### **OUR MISSION**

# SIOUX CENTER CHRISTIANSCHOOL NOVEMBER 2020 CONNECTION 630 First Ave SE /// Sioux Center, IA 51250 /// 712.722.0777

Disciple God's children by equipping them with a knowledge and understanding of Christ and His creation so that they can obediently serve God and others as they work and play.

Give THANKS to the LORD for He is GOOD!

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# We've got the JOY!

TREASURED...TRAINED...TRANSFORMED

### FROM Dr. B. We've Got the JOY! Shout for joy to God, all the earth! Psalm 66:1

### The most common question I get asked is this: How's it going at school?

We're thrilled with the way this school year has started, and we're so glad to be back in the building! All the hard work and extensive planning done by our school team this summer has paid off. We're following our Community Care Plan closely (podding students, extra cleaning, limiting groups, parents keeping students home when ill, checking symptoms, and more) and making adjustments as we continue to learn, striving to move forward with a measured response that seeks what's best for kids. Of course, things change



quickly with this situation, and we will continue to adapt as needed. We continue to work through quarantines and positive cases and will keep partnering closely with families. Thank you to our parents, faculty, and staff who are faithfully carrying out the plan each day. It is making a difference!

We're determined (relentlessly so!) that students will continue to experience a Christian education in the school building. Why? That's what's best for our kids. When you start with the drive that we will open every day for all kids, you start to see what's possible. And we believe learning happens best with others under the direction of a master teacher, our living curriculum.

On a recent walkthrough, I came across an **interactive kindergarten science lesson**. I noticed something immediately – **JOY in learning**. The students were testing if something would sink or float. And there was water

everywhere. It was wonderful! Because we use the **Teaching for Transformation framework**, the teacher made comments about a loving heart (what we call the *class's storyline* – how we connect the biblical story to what we're learning). Then the students started talking about what we call *throughlines* – how they live out learning. They shared how they were order discoverers and community builders in the sink or float lesson.

This is faith-infused learning in action, students seeing God's Story and living God's Story. This is true joy. Not just happiness or excitement, but joy. It happened together, in a classroom, with a teacher. And I'm so thankful this is possible at SCCS, in-person, face-to-face, living out our mission together. We thank you for your support and prayers as we partner. Remember, we can do this because God's got this!

Toshua E. Bowar With you, 🖌

## SCCS Receives \$32,500 Mental Health, Social-Emotional Learning Grant

Sioux Center Christian School is excited to be the recipient of \$32,500 from the Sioux Rivers MHDS COVID-19 Relief Funds grant! We believe in caring for and supporting the whole person and have been working diligently to provide supports for social, mental, and emotional health as well as physical health during the CO19 pandemic. Often forgotten is the corresponding mental health pandemic occurring alongside the physical health pandemic. We're thrilled to have funding to continue to support our whole-person efforts.

Funding will be used for the following activities, all related to mitigating the mental health effects of COVID-19:

- Supplies for students in grades 5-8 to participate in art therapy sessions
- Supplies for faculty and staff to participate in art therapy sessions
- A guest speaker for teachers
- Professional development and training for teachers
- Classroom materials
- Stipends for teachers as they implement Trailblazer Time
- Materials for Trailblazer Time

What's Trailblazer Time? This is intentional time built into the school day to build relationships and establish a classroom culture in order to invite students into God's Story. The goal is to welcome students into a safe, friendly environment that allows them to be valued, seen, and heard each day as they learn and interact with others. Trailblazer Time will empower students to identify and communicate their emotional and social needs and care for one another. Teachers have organized their schedules to provide for Trailblazer Time at the beginning, middle, and end of each day, and part of the grant will support their work and will provide continued training and materials. Thank you to Mrs. Jill Van Soelen, Mrs. Rachel Vanden Hull, Mrs. Emily Penner, and Mrs. Lisa Mouw for leading these efforts!

# Stories from the Hallways

» At SCCS, we have Connection Groups that connect older and younger classrooms. Mrs. De Weerd's 8th grade homeroom created a scavenger hunt for their TK Connection Group. The TK kids searched for clues around the playground that led them to Bible verses about JOY.

