



THE EAGLE UPDATE

HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER - September 12, 2025

School Photos

Please see the image for information this year's school photos. We are including a list below of when your child's class/homeroom will have their photo taken. Seniors can get their photos taken as their schedules allow.

Thursday: Barth, Budnik, Crossman, Phillips, Stam/Thoelcke, Appell, 10th grade, Sidlinger, Merrifield, Carstenson, 9th grade, 8th grade

Friday: Cochran, Deierling, 6th grade, Moore, Ihnen, 11th grade, 7th grade.

It's School Portrait Time!

ANKENY CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

School Portraits will be taken on

SEPTEMBER 18 & 19

SEND NO MONEY ON PICTURE DAY

Each child will be photographed, so all they need to bring is their smile! Seniors can look wonderful if they are unbothered about all the attention they are receiving.

CLOTHING

Proper clothing about the size to dominate the portrait, with all other clothing being secondary. Clothing is kept only to distract from the focus of the photo. Photos for senior class portraits will also have a clothing review.

ORDERING

You will be able to order photos of your child from an online gallery that we will send you private access to when the photos are ready.



QUESTIONS?

515-943-8119

MMAA Photographic Artist
200 S.W. Main St.
Ankeny, IA 52203

Gala Baskets Needed

Our 4th Annual Legacy Gala is fast approaching! One of the most fun things we have at the gala is a ticket drop auction. Guests purchase raffle tickets and drop them into the baskets they want to win. At the end of the night, we draw for winners! We're looking for more baskets to give away that night. If you would like to contribute one, we'd appreciate it. Please contact [Abby Bogaards](#) with questions.

Tickets are still available as well! We'd love to have you at this fun event, too!

Learn More & Purchase
Tickets

Association Meeting - September 18

The first association meeting of the year will be held Thursday, September 18 at 6:30 in the auditorium. All association members are invited to attend! [The agenda can be found here.](#)

Board Meeting Minutes

The minutes from the September 4 Board of Directors meeting can be found [here](#).

Board Coffee - October 4

A new initiative this year from the Board of Directors is Board Coffee! Association members are invited to a time of informal conversation with a few board members. The first Board coffee will be held at Main Street Cafe on October 4 starting at 7:30 AM.

Steak Dinner - September 25

Support the Cross Country team on Thursday, September 25 with a steak dinner from Hy-Vee! From 4-7 at the North Ankeny Hy-Vee, the cross country team will be partnering with Hy-Vee and \$2 from each steak dinner purchased will support their team. The meal will include a grilled steak, vegetable, and potato.

Upcoming Career Fairs

We are including information on two upcoming career fairs outside ACA. Mrs. Olson will be attending both if the students would like to meet up with her there. Please email her for more information. She will also send out a list of questions to ask at a college fair the week before the event.

Christian College Fair: Meet admissions personnel, gather important financial aid information, and explore a wide variety of Christian colleges and universities. Join us at Pella Christian High School on September 22nd, 6:30-8:30 pm. **All college-bound students and their families are welcome.** Admission is free. Scan the QR code or [click this link](#) for more information. Registration in advance is highly recommended. Contact Trixanna Wang at wangt@pcealges.org with questions.

We have included info below on the 3rd Annual Central Iowa Skilled Trades Apprenticeship Expo as well.



Join the lunch volunteer team!

Calling all parents, grandparents, and family members of ACA students! Do you have a heart to serve ACA? Are you looking for a great way to get involved? Join ACA's lunch volunteer lunch team!

Volunteering for lunch at ACA is a great way to serve our school and see your children during the school day!

Many volunteers are needed --especially on Thursdays and volunteers who are willing to serve as substitute volunteers! Serve once a month, once a week, or choose a more-flexible "as needed or substitute" role!

If you have family members who do not receive the newsletter (grandparents, aunts, uncles, etc), feel free to share this information. Many grandparents and family members enjoy being involved and serving in ACA's lunch program!

Background Check Forms: If you are interested in volunteering at ACA; please fill out both volunteer background check forms available on our school website. To find these forms; go to "Parent Resources," click on the "Handbooks, Policies, and Forms," tab, then click on the "Background Check Forms" tab. Please print the forms, fill them out, and return both completed forms to the office.

Volunteer Roles:

TA's (Teacher's Assistants) and 3rd Parent Helpers--This shift is from **10:40am-11:40pm approximately**. These volunteers help students at the kitchen window and then aid students in the cafeteria with their lunchtime needs. They also aid in cleanup as classes are dismissed.

Lunch Servers--This shift is from **10:30am-1:30pm approximately**. Lunch servers serve lunch for our students and then aid in kitchen clean up.

Substitute Volunteers--These are volunteers who fill in for volunteers (TA's, 3rd Parent Helpers, and Lunch Servers) who are unable to serve on their regularly scheduled shift. This may be short notice or advanced notice. There is a great need for volunteers for our substitute volunteer lists. If you have a flexible schedule (even if it's only one day per week), please consider joining our substitute volunteer lists.

Open Volunteer Shifts:

Lunch Service --This shift is from 10:30am-1:30pm approximately

Tuesday--The 2nd Tuesday of each month

Thursday--The 3rd and 5th (where applicable) Thursdays of each month

Friday--The 1st Friday of each month

TA --This shift is from 10:40am-11:40pm approximately

No regular shift openings at this time. Volunteers are welcome to join the "substitute list" for these openings! Substitutes are always needed regularly throughout the school year!

Substitute Lists

Consider joining the substitute lists (Lunch Service, TA, and 3rd Parent Assistant)! There is a great need for lunch substitute volunteers.

Please contact Natalie Whittemore for more information about serving in ACA's lunch program!

email: natalie.whittemore@aca eagles.net

phone/text: 515-289-6556

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

Varsity Volleyball Tournament at Aplington Parkersburg

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September

4:30 - MS Volleyball at ACA

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4:45 - JV 2 Volleyball at Northview Middle School

September

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4:30 - MS Volleyball at Oskaloosa Christian

5:00 - JV 2 at DMC

September

18

4:30 - Varsity Cross Country at Colo-Nesco

4:30 - Middle School Cross Country at Colo-Nesco

5:30 - JV 1 Volleyball at ACA

6:30 - Association Meeting

7:00 - Varsity Volleyball at ACA



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