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BEING TRANSFORMED

I had a conversation recently with a friend about the nature and implications of pursuing “excellence.” We discussed the dangers of elitist culture and wondered aloud about the middle ground between when something is “good enough” and what constitutes “complacency.” How does contentment exist alongside of sanctification?

> At Central: *We value whole-person growth and practice continuous improvement through learning, personal reflection, and Christian development. We are open to new ideas and seek God’s kingdom dream for our lives and the world.*

John Maxwell writes: “Every 'yes' usually asks us to say 'no' to something else. Growth often means giving up comfort, convenience, or the quick win in exchange for something that lasts.”(1)

Growth requires a tradeoff, and tradeoffs often come with risk. It is less about striving or ambition and more about choices. Development means choosing a better path forward, and that is rarely the easiest or most comfortable. And while it is rarely straight, it is not an aimless path leading nowhere; it requires movement toward a vision of the preferred future.

Healthy growth calls for thoughtful consideration of who we are intended to become and where we are called to go. We are faced daily with decisions that require wisdom and obedience, decisions that shape our future and form our character. Not every opportunity is worth pursuing, and not every pursuit of excellence is necessarily worthwhile. Growth requires discernment about what matters most.

What matters most to us is that our students learn to understand Christ's lordship over every square inch of his creation. Excellence isn't about being better than someone else, or even better than we were yesterday. It is about being increasingly faithful to what God has entrusted to us. We desire for students at Central to be transformed by the redemptive power of God in their own stories and to learn what it means to live for his glory.



(1) Maxwell, J. C. (2012). *The 15 invaluable laws of growth: Live them and reach your potential*. Center Street.

Jon De Groot, Superintendent

STUDENT DISCIPLESHIP

"…These men who have turned the world upside down have come here also…" Acts 17:6

ELEMENTARY UPDATE:

In elementary chapel and small groups, we continued talking about what it looks like to be community buildings throughout the month of October. We read 1 Corinthians 12, where Paul talks about the importance of all parts of the body. We also gathered for our first Flock day of the year, where elementary small groups spent time with a middle or high school squad group to do some activities and make a card to encourage someone in our community. The elementary students look forward to the chance to spend some time one-on-one or in small groups with the older students! We closed out our month celebrating the Reformation with each grade leading a short reading and a song about one of the five solas of the Reformation. Hearing the students raise their voices in worship is always a blessing.

November kicks off our second quarter, and we shift to focusing on the throughline Servant Worker. Brain Bolkema shared a fantastic message with our students about being a servant and how taking on the attitude of serving shifts our focus from making ourselves important to making others around us feel important. If your family would like to dig in a little deeper into what it looks like to be a servant worker, check out this short devotional on the throughline.

— *Mrs. Becky Berry; Academic Support Coordinator & Elementary Student Discipleship Coordinator*



First grade students leading a short reading during the Reformation chapel.



Chapel with Luke Winger.

MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL UPDATE:

This month, the middle school and high school chapels focused on the subtheme "Riches" from the viewpoint of living Upside Down from the rest of the world. We were blessed to hear Jimmy Buehler, Matt Hoekstra, and Anna Leigh Stoel's perspectives on the subject. Jimmy spoke from Matthew 6:19-24. He emphasized that you can't serve both God and money. He cautioned us to be careful with what we set our eyes on because our hearts will follow. What we treasure most is what we worship, so we need to set our eyes on Christ! Matt encouraged the students to make Jesus the ultimate thing in their lives; not money or the things it can buy. He said money simply amplifies where your heart is; so if Christ is the ultimate thing, you will use your money wisely and generously, but if He is not, you will tend to hoard it and become greedy, making it an idol. Anna Leigh shared from Matthew 25:14-30, the parable of the talents. Anna Leigh talked about how we are entrusted with the treasures of money, abilities, time, and influence, how we use them matters. She used the verse "...you have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things" (v. 21), encouraging the kids to ask themselves, "How can we use the treasures that we have been gifted with to be faithful to Christ, not thinking about what we can get out of it?" At the beginning of the month, we also had a fun and unique chapel led by Luke Winger- a performer, juggler, and speaker. He shared inspiring testimonies, pointing the students to "trust in the Lord with all their hearts and lean not on their own understanding," all while juggling balls, pins, knives, and performing balancing acts - it was an eventful and meaningful chapel. Overall, it was a great month of motivating chapels and encouragement to set our eyes on Jesus!

