

ANKENY CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

Annual Report 2024-2025



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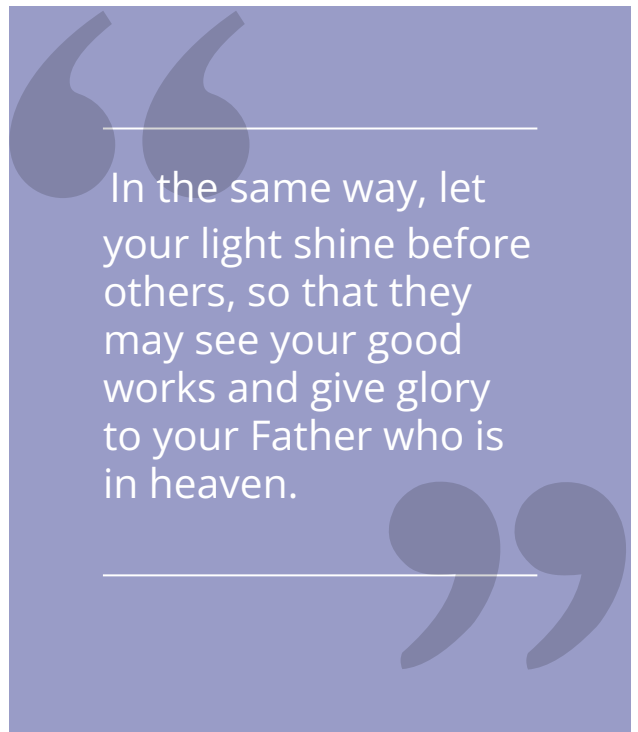
Letter from the Head of School

It was a true honor to witness the unveiling of our remodeled auditorium this year. Seeing members of our founding families return throughout the year with tears in their eyes, was a powerful reminder of God's faithfulness. This auditorium has been a central hub for our school community since 2000. Nearly twenty-five years later, God has beautifully provided the means to give it a much-needed refresh, ensuring its continued use for many years to come.

In addition to updating our campus, we were blessed to grow our team. This year, we added several vital new positions, including a Secondary Principal, an Assistant Elementary Principal, and Elementary Teacher Associates for every grade from Kindergarden through 5th.

Most importantly, our school community focused on letting our lights shine brightly for Jesus. Guided by our theme verse for the year from Matthew 5:16, Let Your Light Shine, our students, faculty, and staff sought to honor Him in everything they did. Throughout this report, you will see the many ways that light shined through academics, sports, activities, discipleship, service, and relationships.

To God be the glory!

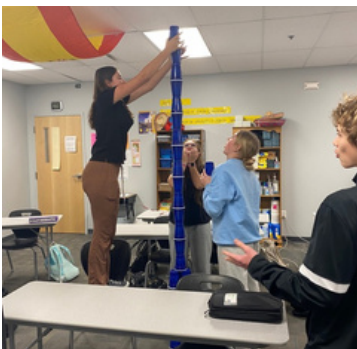


Elementary



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- Welcomed our new begindergarten and kindergarten students with home visits from the principals and Mr. Knoll!
 - Two ACA students were National Math Stars Nominees, scoring in the top two percent of all third grade students in mathematics on the Iowa Statewide Assessment of Student Progress in spring 2025.
 - 100 percent of our begindergarteners moved into Kindergarten at ACA.
 - Kingdom Kids, a special program for fifth graders, learned to be the hands and feet of Christ through learning to serve their school.
 - Mrs. Hansen retired after many years of faithful service to Christian education and ACA.
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Secondary



