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Thursday, March 23nd
Through
Friday, March 31st

LUNCH MENU

Week of 03/20 thru 03/24

- ♦ Monday, Mar. 20—Baseball Nacho Lunch—\$5.50 Pay at Table
- ♦ Tuesday, Mar. 21—Little Caesars: Cheese Pizza
- ♦ Wednesday, Mar. 22—Chick-Fil-A: Chicken Sandwich, Chips, Cookie
- ♦ Thursday, Mar. 23—4 Seasons: Lasagna, Breadstick, Brownie
- ♦ Friday, Mar. 24—Bring Your Lunch

Week of 03/27 thru 03/31

- ♦ Monday, Mar. 27—Bring Your Lunch
- ♦ Tuesday, Mar. 28—Señor Lopez: Chicken, Cheese & Rice
- ♦ Wednesday, Mar. 29—Chick-Fil-A: Chicken Nuggets, Chips, Cookie
- ♦ Thursday, Mar. 30—4 Seasons: Chicken Quesadillas, Chips & Salsa
- ♦ Friday, Mar. 31— *** Grandparents Day*** Noon Dismissal

Prices: Chick-Fil-A \$6.00 Señor Lopez \$6.00 Subway \$6.00 4 Seasons \$6.00

Pizza Slices: 1-\$2.00, 2-\$2.50, 3-\$3.00

You can view the monthly lunch calendar on our website at www.hcahopkinsville.org All lunch order forms must be turned in by **9:00 a.m. the day prior to the lunch of choice.



I hope that you have made plans to attend the drama department's presentation of Freaky Friday this weekend at the historical Alhambra theater in Hopkinsville. The plot involves a mother and daughter who switch bodies through a mystic event and then begin to see the events of life through the eyes of the other. They soon realize that their previous attitude and actions have been from a limited perspective, and they could only understand those events from one side. An old proverb encourages people to "walk a mile in their shoes," before criticizing other people. One person takes that thought a litter further and says, "Before you criticize someone walk a mile in their shoes. Then you will be a mile away from them and you'll have their shoes."

Paul offers a similar encouragement in his letter to the Ephesians. In one place he says to refrain from "coarse joking," and in another place he says, not to let "any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for *building others up according to their needs*, that it may benefit those who listen." While instances profanity rarely occurs on the campus of HCA, unkind words occur more frequently. In many cases, when I speak with students who have spoken such words, they respond by saying, "he knows I'm only kidding," or "she says it doesn't bother her." More often than not, those students who have been the recipients of the unkind words maintain a brave face in class because they don't want their friends to get in trouble and they don't want others to see how much the words hurt.

After addressing matters such as these with students and parents and how they fit within the paragraph on bullying currently found in the family handbook, I brought the issue to the HCA board of directors. The board discussed the events and the current description in the handbook, and decided to update the language in that part of the family handbook. The result is a more detailed definition for bullying, harassment, and intimidation, and a more specific description of the consequences for behaviors fit into those categories. The updated language for the family handbook will be sent home with high school and middle school students on Tuesday, and with elementary school students in their Friday folders.

The occurrences of unkind words are not a new phenomenon at Heritage. Both of my daughters who graduated from HCA relayed ways that students were unkind or downright mean to others while they were students here. Paul's words to the Ephesians emphasize the need to "build others up according to their needs." It is no secret that the adolescent brain struggles to find identity and acceptance among peers, and sometimes resorts to belittling another in order to feel "better than." The criticisms that are commonplace in our culture serve no purpose in the educational process and provide no benefit to those who hear them, even those who simply overhear what is said.

The goal for the updated language in the family handbook is communicate the importance of using every word that we speak to encourage and edify the others who are around us. Please take a moment this week to read the update, and discuss its significance with your student.