— *Mrs. Katy Vogel, Faith Formation Coordinator*

CHRISTMAS GREENS ORDER PICKUP

The first pickup for the Christmas Greens orders is Tuesday, November 17, at 3:30pm. You can pick up your orders at the Central Event Center. If you requested student delivery, the student is responsible for picking up and delivering the order. Note: this pickup does not include Bachman's Nursery Poinsettias and Norfolk Pine orders. That pickup will be on Thursday, December 3.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES



We are looking for individuals with a passion for Christian Education and a heart for discipling students toward a life of service. Please click here for more information, and contact Jon De Groot at 320-978-8700 if you or someone you know is interested in applying for the following positions.

- Varsity Track & Field Coach
- C Team Track & Field Coach
- Varsity Baseball Coach (applications are open until November 25)

CHRISTMAS CONCERT SAVE THE DATES

The 6th-12th grade band & choir concert will be on Tuesday, December 8, in the high school gym. Bands begin at 6:30pm, followed by choirs at approximately 7:45pm.

The K-5th grade elementary concert will be held on Friday, December 11, at 7:00pm in the high school gym.

SIGNING DAY

COMMITTED





Central is proud to celebrate Sienna Duininck and Asher Wieberdink as they take the next step in committing to their basketball journeys! Sienna will be attending Minnesota State University, Mankato Mavericks, while Asher will be attending Southwest Minnesota State University, Marshall Mustangs. Congratulations to both on this exciting accomplishment! We are proud of you and look forward to seeing what the future holds!



YOU'RE INVITED

Leaving a *Lasting Impact*

A PLANNED GIVING EVENT

Join us for an informative evening exploring the many ways you can make an impact through giving. Learn about estate and will planning, charitable giving options, and how your generosity can make a difference for generations to come.

THURSDAY
NOVEMBER 19
7:00 – 8:00 PM

CENTRAL MINNESOTA CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Join us for pie and a presentation with Philip Admiraal, Central Alum and Director of Planning with Barnabas Foundation.

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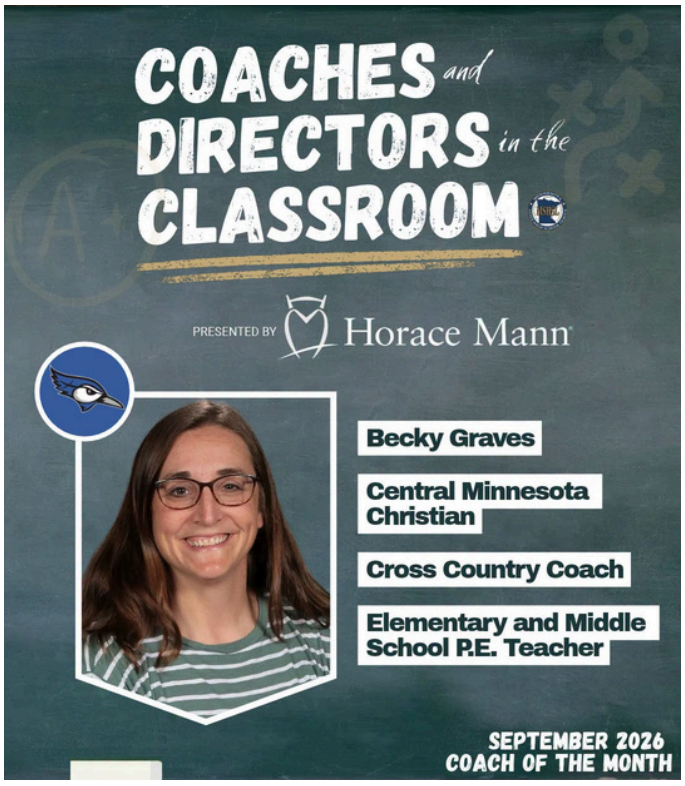
BLOCK SCHEDULE

We are a little over a quarter into the new school year with our implementation of block scheduling in our high school. The past two years of conversations, professional development, site visits, listening sessions, and training are now starting to play out in our classrooms. We have been excited about the initial implementation of block scheduling. Specifically, our teachers have expressed that they've enjoyed trying new activities and projects in the classroom with the extended classroom time.

