



# The Ireton Christian Beacon

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*The Mission of Ireton Christian School is to develop knowledge and understanding in each of God's children so they can effectively relate to God, to others, and to creation.*

## **WOULD YOU LIKE TO SUPPORT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

By becoming a Foundation member? Please join us for the start of a new year. Our new fiscal year starts Aug. 16. The board would like to invite anyone to help promote Ireton Christian School. For a yearly fee of \$25.00 or a lifetime membership of \$500.00, you can become an Ireton Christian School Foundation member. Please visit the school office or mail \$25.00 or \$500.00 to Ireton Christian and you will be added to the membership list! (List will be updated every month) ALL proceeds will be placed in our Endowment Fund. The money raised will help defray the cost of major repairs and educational expenses encountered throughout the year, as well as helping keep the cost of education at a minimum. THANKS for your support!

## **Registration**

Registration will be held Monday, Aug. 9, following Society meeting which starts at 6:30PM. If you are unable to attend at that time, make arrangements to register at the office. The following items will be completed at registration:

1. Sign the enrollment form. It outlines the school's policies, beliefs, and purpose.
2. Sign textbook request form. This enables us to order some textbooks with state funds.
3. Pick up a family packet which includes;
  - \* Free and Reduced Lunch forms. This enables our school to receive Government reimbursements for our Lunch Program. This form is also used to determine how much funding our school receives to support our Title I program which helps to cover the salary of the Title I teacher.
  - \* NICSTO application, this must be signed and turned in.
  - \* Sports Physical Form. Students in any Junior High Athletic events should have a physical by their family doctor before the sporting events begin in the fall.
4. Pick up information about the Title I program.
5. Check the school directory listing for your correct information. This will be used for the 2010-2011 school Directory.
6. Pay the following fees:
  - a. Registration fee of \$15.00 per student
  - b. Band fee of \$100.00 (for entire year)
  - c. Hot Lunch: Pay first months fee for Aug. 24-Sept.24 lunches
    - K full price (\$1.75) 15 days=\$26.25
    - K reduced price (0.40) 15 days=\$6.00
    - Gr. 1-8 full price \$1.75) 23 days=\$40.25
    - Gr. 1-8 reduced price (0.40) 23 days= \$9.20
  - d. First Month's Tuition (Based on 10 month payment plan)
 

K only -\$233.20	K&2-\$794.20
K&K -\$400.90	2K &2 -\$793.40
1 in Gr.1-8 \$387.20	3 -\$857.80
K&1 -\$545.60	4 -\$857.80
2 in Gr. 1-8 -\$670.90	5 -\$857.80

## **Society Meeting and Registration**

The first Society meeting of the year will be held Monday, Aug. 9, 2010 with registration following. The Society meeting will be starting at 6:30 PM and during the meeting is when the new Officers of the Board will be voted into office. All parents are expected to be at this meeting. Registration will start after the meeting.

## Principal's Corner

A new year is just around the corner and with it comes excitement and anticipation of a new and exciting year of learning for each one of our covenant youth. As faculty/staff we are trained and encouraged to continually develop each one of these students' gifts and talents and not to detriment any of their abilities. We want to see kids blossom in knowing and understanding the Father in Heaven, and their Lord and Savior Jesus Christ through each and every subject they are involved in. We also want them to develop a relationship with one another and a love of God's wonderful creation. We ask that you as parents, grandparents, and community help each one of these covenant youth to reach their full potential at Ireton Christian School. Along with the teachers who are totally dedicated to a Christ-centered education for each one of your children. We have a dedicated staff who all have conviction and love and that is shown each and everyday in their teaching.

If you have any questions throughout the year, please feel free to contact the teacher or Mr. Schoonhoven at the school (278-2245) and we will be available to assist you and your child in anyway we can. This is truly an opportunity to instill "Christ" in each child and to let the children truly enjoy an education at Ireton Christian in the 2010-2011 school year!

*Mr. Schoonhoven*

## TRIP News

The schedule of order dates for the first part of the year is: **August 30, September 20, October 11, November 1, November 15, November 29 & December 13.** December 13 will be the last order before Christmas. I am doing this because it gets very hard to get orders on time the closer it gets to Christmas and there is a greater chance of backorders. Please be thinking ahead and order the TRIP you need for the holidays as early as possible. We cannot be responsible for orders that do not come in time.

