

HERITAGE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

AUGUST, 2019

"Knowing God"

2019-2020 School-Wide Theme

"There is none holy like the Lord; there is no one besides you; there is no Rock like our God."

1 Samuel 2:2



Principal's Message

By Mr. George Gay

The start of the 2019-2020 school year is just around the corner! Much prayer and planning has gone into what promises to be a great school year. Please join us for our annual "Welcome Back" BBQ/Meet Your Teacher evening, which is sponsored by our Board of Trustees, on Tuesday, August 27, from 6-7:30 PM at the Reverence campus.

The BBQ is your opportunity to introduce your children to their teachers for the upcoming year, enjoy free food, and catch up with other HCS families after the summer. You might even want to bring other family members or friends that you to introduce to our school. Elementary and Preschool classrooms will be open for you to visit, and JH/HS teachers will also be waiting to meet new and returning students.

We are always excited to provide wonderful staff and teachers for your children, so I am excited to introduce the newest members of our Heritage Team. I trust that you will make them feel welcomed into our Heritage family!

Preschool: *Miss Jennifer Gyepes*

1st Grade: *Mrs. Hadee Espinoza*

5th Grade: *Mrs. Kathy McDaniel*

Elementary Office Administrator:

Mrs. Lynette Johnson

JH/HS Math: *Miss Caylee Jackson*

JH/HS Academic Counselor/International Director: *Mrs. Mary Nelson*

Heritage Harbor Change: *Mr. Chris Bitun, Director*

I am looking forward to seeing you all on Tuesday, August 27th!

Love makes all the difference

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Reaching Across the Ocean

By Mrs. Mary Nelson

We have had an amazing experience at Heritage Christian School over the summer. Our Summer Academy provided Christian outreach to our neighbors across the ocean and was met with city students from Beijing, China, village students from inland China, as well as students from Seoul, South Korea.

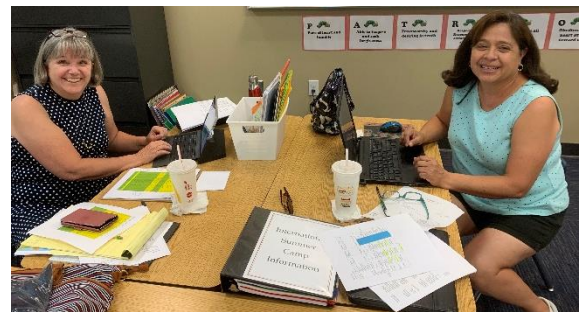
Our HCS students reached out with open arms to be friends, and to help share about our Lord Jesus Christ. The Academy program was taught by our amazing HCS teachers and staff and gave our international students a glimpse of an American school at work, from academic classes to learning new games with Mrs. Trojan at PE, interspersed with trips to Knott's Berry Farm, Boomers, Bowling, and Pirates Cove, and of course we can't forget the Game Truck!



Thanks so much to HCS teachers and office staff who put the time into making all the classes so enjoyable for all our summer students: Mrs. Arambula, Mrs. Benedetto, Mr. Bitun, Mrs. Comstock, Mrs. Contreras, Mrs. Hayes, Mrs. Kloessner, Mrs. Luttinen, Mr. Niswonger, and Mrs. Trojan. And a huge shout-out to the Heritage Harbor staff: Mrs. Miles, Ireney Naguib, Kayla Bitun, Rachel Brack, Loyd Calanoc, Connor Garrick, Daniel Hobiera, and Emily Pena, and, who attended to the details so important to class transitions, teaching, and field trips the kids loved so much.

Thanks also to our HCS students who took time out of their summer to provide a more closely relatable American school experience for the students from China and Korea.

Special thanks go to Mrs. Hayes, Mrs. Miles, and Mr. Gay who put together such a wonderful program and saw to the welfare of every child, every teacher, and every staff person through the 4 weeks of our Summer Academy. It took a lot to keep up with the demands of what was needed for our overseas groups. They are deserving of every Heritage High Five we can give them!



Thank you all once again, Mary Nelson, M.S., HCS Director, International Program

Currently Seeking Highly Energetic and Fun HCS School Board Members

By Christina Burris, School Board President



Qualifications

1. You have at least one Patriot student in attendance at Heritage Christian School.
2. You are a team player who is respectful of all ideas, opinions, and opportunities.
3. You have the ability to communicate openly and honestly.
4. You are able to attend most school board meetings (first Monday of the month [excluding summer] at 6 PM).
5. You are able to contribute to and/or attend School Board sponsored events.

If you are interested or know someone who would be a great School Board Member, please contact Christina Burris at cburris@heritagechristianschool.com.

Updates to Heritage Christian School Website

Just click the MyHeritage button at the top of the HCS website to find these updated information sheets:

Master School Calendar

A listing of all school events for the entire school year listed by All School, Preschool, Elementary, JH/HS. You can add these to your calendar now and then check the monthly calendars for any changes or additional items added to the section for your child(ren).

Uniform Standards

We have listened to you as you've voiced your concerns that our uniform standards were not clear. That has devolved into not having a standard dress code that parents could rely on and we do apologize for misunderstandings this has caused. In this document the Administration has clearly stated what is standard going forward and will do daily uniform checks to help you and your children dress appropriately for school each day. Click the Uniform Standards button next to the Shop Online button in the Bella block to see the complete list of Uniform Standards.

- **Phasing out HCS backpacks:** Please note that we are phasing out the requirement to have HCS backpacks. We have found that they were usually not big enough for our older students. Bella has several HCS backpacks left in stock if you do want to purchase one for your children in Preschool-3rd Grades.
- **Embroidery arrangements with Bella:** Bella has agreed to embroider Heritage Christian School and your child's initials on your purchased backpack for just \$15 should you wish to do so.
- **Backpack colors:** Although you can purchase backpacks anywhere you want, they must be only Navy Blue, Red, or Black.
- **Used Uniform Shirts/Items:** Used uniform items can be purchased in the School Office (Reverence Campus) for \$5 per item. We do accept any items (except for pants and shorts) your child has outgrown, but we do not exchange what you bring in for items in our used stock. This is a small fund-raiser for us to purchase miscellaneous school supplies to help the office staff and teachers prepare for your child's school day.
- **Bella Embroider and Print:** You will find the information for Bella on this page as well as a button you can click to shop online for Administration approved items.

JH/HS Supply List

The JH/HS Supply List is now posted on the website. Please note that items specific to each class will be listed in the syllabus given out at registration.

Preschool Supply List NOT ON THE WEBSITE

The Preschool Supply List will be given out at the Preschool Back To School Nite. Your child(ren) will not need anything on that list prior to it being handed to you that night.

Items Needed That Are Not In Teacher Supply Lists

- Large rolls of various colors of bulletin board paper (call the school office for purchase location); and reams of Legal Paper.