

EAGLE PRIDE

WEEKLY NEWS

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GIVE THANKS IN ALL CIRCUMSTANCES

I know writing about being “thankful” during Thanksgiving is cliché, and I’m sometimes ashamed that I don’t express “thanks” more often. After all, the Apostle Paul tells us, “Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus” (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18). Especially within the confines of our families, churches, and school, we need to do a better job expressing our thanks. Children, spouses, church family, pastors, secretaries, teachers, administrators, and board members can all stand to hear people are thankful for them, or at least, for something they’ve done. Everyone has done something good. As social beings, especially during the holidays when depression becomes more prevalent, encouragement is necessary, which may be one of the reasons Paul tells us to encourage and build one another up (1 Thessalonians 5:11).

As the administrator of Siouxland Christian School, I get to see amazing things accomplished for people every day. It’s one of the best things about my job. While other jobs or careers may have bad days that are simply bad days, there is always something positive for an educator. Hopefully, as we continue to conform to the likeness of Jesus (Romans 12:2), we become more cognizant of all that we have to be thankful for, which tends to make us happier and able to express the joy of the Lord (Nehemiah 8:11), which helps us be better encouragers of people. With this in mind, knowing I can’t mention everyone in one article, but might be able to do so over an extended period, I am extremely thankful for:

1. A loving wife (Kimi) who always puts me and others first. She is a true example of selflessness (in addition to being gorgeous, which I am also thankful for).
2. Two beautiful daughters (Ariel and Jazzy) who have similar traits to my wife Kimi; that are serving people in need, and always know what to say to brighten my day.
3. Jesus who made salvation possible and the Holy Spirit who continues to work in me (Thank God!).
4. An awesome pastor (Gene Stockton) who speaks the truth in love and challenges folks with the Word (not tickle their ears) while making it evident he cares for them.
5. Board President Aaron Nelson who is simply one of the kindest, most selfless, and hard-working, men I’ve ever met. He has the heart of Christ and has truly sacrificed to make SCS a better place (may have lost our high school or shut doors without him early on).
6. Bart Connelly, a long-time parent and coach (outstanding contractor), who had the creative vision to come up with an unorthodox plan to get SCS into a new facility (truly could not have accomplished without his obedience to the Holy Spirit and extreme dedication to the task).
7. New staff the likes of Mandy VanSchouwen, Kelli Heilbuth, and Chris Hecht who surpass all expectations.
8. Experienced staff the likes of Jean Thomas and Kim Pirrie who step-up and go the extra mile, performing leadership and mentorship duties without leadership compensation (and never complaining!).
9. The most well rounded and effective staff (office, classroom, custodial, cafeteria) that we’ve had since I’ve been here.
10. Students who are not only achieving success on a number of fronts, but growing spiritually and exemplifying G.I.V.E. Respect; students like Faith Ballard, Mikellie Grant, Brandon Johnson, Tommy Lyman).
11. Parent and other volunteers such as Connie Girard, Cathie Brannon, Sharon Nelson, Sheri Cork, and Dallis Solsma who constantly serve our students and families without ever seeking recognition.

These are just some of the things I’m thankful for. I’m probably most thankful for my nephew B.J. being saved and baptized this past year. No longer just a nice guy, he’s a nice guy who is heaven bound and surely taking others with him. I’m thankful for much more too, though. So, if you do not see your name here, please forgive me. It may be in a future addition as I try to remember to “give thanks in all circumstances”. Siouxland Christian would not be where we are without you. I remain thankful the God has brought our family to Sioux City and allowed us to be a part of all that has transpired. All praise be to Him!

God bless and Happy Thanksgiving.
Steve Peters, Superintendent

UPCOMING EVENTS

November

22nd

Early Out 1:15

23rd-24th

Thanksgiving Holiday (No School)

28th

Elementary Christmas Concert 7:00 PM

December

2nd

Theater Production

4th

SCRIPT Order Due
Choir Christmas Concert 7:00 PM

7th

Band Christmas Concert 7:00 PM

8th

MIDTERM-2nd QTR Progress Reports

15th

Early Out 1:15

Dec 18th-Jan 2nd

Christmas Break (No School)

PARENTS IN PRAYER



TUESDAYS AT 2PM
SCS WAR ROOM

SCS DRAMA DEPARTMENT

Siouxland Christian is excited to present "A Night of Theater" on December 2 at 7:00! Join us to see five short plays performed by our middle school and high school theater students! The plays performed will be "Group Project," a humorous piece with an important lesson on tolerating the frustrating people around us; "A Reader's Theater Murder Mystery," a darkly funny take on the murder mystery genre; "Locker Room," an intense play about a team that's down a member; "Like & Subscribe," an examination of YouTube culture and its affect on young women; and "Back Cover," the touching story of a teenage girl's coming of age in the modern era. Tickets will be \$7 for adults and \$5 for students. We hope to see you there!

LOST & FOUND REMINDER

We have already begun to see items being left around or misplaced and have started a collection in the office. The policy, similar to last year, will be to lay out items on Fridays from 2pm to 6pm in the lunchroom giving students the opportunity to claim their misplaced items. Anything left behind after 6pm will be donated to Gospel Mission on the following Monday morning.