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- Received the Carrie Chapman Catt award for the second year.
 - Kyson Bauman recognized as National Merit Scholar
 - Lucas Weathers recognized as National Merit Commended Scholar
 - Added electives like Early Childhood Education, Trigonometry, Fundamentals of Higher Education and the Workforce, and Advanced Theater.
 - Bible class has completed a new curriculum, Understanding the Culture, which applies biblical worldview to current issues.
 - Our first AP English Literature & Composition class (May 2024) had a 92% pass rate for the national college level test. In comparison, the national average is 72% and the Iowa average (2023) was 77%.
 - 3 students received the Iowa Seal of Biliteracy.
 - Miss Brugioni was recognized with the STAR award.
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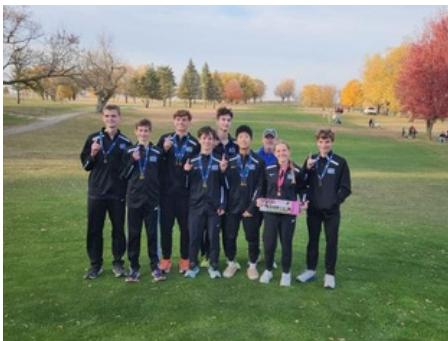
Academics

ISASP 2025 STUDENT TESTING RESULTS
Percent of Students Proficient or Advanced

	ACA Percentages		
Grade	English	Math	Science
3	98	85	
4	93	85	
5	95	67	79
6	95	76	
7	83	61	
8	92	84	82
9	85	81	
10	79	87	92
11	93	69	

	Iowa Percentages		
Grade	English	Math	Science
3	68	76	
4	76	74	
5	70	71	64
6	72	72	
7	74	72	
8	80	74	70
9	75	64	
10	74	67	66
11	69	65	

Athletics



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- Girls' Volleyball Team finished as 1A State Champions
 - Named 2023-2024 Bluegrass Conference all sports champions.
 - Cross Country Boys finished 2nd at state
 - Belle Oshirak cross country individual state qualifier
 - Johanna Shaw made it to state bowling and placed 21st
 - Alex Davis, who was named to the 2nd Team All-State Cross Country
 - Alex Davis and Belle Oshirak, were named Bluegrass Male and Female Runners of the Year
 - Added softball to ACA's sports offerings
 - Michele Quick was named Girls Coach of the Year from the High School Sports Awards.
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Activities



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- 8 high school choir participated in solo contests - received four Superior and four Excellent ratings. Two singers received perfect scores.
 - 14 ACA students earned awards at Bluegrass Conference Art Festival
 - Advanced theater class wrote and produced a play
 - More than 80 students participated in one of ACA's productions this year
 - "My Fair Lady" was judged through the Iowa High School Musical Awards (IHSMTA) and received four awards
 - 12 students participated in classes through the Iowa High School Musical Theater Awards
 - Added a Select Choir
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Employee Spotlight



Fred Anderson

STEM Teacher/Technology Director

Mr. Anderson was recognized by the Iowa High School Girls Athletic Union during the state volleyball tournament with the Sportsmanship Award! He was nominated by the volleyball team and coaches for this award. The award is given to someone who not only displays an example of great sportsmanship, but also someone who supports our team. Mr. Anderson often makes treats for them before games. He helps and volunteers. He's a quiet leader, always looking for ways to encourage them.

Kaylee Brugioni

Middle School Science Teacher

Miss Brugioni was recognized with the S.T.A.R award, thanks to Lamberti, Murphy & Strong Law and I Do Pretty!