> Mrs. Bleeker's kindergarten students enjoyed a unit discovering, identifying, and creating a variety of patterns in God's world. They discussed the purpose of patterns and why God created them: "God created patterns to be beautiful" was one quote that was shared! #OrderDiscoverers #BeautyMakers

» The deep hope of our **1st grade classrooms** is "that we will explore, play, and grow as we discover God's world together." In September, they **celebrated Explorers Day** with magnifying glasses, official Explorer badges, and activities throughout the day that helped them explore God's creation!

« In September, our **2nd graders** took a **walking field trip to the Dordt Prairie** and were able to tag 2 monarchs for the tagging program. The students enjoyed learning about monarch life cycles, migration, and the beauty of the prairie! They reflected on all the ways they had been Creation Enjoyers throughout the month.

» Our **3rd graders** enjoyed a visit from the people at **Natural Resources Conservation Service.** They shared their "Unlock the Secrets of the Soil" program and students learned about soil, watersheds, and how to slow erosion.

« In September, our 4th graders explored Sandy Hollow, so they could learn more about what lives in the water. They enjoyed catching creatures with their nets!

» Excitement was high as our **5th grade students** rose bright and early on the morning of October 8th to **complete their study of lowa's history with a trip to Des Moines.** They were able to visit Living History Farms to see examples of the things they had studied. Then they went to tour the state capitol and learned many interesting facts about the building and our state government. We are so

grateful to have this opportunity, which is funded with a grant from the Sioux Center Kiwanis.



« Thursday, November 5 was a beautiful day for our sixth graders to plant three new trees on the south side of our school yard with Mr. Al Bandstra. This project flows out of their math and science storyline, "Order, Disorder, Reorder." In September, they learned how earth's cycles keep "order" in creation by recycling substances like water and oxygen. Thanks to Ron Oostra who helped plant these trees and led the students through the steps of correctly planting a tree for a good start and a long life!

» Our **7th graders enjoyed a trip to Fields of Fun** on a wet and chilly day in October. They tested their navigation skills in the maze and tested the trebuchet they built in science class.



- « On Friday, October 16, Dr. Bowar was invited to be a part of an educator's round table discussion at Dordt University with **U.S. Secretary of Education Betsy DeVos**. Dr. Bowar shared with the group about our partnership with Dordt University and the year-long student teaching program. He explained how our students and teachers benefit from the interns who work in our school and how we enfold them into our faculty. We have hired several interns to become teachers since this program began! He also shared what we did last spring to keep learning happening, even though our building had to close, and described how our Teaching for Transformation framework impacts learning at SCCS.
- » Our school hosted a Hy-Vee KidsFit Wellness Week the week of October 26-30. We were one of fifty schools that received a week full of bonuses, such as snacks from Hy-Vee for each student every day plus \$250 that we will put toward enhancing the student experience in PE! We celebrated a fun theme each day and remembered that God gave us amazing bodies to care for so we can serve Him! Thank you, Hy-Vee!



### More Stories from the Hallways



Our music department held several mini concerts in October. 5th-8th orchestra and band gave an outdoor concert, 4th graders shared their skills on recorders, and 4th and 5th grade orchestras each gave a brief concert. The recordings of these concerts may be watched on our website. Click on Student Life > Music



Mrs. Emily Penner, a first-grade teacher, recently received the September Pella Corporation Staff Member of the Month award. She received a \$500 gift to impact the student experience in her classroom. Thank you to Sioux Center Pella Corporation for this program that recognizes teachers who go above and beyond! You may nominate a favorite teacher by the 25th of each month. Forms are on our website or by the TRIP office.

» On the first day of school, a group of **retired faculty and staff** 

gathered at Children's Park for their annual gathering. There were a handful missing but these nineteen ladies **served SCCS for a total of 467 years!** We are SO THANKFUL for all the talent, love, and years they poured into God's treasures and His Story at SCCS!

