## "Therefore, GO and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit..." "Matthew 28:19

Dear Friend of Penn Christian Academy,

This year, our theme is **Ready**, **Set**, **GO**, inspired by Matthew 28:18-20:

"Then Jesus came to them and said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore, GO and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely, I am with you always, to the very end of the age.""

Our students have been learning how God calls people throughout Scripture to **GO**—to step out in faith and serve His kingdom. Through these lessons, they are empowered to serve our community and beyond. Middle School students have actively served through **Fishbone Ministries** on The Island in Butler and through **Operation Christmas Child** to impact the world. Our Preschool students are supporting local cancer patients through the **Hang Tough Stocking Drive**. All of our students are helping to fill laundry baskets of goods for the veterans at **Colonial Gardens Guest House**. These are just a few examples of our students putting faith into action and GOing out in the name of Jesus.

At PCA, our students are not only challenged during weekly Chapel; the Bible is woven into every part of their learning experience—through our Bible curriculum, Character Development program, worship and music classes, and even our Biblically based Language Arts, Social Studies, and Science lessons. Staff pray with students throughout the day, and parents and friends of PCA meet every other Friday to pray for our school. For approximately 40% of our students who do not have regular church families, PCA becomes a church family, living out Matthew 28:18-20 within our walls.

We need your help to continue this mission.

To support our families during financial hardships, we did **not raise tuition** for the 2025-2026 school year. Our staff also did not receive raises, and currently **75% of our staff salaries are below a livable wage**. Yet, by God's grace, we have seen growth in our K-8 enrollment, received a grant to enhance security, formed new partnerships for 2026-2027, and are pursuing a major grant for building upkeep. Despite these blessings, our projected deficit for this year is approximately \$270,000, before completing our remaining fiscal year fundraising events. I share this because we need **YOU**.

Financial support is crucial, but it is not the only way to help. Perhaps you can:

- Become a sponsor for one of our upcoming major events (see our enclosed development calendar).
- Introduce PCA to companies or individuals seeking end-of-year giving opportunities—we would love to give them a tour and meet our students and staff
- Share this letter or our development calendar with your church or community group.
- Assist with grant writing or research.
- Explore EITC giving opportunities.
- Pray faithfully—with your church prayer teams, small groups, and personal prayer times—for a financial outpouring for PCA and all Christian schools in Pennsylvania, and for the eventual establishment of the voucher system in our state.

No contribution is too small. Our God is a way-maker and miracle worker, and we have witnessed His faithfulness time and time again here at PCA.

As our students continue to learn how to **GO in His name**, we thank you for playing a vital role in shaping disciples who make disciples. Your support helps our children grow into Biblical worldview thinkers who serve and lead in the name of Jesus Christ. God is doing amazing things at PCA, and with your partnership, we can continue this important work.

We wish you a Happy Thanksgiving and a Very Merry Christmas!

To GOD Be the GLORY, Now and Forevermore,

Wendi Caldwell Head of School

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I/WE ARE REA	DY TO GO WI	тн РСА ву:	
□ Continuing to	Pray for PCA	☐ Financially Supporting PCA	□ Volunteering at PCA

#### **PCA DESIGNATED FUND TYPES:**

**CIRCLE OF FRIENDS:** This fund has been established to assist with the regular daily operations of the school. This is a discretionary fund that enables school leaders to decide where it can best be utilized in light of the current situation.

**CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT:** This fund has been established to take care of major building upgrades and repairs.

**MAKE A DIFFERENCE:** This fund has been established to help families who are currently enrolled and have fallen on hard times (loss of job, illness, etc.).

**DESIGNATED FUND**: Designated funds are restricted to assisting a particular program of the school.

- Arts (music, visual arts, band, orchestra, etc.)
- Athletics
- Special Academic Services (enrichment, tutoring, etc.)
- Spiritual Formation (Chapel, Bible curriculum, Bible study material, etc.)

