



Song-of-the-Week

Psalm 52 warns of the wickedness of our tongues. The wicked use their tongues to boast against God and His people, and their end will be destruction. Our children need to be taught to use their tongues for good and not evil. May we use our tongues to thank and praise God! Read the psalm and sing 52A with the children this week.

- 1. O mighty man, why wilt Thou boast Thyself in hateful cruelty,
When God Almighty is most kind, and ever merciful is He?
- 3. Since, O thou false, deceitful tongue, in deadly words Thou findest joy,
The Lord shall pluck thee from thy place and all thy wickedness destroy.
- 6. With endless thanks, O Lord, to Thee, Thy wondrous works will I
proclaim.
And in the presence of Thy saints will ever hope in Thy good Name.

Athletics

7th – 8th Boys’ Soccer – Coach: Mr. Zach Koole (616-617-7952)			
Tuesday, September 22	Home vs. Jenison Chr.	4 pm	
Thursday, September 24	at Westside Chr.	4 pm	
Tuesday, September 29	Home vs. Legacy Chr.	4 pm	
7th Volleyball – Coach: Miss Hannah Kamps (616-490-0430)			
Tuesday, September 22	Home vs. Hudsonville Chr. (2)	4 pm	
Thursday, September 24	at Allendale Chr. (2)	4 pm	
Tuesday, September 29	Home vs. Dutton Chr. (1)	4 pm	
8th Volleyball – Coach: Miss Gayle Lotterman (616-901-1439)			
Tuesday, September 22	at Hudsonville Chr.	4 pm	
Thursday, September 24	Home vs. Dutton Chr. (1)	4 pm	
Monday, September 28	Practice	3-4:30 pm	

MAP Testing (Measures of Academic Progress)

The 3rd – 8th grades will be taking the MAP assessments this week, September 21-24. These tests are administered three times each school year. The remaining dates can be found in the back of the new school directory. Please limit appointments as much as possible on these dates.

School Pictures

School Pictures will take place this Wednesday, September 23. Picture envelopes were sent home last week for each student in K-7th. Please return the envelopes completely filled out, with a check made payable to DVD Photography if ordering. Students MUST return their form even if you are not ordering prints. 8th grade students will receive a separate order form at a later date.

PTA (Parent Teacher Association)

PTA is scheduled for Tuesday September 29 at 7:30 in the music room. We will have as our speaker Rev. William Boekestein, the author of RFPA book “Finding My Vocation.” He will speak on the topic “Raising Children of Truth in a Post-Truth Age.” We hope to see you there!

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Conferences are scheduled for October 8 and 9. School will dismiss at 2 pm on Thursday the 8th and 11:45 am on Friday the 9th. Signups will again take place through Google Forms (online). Information and a link to sign up for conferences was sent out last week via email. Forms are due back this Wednesday. Please contact the office if you have any questions.

Golf Tournament

The AOK League is hosting an optional 9-hole golf tournament for boys and girls in grades 7–8 on Saturday, October 3, at Maple Hill. If your child would like to participate, please fill out the form and return it to the office with payment TODAY. If there is additional room, registration will open to 6th graders tomorrow.

7th Boys’ Basketball Coach Needed

Our 7th grade boys’ basketball team needs a coach. Practices begin mid-October and end early-December. Anyone interested should contact our Athletic Director, Andy Bylsma at andyb@the-aagm.com or 616-822-4450.

Directory

The 2026-27 School Directory is coming home today. Extra copies will be available in the office.

Help Needed – Paid Position

The Building Committee is looking for someone who is interested in keeping the sidewalks around school clear of snow and ice this winter. Applicants must be 18 or older to operate motorized equipment, though individuals under 18 may also apply. Please contact Tom Huizinga at 616-862-2843 for more information.

School Circle News

Hot Lunch / Snack Sale – September 23

Hot Lunch: Burgers Servers (please be to school by 11 am): Alyssa Huizinga, Emily K, Jill Koole, Sarah K

Snacks provided by: Libby VanBaren, Julie VB, Gina VDT, Shelbi VDT, Kayli VK, Cheri VV, Cassie VO, Katelyn VO (Please have 22 homemade, prepackaged snacks to the school kitchen by 9am. Thank you!)

The Hot Lunch Committee would like to update everyone regarding the ordering website and app. We have addressed all the issues, and ordering should run more smoothly for everyone. For some, the app will be an easier way to see your kids' orders and place new ones. To see the changes you will most likely need to uninstall and reinstall the app for it to work properly. If you have any additional issues, please let Kara Kregel know and she can sort things out with the website designers. Thanks for your patience with the issues.