We have four sibling sets working at SCCS this year! Marcy Holwerda and Sara (Holwerda) Feekes Megan (Tinklenberg) Birdsong & Dan Tinklenberg Lisa (Moerman) Mouw & Stacy (Moerman) Schaap Emily (Wielenga) Groeneweg & Autumn (Wielenga) Den Boer **Plus some in-law sets** Donna Brue & Jill Friend Rachel Postma, Becky Postma & Tiffany Postma Linda Feekes & Sara Feekes Tracy Eekhoff & Melissa Eekhoff

We're ALL brothers and sisters in Christ and a FAMILY of servants, working together for God's kids!



#### » CONGRATULATIONS to the following newlyweds:

Peter & Jen Kuipers: September 26. Mr. Kuipers is our music and band director. Storm & Kendra Wagner: November 7. Mr. Wagner is a 1-1 paraprofessional. Ally & Jamie Veldhuisen: July 11. Mrs. Veldhuisen is a 6th grade teacher. Payton & Reggie Hostetler: June 12. Mrs. Hostetler is our behavior interventionist

### Learning through Minimesters

We're excited to offer something new to students in middle school (grades 5-8): MINIMESTERS! These learning experiences will happen between our traditional trimesters and will provide opportunities for students to learn new things and to discover their talents and gifts.

Middle school is a special and important time of life, and we want to provide students with **milestone experiences** as they continue their journey through SCCS. The middle school teachers will be providing courses based on their special areas of interest and expertise, with students participating in three different courses.

Our first minimester will happen the two days before Thanksgiving break, and students will be able to choose from classes like cooking, escape rooms, games, exploring the brain and nervous system, graphic design, interior design, codes and cyphers, and more – all with an academic focus and a whole lot of fun! We'll do another minimester in February to continue the learning for students.

We look forward to this unique experience for students as a way to continue to invite them into God's Story at SCCS!

# Living God's Story as His Agents of Restoration

Our storyline for this school year is "Living God's Story as His Agents of Restoration". God is restoring all of creation and He invites us to help! Each month we are learning about our missions to FOLLOW, TRUST, OBEY, GIVE, FORGIVE, LOVE, SERVE, and TELL by studying stories from Jesus time on earth.

On the first Wednesday of each month, we have a **Storyline Chapel**, in which **Agent Kuipers and Agent-in-Training Wieringa** introduce our mission for the month in a video. Each month, a class narrates and acts out the biblical story in a video and one of our local pastors shares a recorded message that ties the Bible story to our Mission for that month.

We have been celebrating chapel in our classrooms instead of the gym this year – it has been going well, but we look forward to the day when all-school chapel in the gym can be *restored*!

On the 2nd Wednesday, we engage in a Storyline Connection activity with another grade level (if possible). The 3rd Wednesday is when we receive our **Agent Challenge** and dig deeper as a classroom into **how we can live out God's mission for us.** On the 4th Wednesday, we celebrate with a Praise and Worship time in our classrooms. Many classrooms have enjoyed **Praying in Color** - quietly coloring and listening to our chapel songs while silently praying for our school, community, churches, and families.

You can see more details on our Storyline and watch our chapel slideshows and videos by going to our website. Click on Student Life > Chapel

# Save the Date for Fiddler on the Roof JR!

Forty 7th and 8th grade students are embracing "tradition" with their production of *Fiddler on the Roof JR*. Students are exploring how *Fiddler on the Roof JR*. touches on life in pre-revolutionary Russia. They are examining important issues such as tradition, acceptance, and faith, all of which remain relevant today.

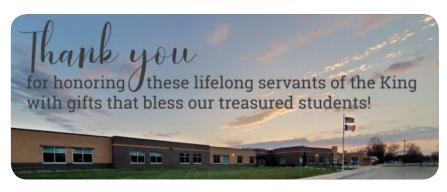
Students and the directors are devoting several hours before or after school each week to learn their lines, the songs, and the dances. We are excited to see the final production!

SCCS will present *Fiddler on the Roof JR*. on Friday and Saturday, January 22 and 23 at 7 pm at Te Paske Theater. Tickets will be available starting in mid-December from the SCCS office.