#### I/WE WOULD LIKE TO FINANCIALLY SUPPORT PCA THROUGH THE FUND(S) BELOW:

Circ	le of Friends:	□ One Time Gift of \$	☐ Monthly Gift of \$
Cap	ital Improvement:	☐ One Time Gift of \$	□ Monthly Gift of \$
Make A Difference:		☐ One Time Gift of \$	□ Monthly Gift of \$
Designated Fund:			
•	Arts	□ One Time Gift of \$	□ Monthly Gift of \$
•	Athletics	☐ One Time Gift of \$	□ Monthly Gift of \$
•	Special Academic Svs.	☐ One Time Gift of \$	□ Monthly Gift of \$
•	Spiritual Formation	□ One Time Gift of \$	□ Monthly Gift of \$

Please mail form and donation to: Penn Christian Academy, Attn: Annual Appeal, 199 Airport Road, Butler, PA 16002. Donations may also be given online at <a href="https://www.pennchristianacademy.org/support">www.pennchristianacademy.org/support</a> or by scanning the QR Code.



Contact Jodi Glassic at 724.586.5200 x205 or jglassic@pennchristianacademy.org for more information.



### Development Event Calendar

arking Lot Petapalooza (August 28, 2026) At PCA, we believe that each child is wonderfully created by God, with unique gifts, talents, and needs. We are committed to providing a Christ-centered education that nurtures the whole child — academically, spiritually, and emotionally. To further this mission, we continue to grow our Student Support Services, including the incredible work of our therapy dog, Smalls McWaffles and the development of our new Sensory Classroom. By sponsoring or attending our upcoming Petapalooza, you directly support these life-changing services. Your partnership helps us offer high-quality, faith-based education while also caring deeply for the individual well-being of every student.



all Gala (October 22, 2026) The PCA Annual Fall Gala is our premier fundraising event in support of the general operating budget of Penn Christian Academy. As a private Christian school in Pennsylvania, we are limited in our funding options—especially as we remain steadfast in our commitment to Biblical truth. We intentionally decline funding sources that require us to compromise our faith, choosing instead to trust in God's provision through faithful supporters like you. Your investment supports our vision of equipping biblical worldview thinkers who serve and lead in the name of Christ.



ood Truck Family Fundraiser Night (April 24, 2026) As Penn Christian Academy seeks to enhance our programming opportunities, we need to be sure we are taking care of our enrolled families who may fall on hard times, or who have extenuating circumstances creating a tuition assistance need. To assist these families, PCA has an established Make-a-Difference Fund. This fund addresses the situations mentioned above and any other needs that may not be covered by other scholarship opportunities.



rap Shoot (May 16, 2026) Get ready to aim high for a great cause! Penn Christian Academy is On Target for Building Upgrades, and you can help us hit the mark. By joining us for our Trap Shoot, you'll play a direct role in funding vital building repairs and improvements that keep our students, staff, and families safe. Every shot fired and every dollar given moves us closer to creating the best possible learning environment for our children. Come out, have fun, and make an impact that lasts!



olf Outing (July 2026) As we expand our programming and deepen our impact, one of our core goals is to narrow the gap between current salaries and local livable wages. Our educators give sacrificially of their time, talents, and hearts, helping children grow both academically and spiritually — equipping biblical worldview thinkers who serve and lead in the name of Christ. We invite you to be a part of this mission. By sponsoring or attending our upcoming Golf Outing, you will directly support fair, sustainable compensation for our Christian educators. Your partnership makes it possible for us to continue providing high-quality, faith-based education while caring for those who serve so faithfully.



orship Nights and Chapel Services PCA opens it doors to the community each week for chapel services with our staff, students and families. Chapel is held most Fridays at 8:30 AM. We also host LIVE Community Worship Nights. Check our school calendar for more details.





# PENN CHRISTIAN ACADEMY'S 2025 Annual Appeal







