Sept 8, 2025

Welcome prayer from Father Andrew

Home and School Introductions

Adria Hall – President Kayla Codispoti – Vice President Erin Feilen – Secretary Angie Herrera – Treasurer

This is the second year for the Board; we learned a lot last year and hope to have another successful year! Angie Herrera is taking over the Treasurer spot from Angie Perez as she goes back to school

Family Introductions

Each person in attendance introduced themselves and told everyone what grade their kids were in.

2025 Home and School Goals & Priorities

We are focused on fundraising and how we are spending the funds we raise.

- Student enrichment and experiences
 - We are encouraging field trips for all of the students
 - Experiences at the school such as COSI, an author (ideas are welcomed)
 - Classroom experiences baby chicks, dissection
- Renovation projects
 - Revamping and updating the teacher lounge elevating the workplace environment
 - Updating the St Chris room (this is a catch all room) we could update the space to fit the function
 - Indoor recess library for the days when they cannot have recess outside. Items
 the kids could check out such as bracelet kits, legos, etc.
- Social Events
 - Not a fundraising event, such as the tailgate.
 - The sole purpose is to socialize with other families and build relationships. The kids can play and enjoy time together.

Principal Update - Angie Eisenacher

School Safety

- Father Andrew and Angie met to discuss ways to keep the school and children safe.
- School masses will no longer be advertised in school bulletin or on the school website
- Masses will be open to school families only, no longer to the public
- Doors to the church will be locked once the children come into mass

Picture Day

- September 16th
- If you have appointments, please reschedule, picture day is always a big day for the kids

Drop off/Pick up

- New rules this year for the parking lot
- Parents are to park in the lot next to the church, not in the school lot
- Please stay in your car if you are in the drop off line and pick up line to ensure safety for students.
- If you are in the car line, please wait until you are in the parking lot to get your kids in the car, we do not want kids running past the gates to your car.
- If you come in the middle of the day for appointments, you can park in the school lot
- Please make sure to relay this information to anyone picking up your child grandparents, sitters, family, etc.

Tutoring and Enrichment

- The school has to have so many data points to start the tutoring, so it will begin later this week or early next week.
- Allison Wed will be the K-4 tutor. She will be here full-time, five days a week
- Sophie Fisher will be the 5-8 tutor. She will be at the school part time, three days a week. You may remember Mrs. Fisher; she was previously the 4th grade teacher. Due to her new baby, she wanted a part time position and was able to get that through Columbus City as a tutor. They placed her at our school.
- This year we are going to do a combination of in the classroom and out of the classroom tutoring/enrichment that way students are not missing important items during class time.
- The teachers will let you know if your child is involved.

Regular Uniform Schedule

- Regular uniforms will start on Sept 22.
- Kindergarten students will wear the same gym uniform every day.
- Gym uniforms are to be worn on Monday and Wednesday.

- Regular uniforms are to be worn on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.
- Please refer to the School Handbook for specific information on uniforms.
- Educational apparel is caught up with orders and now have most items in stock.
- November 1 April 1 is when pants are required, no shorts.
- Financial assistant with uniforms please reach out to Angle E or your teacher ASAP.
- The school has a selection of donated uniforms including some jumpers, dress pants, shirts. This is all currently displayed in the cafeteria. Please take a look and take any items you need.

School Projects

- Air Conditioning will be finished by the end of this week.
- Network wiring and PA systems are to be updated as they are at the end of life. This will be updated in every classroom. The new PA system is for safety and security – this work will start at the beginning of October.
- Employee retention funds are being used for these projects.

Parent Volunteers

- Any volunteers must have completed Protecting God's Children this class needs to only be taken once.
 - There are three Zoom sessions available right now
 - https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/programs.cfm
- Background check and fingerprints must be completed every five years. Mercy in the office is working on a database and will reach out if you need to get this updated.
- If any parents are teachers, Angie E can use your educator ID to pull your current background check.
- If you need financial assistance to get these items, please let Angie E know ASAP

Year at a Glance: Committees and Volunteers

- We need parent involvement for committees and to volunteer at events.
- We would love fresh ideas!
- Adria has sign-up sheets for events please reach out to sign up to volunteer in anyway.
- Breakfast with Santa
 - Erin Feilen leads this event.
 - A fun event for families to come have breakfast and see Santa.
 - We need lots of volunteers
- Legacy
 - Spenser O'Connor is the chair for Legacy, which is our biggest fundraising event.

- This is a grown-ups only party drinks, food, silent auction
- Please reach out to help, we will need volunteers for various tasks prior and during the event
- Event will be end of January or first Saturday in February.
- Flower sales
 - We do two flower sales this year we are doing winter greens and spring flowers
 - o Erin Feilen heads up these two sales.
 - More info is to come at the next meeting.
- Trunk or treat/Halloween Festival
 - At the end of October, date TBD.
 - This is a festival with games for the kids as well as trunk or treat and a Halloween costume parade.
 - We had so much parent participation last year, it was great!
- Holiday Shop
 - Kids can shop for their families and buy little gifts.
 - Volunteers needed to help kids shop and wrap gifts.
- Apex
 - Details coming at the next meeting.
- 8th Grade Pasta Dinner
 - Annual fundraiser for the 8th grade class and their Washington DC trip.
 - This will be held January 31 at St Margaret in Kulp Hall.

Classroom Support: Room Parents

- We need parents to volunteer to bridge the gap between the parents and the teachers.
 This is for classroom parties and communication with the teachers.
- 7th and 8th grade kids need service hours
- Each class gets a \$150 stipend, send us your receipts or turn them into the Home and School mailbox in the office.

New spirit wear is available at the link below. Long sleeve and sweatshirt options will be coming soon.

https://teamlocker.squadlocker.com/?_gl=1*1en5qjt*_gcl_au*MjY5ODUzMTQ4LjE3NTc0Mjc1ODI.#/lockers/st-christopher-catholic-school-trinity

Log your service hours on FACTS – we have instructions on how to do that, let us know if you need that info.

Lunch and recess volunteers link for volunteer opportunities (protecting God's Children and fingerprinting required)

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4BAAAA28ABFFC16-45393583-lunch

Connect your Kroger card so a school gets a portion of the funds – IE795 is the NEW code for St. Christopher Catholic School. Information is also available on the website.

https://www.kroger.com/i/community/community-rewards

Next meeting is October 6.