SCHOOL FEE REMINDER

School fees are due at the beginning of each semester. Fees are as follows: Art- \$50, Athletic- \$90, Band- \$90. Please turn in all fees to the front office.

BOX TOP COLLECTION FOR OCTOBER!

October winners were Erick Koehler for Elementary and Mikellie Grant for the Secondary. Each winner received a Subway sub and dessert from McDonalds. Reminder to everyone to keep clipping and saving. Bring in a bag of box tops and Hy-Vee receipts!

SCS TALENT SHOW

A BIG thank-you to all who helped and participated in the Talent Show!! It was a huge success all because of you!!!

Elementary Who-bilation!

Get out your stripes, dots, and fancy Christmas tree skirts and design an outfit for the 3rd Annual Who-bilation! The elementary children will be celebrating in true Whoville style on December 14th, Thursday. Who knows? Maybe even the Grinch himself will stop by for a visit. This is a full dress up day for the elementary classes. Start your plans today. Crazy hair will be styled, Christmas clothes will be worn, and pictures will be taken!

ELEMENTARY RECESS & COOLER WEATHER

The weather is changing. It is getting colder. Please make sure your child is ready for their OUTSIDE recess. Send coats, hats, gloves, etc. Outside time is very good for the students and we try to get them out as much as possible.

IXL FOR K-12

Siouxland Christian has invested in a software called IXL to assist students with sample problems in Math, English, etc. It offers practice in subjects beginning with counting and addition, continuing all the way up to pre-calculus. There are an unlimited number of unique problems available with feedback after every question.

This program is available for all students grades K-12, with online access from home. IXL also assists in preparation for ACT testing. This software is available all year for our families.

If you have any questions or need the login information for your student(s), please contact the school office.

ATTENDANCE REMINDER

Please remember to notify the school office at (712) 276-4732 before 8:30 am if your student will be absent. Also, if your student is absent for an appointment, please remember to turn in documentation when your student returns.

MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers)

HELP CONNECT SCS TO OUR COMMUNITY!

This year we are trying to reach out and let our community know that Siouxland Christian is here! We have an opportunity to connect with a local MOPS group by volunteering to help babysit children for their bi-monthly meetings. If you would like to help and volunteer your time once or twice a month for a couple of hours in the evenings, please contact Trish Yanney @ 712-301-4777 or email tyanney@siouxlandchristian.org.

SNACKS OF SUPPORT

Join us for "Snacks Of Support" after school on Tuesdays & Thursdays in the school lobby. We will be selling pizza for the price of \$1.50 per slice. All proceeds will go to support this year's Mission Trip.

EAGLE MISSIONS IS BOSTON BOUND

The 2018 Boston Missions Trip will be March 23-31. Total cost is \$1000. This trip is open to 9-12 grade students. The first deposit of \$300 was due Oct 1st, the next \$300 is due Dec. 1, and \$400 (the remaining balance) will be due Feb. 1. All money collected is non-refundable because I need to make reservations and commitments to our transportation and mission partners, your students commitment is paramount. By chance, if your student later decides to not go on the trip, your student is still liable for the remaining balance. Please feel free to contact Bill Claeys at 712-251-1206 with any questions.

ART ON DISPLAY

Siouxland Christian artists are hard at work this year working in a variety of mediums and expanding their art appreciation. A gallery is on display in the student lounge and will change as we continue to showcase the work that is being created in High School Art, Painting, and Photography classes. Stop by and check out the amazing talent here at Siouxland Christian!

CREATIVE CONTEST –Submitted by Mrs. Thomas

We had a creative contest in chapel last month. Mrs. Thomas encouraged us to write a poem or song that could be shared. She even gave prizes to every entry! The top two entries were written by Zahra Shinall and Esther Reynolds, both of third grade. They won a slice of pizza and a dessert from the Mission Trip fundraiser table.

Tune: Silent Night Written by Zahra Shinall

God is Kind
Awesome in pride.
He guides the light,
He makes me kind.
I was lost and now I am found.
He pulled me to the light and held me.
Believe and come with me.
Believe and come with me.

The School of Rhymes By Esther Reynolds

This school is nice. I am glad it is not filled with mice.
I have not found a bird's nest. But I know lots of us have taken a test.
Lunchtime is to eat. But there are also times to be neat.
We have teachers, and also bleachers.
School makes us smart, and we also have art.
In music class we sing. On the playground there is an eagle's wing.
We have passed Spring. In your fall party you may have used a string.
In school you might learn about your five senses. Around the playground there are fences.
The janitors work hard cleaning. I'm glad Ms. Megan's food is steaming.
We all have a new school. Isn't this school cool?