# In Memory of God's Faithful Servants

With gratitude to God, we gratefully acknowledge the receipt of the following memorial gifts given this year:

Roger Koele – Tuition Assistance Arta Zevenbergen – Legacy Plan Gerrit Byker – SCCS Foundation Judy Louwerse – SCCS Foundation Wilma Van Leeuwen – SCCS Foundation Carroll De Nooy – Building Fund Peter Visser – Building Fund Jim Horstman – Building Fund Nellie Van Donge – Building Fund Leroy Altena – Building Fund



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# We are also grateful

for saints in the Lord, **Esther Olivier** and **Lila Kempers**, who **blessed students for generations to come** through their estate gifts to the Sioux Center Christian School Foundation.

### WELCOME to our New Faculty!

**Ms. Marcy Holwerda** – **1st grade teacher.** Marcy grew up in the Midwest (her dad is a retired Christian school principal and her mom was a teacher), graduated from Dordt, and comes to us from teaching for 20 years in Southwest Chicago Christian Schools. "I love seeing the spark in a child's eye when he 'gets it', hearing the chatter of students sharing ideas, and telling the story of Jesus' love over and over." Marcy lives in Sioux Center.

Mrs. Jayden Pieper – 5th homeroom; 5th/6th Math, Science, & Bible. Jayden grew up in Sioux Center, attended SC Community Schools, and graduated from Dordt. She comes to SCCS after teaching for 5 years at Inwood Christian School. "I chose to serve here because my students are the focus of my teaching. I like to challenge students both academically and spiritually, and I know Sioux Center Christian is a community of teachers, parents, and staff that have the same goal." She and her husband Trevor live in Carmel.

Mrs. Ally Veldhuisen – 6th homeroom; 6th Social Studies & Bible, 7th Bible. Ally grew up in Lynden, WA and just graduated from Dordt University this spring. "I love being here! My colleagues, students, and their parents strive to encourage one another toward Christ each day. They live in an uncommon way, and that excites me." Ally and her new husband Jamie live in Sioux Center.

**Mrs. Emily Groeneweg – 7th homeroom; 7th/8th Language Arts.** Emily grew up in Orange City, graduated from OCCS, Unity, and Northwestern College, and taught at Hull Christian School for a year before coming to SCCS. "As a writing teacher, I am passionate about guiding students as they find their voice in God's kingdom. At SCCS, I am able to live out my faith in the classroom as well as continually learn from and grow through the community that surrounds me." Emily and her husband Joel live in Alton.

**Mr. Mark Barrow – 8th homeroom; 7th/8th Math.** Mark grew up in Washington state and graduated from Dordt University this spring. "I want to teach in a Christian school because I believe that God has called me to be a piece in His plan to carry out this kind of education. In math specifically, I can provide students with the understanding that God is a God of order, logic, and the Author of all truth. God created this universe that follows His mathematical laws, and we can use the logic of math as a tool that God has given us to handle and solve many of life's problems here on earth." Mark lives in Sioux Center.

**Mrs. Megan Birdsong – School Counselor.** Megan grew up in Sioux Center and is an SCCS alum! She graduated from Unity, Dordt, and received her Master of Social Work from the University of Nebraska. She comes to us with five years' experience serving as an outpatient mental health therapist at Seasons. " I am looking forward to the opportunity to help students develop a strong sense of self through the confidence and power that comes from the knowledge and belief that they are each made in the image of God." Megan her husband Jordan live in Sioux Center with daughter Karsyn, and step-daughter Jaila lives in Atlanta, GA.

Mrs. Bailey Bakker – Title 1 (Reading Room). Bailey grew up in Sioux Center, attended SC Community Schools, and graduated from Northwestern College, where she received the Outstanding Senior Honors Award. "I hope to instill in my students a love for reading while helping them to also discover and nourish their God-given talents. I am looking forward to a new year of growing and learning in the reading room at SCCS!" Bailey and her husband Alex live in Sioux Center.