Our students are also adjusting to block scheduling. With the structure of our classes, students have more time to dig into their content and discover how, reflect on, and apply their learning to God's greater story. This year, we are focusing on the Habits of Learning as a school-wide instructional goal. We are providing opportunities for curious thinking, gracious communicating, joy-filled collaborating, and courageous designing.

"I taught the first 5 years of my career in a high school with only block scheduling. This is now my 13th year at Central, and I'm so happy to be back to a Block Schedule! I feel like I lose so much of the content when we are learning and only have such a short period of time. In a longer class period, when we can learn it and actually practice with it in multiple ways, it helps content to sink in better and students to retain it better." – Mrs. Amber Brouwer

COACH OF THE MONTH



Congratulations to Mrs. Graves on being named Coach of the Month by the Minnesota State High School League!

Whether she's teaching PE or coaching cross country, Becky goes above and beyond to create meaningful experiences for our students. Her creativity, dedication, and genuine care for students shine through in all she does, helping them grow not only as athletes, but as individuals.

We're proud to have Becky as part of Bluejay Nation and thrilled to see her recognized for the lasting impact she makes on our students!

Security & Safety Announcement

Dear Central Families and Constituency,

We want to provide a brief update on school security and ask for your partnership as we continue to elevate the safety of our students and staff.

Over the past several years, we have continued to evaluate and strengthen our safety practices. We have worked with local authorities, increased law-enforcement presence at high-traffic events, audited our drills, strengthened our lockdown and emergency communication procedures, and updated our reunification plans through county EMS. We have also reviewed our legal and insurance responsibilities, participated in threat assessment training, and brought security professionals in to help our Board think through additional measures.

We have applied for a federal grant that could help fund several additional initiatives, including bullet-resistant film for doors and glass, and upgrades to our emergency communication systems. We have also looked into hiring an SRO and explored the possibility of an in-house security team. We will continue to evaluate additional ways to make our campus more secure.

The simple fact is that there is no single way to prevent a school tragedy. Security requires layers of protection, and those layers include both significant investments and simple, everyday habits. Everyone has a part to play.

Central is a relational community. We know our students and families, and that is one of the things that makes this place special. But we cannot rely on familiarity alone when it comes to security. We need consistent habits and procedures that help protect our community, even when we don't know everyone who walks through our doors.

As parents and members of the Central community, we are asking you to help us with the following: Never prop exterior doors open. If you enter or leave through an exterior door, make sure it closes and locks behind you.

Please use the main entrances. Do not use a key or other access method to enter the building unless you are specifically authorized to do so.

Please do not let students or others into the building through secured doors. Even when you know the person, please allow them to enter through the appropriate entrance.

If you see something, say something. If you find a door propped open, see someone in an area where they shouldn't be, or notice something that doesn't seem right, please bring it to the attention of a staff member. Please help your children understand these expectations.

These may seem like small things, but they matter. A significant investment in security does very little if we routinely prop open doors or allow unauthorized people into the building. Technology and equipment cannot replace a community where people take personal responsibility.

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Security & Safety Announcement Continued...

Beginning in January, students who intentionally allow other students into the building or misuse staff/coaches' keys will be subject to student discipline. Students found propping a door will automatically receive a detention. We are not trying to create a culture of suspicion or fear. We need your help establishing simple habits that become part of how we care for one another.

We will continue to be a warm, welcoming, relational community while taking security seriously. We can know one another and follow good procedures. We can trust one another and still lock the door. These things belong together.

In an ongoing effort to enhance our security measures, we are asking that if you have a key and are not a staff member, coach, or authorized key-holder, please return it to the school. Thank you for partnering with us and for doing your part to care well for our students, our staff, and our entire Central community.

Sincerely,
Jon De Groot and the Leadership Team

Central Shout OUT

Quarter 1 ~ 2026-2027

*indicates pictured prize winners

Central ShoutOuts are blue cards that Central staff write to acknowledge a student's outstanding character. Thank you to the following students for displaying the values of Central!



