



PARENT NOTE – November 11, 2024

“Creation Caretakers”

Genesis 2:15

SCHOOL NEWS:

- **Tonight, at 6pm in the gym, we will be hosting Dan Seaborn** during our *Anxious Generation* book study. **Everyone is welcome to attend!** Dan is a highly sought after speaker, as he speaks across the country about building Godly families and marriages. He has spoken at Promise Keepers, to sports teams, churches across the country, on over 350 radio stations. We would love to welcome you to join us for this special portion of our book study. You will be sure to leave inspired.
- **The Thanksgiving season gives us the opportunity to show our thankfulness to God by sharing with others in need. For Thanksgiving this year, we will be collecting food and toiletries for Roseland Christian Ministries in Roseland, IL. These gifts will be presented at our Thanksgiving chapel on Wed., Nov. 27. All donations will be collected in the students’ classrooms. We will begin collecting items on Monday, Nov. 11.**

Items needed:

box of stuffing	can of corn	toothpaste
cranberry sauce	canned sweet potatoes	soap
2 boxes of mac and cheese	box of mashed potatoes	deodorant
can of gravy	cake or brownie mix	shampoo
can of green beans		tissues

- **Artisan Fair: Saturday, November 23 from 9 am – 2 pm.** Come join us in the Highland Christian School gym for a unique shopping opportunity. The atmosphere will be Christmas and the items will be uniquely handmade gifts and delectable treats. There is delicious food and drinks available in the concession stand and a place to enjoy your food and chat. You will not want to miss out on this opportunity to buy one of a kind gifts for all the special people in your life.

ATHLETIC NEWS:

November 12: Boys Basketball Games

- **6th grade @ Calvary (AWAY) 4:00 p.m.**
- **7th grade @ Calvary (AWAY) 5:00 p.m.**
- **8th grade @ Calvary (AWAY) 6:00 p.m.**

November 14: Boys Basketball Games

- **6th grade @ Chicago Southwest Christian Tinley Park (AWAY) 4:00 p.m.**
- **7th grade @ Chicago Southwest Christian Tinley Park (AWAY) 5:00 p.m.**
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FAITH CORNER:

Prayer is an anytime and anywhere conversation with God that builds our relationship with and fosters trust in God. Use this prayer strategy this week with your family.

Circle Prayers- Hold hands and take turns praying one sentence at a time for each “round.” You may find it helpful to focus your prayer by using this kid-friendly version of “ACTS” by replacing Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, and Supplication with these prompts:

God, you are . . .
I'm sorry for . . .
Thank you for . . .
Please . . .

Praying that this strategy may encourage ongoing conversations with God.

PTO NEWS:

The **3rd-5th grade BINGO NIGHT** is this Friday, November 15, from 6-8pm in the school gym. Parents and siblings of 3-5th grade are invited to play, but only the 3-5th grade students will be able to win the prizes. We are looking forward to a fun night out!

SECURITY NEWS:

Our school has adopted the “I Love U Guys” Foundation’s Standard Response Protocol (SRP). The Standard Response Protocol (SRP) is based on an all-hazards approach as opposed to individual scenarios. SRP utilizes clean, common language and five specific actions that can be performed during an incident: Hold, Secure, Lockdown, Evacuate, and Shelter.

Today we will highlight the third SRP action: LOCKDOWN. This is the protocol used to secure individual rooms and keep students quiet and in place.

LOCKDOWN: “Locks, Lights, Out of sight.”

- Students should proceed to the nearest classroom and move out of sight of corridor windows.
- Teachers and staff will lock classroom doors, turn off lights, and stay with students out of sight. Teaching stops and everyone should remain still and silent.
- If students are outside for physical education or recess during the call for LOCKDOWN, recess monitors and staff should direct students to the nearest & safest offsite reunification area.

For more information regarding Standard Response Protocol, please see [I Love U Guys Foundation](#).

TRIP NEWS:

RaiseRight Days are coming up Nov. 14, 15, 21 and 22. Check out the extra bonus rebates from retailers during these days for ecards and reloadable cards!

Week of Thanksgiving - No TRIP orders will be due that week. The last physical gift card order before Christmas is Dec. 12th! Order your gift cards early.

These retailers are offering smaller denomination gift cards while supplies last for the holiday season:

\$5 – Barnes & Noble, Cold Stone Creamery, Panera, Starbucks, Taco Bell

\$10 – Amazon, Applebee’s, CVS Pharmacy, Darden Restaurants, Dick’s Sporting Goods, Disney, Gap Brands, Home Depot, Jewel, T.J. Maxx, Walmart

TRIP orders for physical gift cards are due (online and paper order forms) this week, Thurs., Nov. 14th by 10 a.m. TRIP will be accepting physical gift card orders on Nov. 14, 21, Dec. 5 and 12. Online ordering is available 24/7. Contact Ann Lynch at trip@highlandchristian.org for more information.

Team C (Jamie Vander Meyden, Annie Bouquet, Janell Eriks, Alexis Johnson) will be putting the TRIP orders together on Tuesday Nov. 12th. Orders will be ready for pick up in the school office on Tuesday by 2:45 p.m.

TRIP Teams for Stuffing Orders: Team D – Nov. 19; Team A – Nov. 26; Team B – Dec. 10; Team C – Dec. 17

COMMUNITY NEWS:

- **Illiana Christian is once again hosting a Softball Camp for girls in 5th-8th grade.**
 - Saturday, November 23 12:30-3:30pm
 - Saturday, November 30 at 10:00am-1:00pm
 - Saturday, December 14 at 12:30-3:00pm

For more information and/or to sign up, please click the following [LINK](#).