### WELCOME to our New Staff!

Payton Hostetler – Behavior Interventionist Miriam Buss – Paraprofessional 1-1 support Tami Koelewyn – Paraprofessional 4Care Rachel Landman – Paraprofessional 5th – 8th grades Tiffany Postma – Paraprofessional 3rd grade Emily Van Den Berg – Paraprofessional 1-1 support & 4Care Storm Wagner – Paraprofessional 1-1 support Michaela Workman – Paraprofessional 1-1 support Stacy Haarhoff – Office Assistant (Feb. 2020) Trevor Knibbe – Assistant Custodian (March 2020) Matthew Moget – Assistant Custodian & Tech Support Mike Kooistra – Cook Tessa Van Otterloo – Cook Carmen Mulder – Lunch Clerk















### SCCS Calendar

Our calendar is also at www.siouxcenterchristian.com

Nov 25-27: Thanksgiving break

Dec 2: Storyline Chapel: Living God's Story as Agents of Restoration: GIVE

**Dec 7:** NICSTO donations due (*it may be possible to give after this date*)

Nov 29-Dec 12: PACE Online Book Fair

Dec 21 – Jan 3: Christmas break

Jan 22 & 23: 7/8 Musical: Fiddler on the Roof JR

Jan 23: PACE Youth Boys Basketball Tournament

# Want to Keep in Touch with the weekly happenings at SCCS?

We post our weekly Home Bulletin on our website.

Just click on **Parent Center > Newsletters** and the link to the most current weekly newsletter will be at the top of the page. This is **updated every Wednesday afternoon** while school is in session.

Also follow us on Facebook @siouxcenterchristian

### **Trustee Nominations**

It's that time of year again - time to nominate trustees for the Sioux Center Christian School board of trustees!



The process starts with our constituents making nominations. Any member of the SCCS society (supporters, parents, grandparents, employees, etc.) can make nominations. Thank you for your participation!

There are 2 trustees retiring this year, so 2 are needed to replace them.

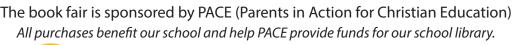
To **learn more about the process**, the requirements that need to be met to be a trustee, and the characteristics the board is seeking, **head to the link on our website** 

Nominations are accepted through November 30.

# **Online Book Fair Coming Soon!**



### You are invited to shop our online Scholastic Book Fair November 29 through December 12



Over 6,000 products including Book Fair exclusives, new releases, value packs, and more.

All orders ship home | FREE shipping on book-only orders over \$25\*

Visit www.siouxcenterchristian.com starting Nov. 29 for the link

### **SCCS Apparel Store**

The SCCS Online apparel store is OPEN through 11:55pm on Monday, November 16.

If you're looking for Trailblazer gear for Christmas gifts or just to show your school spirit, head to the link at siouxcenterchristian.com.



We expect orders to arrive around Dec. 11.

## **Volunteers to Wash Dishes**

We would love to have **more volunteers to wash dishes** during the school lunch time from 11:15am-1:00pm.



Women and men are welcome, and you don't need to have kids or grandkids at SCCS!

If you are interested, please contact Carmen Mulder at cmulder@siouxcenterchristian.com

### We love our SUBS!

Substitute teachers and paraprofessionals are amazing people who help us out when our faculty and staff become ill, have sick children, or have to be out for meetings. They are extremely flexible - often awoken early with a pleading text or call to "please help us out today!"



### So, here's our little "SHOUT-OUT of THANKS" to ALL those subs who serve SCCS!!

Have YOU ever considered being a substitute teacher or paraprofessional? We also at times need a sub for our school nurse.

If you have any interest or have questions about what is involved, please contact Stacy Haarhoff at shaarhoff@siouxcenterchristian.com



\*Free standard shipping is available on book-only orders of \$25 or more, after all discounts

are applied.

# SIOUX CENTER AL REP CHRISTIAN SCHOOL 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR

Greetings! By God's grace, the faculty, staff, parents, and supporters of Sioux Center Christian School have remained committed to a vision for **biblically-grounded**, Christ-centered education since its beginning over 115 years ago. This vision seeks to recognize each child as a treasured member of God's family and to train them in God's Word so they may be transformed as they learn and live in God's Story. Commitment to this vision is evident in every moment of the day at SCCS. Our faculty and staff love the Lord and love kids, and they work with parents to discover in each student the gifts they have been given by God to further His Kingdom and give Him glory.

