



Superintendent's Newsletter

An Attitude of Thankfulness

Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise. Give thanks to Him and praise His name. Psalm 100:4

A friend recently gave me a Sarah Young devotional highlighting a series on thankfulness. His willingness to share this with me has penetrated my thoughts and actions. Three of the thoughts that helped me in this perspective centered on 1) An attitude of gratefulness opens the door to God's presence, 2) Allowing thankfulness to flow freely draws you closer to God and 3) Thankfulness allows a 'cushion' for unexpected trials and makes us more aware of God's blessings. I've thought a lot about this in the past few days. Whether it was our family member with two young kids who lost his spouse at age 39 to cancer, a friend who is going through a really tough time or a colleague who needs encourage-

ment, I'm learning to ask God to help me each day demonstrate a spirit of gratitude in more meaningful ways. An example to consider—when we share thoughts, words and actions with others who are going through difficult times, is that choosing a positive disposition is something that a friend, family member or colleague is likely going to remember versus what we share verbally. A thankful attitude opens up doors you cannot imagine. With this thought in mind, here are two real-life applications for you to ponder in the near future. If you are going through an unexpected challenge or you have a friend you are walking alongside that is going through some tough times, make a conscious choice to be super-positive with them. Your attitude of gratefulness has the potential to be way more impactful than external circumstances.

Also, as you think about the value you place on Christian education—perhaps during the week of teacher and staff appreciation week (May 1-7) you would want to express your gratitude with a note of thanks to the Nampa Christian personnel for all they do to positively influence your children. I want to express my appreciation to each of you as parents and students and count it a privilege to work together with you. A closing scripture verse that mirrors the above verse is 1 Thessalonians 5:18 "Give thanks in all circumstances for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." Thank you for partnering with Nampa Christian Schools in this journey of Christian education. Gratefully,

Dr. Eric A. Forseth
NCS Superintendent

Mrs. Julie Vermillion Appointed as Next NCS Elementary Principal

The elementary principal search committee finished the interview processes and the Board has provided unanimous approval for the new leader of the Orchard campus. The search committee was made up of: Nicole Bradshaw, PTF President and Parent Rep; Melaney Taylor, Personnel Committee Rep, NCS Board; Kevin Rex, NCS 7-12 Principal; Tracie Johanson, NCS Registrar; Shannon Asselin, ECC Director; Christie Jorgensen, NCS Elementary Teacher Rep; Eric Forseth, NCS Superintendent

The committee interviewed four candidates. This process was very thorough and well defined. Interviewed candidates references were contacted. The process then included the search committee members asking the same series of questions to each of the four candidates. After each interview, a rating sheet tied directly to the job description and interview questions was filled out on the candidates. A description of the following candidates reflects the caliber of principals that were interviewed:

Candidate #1-An out-of-state candidate that has extensive experience as an ACSI administrator

Candidate #2-Boise area zealous administrator that has administrative credentials & experience

Candidate #3-An ACSI credentialed administrator that has led two ACSI schools

Candidate #4-ACSI & state credentialed administrator with administrative roles in and out-of-state

After deliberation on each candidate's strengths and growth areas, the committee recommended Julie Vermillion as the candidate with these strengths as described by the committee and elementary staff:

- A spiritual leader that capably guides devotions and faculty prayer times
- A manager that expects exceptional efforts in and out of the classroom
- Demonstrated active leader with passion for recruiting and retaining students

- Rapport with staff is evident and staff clearly support her as leader
- A person willing to follow through on student needs and teacher requests
- Demonstrated commitment to know students and parents by name
- Active in elementary events, attends and leads chapel and committed to character development
- Communication with PTF and other parent pieces has been outstanding
- Demonstrated willingness to hold students accountable
- Parents, teachers, and principal have worked together to quickly resolve issues
- An approachable and visible leader with an Infectious, dynamic personality and team approach

Julie Vermillion has agreed to this appointment and we look forward to having her serve in the years ahead. The announcement was made public at the April 18 NCS annual meeting.

From the International Student Director:

“Go ye therefore and teach all nations...” Matt: 28:19. Nampa Christian Schools has had the exciting opportunity this year to educate students from around the world.

We currently have 25 International Students from several countries including: Spain, Italy, Thailand, South Korea, Taiwan, and China. If you are interested in expanding your intercultural skills on a daily basis, please consider hosting an International Student for Nampa Christian Schools. Many of these students come from extraordinary backgrounds. We help the students expand their competencies in

English, the Bible and core academic skills and they in turn help us learn more about their home country.

You really do have the ability to further influence a life that could be instrumental in changing the lives of many around the world.

If you are interested in hosting a student for the 2011-2012 school year or would like more information, please go online to: NAMPACHRISTIANSCHOOLS.COM, select tab “about NCS”, then “host family information”, or e-mail me at tdavis@nampachristianschools.com or Tracie Johanson at tjohanson@nampachristianschools.com

schools.com.

We are looking forward to another successful year with international students and hope you will consider hosting one of these students.

Thank you all for your continued support and prayers for Nampa Christian Schools.