Michele Quick

Volleyball Coach

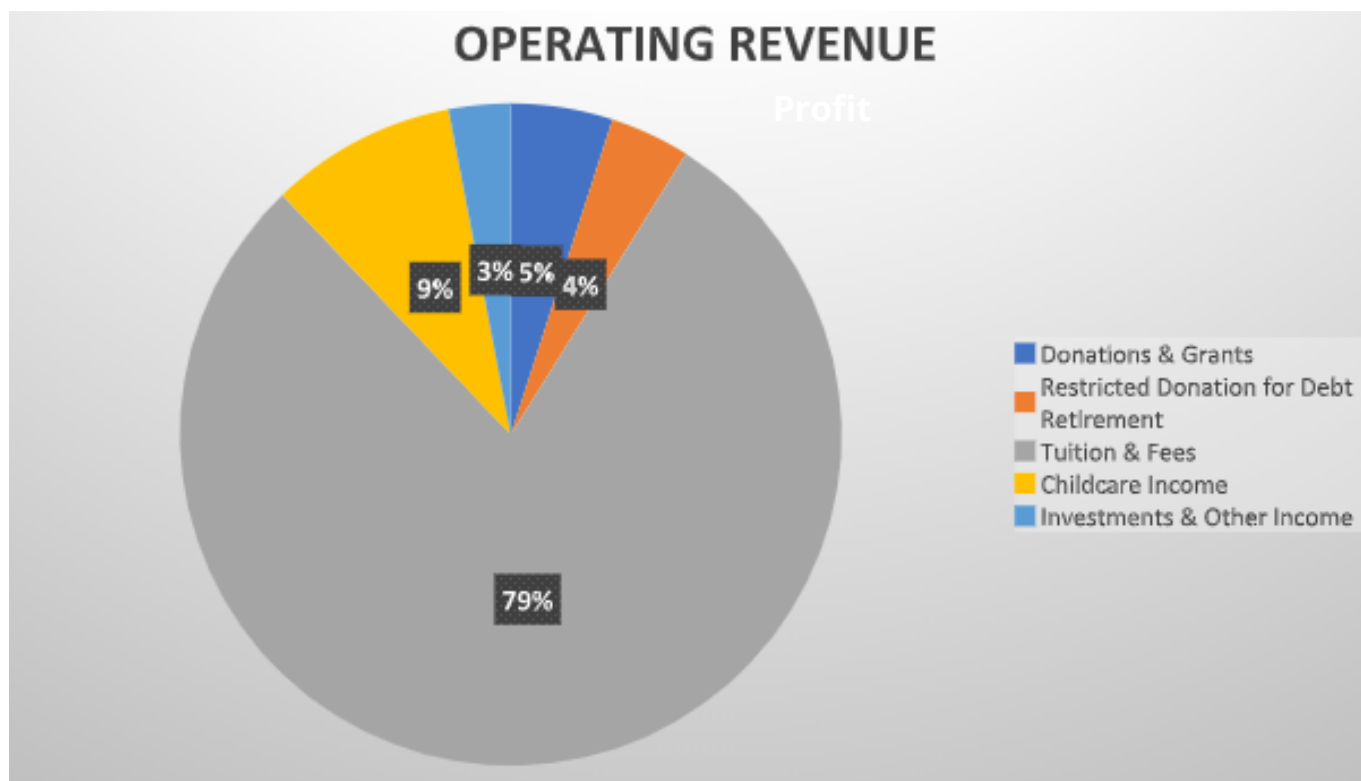
ACA coach Michele Quick was named the Class 1A coach of the year for the second straight season. She guided her team to a 39-3 record, matching last year's mark, and a 29-match winning streak to end the season.

Financial Highlights

ACA has seen God continue to financially bless the school in many ways. God is faithful and we were able to finish the 24-25 school year in a strong financial position.

Operating revenue along with faithful donors allowed the school to cover all expenses as well as invest in other priorities for the school. These priorities included:

- Added two 12-passenger vans to our fleet
- Replaced three AC/Furnace units
- Added three offices, including a nurse's office
- Added a Faculty Lounge and two faculty bathrooms
- Continued to paydown our debt



Advancement



This year, ACA partnered with local non-profits, including On With Life, Mill Pond, the Ankeny Fire Department, and the Ankeny Service Center. Our middle school and high school students went out into the community and served through seven different community service days.



Additionally, ACA partnered with Meals from the Heartland for a school-wide day of service. Grades beginningergarten through 12th packed more than 480,000 meals that will serve 185 children for a year.



Legacy Gala

The third annual Legacy Gala was held, with funds raised supporting faculty and staff through an improved and enhanced work experience. This includes things like lower elementary principal office remodel, classroom associate workspaces, and adding more faculty bathrooms and teacher's lounge!

Legacy Gala Honorees

Legacy Award

Don & Lucienne Buell

Advocate Award

Matt and Jill Hugen

Teacher Award

Dr. Steve and Cindy Robinson



Raised to support ACA

\$460,000

New Donors

200