Elementary ShoutOuts

Amos Ahrenholz
Nora Buehler
Bailey Bulthuis
Breckett Dobmeier
Gabe Heiderscheit
Olivia Htoo
*Payton Lundeen
Callum Ruschen



Middle School ShoutOuts

Tucker Bonnema
James Cleary
Balthazar Eh
Raelyn Jaenisch
Grace Punt
Brynlee Shea
Oliver Taatjes
Alexis Van Beek
Gianna Vander Ark
*Evelyn Zigterman

Bluejay NATION



High School ShoutOuts

Caitlyn Buss
Alysia Buteyn
Addyson Fagen
Etta Grannes
Esmond Gustafson
Evan Gustafson
Emmelia Hodge
Harper Larkin
Josie Mulder
Bennett Rausch
Jaden Schwitters
Lindsey Setrum
*Carter Taatjes
Keena Ulferts
Madison Vogel
Asher Wieberdink
Braxton Zimmer

CMCS Foundation to Fund New Director of Development Position

Dear Bluejay Nation,

Last year, Central introduced a Financial Sustainability Plan designed to help ensure our school remains strong and sustainable for generations to come. The plan focuses on three key pillars: 1) retaining and recruiting families, 2) maintaining a sustainable cost structure while protecting the student experience, and 3) growing alternative sources of revenue.

Today, we're excited to share an important next step in our strategy to grow alternative sources of revenue.

After much conversation and planning, the CMCS Foundation has committed to fully funding a new, part-time Director of Development position. Because the position will be funded by the Foundation, there will be no additional salary expense to the school's operating budget.

Why invest in development?

The mission of the CMCS Foundation is to promote, accept, and manage gifts for the long-term sustainability of the school. As part of that mission, each year the Foundation distributes 6% of the three-year average of its assets back to Central.

As the Foundation has grown, so has its impact. In 2021, the Foundation held approximately $6 million in assets and provided $178,000 in annual support to Central. Today, the Foundation is approaching $10 million in assets and expects to provide nearly $500,000 directly to the school this year.

Investing in the growth of the Foundation is an investment in Central's future and long-term financial stability. The Foundation has an initial goal of growing to $12 million in assets, with a longer-term vision of reaching $20 million and beyond. Reaching those goals will require greater intentionality in building new donor relationships, sharing the Foundation's vision, and helping individuals and families consider ways they can make a lasting investment in Christian education.

How will this position fit at Central?

The new Director of Development will work closely with Superintendent Jon De Groot, Director of Advancement Kate Link, and the CMCS Foundation.

This position is not intended to duplicate Central's existing advancement work. The Director of Advancement role will continue to oversee a broad range of areas, including admissions and enrollment, marketing and communications, volunteer programs, school events, and fundraising for Central's current needs, including the Annual Fund. By adding dedicated development capacity, we will be able to devote greater focus to pillar three of our Financial Sustainability Plan. The director of advancement can focus more on pillar one, which is family retention and recruitment.

Ultimately, a stronger Foundation has the potential to change the financial conversation at Central. With tuition currently funding approximately 53% of the school's budget, dependable Foundation support can help keep Christian education affordable, provide resources for financial aid, reduce reliance on gifts that fluctuate from year to year, and provide a growing source of support for generations to come.

This new position will be posted soon, and we will take the time necessary to prayerfully identify the right person for the role. Those interested in the position, or who know someone who may be a good fit, are encouraged to contact Superintendent Jon De Groot or Foundation President Josh Lundeen. Members of the Foundation board and school leadership will oversee the interview and hiring process.

We invite you to pray with us as we begin the search for the right person. Because this work is more than growing a Foundation or reaching a financial goal. It's about ensuring that Central can continue providing Christ-centered education and serving students and families well for many years to come.

Blessings,
Jon De Groot, Kate Link, and the CMCS Foundation Board

CENTRAL MINNESOTA CHRISTIAN SCHOOL



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HARVEST FESTIVAL

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21

4:30-6:30p Ham Dinner

Old-fashioned ham dinner with all the trimmings. Free-will donation. Located in the Event Center.

4:30-6:30p Silent Auction

Closing times at 6:00p & 6:30p

4:30-7:30p The Market

Shop local and homemade goods, home decor, Bluejay gear, and more!

4:30-8:00p Kids Carnival

Inflatables, games, prizes, and more! $5 admission. Located in the Elementary Gym.

