



THE EAGLE UPDATE

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER - September 18, 2026

Legacy Gala: Forward in Faith - one week until the event!

TICKETS:

We have a few tickets still available! [Purchase your tickets here.](#)

BASKET DONATION:

Thank you so much to all the families who have donated baskets to our event. Please bring them to the office no later than Wednesday, September 23.

PRAY:

While we hope to raise funds for our future vision plans, we pray that the Holy Spirit surrounds our event. We're looking for individuals to commit to praying during the event. If you'd be willing to pray for 15 minutes that evening, [please sign up here.](#)

Parent Meeting Recap

The video of the September 14 parent meeting is [available here](#), and a copy of the slides are [available here](#). If you have any questions, please use [this sheet](#) to reach out to a member of the administration or board.

School Picture Schedule

School pictures will be taken at ACA on Thursday, September 24 and Friday, September 25. All students will need to have their picture taken, even if you do not plan to purchase a picture. There will be a link sent after the photo is taken with a proof and option to purchase. Below is which day each class/grade will have their photos taken.

Thursday, September 24:

Beginnergarten

Ms. Cochran

Mrs. Moore

Mrs. Fields

Mrs. Crossman

Ms. Eades

6th grade

7th grade

12th grade

Friday, September 25:

Ms. Fees

Ms. Knoll

Mrs. Frericks

Mrs. Merrifield

Mrs. Carstensen

Mr. Sidlinger

Mrs. Stam

PTF September Meeting

PTF (Parent Teacher Fellowship) is a group of parents and grandparents who meet monthly to bless and support ACA teachers and staff. They arrange meals during parent-teacher conferences, organize teacher appreciation month, bless the teachers for their birthdays, and much more. It's a great way to get to know other parents and get involved in the school. The meetings will be held the 4th Thursday of the month at 6:30. This month will be Thursday, September 23, at 6:30 in the administration building.

Lost & Found

Any items left in the Lost & Found after Tuesday, September 22, will be disposed of.



Help Launch ACA's First-Ever FBLA Chapter

Ankeny Christian Academy is excited to launch its first-ever Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) chapter! FBLA gives students the opportunity to grow in leadership, communication, teamwork, financial literacy, problem-solving and business skills, while putting their faith into action by leading with integrity, serving others and pursuing excellence. Because we're starting from the ground up, we have some exciting needs as we prepare for our first Iowa FBLA State Leadership Conference in October. We're seeking funding to purchase basic items like a chapter gavel, a chapter banner, and FBLA attire for conference attendance, along with funds to assist with conference registration costs. We anticipate additional expenses that will help our students learn, compete, and grow.



We've launched a capital campaign with a goal to raise \$5,000 in founding support to give ACA students the opportunity to make the most of this new organization and build skills that will benefit them far beyond high school. There are three sponsorship levels as well as an opportunity to give what you can. [Click here to see the flyer.](#) Checks can be made payable to Ankeny Christian Academy FBLA and sent to Mrs. Scott at the school.

Support our Double Good Popcorn Fundraiser! Every purchase helps us take another step toward building ACA FBLA. This popcorn is ordered through our online pop-up store and directly shipped to the customer. This fundraiser only lasts for seven days, so don't delay: <https://popup.doublegood.com/s/mgea2612>.

ACA's FBLA chapter meets the second and fourth Wednesday of each month over lunch in Mrs. Heisterkamp's room. Everyone is welcome!

We are incredibly grateful for everyone who helps us write the first chapter of ACA FBLA! If you have questions or would like to get involved, please contact chapter officers Avary Dyjak, Emily Burris, Joey Haley, or Matthew Heisterkamp.

Elementary FAST Assessments

Attention Elementary Parents: Please watch for an email early next week regarding your students' FAST assessments. The results will be sent only to the primary email listed.

Game One Shirt

The deadline for your free ACA shirt (just pay shipping) from Game One is September 22! [Shop Shop here..](#)

ACA Musical Theatre Parent Informational Meeting

While the ACA students will be discovering the name of the musical this weekend at the Reveal Party, parents of 8th-12th grade students are invited to an informational meeting about the musical on Tuesday, September 29, from 6:30-7:30pm in the auditorium. Parents will receive audition information, casting expectations, rehearsal schedules, volunteer opportunities, and more. Amanda DeWitt, the musical director, will be on hand to answer any questions and provide a first-look at this year's exciting program and beyond!

Last Call: Musical Reveal Party Registration

The ACA Spring Musical Reveal Party is almost here! Students in 8th–12th grade are invited to join us on Saturday, September 19, from 11:00 AM–2:00 PM in the Auditorium for games, lunch, clues, and the official reveal of this year's spring musical.

This event is for students interested in performing, tech crew, backstage work, design, stage management, or simply learning more about how to be involved. No theatre experience is required.

Pizza will be generously provided by Dough Co. Pizza in Ankeny.

Register using this link: <https://forms.gle/za8fZaP8dwA6tUKJ9>. We hope to see you there!

School Picture Volunteers

We are still looking for a few volunteers to help at ACA during the school pictures. If you would like to help, [please sign up here](#).

Upcoming Events

These are taken from the [school calendar](#). Please note that schedules (especially with sports) could be different from what's listed on the calendar.

September

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4:30 - MS Volleyball at Johnston
5:00 and 7:00 - Varsity Volleyball at ACA

September

22

4:30 - MS Volleyball at Ballard
4:30 - JV/Varsity Volleyball at ACA
4:30 - MS and Varsity Boys and Girls Cross Country at West Marshall

September

23

7:30 a.m. - See You at the Pole

September

24

School Pictures
4:30 - JV/Varsity Volleyball at ACA (Senior Night)
6:30 - PTF

September

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School Pictures
1st Quarter Midterm
Senior Retreat

September

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Volleyball at Carlisle
5:30 - Legacy Gala

September

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4:30 - MS and Varsity Boys and Girls Cross Country at Ogden

September

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4:30 - MS Volleyball at Melcher-Dallas
4:30 - MS Volleyball at Northview Middle School

October

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4:30 - MS and Varsity Boys and Girls Cross Country at West Central Valley
5:30 - JV/Varsity Volleyball at Lamoni
6:00 - Board of Directors Meeting

October

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8:00 - Varsity Volleyball Tournament at Madrid



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