Boys Varsity Baseball

| Mar 25 | Sat | Russellville | Home | 12:00 |
|--------|-----|-------------------|------|-------|
| Mar 28 | Tue | Ft. Campbell | Away | 5:30 |
| Apr 10 | Mon | All A Qtr Finals | Away | 5:30 |
| Apr 11 | Tue | All A Semi Finals | Away | 7:00 |
| Apr 11 | Tue | Russellville | Away | 5:30 |
| Apr 13 | Thr | All A Finals | Away | 5:30 |
| Apr 15 | Sat | Cornerstone | Home | 11:00 |
| Apr 15 | Sat | Oak Ridge | Home | 3:00 |
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Middle School Boys Baseball

| Mar 28 | Tue | Ft. Campbell | Away | 5:30 |
|--------|-----|----------------|--------|------|
| Mar 30 | Thr | UHA | Away | 5:30 |
| Mar 31 | Fri | Muhlenberg Co | Home | 5:30 |
| Apr 14 | Fri | Hopkins County | . Away | 5:30 |



Girls Softball

| Apr 03 | Mon | South Haven | Home | 5:00 |
|--------|-----|-------------------|--------|-------|
| Apr 10 | Mon | All A Qtr Finals | Away | 5:30 |
| Apr 11 | Tue | All A Semi Finals | s Away | 7:00 |
| Apr 13 | Thr | All A Finals | Away | 5:30 |
| Apr 14 | Fri | Warren Central | Home | 5:00 |
| Apr 15 | Sat | Cornerstone | Home | 11:00 |





MS Spring Soccer

| Mar 21 | Tue | Trigg County | Away | TBA |
|--------|-----|-----------------|------|-----|
| Mar 25 | Sat | Reg 2 Jamboree | Away | TBA |
| Mar 28 | Tue | Caldwell County | Home | TBA |
| Mar 30 | Thr | UHA | Home | TBA |
| Apr 11 | Tue | Hopkins Co | Home | TBA |
| Apr 13 | Thr | Hopkinsville | Away | TBA |



2023 Scholastic Spring Book Fair Located in the HCA Library

March 23rd-March 30th From 7:30 a.m.—3:30 p.m.

March 31st from 7:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

If you can't make it to our book fair in person,

Please visit the book fair website:

https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/heritagechristianacademy7





The PTF will continue online donations through Friday, March 24th at www.mybooster.com



We are in need of shelf staple foods for our students that may not have a lunch. These items can be as simple as a package of crackers, a granola bar, or even microwaveable meal cups. If you wish to donate, please drop of items in the front office to be delivered to Erica West, or Tammy Hayes.





Friday, March 31st Performance in the gym begins at 9:00





The Chess Club will meet the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month after school in Mr. Lassiter's room.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, April 19th





PTF will be holding officer elections at our next monthly meeting on Tuesday, April 11 at 3:15 in the lunchroom. (This meeting was moved due to spring break falling on the first Tuesday of the month.)

Officer positions are voted on yearly, and we have several officers who have indicated that they will not be seeking re-election. If you are interested or have questions about officer duties, please read the PTF by-laws on the following pages, or contact Amanda Outland, current PTF President. Nominations and voting will take place on April 11.

Heritage Christian Academy Parent-Teacher Fellowship Bylaws

Article I - Name

The name of this organization shall be Heritage Christian Academy (HCA) Parent-Teacher Fellowship (PTF).

Article II - Purpose & Mission

Purpose

Section 1 To coordinate programs and services that enhance the quality of education and spiritual development of students enrolled at HCA.

Section 2 To compliment the goals of HCA and to support the activities and programs of HCA through financial and labor assistance.

Section 3 To foster quality education through cooperation and open communication between parents, teachers, students, and school administrators.

Section 4 To foster academic excellence, physical development and Christian morals and values.

Section 5 To provide financial support; in ways that will supplement, but not substitute for, HCA's responsibilities for the maintenance and operation of the school and for the materials and supplies necessary for the teaching of the children enrolled at HCA.