Something new we are implementing this year is family envelopes. Instead of using so many envelopes I will be returning your first TRIP order in a small manilla envelope with your name on it. After that you will need to return all your orders in this same envelope. This way we can just keep using this same envelope throughout the year. If you lose your envelope you can buy your own to replace it. If the envelopes become too tattered I will replace them. If you purchase on hand inventory between order dates, you can send your check to school in your family envelope and when I receive it I will return it with your TRIP.

Orders will need to be in the TRIP box in the school office or given to Donna Koopmans by 9:00 AM on order dates. No late orders will be taken. Do not fax or call orders to my house - money needs to accompany orders or they will not be processed. Please try to remind your child to bring the order to their teacher or the office right away when they get to school.

The school website has order forms, vouchers, and will keep you up to date on any changes that may occur

## Ireton Christian School Calendar 2010-2011

<b>Aug. 9</b>	Society meeting/Registration 6:30
<b>Aug. 16-17</b>	Teacher Work Days
<b>Aug. 18-20</b>	Faculty/Staff Inservice Meetings
<b>Aug. 24</b>	Begin School-1/2 day (dismiss at 12:30) (K-8)
<b>Sept. 6</b>	Labor Day N/S
<b>Sept. 8</b>	Preschool begins
<b>Sept. 11</b>	Rally Day Sale
<b>Sept. 17</b>	Early dismissal 12:20 Teacher Inservice
<b>Oct. 7-8</b>	Heartland Convention N/S
<b>Oct. 22</b>	School Pictures (8:30)
<b>Oct. 29</b>	End of 1st quarter (45 days) Dismiss at 11:30
<b>Nov. 10, 11</b>	Parent-Teacher Conferences 5-8pm, Wednesday & Thursday
<b>Nov. 12</b>	No School
<b>Nov. 18</b>	Fall Musical (K-8) 7pm, Thursday
<b>Nov. 24</b>	1:30 Dismissal
<b>Nov. 25-26</b>	Thanksgiving Break N/S
<b>Dec. 22</b>	1:30 Dismissal
<b>Dec. 23-31</b>	Christmas Break N/S
<b>Jan. 4</b>	Classes Resume
<b>Jan. 14</b>	End of 2nd Quarter (45 days) Dismiss at 11:30
<b>Jan. 21</b>	Early dismissal 12:20 Teacher Inservice
<b>Jan. 24</b>	Parent-Teacher Conferences 4-6pm, not scheduled
<b>Feb. 1-10</b>	ITBS Testing Dates
<b>Feb. 21</b>	Presidents Day N/S
<b>Mar. 11</b>	Early Dismissal 12:20 Teacher Inservice
<b>Mar. 18</b>	Grandparent's Day (9am) End of 3rd Quarter (44 days) Dismiss at 12:30
<b>Mar/Apr</b>	No Concert Choir (5-8) (every other year)
<b>Apr. 21-25</b>	Easter Break N/S
<b>Apr. 27</b>	Unity Track Meet (6-8) 3:45
<b>Apr. 29</b>	Spring Concert/Science/Art Fair (3-8) 7pm, Friday
<b>May 4</b>	Western Track Meet (6-8) 1:15
<b>May 5</b>	Mother's Day Tea (K-2) (No school for K on Friday May 6)
<b>May 11</b>	Dordt Track Meet (5-8) 12:00
<b>May 21</b>	All-School Track Meet (K-6) 9:30 am
<b>May 23</b>	Preschool Graduation 7pm
<b>May 27</b>	Dismiss at 11:30 Graduation at 7pm End of 4th Quarter (47 days)

# **IRETON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL SUPPLIES 2010-2011**

*The Kleenex boxes are to be given to the teachers to be shared by the class.*

*If you are purchasing a new Bible for your child, the New International Version is preferred.*