That's why we exist as a school, and that's our continued focus moving forward. We are excited to share this yearly update on the happenings of SCCS. Stop in for a cup of coffee sometime. I'd love to share more about what God is doing at His school!

And if you desire to have your child attend SCCS, please feel free to call me or stop in so I can share the ways a Christ-centered education can fit in your budget... we never want finances to be a barrier to an education at SCCS.

THANK YOU for loving our school and supporting it in so many ways!

In Him and with you, Joshua F. Bowar Head of School jbowar@siouxcenterchristian.com

# **ABOUT SCCS**

- Established in **1905** (school society formed in 1903) **503** students in grades TK-8 (growth of 103 students in the past 10 years) 12 students in 4Care (4 year-olds come to SCCS after morning preschool) 259 families choose to partner with SCCS in their child's education
- \$5.315 tuition for one student
- \$7,918 cost for one student (Legacy Plan, NICSTO, TRIP, and donations bridge the difference between tuition and cost)
- 27 churches attended by SCCS families
- 3/4 of students attend Christian Reformed Churches
- 1/4 of students attend other denominations

**584** families participate in the Tuition Reduction Incentive Program (TRIP) \$6,020,000 purchased through the TRIP office, with \$141,000 given back to

- SCCS tuition and \$47,000 to Christian schools nationwide (2019-20) \$219,400 total tuition grants received by 126 families through NICSTO in 2019-20. \$364,872 goal amount for NICSTO donations in 2020
- \$3,928,135 total budget for training God's children in 2020-21 school year
- \$1,204,031 given in 2019-20 by our church & family partnerships through the Legacy Plan.
- \$540,000 debt remaining on our \$6.8 million 2015 building expansion project. \$338,500 paid off since Sept. 2019
- \$2,478,278 is the asset balance of the SCCS Foundation; \$70,000 given to school by Foundation in 2019-20; \$75,000 committed for 2020-21
- 56 students being served through support plans as part of the inclusive education framework

98 employees (52 full-time and 46 part-time)

Parents in Action for Christian Education (PACE) provided \$29,000 to SCCS



## **PROGRAM OFFERINGS**

Bible, math, language arts, science, social studies, reading, art, music (orchestra, band, choir), physical education, exploratories, technology, storyline chapels and chapel groups, leadership council, Kindercare. Aftercare. 4Care. Inclusive education, Destination Imagination, Tales & Trails summer camp, drama, academic support, behavior support, musicals/plays, team sports, Spanish club, school counselor, school nurse, library, talented and gifted program, school lunch, and busing

### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Greg Van Dyke, President Joe Bakker, Vice President Arlene Heynen, Secretary Michael De Boer, Treasurer Dennis Vander Plaats, Vicar Renae Calkhoven Chad Feenstra Kelly Franken Lori Walstra

# **ACADEMIC STRENGTH**

**Math Proficiency** 

Grade	SCCS	State
3	94.7%	78.8%
4	93.4%	76.6%
5	83.3%	74.7%
6	82.0%	74.9%
7	93.5%	82.0%
8	86.8%	75.7%

Reading Proficiency		
Grade	SCCS	State
3	94.7%	76.3%
4	88.5%	74.7%
5	90.7%	76.5%
6	86.0%	73.7%
7	91.3%	74.6%
8	83.0%	75.9%

**SCCS Iowa Assessments** Indicates what students were testing like in certain grades. Example: 3rd grade students tested as if they were a student in their 5th grade, 4th month on the

Grade	Reading	Written Expression	Math	Composite Score	3rd grade test
3	5.4	5.8	4.5	4.9	
4	7.8	7.8	6.1	6.7	The numbers on these charts come from the most recent results provided by the lowa Dept of Education.
5	8.5	8.9	7.2	7.6	
6	7.8	9.2	7.3	7.7	
7	9.7	11.1	9.3	9.6	
8	12.5	13+	11.1	11.8	

