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The Flyer is a print and digital publication of Sheboygan Christian School. The purpose of *The Flyer* is to connect our extended school community with our mission, vision, and core values.

We expect this publication to provide evidence that Sheboygan Christian School is impacting the world, both near and far, for Jesus Christ.

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**From the Desk of
Ann Steenwyk**

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The word “new” has been on my lips quite a bit lately: the beginning of a new season, a new quarter, a new middle school and high school wing, new students, new teachers, new relationships, new procedures, new learning opportunities. Sometimes “new” ends up being an addition, an add on. (Our world often equates new with more.) Sometimes “new” means change or transformation. As part of our theme, “In Christ,” we are learning what it means to be new in Christ. Jesus tells us that if we are in Him we are new creatures; the old has gone, and the new has come. When we are in Christ, we become transformed.

You may notice the large, beautiful butterfly in our front entryway representing our transformation in Christ. It serves as a reminder to our students as they enter the building each day. To me, when I look at that butterfly, I’m reminded that because I am in Christ, Jesus sees me differently than I may see myself. He sees me as worthy, as His child, as one of His treasures.



Mission

In partnership with the Christian community, Sheboygan Christian School uses a biblical perspective to integrate academic excellence with Christ-centered learning, preparing students’ hearts and minds for service in God’s world.



Vision

Sheboygan Christian School will impact the world, both near and far, for Jesus Christ.



Core Values

- Pursues Academic Excellence
- Develops the Christian Mind
- Cultivates Spiritual Growth
- Encourages Biblical Self-Image
- Builds Strong Social Bonds
- Involves the Supporting Community
- Serves the Greater Community

At SCS, we are providing students opportunities to learn about Jesus, to understand their need for Jesus, and to understand Jesus’s gift to us to be transformed into new creations. We are also helping them to see themselves and others differently than they may have in the past. We are helping our students recognize that as new creations, they have opportunities to be ambassadors for Christ. What amazing work! Please join us in praying for this work and that our students will indeed be transformed through the work of our one and only Savior.

Thank you for your ongoing prayers and support for SCS’s mission.

Ann Steenwyk
Head of School



Living In Christ to impact the world for His Glory

Hello, my name is Veronica Norton and I have the joy of currently serving my second year on the Sheboygan Christian Board of Trustees. My husband Steven and I are proud parents of two students here—one in 5th grade and one a senior in High School.

Both of our students attended preschool at SCS when the elementary campus was on Geele Avenue. I still look back

at the days of picking them up with other parents in the little hallway off the playground as a time of quiet prayer that they would come to know how deeply loved by God they are and how amazing it is to be part of a community that is shining God’s light. Those sweet little pre-K kids are full of joy, laughter and their own unique way of seeing God’s beauty so easily and so fully. As they get older, their faith journey gains a bit more depth and the students really dive into what their faith means personally to them.

As our senior gets ready to graduate this year and our 5th grader continues her own journey of growth here, I can see how those quiet prayers back in preschool have taken root. The vision of SCS of students impacting the world both near and far for Jesus Christ is being lived out before our eyes; not only for our family, but for every family who is part of our school.

Our 2025-2026 school year theme *In Christ*, beautifully captures what the SCS vision truly means. 2 Corinthians 5:17 reminds us “Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here.” When our students, families and community live in Christ, we are laying down our lives to no longer live for ourselves. Everything we do—academics, serving, creating, jobs, the way we interact with one another—all of it flows from being connected to Christ and points to the truths that:

- *In Christ, we are Saved.* This is a foundational truth to our lives as believers. This truth is woven into all our staff teach and do at SCS.
- *In Christ, we are new.* When I am on campus, I see students growing in their faith everyday as they learn

to show grace, study the Bible together, pray in all situations, experience seeing the world through God’s eyes, and learn to make faith their own.

- *In Christ, we are together.* Our community is vital. We as the body of Christ do this side by side. Teachers, students, parents, grandparents, community members, the church—and beyond—are all reminders that God created us to grow in fellowship with one another.

So why does all that matter? Just as Jesus sent His disciples into the world in Matthew 28 for the Great Commission, SCS is sending students out of classrooms into communities, colleges, sports, neighborhoods, current or future workplaces—all to do exactly what our vision says: To impact the world, both near and far, for Jesus Christ.

Again, I think of the child-like faith of those sweet preschool kids singing to Jesus so boldly and with reckless abandon in their angel and shepherd costumes at Christmastime. Cuteness aside, they really are just living their faith out loud. As those kids grow or when students leave the walls of SCS, that faith can be tested and students may struggle with parts of their faith that make it more difficult to be lived out loudly and proudly. But yet, the foundational truths remain rooted in them—because they have learned, seen and heard it within the walls of this place. “Jesus loves me this I know, for the Bible tells me so” is a clear and pre-k loud sung truth that students, as they grow, can carry into their next steps.