*Please try to avoid tennis shoes that leave black marks.*

## **Kindergarten**

- 1 Tote Bag
- 1 Colors – basic 8 count
- 1 Scissors – sharp point
- 2 White Glue – small  
(so they fit into their cases)
- 1 Eraser
- 1 Paint shirt
- 1 Nap pad
- 1 Water colors  
– Prang brand requested
- 2 Kleenex – large
- 6 Pencils, reg. #2
- 1 Pocket folder
- 1 Plastic pencil box
- 1 Plastic soap dish
- 1 Fine line marker  
(Crayola, basic 8)
- 2 Dry erase markers  
– Expo wide tip

## **1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>**

- 1 Tote Bag
- 1 Colors – basic regular size  
(no more than 24 count)
- 1 Scissors – sharp point
- 2 White Glue – small  
(so they fit into their cases)
- 1 Eraser
- 1 Water colors  
– Prang brand requested
- 2 Kleenex – large
- 6 Pencils, reg. #2
- 2 Pocket folder
- 1 Plastic pencil box
- 4 Dry erase markers –  
EXPO wide tip
- 1 Markers –box
- 1 Bible
- 2 Spiral notebook
- 1 Sketch book – opt.  
(2<sup>nd</sup> grade can use last years)

*Keep markers in their original box and mark their name on everything they bring.*

## **3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>**

- 1 Tote Bag
- 1 Colors
- 1 Scissors – sharp point
- 1 White Glue – large
- 1 Eraser
- 1 Water colors  
– Prang brand requested
- 1 Kleenex – large  
Pencils, reg. #2
- 2 Pocket folder
- 1 Plastic pencil box
- 1 3-ring binder
- 1 Markers –box
- 1 Bible
- 1 12” ruler with metric
- 3 Spiral notebook
- 1 Sketch book – opt.
- 1 Pens
- 2 Loose leaf paper

## **5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>**

- 1 Tote Bag
- 1 Colors – basic 8 count
- 1 Scissors – sharp point
- 1 White Glue – small
- 1 Eraser
- 1 Kleenex – large  
Pencils, reg. #2
- 2 Pocket folder
- 1 Plastic pencil box
- 4 Dry erase markers black/red –  
Expo wide tip
- 1 Markers –box
- 1 Bible
- 1 12” ruler with metric
- 7 Spiral notebook
- 1 Sketch book – opt.
- 1 Pens
- 1 basic calculator
- 1 protractor

*The assignment books will be provided.*

## **7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>**

- 1 Tote Bag
- 1 Colors – basic 8 count
- 1 Scissors – sharp point
- 1 White Glue – small
- 1 Eraser
- 1 Kleenex – large  
Pencils, reg. #2
- 1 Pocket folder
- 1 3-ring binder  
(with 8 separating tabs)
- 1 Markers –box
- 1 Bible
- 1 12” ruler with metric
- 9 Spiral notebook
- 1 Sketch book – opt.
- 1 Protractor
- 1 Compass
- Pens
- Pens - red
- Loose leaf paper
- Graph paper

*The assignment books will be provided.*

## **August and September Birthdays**

August 7	Travis Viet
August 15	Jackson Vander Windt
August 16	Kari Van Klompenburg
August 17	Tessa Schoonhoven
August 18	Dylan Liston
August 19	Cassady Dekkers
August 30	Isaac Van Beek
August 31	Madison Dorhout
September 12	Kennedy Vander Windt
September 26	Jacie Van Wyk

## **Opening Dedication Service**

We will begin our school year on Tuesday, Aug. 24 at 8:30am with a chapel service. All parents are welcome and invited to attend. All NEW families are encouraged to come and be welcomed into Ireton Christian School.

## **Rally Day Sale**

The annual Rally Day Sale will be held on SATURDAY, Sept.11 at 6:30pm. Please have your donations to the school after 3:00pm on Friday and all day Saturday. Keep this day open and come and support our school. We hope to see all of you and your family and friends at this wonderful event.

## **Kids of the Kingdom Preschool**

Reminder all children attending preschool that are four years of age are covered under the preschool grant and there will be no cost other than hot lunch. Children either three years old or five years old will have to pay tuition on a fixed scale per month. Three and Five year old students may qualify for Empowerment funding from the local agency in Orange City, the preschool teacher will help each one of the children apply for this, contact Christina Obbink if you have questions.

## **Early Dismissal**

We will dismiss at 12:30 on the first day of school, which is Tuesday, Aug. 24, 2010 (kindergarten through eighth grade).