Choir & Band Christmas Concerts –Submitted by Ms. Hageman

The choir Christmas concert (sixth grade, middle school and high school choir) will be on December 4 (**Monday**) at 7:00. The band Christmas concert (4-5th Band, Middle School Band and Concert Band) will be on December 7 (**Thursday**) at 7:00. Both concerts will be in the Multi-Purpose Room. For both Christmas concerts, students will need to wear black pants or a skirt of **appropriate length**, a white top, black shoes and black socks. If a female student is wearing a skirt, they are permitted to wear either black or nude nylons/tights or go without completely. **Male students must wear a regular black tie with a white collared shirt.** Shoes must be black dress shoes--no sandals or extremely high heels. If you can find a dress that is white on top and black on bottom, your female student may wear the dress. **Women who play in band need to have a long skirt or slacks as they will be sitting and we need to remain modest.**

Students will be asked to arrive at 6:40 for the choir concert and 6:30 for the band concert. Students will stay for the full duration of the concert. No electronics, books, homework or anything else distracting will be allowed for the students in the concert. Please ensure that your students have everything they need before leaving the house.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns. You can contact me by email at ehageman@siouxlandchristian.org or by cell phone at [303-909-5200](tel:303-909-5200). Thank you!



Malachi and Esther Reynolds participated in the Tri-City Swim meet at West High this past Saturday. Malachi received blue ribbons (first place) in his heat for the 50 breaststrokes and 50 freestyles and Esther received a blue ribbon (first place) in her 25 freestyles heat. They are both members of the Siouxland Sharks.



SPORTS FORCE

EAGLES GAMES & HIGHLIGHTS



Varsity Boy's Basketball

Date	Opponent	Where	Time
Nov 27	East Sac County	Home	7:30 PM
Nov 30	LLC	Home	7:30 PM
Dec 1	Westwood	Sloan	7:30 PM
Dec 5	West Monona	Home	7:30 PM
Dec 8	Lawton-Bronson	Home	7:30 PM
Dec 12	Kingsley-Pierson	Kingsley	7:30 PM
Dec 14	Cherokee	Cherokee	7:30 PM
Dec 19	Whiting	Whiting	7:30 PM

Varsity Girl's Basketball

Date	Opponent	Where	Time
Nov 27	East Sac County	Home	6:00 PM
Nov 30	LLC	Home	6:00 PM
Dec 1	Westwood	Sloan	6:00 PM
Dec 5	West Monona	Home	6:00 PM
Dec 8	Lawton-Bronson	Home	6:00 PM
Dec 12	Kingsley-Pierson	Kingsley	6:00 PM
Dec 14	Cherokee	Cherokee	6:00 PM
Dec 19	Whiting	Whiting	6:00 PM

JV Boy's Basketball

Date	Opponent	Where	Time
Dec 1	Westwood	Sloan	5:00 PM
Dec 5	West Monona	Home	5:00 PM
Dec 8	Lawton-Bronson	Home	5:00 PM
Dec 12	Kingsley-Pierson	Kingsley	5:00 PM

JV Girl's Basketball

Date	Opponent	Where	Time
Dec 1	Westwood	Sloan	4:00 PM
Dec 5	West Monona	Home	4:00 PM
Dec 8	Lawton-Bronson	Home	4:00 PM
Dec 12	Kingsley-Pierson	Kingsley	4:00 PM

JH BOYS BASKETBALL HIGHLIGHTS:

The JH boys' basketball team took on a heavy challenge when the Cardinals of South Sioux City came November 9th. It didn't take long to see that this was going to be a battle to keep up with the Cardinals. Early foul trouble slowed down the Eagles as did the Cardinals' press. The effort of the Eagles was ultimately unsuccessful against the Cardinals. Final score 21-56. The Eagles scoring was led by Josh with 10 followed by AJ with 8.

Monday the 13th saw a JH boys double header against River Valley. The first game scoring was led by Ethan with 13 points. Sam added 8 followed by Ben with 4. Eagles won 25-6 with a great team defensive effort. The second game began tighter than anticipated with River Valley taking a 1st quarter lead 9-8. The Eagles stepped up hard and finish the game winning 49-15. Holding River Valley to 3 points in the second half, all coming in the 4th quarter. Scoring was led by Josh with 16 points, followed by Luke with 14.

Tuesday the 14th the Eagles took on the Westwood Rebels for a 7th grade focused game. The Eagles were down one of their quickest players and it showed as the Rebels put up 18 points in fast-breaks the first half. The Eagles were paced in scoring by Ethan who finished with 10 points followed by Luke with 6. Final score Eagles 23- Rebels 43.

Friday the 17th the Eagles took their game on the road to Whiting. The Warriors were no match for the Eagles as the boys put up 61 points. Josh led with 19 while both AJ and Luke added 18 each. Whiting was held to just 12 points, with a lone 3 pointer as their only second half score.

Monday the 20th found the Eagles on the road again. This time in Macy taking on the Chiefs of the Omaha Nation. The Eagles started out strong scoring the first 8 points of the game. Luke lead the Eagles with 14 points. AJ added 11 points and Sam added 8 points. Again the Eagles played great team defense as the Chiefs were held to 3 points in the 1st and zero points in the 3rd quarter.

Tuesday the 22nd found the Eagles once again at home, this time hosting the MVAO Hawks. The match up was a near repeat of the first meeting earlier this month. The Eagles outscored the Hawks 40-16. The Eagles held the Hawks to 1 point in the 4th quarter. The Eagles scoring was led by Luke with 14 followed by AJ with 9 and Sam with 8.