In Christ,
Tim Davis



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2011-12 Tuition Update

We are so glad that you have chosen to educate your child (ren) at Nampa Christian and appreciate the sacrifice that it means for many of you. The NCS Board of Trustees is aware of the current economy, so every effort has been made to keep tuition increases for next year as moderate as possible (2% total change increase). *To be linked to our current tuition rate chart please click here.*

We believe that Nampa Christian gives you a great value. Your student is being taught by great teachers every day for a very reasonable tuition price.

We did a tuition study this year of Christian schools in the northwest of similar caliber as Nampa Christian and NCS was in the low-end of the tuition cost ranking—by far in some instances.

NCS and the Nampa Christian Foundation are committed to continuing financial aid resources for need-based aid.

Thank you again for your commitment to Nampa Christian Schools.

NCHS Music and Track Spring Travels



Our high school music department and track team have both had very successful and enjoyable trips this spring.

The music department traveled to San Francisco March 23-26 to participate in the Heritage Festival. They brought back a lot of trophies and many great experiences. Their trophies are on display in the front lobby of the high school.

The track team competed in Portland Christian’s Invitational Christian Schools meet on April 9th in Portland, OR. They

brought back a first place team finish out of 26 schools.



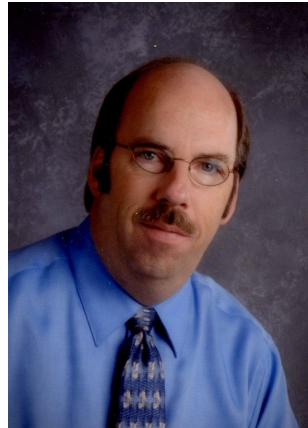
7th-12th Principal's Update Kevin Rex

One of the budget initiatives for the 2011-12 school year is the enhancement of the current selection of high school electives. Following you will find listings of both our current available electives and the new elective choices that will be available next Fall.

- French 1-2
- Drama
- Chapel Ministries

New Electives Coming This Fall:

- War History
- Marine Biology
- Psychology
- Computer Applications
- Athletic Training



Current Electives:

- Art 1
- Studio Art
- Choir
- Men's Choir
- Women's Choir
- Jazz Band
- P.E.
- Spanish 1-3

We are excited about this new variety of options and are glad to be able to offer them to our student body.

PK-6th Principal's Update Julie Vermillion



We had a volunteer recognition chapel and breakfast. Our students provided the music and each class made a poster recognizing and thanking all of our volunteers. We appreciate all of you!!

Please check out our school newsletter each week. We have some very important events coming up, and would not want you to miss them.

A big THANKS goes to our PTF for donating money to both our Elementary and MS/HS libraries. I know that Mrs. Unruh and Mrs. Rowher are both very appreciative, and are putting it to good use!

In His Service,
Julie Vermillion
Elementary Principal

"The Lord is risen indeed!"
Luke 24:34

Early Childhood Center Director's Corner Shannon Asselin

We would like to send a big welcome to our new families! We are looking forward to getting to know you and your children better!

Here at the Early Childhood Center we have just completed working with the elementary teachers on screening for PK4. This is an exciting process and will bring about some great transitions for the fall! With this in progress, Enrollment for the fall

school year is now underway!

Please submit your registration application as soon as possible to hold your child's place for pre-school in the 2-3 and 3-4 classes!

Our latest plans include a very fun summer program running from May 31st through August 18th! This will include new and exciting activities for your children along with outdoor fun! Please call the ECC for details

(467-1728).
We hope to see you all there!



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Mission Statement

Nampa Christian Schools is a non-denominational, biblically based, learning community that partners with Christian families to develop a Christian world-view, promote academic excellence, and prepare students (PreK-12) for a lifetime of faithfulness to Christ.

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Upcoming Events @ NCS:

- Wed., April 20 NCHS Community Service Workday
- Freshmen to Boise Rescue Mission
- Sophomores to Nampa Project
- Juniors at NC and corner house demolition
- Seniors to Caldwell Housing Project
- Easter Break: Good Friday April 22 and Monday, April 25 **No School**
- Tues., April 26 Home JV Baseball game v. Adrian at 5:00pm
- Thurs., April 28 Grades 3-6 Track Meet at NNU
- Thurs., April 28 Home Varsity Softball game v. Payette at 5:00pm
- Thurs., April 28 Home Varsity Baseball game v. Fruitland at 5:00pm
- Thurs., April 28 NCS Open House—both campuses, 6:00-8:00pm
- Sat., April 30 Home JV Baseball game v. Fruitland at 12:00pm
- Mon., May 2 Elementary Spring Concert 9am at the Orchard Campus gymnasium
- Tues., May 3 Home Varsity Baseball game v. Nyssa at 5:00pm
- May 19th-21st Nampa Christian hosts State Baseball Tournament at Rodeo Park
- Wed., May 25th Minimum Day—Last day of school
- Thurs., May 26th NCHS Graduation, NNU's Brandt Center, 7pm

The games listed are home games only. For full schedules please click here to be connected to our website.