Mission

Our mission is to promote a strong partnership between the school, parents and the community that directly and positively affects the success of learning for all of HCA's students. We are committed to fostering student success by encouraging parents to be active in their child's educational experience at home and at school, by supporting and aiding the HCA teachers and administrators, and working to maintain effective, intelligent communication between school, family, and community.

Article III - Policies

Section 1 The PTF is organized under the tax exempt and non-profit business status of HCA. The PTF does not desire to establish itself as a separate legal entity from HCA.

Section 2 This fellowship shall be non-commercial, interdenominational and non-partisan.

Section 3 The name of the PTF or the names of any members in their official capacities shall not be used in any connection with a commercial concern or with any partisan interest or for any purpose not appropriately related to promotion of the purposes of the PTF.

Section 4 The PTF shall not-directly or indirectly-participate or intervene in any way (including the publishing or distributing of statements) in any political campaign on behalf of, or in opposition to, any candidate for public office.

Section 5 The PTF shall not devote more than an insubstantial part of its activities to attempting to influence legislation by propaganda or otherwise.

Section 6 The PTF may cooperate, with other organizations concerned with the welfare of the child, but persons representing the PTF in such matters shall neither be empowered to nor make any commitments that bind the organization.

Section 7 the PTF shall not seek to direct the administrative activities of the school or to control its policies. The PTF shall strive to work in harmony with the school administrators and staff.

Section 8 The PTF shall be composed of members who volunteer their time and energy toward the stated purposes of this organization. No part of the earnings of the PTF shall be paid to a member for services rendered as a committee officer or as a volunteer acting on behalf of the PTF.

Article IV - Membership

Section 1 Membership in the PTF shall consist of:

- ♦ Parents, stepparents, and legal guardians of students enrolled at HCA.
- ♦ All school administrators, teachers, and support staff.
- ♦ HCA alumni/family.
- ♦ Extended family/friends of enrolled students who support the school.

Section 2 Membership and participation is limited to only those interested in promoting the objectives of the HCA PTF and willing to uphold its policies and subscribe to its bylaws.

Section 3 All memberships shall be made available without regard to race, color, creed, national origin, disability, age, or sex.

Section 4 The necessity of membership dues shall be reviewed and determined as needed by the Executive Committee of the PTF and (if applicable) shall be payable, without proration, at the beginning of the school calendar year upon registration for enrollment to HCA.

♦ Reviewed January 2021. It was determined that there will not be dues for the 2022-2023 school year.

Article V - Officers and Duties of the Officers

Section 1 Available Offices

The officers of the PTF are:

- **♦** President
- ♦ Vice-President
- ♦ Secretary
- **♦** Treasurer
- ♦ Historian
- ♦ Parliamentarian

Section 2 Nomination Requirements

Since the officers of the PTF represent HCA, the eligibility requirements for nominations are as follows:

- ♦ nominees shall be Christian people who accept and adhere to the doctrinal statements and statements of belief of HCA.
- nominees shall have a Christian walk that is consistent with the doctrinal positions and practices of HCA.
- nominees shall be any person named in Article IV, Section 1 (not full-time employees).
- nominees shall be any person outlined above who demonstrates concern for the work of the organization.
- ◆ nominees shall be committed to consistent attendance at PTF meetings, Executive Committee meetings, PTF/ school functions, and special planning meetings.

Section 3 Officer Duties

Officers are expected to attend all regular PTF meetings, PTF Executive Committee meetings, PTF sponsored functions, school functions and special planning meetings. If an officer is unable to attend a regularly scheduled PTF meeting, said officer should send another officer in his/her place to uphold his/her duties at the meeting.

The President

- ♦ Shall preside and establish the agenda at all general, special and Executive Committee meetings.
- ♦ Shall serve on and coordinate the work of the Executive Committee, including attendance at all Executive Committee meetings.
- ♦ Shall perform other duties as may be prescribed in the bylaws or assigned by the PTF or Board of Directors in order that the purposes stated in Article 2 may be promoted.
- ♦ Shall be the primary contact for the school administrators and staff.
- ♦ Shall provide the planned agenda to Executive Committee on Friday prior to regularly scheduled PTF meeting.
- ♦ Shall serve as an ex-officio member of the Board of Directors.
- ♦ Shall attend monthly meetings held by HCA's Board of Directors as requested.