4:30-7:30p Teen Scene

$5 admission. Located in the Elementary & Middle School.

4:30-6:30p Golf Challenge

Closest to the pin challenge. Ages 6th grade and up. Prizes for both student and adult divisions. Located in the Golf Simulator Room.

4:30-8:00p International Bakery

A variety of home baked goods such as pies, popcorn cakes, breads, cookies, banket, and more!

4:30-8:00p Snack Shack

Serving pizza, nachos, hot dogs, apple dumplings, sundaes, and more! Located near the Concession Stand.

4:30-8:00p Sweet Shoppe

Satisfy your sweet tooth with traditional favorites and other treats such as bonbons, fudge, caramel apples, and freshly spun cotton candy.

5:00-6:15p Dirty Soda Bar

Before the live auction begins, grab a refreshing drink with your favorite syrups, creams, and more.

6:30-8:00p Live Auction

Bid on a variety of household items, services, and goods!

Cash & checks accepted at all booths.
Credit & debit cards also accepted at live & silent auction.

MEET THE STAFF



Mrs. Antony
School Counselor

This or That?

Coffee or Tea - Coffee
Movie or Book - Movie
Beach or Mountains - Beach
Pencil & Paper or Electronic - Pen & Paper
Cats or Dogs - Cats
Fruits or Vegetables - Fruits
Sweet or Salty - Sweet
Farm or City - Farm
Weekends or Weekdays - Weekends
Morning Person or Night Owl - Night Owl

Get to Know Malorie Antony

Family: My husband, Josh, and I have been married for 19 years. We have two children: Kipton (8th grade) and Treyson (5th grade).

Why did you choose to work at Central, and what do you enjoy most?
I chose to work at Central because I wanted to help others and make a difference in students' lives. What I enjoy most is getting to know the students and supporting them as they grow.

What do you like to do in your free time?
I enjoy spending time with my family at the lake.

What is something people might be surprised to learn about your job?
People might be surprised by the variety in my role. I get to work with students at every grade level, from social and emotional support to academic and college planning. Every day looks a little different!

Prayer requests?
Please pray for anyone who is struggling, whatever they may be facing, that they would feel God's peace and find the support and encouragement they need.



Alumni Spotlight

where are they now. . .

Philip Admiraal



Family:

Judy (spouse), Emma, Abigail, Benjamin, and Levi (children)

What year did you graduate from Central?

1996 (wow, writing that reminds me how long ago that was now, yikes!!)

What advice would you give to current students about preparing for life after graduation?

Anchor your identity in Christ

What is one fun fact about you that most people wouldn't guess?

I'm both a Vikings and Lions fan! When they play each other, I root for the team that is having the better year!

What is your favorite book, movie, or hobby?

Favorite Book: Hard to pick one, but the Wingfeather Saga was a great read for parents and kids. I also loved Watership Down, a book I read for the first time in Mrs. Slagter's English class!
Favorite Movie: Lord of the Rings trilogy.
Favorite Hobby: Travel, Travel, Travel

Where has life taken you since graduation, and what did you study or major in college?

Life has taken me all over! Hungary, Montana, Japan, Michigan, Texas, and now Indiana. Can't sit still, to the chagrin of my wife!

I went to Calvin University and earned a degree in secondary education and history. But after just a few years of teaching, I switched careers and went to law school.

What is your career or current focus?

I currently work as an attorney at the Barnabas Foundation. I have practiced tax law for 20 years, at two large companies, the IRS and now the Barnabas Foundation.

What are some of your favorite memories from your time at Central?

Friends, soccer (photo from 1994), knowledge bowl, the plays (special shout-out to Hello Dolly my senior year), multiple snow days in a row from an Alberta clipper lol, and great teachers who not only invested in the subject matter, but in the students personally and spiritually (some of these teachers are still at Central).



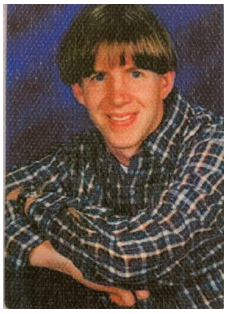
How did your experience at Central shape who you are today?

