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ICS MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of ICS is to provide an atmosphere in which each unique child of God is challenged both academically and Biblically to live as a Christian, serving Him in all areas of life.

**2018-2019
Theme**

**“FAN THE
FLAME”**

Aug./Sept.

**BELIEVE
IN HIM**

AFFIRMATIVE STATEMENT

The Inwood Christian School admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities, generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs.

Dear Parents,

SONLIGHT PRESCHOOL BEGINS: SonLight Preschool began this past Wednesday and meets every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday. We welcome you, parents and students, to our ICS family!

SCHOOL BOARD TO MEET: The Inwood Christian School Board will be meeting on **Monday evening, September 10**, at 7:00 p.m. in the school office.

HEARTS & HANDS MEETING: Hearts & Hands will be meeting on **Monday evening, September 10**, in the music room beginning at 7:00 p.m. All moms of ICS students are invited and encouraged to attend. Please bring the attached agenda, as well as your thoughts and ideas, along to the meeting. We will be setting up committees, voting on fundraisers, and lining up room mothers for the 2018-2019 school year, and we need YOU to make it a great year! Hope to see you Monday night! ((Hearts & Hands))

COOKIE BAKING: Hearts & Hands will be baking cookies on **Tuesday, September 11**. Mixing on Tuesday morning will be Heidi Van De Stroet. Baking on Tuesday morning will be Jori Gulker, and baking on Tuesday afternoon will be Brittany Halma and Nikki Van Engen. (Cookie Committee)

SCHOOL PICTURES TO BE TAKEN: School pictures will be taken by Photography by Hank next **Friday, September 14**, beginning at 8:30 a.m. An envelope showing the picture packages available was sent home with each student last Friday. Before a student can have his/her picture taken, he/she needs to have a pay envelope filled out and returned. If you have not already done so, please get your picture envelopes returned to each student's teacher by **next Monday, September 10**. Please note that a class picture is included in all packages. If you do not purchase a package, class pictures may be purchased for \$10.00. If you wish to have a younger child's picture taken, pick up a pay envelope from the school office on **September 14**.

K-4 TO ATTEND HARVEST FESTIVAL: The students in grades K-4 will be attending the Harvest Festival at Sioux Center next **Friday, September 14**. The students are asked to wear their theme t-shirt to Sioux Center. They will be given time to change into their t-shirts after they have their pictures taken. The students will also need to bring a sack lunch for their noon meal.

K-4 DRIVERS NEEDED: K-4 students will be attending the Harvest Festival at Sioux Center next **Friday, September 14**, from 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Drivers are still needed for this event, so please contact your student's teacher if you would be willing to drive.

TEXT MESSAGES: Did you receive the text message from the school that was sent out this past Wednesday? If so, you are in the system and should be receiving the messages sent out during the year. If you did not receive the message on Wednesday and wish to start receiving the messages this year, please go to the following links and complete your sign up. You can sign up for both texts and e-mail, and both parents may sign up. It is easy to sign up, and we want to encourage everyone to participate. Even though you may have listed your numbers on your registration sheet, you need to go to the links and complete your sign up. The school is unable to just sign you up.

<http://www.remind.com/join/prek-8> or <http://www.remind.com/join/3b864>

PARENTS INFORMATION NIGHT: On **Thursday, September 20, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.**, the staff will be hosting a night of information for all parents. There will be three sectionals

parents may choose to attend: Health and Wellness (all parents); Math (Kindergarten - 4th grade parents); and Technology (5th - 8th grade parents.) Each sectional will be presented two times with a rotating schedule. More information regarding the schedule will be made available soon. We hope you will be able to attend!

ADVANCE NOTICE: There will be an early dismissal at 11:40 a.m. on **Friday, September 21**, as the teachers will be having an inservice in the afternoon. Busses will be running as usual. Both SonLight Preschool classes will be meeting in the morning on the 21st.

ADVANCE NOTICE: On **Wednesday, September 26**, at 8:30 a.m. the whole school will be meeting around the flagpole to celebrate our freedom to pray. We invite and encourage everyone to join us.

TEACHER WEB PAGES: Be sure to check the web pages of your students' teachers for important information from them. As the year goes on, the teachers will update with assignments and information that pertains just to their class. You can find each teacher's web page by going to the ICS website (www.inwoodchristian.com), click on contact us on the top right, click on staff directory, and then click on the teacher's web page you wish to see.

REMINDER: If your student(s) will be going somewhere other than their normal destination after school, the school needs a note (or at least a phone call) from parents telling us this information. If we do not receive a note or phone call, your student(s) will be sent to their normal destination.

BOOK ORDERS: Many of our students order books through the book clubs available through school. For easier bookkeeping purposes, the school sends one check to the book company when placing orders. If you send a check for your student's book order, **please make the check payable to Inwood Christian School**, not the book club as stated on the order form.

Mrs. Vander Veen

CALENDAR OF EVENTS



- Sept. 10 - Hearts & Hands Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- Sept. 10 - School Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- Sept. 14 - School pictures taken, 8:30 a.m.
- Sept. 14 - Morning/Afternoon SonLight Classes combined in morning
- Sept. 14 - K-4 Attend Harvest Festival at Sioux Center, 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
- Sept. 20 - Parent Information Night, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.
- Sept. 21- Early Dismissal, 11:40 a.m., teacher inservice; buses will be running at 11:40 a.m.
- Sept. 21 - Morning/Afternoon SonLight Classes combined in morning
- Sept. 26 - "See You At The Pole"
- Sept. 28 - Fellowship Village Chapel
- Sept. 28 - Mid-Terms sent home
- Oct. 4 & 5 - NO SCHOOL, Heartland Teachers' Inservice
- Oct. 9 - K - 4 Attend Play at Northwestern College
- Oct. 12 - Chapel

THEME FOR SEPTEMBER - "Believe in Him"

**"But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God,
and that by believing you may have life in His name."**

John 20:31

Hearts and Hands Agenda September 10th, 2018

1. Welcome, opening prayer, and devotions by Brenda Zylstra
2. Minutes of Feb 5, 2018 Meeting
3. Counting of Members
4. Treasurer's Report
 - a. Discussion on deficit and requests from teachers
5. Old Business/Fundraiser Committee Updates
 - a. Big Soo Coupon
 - b. Spring Social
 - c. Easter Bake Sale
 - d. Cookie Sales
 - e. Schwan's
 - f. Parade
 - g. Box Tops/Coke Points
6. New Business
 - a. Project Committee Report – Jori Gulker
 - b. Upcoming Fundraisers
 - i. Fall Social
 - ii. Holiday Bake Sale
 - iii. Poinsettias
 - iv. Schwann's
 - v. Easter Bake Sale
 - vi. Pizza Sale
 - vii. Apparel
 - viii. Other possible ideas:
 1. Parade of homes
 2. Others?
 - c. Set up committees
 - d. Set up room mothers
 - e. Vote on new officers:
 - i. **Vice President:**
 1. Leah Vande Vegte
 2. Abbey Van Beek
 3. Amy Stearns
 - ii. **Treasurer:**
 1. Laura Olson
 2. Leah Blankespoor
 3. Abbi Jansma
 - iii. **Projects:**
 1. Brittney Halma
 2. Pam Wynia
 3. Shanna Fluit
 - f. Other Business
7. Concept Minutes
8. Motion to Adjourn
9. Closing Prayer – Kandace Brands