The Vice-President

- ♦ Shall assist the President and shall assume all duties of the President in his/her absence.
- ♦ Shall perform other duties as may be prescribed in the bylaws or assigned by the PTF or Board of Directors in order that the purposes stated in Article 2 may be promoted.
- Shall serve on the Executive Committee and attend all Executive Committee meetings.

The Secretary

- ♦ Shall record and preserve the minutes of all general and Executive Committee meetings of the PTF -such minutes shall be as detailed as possible and distributed to all members of the PTF Executive Committee prior to the next regularly scheduled meeting of the PTF or Executive Committee.
- ♦ Shall keep an accurate record/sign-in of all in attendance at general and Executive Committee meetings and share attendance information with the school's volunteer coordinator.

- ♦ Shall submit meeting minutes to Executive Committee no more than one (1) week after regularly scheduled PTF meeting.
- ♦ Shall submit a synopsis of all regular PTF meeting minutes for publication in the school's newsletter for those not attending the general PJF meetings.
- ♦ Shall coordinate the distribution of official notices to PTF members.
- ♦ Shall follow-up with any outstanding issues at least two (2) weeks prior to next regularly scheduled PTF meeting.
- ♦ Shall serve on the Executive Committee and attend all Executive Committee meetings.

The Treasurer

- ♦ In conjunction with the HCA Business Office and Bookkeeper, shall collect the bank statements each month and reconcile the statements, as well as make all deposits to the account.
- ♦ Shall prepare a Treasurer's Report that is current to no more than the Friday before a regularly scheduled PTF meeting and present said report at the regularly scheduled PTF meeting.
- ♦ Shall provide balance sheets to all officers at regular PTF meetings and Executive Committee meetings.
- ♦ Shall tally/balance funds from all events/fund raisers within 72 hours of the end of said event/fundraiser.
- ♦ Shall serve on the Executive Committee and attend all Executive Committee meetings.

The Historian

- Shall attend all functions sponsored by the PTF, and record the event in pictures.
- ♦ Shall serve on the PTF Executive Committee.
- ♦ Shall update the PTF Facebook page.
- ♦ Shall serve on the Executive Committee and attend all Executive Committee meetings.

The Parliamentarian

- ♦ Shall keep meetings timely and in order.
- ♦ Shall have a voice, but no vote.
- ♦ Shall serve on the Executive Committee and attend all Executive Committee meetings.

Article VI - Elections and Vacancies

Section 1 Officers shall be nominated and elected/re-elected annually at the April PTF meeting. A majority vote of those in attendance will serve as the deciding population for election/re-election.

Section 2 Officers elected will serve their term of office from June 1st to May 31st.

Section 3 There is no limit to the number of terms a person may serve as an officer of the PTF.

Section 4 If an officer is unable to serve a full term in their elected office, he/she should notify the PTF President immediately and turn in any/all records related to his/her office in the PTF. Upon receiving notice of the vacancy, the PTF President is to call a special meeting of the Executive Committee to discuss/appoint a proper replacement for the unfulfilled offices. Once a candidate is chosen, a member of the Executive Committee will contact the proposed replacement and request their service as an officer of the PTF. The Executive Committee will continue in this process until the vacancy has been filled.

Article VII - Executive Committee

The officers of the PTF shall constitute the Executive Committee.

The Executive Committee

- ♦ Shall maintain and uphold these bylaws at all meetings.
- ♦ Shall hold an annual review of these bylaws and make any amendments they deem necessary.
- ♦ Shall meet at the end of each school year to assess the need for PTF dues.
- ♦ Shall determine the calendar of events and meeting schedule(s).
- ◆ At least three (3) voting members of the Executive Committee must be present to conduct business.

