

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

- Please check the online calendar for upcoming events (<http://www.siouxcenterchristian.com/calendar.cfm>).
- Storyline Chapel livestream link for today: <https://youtu.be/deV4tKuJNDY>
- **Students may ride a different bus for daycare purposes only.** Parents must write a note, email or call the office to get a bus pass for your child. If you need to contact the transportation director for any reason, call 722-2481.
- Sioux Center Christian School is seeking to **fill the position of paraprofessional**. Check out more information at <https://www.siouxcenterchristian.com/about/employment.cfm>.
- **Bloomz 101**
 - Teachers have sent invites via link or access code. If you are having difficulty accessing that course, please contact the teacher who sent the invite.
 - All co-curricular teachers have been invited to each homeroom that they teach. All co-curricular classes have been removed except for the music classes due to the nature of that class.
 - If you have the option, please connect your child(ren) to their class and you as a parent.
 - Check Bloomz daily for messages and notifications. *You MAY turn off email notifications under settings.
 - Messages to and from individual parents and teachers may come to you via Bloomz or email.
- **A reminder that teachers do not always have a chance to check their email or Bloomz messages during the day.** If you have a message to relay to your student, especially during the afternoon hours, please contact the school office and they will get a note to your child.
- **SCCS Apparel order are due Wednesday, Sept. 4.** A reminder that this will be the **only order** we do this year ...so think about Christmas gifts (and share the link with grandparents). Look at all the apparel options and place your order online: https://stores.mdesignpromos.com/sioux_center_christian_apparel
- **School pictures will be taken by Alison Obbink Photography on Tuesday, September 10 and Wednesday, September 11.** Grades TK, K, 1, 2, 7, and 8 will be on Tuesday and Grades 3, 4, 5, 6 will be on Wednesday. Order form envelopes will be sent home today. All students must return their envelopes, even if you decide not to order. You may write one check per family if you would like (please indicate which envelope the check is in). Please return envelopes to school by **Friday, September 6**.
- NICSTO APPLICATION REMINDER: All **NICSTO application forms are due to school by September 16**. To find the application, head to <https://www.siouxcenterchristian.com/support/nicsto.cfm>. If you have any questions, please contact Kelli Van Roekel, director of finance, at kvanroekel@siouxcenterchristian.com.
- **Language Learning at SCCS-** Are you interested in being part of exploring possible future program offerings at SCCS? Are you interested in learning more about foreign language acquisition and program models? If so, Rikki Brons is conducting an action research study to investigate possible future foreign language models suitable for Sioux Center Christian School. Please see the Bloomz post sent out for more information.
- **Our SCCS Library Learning Commons** is ready for our 522 students to begin checking out books! Book checkout for all students is one or two books for a one-week checkout. Volunteers are welcome and needed for half hour- hour time slots at the beginning or end of the school day. Email: jvansoelen@siouxcenterchristian.com for more information.
- **Sack Packs:** Our local Sack Pack program is looking for an additional volunteer to help deliver sack packs to SCCS for our students who participate. The commitment would be once or twice a month. To learn more, please contact Nurse Stacy.
- **If your student signed up to receive sack packs last year, he/she will automatically be signed up again this year.** If you have not already signed up, but would like your child to receive sack packs this year, contact Nurse Stacy. sschaap@siouxcenterchristian.com
- **It's a new school year and we are back again to Clip 'N' Count Box Tops!** With Pizza Ranch no longer doing wagon wheels, we are going to begin collecting Godfather's Fedoras along with Box Tops to earn \$\$ for SCCS. Attached you will find an informational letter about the collection dates for this year along with some changes taking place with Box Tops. We will be having 2 informational meetings next week for anyone who would like help with setting up the new Box Tops app. - Sept 9, 7:30-8:00 pm (Orchestra room) and Sept 13, 1:00-1:30 pm (Mrs. Bleeker's room). Please pass these times along to friends/family members who may be interested. Please contact Emily Mouw (303) 437-6430 or Jackie Altena (712) 449-5797 with questions.

- **From Nurse Stacy:** The National Pediculosis Association has named September as Head Lice Prevention Month! Many families will experience a head lice infestation at some point during their child's school years so there is nothing to be alarmed about. These are the steps we follow when one or more of our students is hosting head lice.
 1. All classmates of the affected student(s) will be screened
 2. All siblings and sibling's classmates of affected student(s) will be screened
 3. Parents of classmates of affected student(s) will be notified of possible exposure

There are a few proactive measure we can take to prevent head lice as we enter this season. It is recommended by both the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and the Iowa Department of Public Health (IDPH) that parents spend 15 minutes each week checking their children for evidence of head lice. It is also recommended to wash your child's coat, hat, bags, etc. weekly to prevent sharing any germs or bugs. Talk to your kids about not sharing hats, scarves, headbands, ponytail holders, etc. with friends. Please also read the attached information to learn what to look for and what to do if you find your child has head lice.

FOOD SERVICE NEWS

- Three more dishwashers are needed in September. Please sign up for one of these dates – Sept. 11, 26 or 30 – at this link: [September Dishwashing Openings](#). On Monday through Thursday, you would need to be there by 11:00 and work until a little after 1:00. On Friday, you can come at 11:15 and work until a little after 1:00. If anyone has questions or suggestions, please contact Cheryl at chaan@siouxcenterchristian.com.
- Parents and visitors, please call at least 24 hours ahead of time in you would like to eat a school lunch.

MOMS IN PRAYER

- At Moms in Prayer, we will be praying for the paraprofessionals. *May _____ know that You are his/her God, who takes hold of his/her right hand and says to him/her, "Do not fear; I will help you."* From Isaiah 41:13.

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Office Handouts (<http://www.siucenterchristian.com/parents/officehandouts.cfm>) is the place to check regularly for camp information, registration forms, and more! **Currently there is information for:** Northwestern College Cheer Camp, Healthy Heroes Run & Walk, #GETLIBRARYCARDED from Sioux Center Public Library Sioux Center Rec 5th & 6th Grade Volleyball Info, Sioux Center Arts and Drama Club Info, Unity Knight's Kid Captains for 5th & 6th Graders, Unity Junior Knights Cross Country, Driven School of Driving Fall Sign up
- **Faith-Covenant-Bridge of Hope Cadets** with have registration on Wednesday, September 11, at 7:15 at Faith CRC, for all 5th-8th grade boys. We ask that one parent accompany their son to fill out forms with the counselors. Cost is \$35 for 6th-8th grade and \$45 for 5th grade. If you do not attend one of these churches and your son is interested in the Cadet program, you are invited to join us. If you have any questions please email fbcadets@gmail.com.
- **Staff Member of the Month:** Nominate a staff member to become the Pella Corporation Staff member of the month. Pella Corporation will award one monthly recipient \$500.00 to use towards school approved items and a certificate of recognition. A nomination form can be found at [https://www.siucenterchristian.com/editoruploads/files/SXC_STAFF_OF_THE_MONTH\(2\).pdf](https://www.siucenterchristian.com/editoruploads/files/SXC_STAFF_OF_THE_MONTH(2).pdf).