

## PUNXSUTAWNEY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

### UNDER CONSTRUCTION FOR CHRIST



Proverbs 24: 3-4 "By wisdom a house is built, and through understanding it is established; through knowledge its rooms are filled with rare and beautiful treasures."

Dear PCS Supporter and Friend,

With enthusiasm and the ever present Holy Spirit, we have successfully completed our first month of school!

Our school looks amazing! We have had alumni and other visitors remark on not just the look of the school; but most importantly, the ever present feeling of the Lord and an atmosphere of Christian community.

### CLASSROOM NEWS

- ★ Our elementary students have been enjoying watching God's miracle transformation of a caterpillar into a beautiful butterfly.
- ★ Our middle school students have been enjoying making their lockers their own and becoming more independent.
- ★ Our high school students have formed a student council.

### PCS Parents in Education (PIE)

The PCS PIE association is recruiting members! You do not have to be a parent to join. This association helps support the teachers and students with classroom supplies, field trips, and everyday expenses of the school. Joining and helping with PIE activities is a great way to build school family friendships and counts as school volunteer hours.

### Current fundraisers: The Blessing Wall

Please contact the school or come see the wall at the school entrance for blessing donation envelopes.

### Upcoming Events

**October 3rd at 9:00am:** We are inviting all Pastors to a *Pastor Appreciation Breakfast*.

This is an open invitation! Please call and let us know if you are planning to attend.

**October 7th at 6:00pm:** All are welcomed and encouraged to visit PCS during our Open House.

**October 25th at 1:45 pm:** All are welcomed and encouraged to come see our students come together in a school wide chapel service. We do this once at the end of every 9 weeks.

### Current Needs:

- Cafeteria worker for 3.5 hours per day
- Handyman 10 hours per week
- Substitute teachers
- Leaf blower
- Shop vacuum cleaner
- Part time preschool aide

### PCS Budget for the year:

- Tuition Income: \$ 266,700
- Anticipated Expenses: \$428,315
- Payroll: \$280,000 includes payroll taxes for:
  - 13 full-time teachers
  - 5 support staff
  - 4 volunteer enrichment teachers

**Funding Gap: \$161,585**



## A Financial Note

In these uncertain times, PCS wants to continue to be a leader in bringing up Godly young people. It is our mission to cultivate our young people to love the Lord and to give them the tools to defend their faith. We are to set ourselves apart from the world. Our children learn that, in an ever changing world, God is never changing. He is the same God of yesterday, today, and all of the tomorrows. Unlike the public schools, PCS teaches hope in a living God and stands on all of the truths of the Bible. We are blessed to be able to continue these teachings.

Our school is independent of any one church and governed by a board of directors. With that being said, we have to advocate for ourselves in all aspects of the running of the school. The biggest hurdles are finances and staffing.

With the continuously rising cost of technology, utilities, insurance, etc.; PCS is in need of constant support. A strong financial support system would directly and positively impact our current staffing difficulties. With the ability to pay staff a livable wage, we could retain teachers long-term which allows them to expand their knowledge of our curriculum. Teachers' salaries have only been increased by \$500 in the past 27 years. The starting salary of a teacher at PCS is \$15,800.

Check out some of 3<sup>rd</sup> grader's Native American unit History projects.



Check out some of 4<sup>th</sup> grader's Boston Tea Party unit History projects.

### Join Us in Building a Brighter Future:

Your support is the cornerstone of our continued success. Together, we can construct not only a school but a community built on faith, knowledge, and love. Every donation, every prayer, every moment of your time is a brick in the foundation of our children's futures. Let's build something extraordinary for Christ and for our students. Thank you for being an integral part of our journey.

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