Article VIII - Meetings

Section 1 Regular meetings shall be held during the school year. The meetings will be held on campus at a time and date selected by the Executive Committee. Regular meetings should be monthly but must at least be quarterly. The PTF Executive Committee shall adjust and/or cancellations as needed. These general meetings will be open to all members.

Section 2 A majority vote of the PTF members in attendance at time of a vote will constitute a quorum.

Section 3 All HCA PTF members shall conduct themselves appropriately during the HCA PTF meetings and events. New ideas and open discussion are encouraged. Respect and courtesy toward each other are expected.

Section 4 Robert's Rules of Order shall loosely govern the HCA PTF in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these bylaws and any special rules of order the organization may adopt.

Section 5 Rules for meeting conduct and procedure, as well as copies of the HCA PTF bylaws, shall be made available by the PTF President at the first regularly scheduled meeting of the school year.

Section 6 These bylaws may be amended at any regular meeting of the general membership of the HCA PTF by two thirds vote of the members present and voting, provided that notice of the proposed amendment shall have been given at least thirty (30) days prior to the meeting at which the amendment is voted upon.

Article IX - Standing Rules

Section 1 Fiscal Policy & Finances

The PTF financial account(s) shall maintain a \$3,000 minimum balance at close of fiscal/school year. No loans shall be made by the organization to its officers or members. The PTF Executive Committee shall have the authority to vote on expenditures of up to \$3,500 without the requirement of a simple majority vote of the membership.

Section 2 Fundraisers

All fundraisers shall be handled on a cash and/or check upfront basis. We will not accept orders without payment.

Section 2 Fundraisers, cont'd.

Only PTF officers may sign a contract with a vendor/company as confirmation/commitment to participate in said vendor's/company's fundraising program. The signing officer will act as sole contact for vendor in regard to participation in the fundraising program until its conclusion.

Section 3 PTF Assistance Requests

In order for a teacher, staff member or school organization to request funds for purchase of classroom aids/equipment, request purchase of aids/equipment or request financial support for a particular event, he/she must adhere to the following guidelines.

The teacher, staff member, or head of school organization:

- ♦ Shall complete the PTF Assistance Request Form.
- ♦ Shall submit signed and completed PTF Assistance Request Form (in the PTF mailbox) no less than one (1) week prior to the next regularly scheduled PTF meeting.
- Shall attend the next regularly scheduled PTF meeting.
- ♦ Shall verbally present need/application of aids/equipment/funds to PTF members present at meeting and provide no less than three (3) quotes in writing for said aids/equipment.
- ♦ Teachers/staff shall not vote on requests that they propose.

Section 4 Recurring Obligations

There will be no recurring obligations or standing promises of payment/assistance to any teacher, staff member or school organization. All financial gifts will be decided upon each year based on current financial standing at the time of the request. As such, any teacher, staff member or school organization requiring assistance each year will need to submit a new PTF Assistance Request each fiscal/school year.

Section 5 Check Requests

Check requests for purchases and/or reimbursements up to \$5,000 shall be signed by any one (1) member of the Executive Committee when accompanied by receipt/invoice; such requests **over** \$5,000 shall be signed by no less than two (2) members of the Executive Committee.

Article X - Adoption of Bylaws and Revisions

As stated in Article VIII, Section 6-These bylaws may be amended at any regular meeting of the general membership of the HCA PTF by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting, provided that notice of the proposed amendment shall have been given at least thirty (30) days prior to the meeting at which the amendment is voted upon.

Bylaws revised January 2022 by the HCA PTF Executive Committee:

- ♦ Amanda Outland, President
- ♦ Jenny Arvin, Vice-President
- ♦ Tabitha Strader, Secretary
- ♦ Anita Thomas, Treasurer
- ♦ Amy Strickland, Historian
- ♦ Bobby Spurling, Historian



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