# FINANCIAL INFORMATION

### 2020-2021 BUDGET

#### INCOME

 Tuition
 \$2,346,860

 Legacy Plan
 \$1,340,025

 Foundation Grants
 \$75,000

 Other
 \$166,250

### EXPENSES

Debt Service	\$0
Educational Supplies	\$82,500
Fine Arts & Athletics	\$40,250
Transportation	\$71,292
Relations	\$78,500
Salary and Benefits	\$3,234,148
Facility Operations	
& Maintenance	\$286,195
Technology	\$60,000
Other	\$75,250

### Total 2020-21 Budget

\$3,928,135

# SIOUX CENTER

### 2019-2020 REPORT

\$3,695,405
\$3,573,577
\$1,204,031
\$1,393,901

### FUND BALANCES

as of July 31, 2020			
Tuition Assistance	\$15,790		
<b>Building Depreciation</b>	\$91,507		
Earmarked for capital			
improvements and maintenance			
Bus	\$49,536		
Earmarked for bus needs			
Trailblazer Fund	\$551,995		
Cash reserves, building toward three months			
of operating expenses, as suggested through			
CSI accreditation			

### 2020-21 STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

- » Ensure effective, visionary governance.
- » Remain accessible to all families seeking to enroll their children at SCCS.
- » Provide additional space for faculty and staff to collaborate with each other, parents, and students.
- » Support teachers in their professional calling.
- » Strengthen curriculum scope and sequence.
- » Design grades 7-8 as the premier destination in the school.

Sioux Center Christian School is accredited through the Iowa Department of Education by Christian Schools International.

# **THANK YOU**

What a **blessing it is** to be able to report to you all this information about Sioux Center Christian School! **Behind every number are Kingdom servants** who work to make these numbers possible and it is all done because of their **passion to train God's children in His Way**, so that they may be **lifelong agents of transformation** in Christ's Kingdom. Please continue to pray for our students, faculty, staff, trustees, and parents - that the **Holy Spirit may work mightily in all of us, as** 

we learn and live God's Story!

## **MISSION: Defeat the Debt Drive-thru Fundraiser**

On October 24, a "brisk" Saturday, we had **180 cars in 2 hours drive thru and pick up over 700 delicious meals** as part of a fundraising event to reduce the remaining debt on our 2015 \$6.8 million building expansion project.



THANKS go out to our AMAZING 21 adult volunteers and 18 grade school and high school volunteers, who quickly served and "ran" the meals out to customers, while also keeping things fun! Thanks to Dragstra Pork Producers for donating the pork chops and to Ken, Julie, and the guys for grilling them to perfection!

With a \$20,000 match to unlock, God blessed us greatly through the generosity of His people!



### We received \$47,000 in donations, unlocking the full \$20,000 in matching funds ... for a total \$67,000 impact on the debt!!

Please **join us in praising God for His generous provision** through our AMAZING supporters!

This successful mission brings us down to \$540,000 remaining until we completely pay for our building expansion. We pray that generous end of year giving and Trail'Raiser Night next spring (April 17) will bring us to the completion of this building expansion journey.

# Will you consider giving a Thanksgiving or end-of-year gift that will help us complete the funding on our mission headquarters?

Donations may be mailed to: Sioux Center Christian School | 630 First Ave SE | Sioux Center, IA 51250 To donate online, please go to our website and click on Support SCCS > Donate to SCCS

### Outlet 75



Outlet 75 is located about a mile south of Sioux Center on Hwy 75 and sells NEW furniture, home décor, clothing and shoes for women, men, & children at discounted prices. They purchase overstock products in large quantities and pass the savings to customers.

All the profits from Outlet 75 support the mission of Sioux Center Christian School. They gave a distribution check to school on Sept. 30 for \$25,000, which was profits from July – Sept 2020. Since they opened in spring 2019, the business has paid off all its startup costs and contributed a total of \$80,000 to the mission of SCCS!

In order to provide this kind of income for our school and for the benefit of our kids, **Outlet 75 relies on volunteers!** Would you consider giving 2 - 2 ½ hours of your time once or twice a month?

