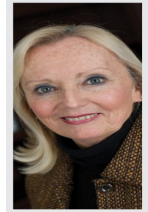


# High School Monthly Newsletter

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## Verse of the Month

<sup>5</sup> Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. <sup>6</sup> These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. <sup>7</sup> Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. <sup>8</sup> Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. <sup>9</sup> Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates. Deut. 5-9

## Principal's Message - Parents Have Homework Too!

Every hour, every day our children are bombarded with messages from all sources of the media. They are also receiving messages from friends, adults and those in the entertainment industry who are their “role models” – messages that often conflict with Christian values.

The Bible teaches in Deut. 6:4-9 and in Prov. 22:6 that parents are responsible for training their children. We know that it is impossible for parents to remain at home for the first 18 years of their children's lives to do nothing but teach them from the Scripture 8 hours a day and take care of all their personal needs from dawn to dusk. However, God's Word directs parents to train their children in the instruction of the Lord. The Greek word for *train*, (Prov.22:6) is “*paideia*”, meaning *the whole training and education of children, including the cultivation of mind and morals, and includes the training and care of the body and soul with a goal of increasing virtue and Godliness* (Kingdom Education, Schultz).

### Children are God's homework assignment to parents!

PCA is committed to helping all parents successfully complete this ultimate homework assignment given by God. We do not exist as a rescue, protection or isolation program; rather we exist to partner with you to provide the teaching and training that strives to educate young people in light of God's Word, to impact the lives of others for eternity.

James Dobson and Gary Bauer write in their book, Children at Risk: The Battle for the Hearts and Minds of Our Kids – “*Nothing short of a Great Civil War rages today throughout North America. Two sides of vastly different and incompatible world-views are locked in a bitter conflict that permeates every level of society. Instead of fighting for territory or military conquest, the struggle is now for the hearts and minds of our young people. Those who control what young people are taught and what they experience – what they see, hear, think, and believe – will determine the future course of this nation.*”

We should not fear what our children may do – fear rather what our children are being taught (Beyond Belief to Convictions, J. McDowell). The world-view that young children develop, Christian or secular, will determine their passions, values, morals, work ethic and integrity. Everybody has a world-view – it is an individual choice. But if, as parents, you are not intentional about guiding your child's choices, that world-view your child will develop can also be imposed, taught, assumed and imagined by those who exert or are allowed to have the most time and influence in the waking hours of your child...namely the 8 hours/day, 5 days/week, 40 weeks of the school year, for 14 years of their life (JK-12)? Do the math – 22,400 hours under the influence of someone other than yourself! This equates to roughly 3 years of life – the same amount of time it takes to earn a University degree.

As parents, you are the ultimate responsibility for choosing the sphere of influence for the first 14 years of your child's life. These are the years when the formation of values, morals, ethics and world-view takes place. Your child may pressure you and try to “guilt” you into letting them make the choice of influence for themselves – and you may be tempted to give in to their pressure, just to keep them happy. However, as you consider your part in educating your child for life and eternity, please consider the consequences or your decisions and choices, as God's custodian of His gift to you.

The following is a quote of a young mother of 3 children, Lorin B. from Austin, Texas:

“Seek not what is good for your children, but what is **best**. Seek not what is important, but what is **essential**. Seek not glamour, but **Godliness**. Seek not to increase their fun, but to **increase their faith**. Seek not tools to make them rich; seek first to give them the **tools to make them righteous**. Parents, seek not what makes your children happy; seek first what makes your children **holy**.”

### Martin Luther:

“I am much afraid that schools will prove to be the great gates of hell unless they diligently labour in explaining the Holy Scriptures, engraving them in the hearts of youth. I advise no one to place his child where the Scriptures do not reign paramount.”

**Education is more than learning *how to make a living* – it should be to learn *how to live*!**

**Be faithful to complete your homework, with excellence!!**





*Spring Concert  
May 26th*

## MUSICAL RECITAL - JUNE 7, 2010

The performance class will be doing their final solos and the Northern Lights Men's Chorus has agreed to perform a couple of songs at the opening. They are one of the top 5 men's choruses in the world. They go around the world to perform every year and are entertaining and fabulous....as are our kids.

# March 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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7	8 March Break	9 March Break	10 March Break	11 March Break	12 March Break	13
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