



A Word from our

Head of School

"The LORD is great, and to be praised highly, though his greatness is indescribable."

Ps 145:3

What a wonderful God we serve. His greatness is indescribable as this verse says. I can not praise Him enough for the blessings He has bestowed on Pen Bay Christian School. He continues to provide for the needs and ministry of His school in amazing ways.

I am so thankful for how the Lord supplied this past year and am so grateful to all who poured so selflessly into the ministry of PBCS. Thank you to all of you who faithfully served. The Lord did an amazing work through you all.

I am so thankful for all of our staff who spent countless hours giving of themselves to raise up and train a generation for Christ's service. Many of those same teacher will be returning this next year and I want to thank them and ask that you pray for them as they continue to serve the Lord at His school. God has called some of our teachers to other places and I would like to thank them and ask that you pray for them as He guides their lives of service. I want to thank Karla, Heather, Renee, Sarah, Jess, Bailey and Shaina for your faithfulness to the Lord and His precious children. We pray for the Lord's guidance as you continue to serve Him.

God is already putting together an amazing team of staff for next year and I am so excited for what He is going to do. (see page 2 for details) As I was speaking to a few different people this week, I was reminded of the fact that as we pray, we should be expecting to see the Lord's greatness and not surprised by it. I am so thankful for His faithfulness.

Have a wonderful week.

Rich

New Teachers

I am so excited to introduce to you, two of our new teachers that will be joining the team this year.

The first is not so new and we are so excited to welcome her back. Trudy Heanssler, who has taught at PBCS for over 20 years will be returning as the 1st grade teacher. She is beloved by so many and has trained up many of you or your children and I am so glad she has returned to continue to pour into the lives of our children. I felt as I interviewed her that I already knew her as so many of you and others have spoken so highly of this wonderful teacher. It is so good to welcome Trudy and her husband Chuck back home to Pen Bay Christian.



I am also thrilled to introduce you to our new 3rd grade teacher. Greg Gough and his family will be joining us from the deep south (New Hampshire :). Greg has an absolute passion to lead children to know, trust and follow the Lord. He has seen the need to be a strong male role model, in and out of the classroom, as an essential part of the Lord's calling on his life. He has over 15 years experience in education including several of those years in Special Ed. Greg served for many years with the NH National Guard as an assistant army chaplain and on deployment. His son Aaron, will be in the 8th grade and his wife Femie is an accountant who will be looking for employment in the area. They are also looking for a place to rent/rent to own, which you all know is difficult to find in this area. Please let us know if you have any leads or suggestions. We are so blessed to welcome this wonderful family into our community.



Announcements

Summer office hours
Monday/Tuesday 9:00-3:00

Registration is open.

Some classes are filling up quickly (1st and 3rd are almost full and K4 and Kindergarten are close behind). Registrations forms can be found on the school website under the Enrollment tab.

K4 and Kindergarten screening.
Parents will be contacted soon with information to schedule a time for screenings.

2022-2023 Calendar is attached to this email.

Orientation/Open House

Monday Aug. 29th at 6:00

There will be a meeting together in the auditorium in which very important information will be given followed by an opportunity to see the classrooms and meet with the teachers.

All families are requested to have at least one adult member to attend.

First Day of School
Wednesday Aug. 31st

Work Day

We will be having a work day in Aug (date/time TBD) to get ready for the school year. More information coming soon.

We are still searching for a Kindergarten teacher and a teacher's aid. Email the office at pbcs@penbaychristian.org for more information or leads.

Carpool

If you are interested in carpooling this year, we would like to help. Please complete the form located in this email and also on the school website.

PBCS School Structure 2022-2023

Administration/Office

Head of School/Principal

Rich Lowell

Assistant to the Administrator

Erin Lowell

HS Guidance Counselor

Sue Batty

Office Secretary

In final stage of hiring

Elementary

PreK4 (Mon-Thur Full Day)

In final stage of hiring

Kindergarten (Mon-Fri Full Day)

To be hired

1st Grade

Trudy Heanssler

2nd Grade

Stephanie Mank

3rd Grade

Greg Gough

4th-5th Grades

Jessica Bellows

Enrichment

Art, Tech - Erin Lowell

Music - Justin Bari

Library, PE - TBD

Middle School

6th Grade Bible/Homeroom

(Math 6, MS History)

Justin Bari

7th Grade Bible/Homeroom

(MS English)

Brandon Benoit

8th Grade Bible/Homeroom

(MS Science, Math 7, Math 8)

Becky Martz

Enrichment/Electives

Art, Tech, Music (Praise Team), PE, Video Production, Newspaper and other possibilities

High School

9th-12th Bible/Homeroom

(Biology/Health, World Lit, World History)

Sue Batty

HS Math and English

Two teachers in the final stage of hiring

Enrichment/Electives

Art, Tech, Music (Praise Team), PE, Video Production, Newspaper, Home Ec, Shop and other possibilities