Volunteers are asked to inspect and hang up apparel, and help customers check out. It is fun work and a great way to interact with people from our community and beyond who come to shop!

#### Volunteer shifts are available on

Wednesdays: 9-11am; 11am-1pm; 1pm-3pm; 3pm-5:30pm, 5:30pm-8pm Thursdays: 9-11am; 11am-1pm; 1pm-3pm Occasional Saturdays: 10am-1pm

To volunteer or if you have any questions, please contact Janey Boogerd at info@shopoutlet75.com

### Outlet 75 is open weekly on Wednesdays: 11am – 8pm and Thursdays: 11am – 3pm

### **HOLIDAY HOURS**

Saturday, Nov 14: 10am - 1pm Wednesay, Nov 25: 11am –5pm Thursday, Nov 26: Closed Saturday, Nov 28: 10am – 1pm Saturday, Dec 5: 10am – 1pm Saturday, Dec 12: 10am – 1pm Saturday, Dec 19: 10am – 1pm Thursday, Dec 24: 11am - 3pm **Legacy** Plan

We want to extend our DEEPEST APPRECIATION to the churches and supporters who partner in the task of Christian education by giving to the Legacy Plan!

For the 2019-20 school year, a total of \$1,204,031 was received from churches, to provide for the daily education of God's children at SCCS. Receipts were short of our goal of \$1,393,901, but due to COVID-19, our expenses for the school year were under budget.

Our goal for the 2020-21 school year is \$1,340,025.

Since we expect again to receive about 90% of our goal (which is WONDERFUL, but still leaves a deficit in our budget), a Legacy Plan Task Force was assembled this fall to discuss ways to improve the Legacy Plan structure so that we honor what is great about it while realistically dealing with what needs to be changed. The Board of Trustees, with the Legacy Plan team, will be finalizing changes over the next few months. We plan to communicate changes next spring.

You may give directly to the SCCS Legacy Plan, which is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization. Legacy donations support the daily mission of SCCS and are applied to our overall budget.

Please make checks payable to "SCCS Legacy Plan" and drop off or mail to school. To give online, go to our website, click on Support SCCS > Legacy Plan



With NICSTO, we have an opportunity to impact our treasured students with \$364,872 in tuition assistance grants at a net cost of \$127,705 to donors!

\$136,200 has already been donated toward our goal of \$364,872, so there is still room to give! But donations can come in quickly as we get closer to the Dec. 7 deadline.

(If we haven't reached our goal by Dec. 7, you still might be able give after that date. Call us if want to know availability.)

You may donate CASH, Gifts in kind of GRAIN, appreciated stock, and bonds, or from your IRA.

For more details, go to our website, click on Support SCCS > NICSTO

#### NICSTO - Northwest Iowa Christian School Tuition Organization **CONTRIBUTION MEMO - 2020**

This completed memo must accompany your contribution. An Iowa Tax Credit Certificate will be sent to you in January 2021.

Taxpayer/C or S Corporation/LLC/Partnership Name

Date of Contribution

Amount of Contribution

Address

City, State Zip Code

Social Security Number or Taxpayer I.D. Number

Email

Phone

Please apply my contribution to the following school(s):

Go to <u>www.siouxcenterchristian.com</u> > Support SCCS > NICSTO for the list of schools that participate

Please make check payable to NICSTO. Your contribution may be mailed or delivered to either of these addresses by Dec 7, 2020:

**Sioux Center Christian School** Attn: NICSTO 630 1<sup>st</sup> Ave SE Sioux Center, IA 51250 Questions? Call 712.722.0777

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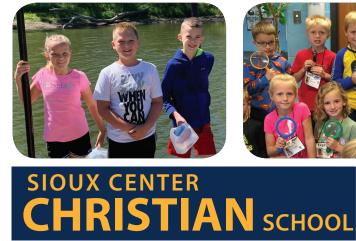








BY THE CREATOR, WHO DESIGNED EACH OF US FOR LIFELONG OBEDIENT SERVICE TO HIM & FOR OTHERS









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