## **Thank You!**

*To all of the people who came out to help during the school cleaning night. "Thank You!" your help was greatly appreciated.*

*"Thank you" to our school custodians. They have worked hard waxing the classroom and gym floors. They are SHINING!*

*"Thank you" to all board members and supporters who helped with the summer repairs.*

## **2010 - 2011 School Year Theme**

The Theme at Ireton Christian School this year will be "SIGNS OF FAITH". Our theme verse is I Thess. 5:16-18, "Rejoice always, pray constantly, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." Together the staff, faculty and students will be having monthly activities that specifically relate to signs. Some of the signs we'll be looking at are, "One Way", "Rest Area". Our Aug-Sept. sign is "Construction Zone", building our lives on the Lord Jesus Christ. Our memory verse for Aug-Sept. is I Cor. 3:10b-11.

## **Reading Before the New School Year Begins**

Parents, it's a good time to have the kids start reading again if they haven't been during the summer months. It helps to start preparing the students, especially the younger ones for the school days that will soon be here. Encourage your child to read 30-60 minutes a day from now until school begins. Thanks for your help!

## **Band Lessons**

Band lessons will begin on Wednesday, Aug 25, 2010. Band fees will be \$100 for the year, due at registration.

## ***Office Hours***

SECRETARY- Our office hours for the secretary will be from 8:00-2:00pm on Monday, 8:00-4:00pm on Wednesday. Please use these times to call, or else it will disrupt class time or no one will be available. You can leave a message with your name, number, and a brief message and we will get back to you.

Items for the weekly note will be due in the office by Wednesday at 8:30am.

PRINCIPAL - Mr. Schoonhoven's office hours are Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 12:15-4:00pm. Friday's all day, and after school on Monday and Wednesday.

## ***Changes in our Staff for the 2010-2011 School Year***

Dwight Van Tol will be our Jr. High Art and Co-op teacher along with Remedial.

Jan Fedders will be our school counselor.

***We wish Lori De Jong, Rose Van Engen, and Joni Van Ginkel the best in their new ventures.***

## ***Athletic Physicals***

Students in any Junior High Athletic events should have a physical by their family doctor before the sporting events begin in the fall. Many places offer physicals throughout the early part of August.

## ***Needed***

We are in need of Room Mothers for the 2010-2011 school year. If you are interested in helping out in your child's classroom, please call school (278-2245) as soon as possible. If you have any questions about what a room mother does contact Mr. Schoonhoven.

## ***Bus Schedules***

The buses will run on the first day of school. The drivers will be contacting you to let you know the approximate time your child (or children) will be picked up and dropped off.

## ***Dress Code***

A reminder to parents and students to keep in mind the dress code as you buy clothes for the new school year.

- \* All clothes should be modest and appropriate for a Christian witness
- \* Suggestive words or the advertisement of alcoholic beverages, smoking, drugs, or anti-Christian groups on clothing are not appropriate
- \* Shorts may be worn during months of Aug., Sept., Oct., April and May. Shorts must be mid-thigh length or longer.
- \* For grades 5-8 shirts must have sleeves. The student's midriff should not be exposed and shirt should not be too tight.
- \* Skirts should be knee length or longer.
- \* Footwear is required. PLEASE NOTE a change in policy; only athletic shoes, no sandals or flip-flops.
- \* Caps, hats, or headbands are not permitted in class.
- \* Wear appropriate clothing for winter weather such as coats, hats, gloves, and boots.
- \* Parents will be contacted if the child's clothing is inappropriate.

## ***Updated Immunization Information***

Parents please make sure your students are updated on all of their immunizations. If you need assistance on where to go to get them, please contact Community Health Partners at 1-800-435-3454 or 737-2971 during regular hours 8:00-4:30.

## ***Weather Information***

If it becomes necessary to cancel school or dismiss early for hot weather, snow, or other reason, it will be announced over the radio on stations: KSOU, KDCR, KLEM, and WNAX. The same announcement will also be on KTIV (channel 4) & through SNOWCAP (which can be accessed through your cell phone (text message), to alert you of school cancellations). Please be sure to make arrangements in advance so that your children and their teacher know what your emergency plans are. Without written notification, all children will be sent home in their normal manner.