Helping Hands - Teacher Snacks

A signup genius has been created for those who wish to provide the teachers with snacks every other Monday throughout the school year. Use the following link to sign up:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0849A8A82FA2FEC52-65687230-snacks>

Jog-A-Thon Fundraiser

The Start Strong Jog-A-Thon is scheduled for Friday, October 2. Please encourage your student(s) to gather their sponsors. Help us hit our \$1000 match goal by sponsoring Principal Kuiper! Completed pledge forms are due back to teachers by next Wednesday, September 30.

We still need a few more volunteers for this event. Please contact Shannon Bylsma (616-540-6039) if you’re willing to help!

Family Fun Night - Volunteer Needed

We are still in need of a volunteer to take over the Family Fun Night General Store. Leigh Kooienga is willing to stay on and train the new volunteer this year. Please reach out to 616-893-7817 if you are willing to help.

Keycard Books

New this year are BOGO offers for many of the shows downtown (MI International Auto Show, Home and Garden Show, Ultimate Sports Show). Pick up a Keycard book for \$30 and see all the places you can save money while supporting our school.

TRIP

TRIP will be sold every Tuesday morning from 8:15-9:00 AM in the classroom to the right at the bottom of the ramp. Please contact Brenda VanBaren at 616-644-5816 with any questions.

Requested Announcements

The Peer to Peer Walk was postponed until Saturday, October 10. Donuts and coffee will start at 9:30 with the walk starting at 10. The track will be open for walking as well as part of the cross country trail. We are looking forward to a great turnout in support of the Special Education program, its Board, staff, kids and families!

CCHS Senior Class would like to invite you to attend: CCHS Fall Festival Saturday, October 3 from 4:00pm-8:00pm. Come out and join us for a fun evening at the athletic complex. Dinner, games, activities for kids, and the alumni soccer game at 7pm. Seniors are selling dinner tickets \$50 per family or \$10 individually. Please reach out to your favorite senior to purchase tickets.

Fall Festival Apple Sales: The CCHS senior class will be selling half bushels of apples. Ida Red and Jonagold will be \$15 and Honeycrisp \$25. If you don't have access to a senior and would like to purchase apples, text Karen Kuiper (616-662-0948) or Rochelle VanderKolk (616-634-0711).

The annual Heritage Christian 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament for grades 3-8 will be held on Saturday, November 7, 2026! Start getting your teams together & sign up at the following link: [HCS3on3 Sign Up](#). The registration deadline is October 10th

The Adams Christian Mothers Club would love to invite the ladies from your school community to our **2026 Tasting Bee on Friday, November 6!** The Tasting Bee is a fun ladies’ evening filled with delicious food, fellowship, a silent auction, and more. Guests will have

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the opportunity to sample a variety of dishes throughout the evening and take home our brand-new **Adams Christian cookbook**, filled with hundreds of recipes submitted by families and friends of our school community. **Tickets are \$40 per person** and include admission to the event and one cookbook. Registration is now open, but seating is limited! **Each person attending must be registered!** Registration closes **October 2 or when all seats are filled.** Grab some friends, register together, and come enjoy a wonderful evening with us! If you have any questions please reach out to anyone on the committee (Monica Hoekstra, Elizabeth Koerner, Lauren Bodbyl, Kelly Karsemeyer, Shelby Mingerink, Nicole Kooienga & Laura Langerak)

The Reformed Witness Committee of Hope Protestant Reformed Church invites you to a timely debate between Prof. D. Kuiper and Dr D. Noe, on the topic of Marriage, Divorce, and Remarriage on October 2, 2026, at 7:30 pm in Covenant Christian High School's Jubilee Hall. Please use the following link to submit questions that you may have for the speakers regarding the topic. <https://hopeprchurch.org/divorce-debate/>. The debate will be live streamed.

CCHS Boys Basketball will again be offering the "Future Chargers" league for boys in grades 3rd-6th. The league is 5 weeks long and starts November 14 and runs through December 12 . Additional details can be found in the link below. It's a fun way to develop basic basketball skills while working with the boys varsity players and coaches. Please use the link below to sign up and to get more information. Please sign up ASAP as there is limited space. **Deadline to register is October 18. Click on Link to sign up: FUTURE CHARGERS SIGN UP**