The opportunity to develop and exercise our God-given abilities, from academics to sports to fine arts. Being at a small Christian school allowed me to participate in so many amazing extracurriculars, making me well-rounded, and doing it all from a biblical worldview.

What makes you proud to be an alumni of Central?

Without a doubt, being a (very small) part of a long legacy of great Christian education in central rural Minnesota.

Senior Picture



STUDENT LIFE



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A. Our Ecology class visited Grand Portage for an opportunity to step outside the classroom, explore the beauty of God's creation, and participate in outdoor activities.

B. Congratulations to Aurora Rosen, who made Central history by breaking the school record for most career digs, surpassing the previous record of 1,301.

C. Congratulations to Titus Van Beek and Annaliese Wood on earning All-Conference at the 2026 Camden Conference Cross Country meet.

D. We had the privilege of connecting with local farmers during Grains of Grace, celebrating the harvest, and thanking them for the many ways they support Central and our community.

E. Congratulations to Maddy Vander Ark, who made Central history by breaking the school record for most career ace serves, surpassing the previous record of 132.

F. Our 7th graders researched and presented what they learned about biblical feasts and celebrations, including Passover, Hanukkah, Sukkot, and Purim.

Board Update: Strategic Planning Initiative

Partnering for Central Minnesota Christian School's Future

Building upon Mr. De Groot's introduction in the Cable article last month, the Board wants to share a few more details on what the strategic planning process will look like and how our community will be involved. We enter this process fully confident that God has a clear plan for our lives and for Central. Taking time to align our directional goals with God's intentional design is essential to protecting our future and stewarding our impact on students' lives.

As Scripture reminds us in Psalm 119:105, "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path." Guided by His Word as our foundation, our hope is that this 9-to-12-month journey will result in a unified roadmap for academic excellence, spiritual growth, and financial stewardship.

How Will The Community Be Involved

- **Focus Groups & Open Dialogue:** We want to hear your heart for Central! Parents, grandparents, donors, staff, and community members will have opportunities to share their feedback as we walk through the process.
- **Shared Perspectives:** Together, we will look at our school's strengths, areas for growth, opportunity spaces, and future possibilities.
- **Strategic Planning Committee:** To help facilitate this process and ensure a broad, yet focused community viewpoint, the Board will be reaching out to around two dozen community members, parents, staff/adminstration, & students, who, along with our consultant, Tim Wiens, will work together throughout the process.

What Will We Build Together

- **Upholding Our Mission & Core Values:** We will use your feedback to ensure our foundational vision, mission, and core values continue to reflect our shared calling and hope for our students.
- **Focused Goals:** We will establish 3–5 core priorities, complete with clear action steps, to nurture academic excellence and intentional faith formation.
- **A Sustainable Roadmap for Central's Future:** We will create a collaborative financial and strategic plan that supports our teachers, staff, families, and financial health.

As we move forward with the next steps in the process, please pray that we will all listen attentively for God's voice and express wisdom in the months ahead. Monthly updates will be shared in the Cable and at our Annual Meeting.

Submitted by Christy Groen, Board Chair, on behalf of the Central Minnesota Christian School Board

Central Minnesota Christian School
BOARD MINUTES

September 28, 2026

Members Present: Christy Groen, Heidi Graves, Chris Schlegel, Paul Leverington, Matt Hoekstra, Josh Mulder, Mitch Schwindt, Sarah Van Beek, Ryan Moorlag, Jon De Groot
Members Absent: Joe Vander Ark

- **Devotions & Prayer Initiative:** Heidi G shared a devotional from Ephesians around the safety we offer school for our students; physically, socially, and emotionally.

- **Approval Consent agenda:** MSP
  - Motion: Mitch S
  - Second: Paul L

- **Strategic Planning Process Review:**
  - Consultant Tim Wiens presented an overview of the upcoming strategic planning process, timeline, and framework for the 2026–2027 school year. Highlights include planned school visits, S.W.O.T. analysis, constituency focus groups, alignment with existing school goals, and establishing a community centric Strategic Planning Committee to help develop 3–5 year goals for our school.

- **School Updates & Highlights:**
  - Jon DG shared operational updates on positive momentum to start of the year, ongoing senior check-in meetings, 4K program filings, CESA accreditation meetings, and athletic activities.