## Board Meeting - July 14, 2010

1. Call to Order-Roll (absent Rick Schouten, Scott Dorhout)
2. Opening Prayer & Devotions by Jim Viet
3. Approval of MINUTES of last meeting
4. Items to be added to agenda
5. Old Business
  - a. Comments on school track meet/picnic on May 22 were positive
  - b. Graduation and speaker went well and very blessed
  - c. SIAC update on goals for following year and next 3-5 years were discussed
  - d. Board nominees for August registration
  - e. Registration/Society meeting for 10-11 year (school board meeting to be held on Monday, August 9 following society/registration)
  - f. T.R.I.P. payout-\$10,200.32 (\$1647.47-gen fd, \$8060.10-tuition at ICS, \$135.35 Haw CRC Chr Ed, \$177.40-tuition assistance, \$2,188.08-tuition at UC, \$1325.22 for future families accounts)
6. Principal's Report
  - a. Received memorials for Thelma Bomgaars and Gerrit Van Donkelaar
  - b. Teacher reimbursement for Iowa Core Curriculum work completed so far
  - c. Mr. Schoonhoven attended the CSI convention in Chicago on July 26-29 with his family
  - d. Teacher meetings will be on Aug 18-20 (19th at DC with area Christian Schools on "Best Practices" from 8:30-12:30, cost is \$50/teacher, with three other dates throughout the school year)
7. Committee Reports
  - a. Building- office project was put on hold till June 2011
  - b. Education- 8 teachers attended 55J Curriculum Mapping on July 12, Aug 19 "Best Practices" class for all faculty at DC (\$50/teacher), Staff/Faculty meetings on August 18-20, 1st day of school August 24
- c. Finance- 09-10 remaining tuition, registration totals
- d. Bus- new rear retreads, clean, wash, and polish on work night
- e. Endowment-27 lifetime members
- f. Preschool- Parent meeting August 31 at 7pm
- g. Technology- countertop to install/cut shelf in half and outlets-L & D will do, Josh will be ordering new computers for lab
- h. Promotion/Concert-no information
8. Finance Committee Reports
  - General (Tim)- N/A
  - Tuition Asst (Tim)-\$164.41
  - Building (Glen)-\$30,752.00
  - KOK Preschool (Glen)-\$15,871.13\*Approval of Reports
9. New Business (Items for Action)
  - a. Final request for nominees updated list
  - b. Building Project/Painting/computer room materials and construction on July 28 at 6:30
  - c. Rally Day Sale contacts were discussed at will be updated at August meeting
  - d. Registration-designated board member at tables (finance, HL, belief statement, textbook request, address updates, endowment, etc)
10. Bills submitted were reviewed and approved
11. Reviewed Board Policies 480-482
12. Board Visit- N/A Next:
13. Next meeting Monday, August 9, 2010 at 6:30pm (Society/Registration/board meeting to follow)
14. Concept Minutes
15. Closing Prayer

## 2010-2011 Ireton Christian School Covenant Foundation Members:

Jason Meyer \*  
Nicholaas and Arletta Dorhout\*  
Brent and Cindy Davelaar\*  
Tena Kramer \*  
Curtis J. DeVries\*  
Sadie De Vries\*  
Leroy and Joan Punt\*  
Evonne Wielenga\*  
John and Alice Jongma\*  
Allen and Clara Eisma \*

Jim and Mandy Viet\*  
Rick and Jill Schouten\*  
Michael J. Jongma\*  
Randy and Glenda Van Wyhe \*  
Gerrit and Tracy Byker\*  
Kelly and Carmen Noteboom\*  
Darrell and Kate Noteboom\*  
Warren and Ruth Dekkers\*  
Lawrence and Dinah Ter Horst\*  
Duane and Lee Ann Bonnema\*

Earl and Toots Kooi\*  
Dan and Sharon Byker\*  
Gerald and Rhonda Postma\*  
Stan and Barb Hoekstra\*  
Jay and Marlene Broek\*  
Verlyn and Karel Dekkers\*  
Brian and Sharla Gradert\*

\* Lifetime members (\$500.00)  
Yearly Members (\$25.00)

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