- **New to You Operations Update:**
  - Kristin Poortvliet reported updates on current operations, the upcoming opening dates for the 2nd store (VIP night 10/22, Grand Opening 10/24), the revised parent volunteer structure, financial performance operating within budget, and confidence in continued contribution growth to school.

- **Establishment of the New to You Advisory Committee:**
  - Oversight for the New to You is currently renewed as needed annually as a task force. As the store has grown in size and complexity, a motion was presented to establish a New to You advisory board committee to provide intentional, ongoing governance oversight and strategic direction while daily operations remain managed by the leadership team.
    - Approval Establishment of the New to You Advisory Committee: MSP
      - Motion: Governance Committee
      - Second: Josh M

- **Governance Manual Review:**
  - As part of a yearlong evaluation, section C of the manual was reviewed.

- **Board Roundtable & General Discussion:**
  - Discussed various operational items, upcoming event dates, the Board's strategic planning next steps, current athletic participation policies, and ways to support and encourage school staff throughout the year.

- **Adjournment:** MSP
  - Motion: Chris S
  - Second: Paul L

STORE UPDATE

What a whirlwind month! The grand opening of "**312**," New to You's second store, was a record-breaking day with over $6,500 in sales. Combined sales at "**312**" and "**1401**" exceeded $12,000 that Saturday. We are currently right on track with projections, and once signage is installed, I'm confident we will quickly rise above our projected sales. "**312**" is almost fully staffed – we are still looking for a Donations Receiving Lead.

Thank you for supporting New to You through your shopping, donations, and volunteer time!

Have you ever felt the Holy Spirit tug at your heart to do more in ministry, but you're not sure in what capacity? I always felt real "ministry" was at church or in the mission field. The last twelve years God has revealed to me ways we truly make an impact every day. That is the invitation we extend at New to You. We live in a hurting and broken world in which God has called us to do uncomfortable things. Together, we can learn to overcome the insecurities and live out kingdom-building. Consider joining New to You's team as an Associate or Volunteer. We are looking forward to working with you!

Store: 320-231-1850
Email: newtoyou@centralbluejays.org
— *Kristin Poortvliet; Director of Thrift Store Operations*

October Monthly Report:

Total Sales: $125,300 **Last Year:** $112,100 **Contribution to Central:** $15,000

Number of Donations: 1,399 **Last Year:** 1,325

Number of Processed Items: 28,421 **Last Year:** 25,629 **Volunteer Hours:** 702

TRIP Schedule

November	**9 & 30**
December	**7 & 14**
January	**4 & 18**
February	**1 & 22**

SAVE THE DATE

November 11	Veterans Day Assembly
November 21	Harvest Festival
November 25	Noon Dismissal
November 26-29	No School/Thanksgiving Break
December 8	6-12 Christmas Concert
December 11	K-5 Christmas Concert
December 16-18	Quarter 2 HS Exams
December 18	Noon Dismissal
Dec. 19-Jan. 3	No School/Christmas Break

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MISSION

To provide a Christ-centered, quality education to equip students for a life of service.

VISION

Surrounded by our community of believers where God's presence is evident, our students will find their calling in God's world through an exceptional education, delivered from Biblical worldview. Students will be known personally, discipled intentionally, and challenged academically.

VALUES

Better Together: God created us in his image to live in Community. Therefore, we honor and care for the well-being and success of all. We value encouragement and helpful communications while speaking the truth in love. We celebrate the individual gifts and character of each member and provide an environment for them to struggle and grow. (Rom 12:4-5; Gen 1:27; Col 3:12-14)

Building Trust: We strive for Excellence in our character and proven-ness in our work. We do our best to earn respect by exceeding expectations, maintaining high standards, challenging complacency, and aiming for full potential. (Matt 12:12; Titus 2:7)

Being Transformed: We value whole-person Growth and practice continuous improvement through learning, personal reflection, and Christian development. We are open to new ideas and seek God's kingdom dream for our lives and the world. (Rom 12:2; II Cor 5:17; Ps 51:10)

Bridging the Gap: Through Service, we identify needs and address them. We see God-possibilities and obediently follow the Spirit to make them our reality. In humility we give of ourselves, investing in the cause of Christian education and thus, the future. (I Peter 4:10; Col 3:23, Is 58:10)

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