Nothing brings all of this home more than having a senior about to venture out into the world beyond the walls of SCS. It is a big deal to send our children out of our school, home, and church walls as they go where God calls them. But because of the mission and vision at SCS that has been so foundational in our students lives, we can rest in knowing they can carry those truths with them when they go. Our students, no matter what grade level, can be light-bearers living *In Christ*—not only in knowledge, but in faith, love, and service for others. There is no greater testament to our school community than seeing students carry this out once they depart from daily interactions at our school and live out the SCS vision more than just words on our website—but rather as truths deeply written into their hearts.

As we continue this year rooted *In Christ*, whether you have a senior getting ready to launch into the world, a pre-k student just beginning, or any of the incredible stages in-between, may we rejoice and celebrate the magnitude of ways God is shaping lives here at SCS to form students who are grounded in faith, full of passion and purpose—ready to impact the world both near and far, for Jesus Christ.

In His service,

Veronica Norton
SCS Board of Trustees



Exterior view

Building
Hearts *and*
Minds
Phase 3
Building Update

Sheboygan Christian School is closing in on completing our third major building project in five years.

Think about that sentence for a minute: three building projects in five years! There was a time not that long ago where this would have been unimaginable. We can only say two things:

- 1 All glory to God! He is faithful through generations and we are blessed to see His school and His campus grow before our eyes. It’s truly awe-inspiring to see what He is doing!
- 2 Thank you to our amazing community for your incredible support of this project.

Building Hearts and Minds



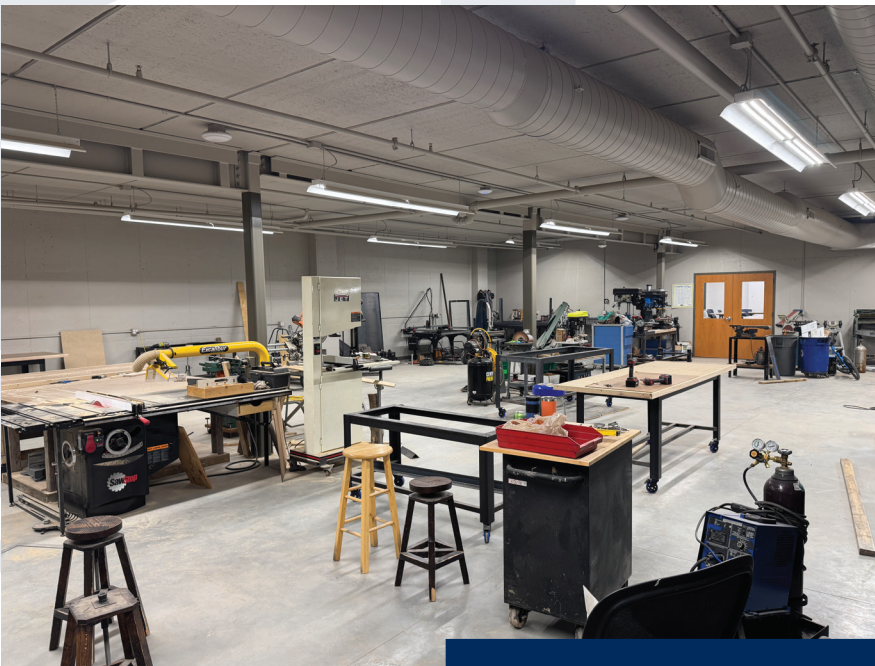
Cafeteria



Rear view cafeteria



STEM Lab



Vocational Technology



Classroom



Stairway



Instrumental Music



Blessed Bean



Vocal Music

Lower Level Hallway Lockers



Science Lab



Kitchen

Phase 3 is nearing completion. By the time you receive this Flyer, it is very likely that we will be moving into our beautiful new space!

Please join us for a dedication service as part of our All School Chapel on Friday, November 21.

See the back page of this Flyer for more information.

Athletics Update

Under the direction of third year Athletic Director Jason Klug, and with a growing high school student body ready to set a new record high enrollment next fall, the Eagles athletics programs are thriving.

Quantity and quality of programs are on the rise at SCS. This chart shows our high school sports offerings. (Programs new to SCS within the last three years are highlighted).

SEASON	GIRLS	BOYS
FALL	Volleyball	Soccer
	Cross Country	Football
	Swimming	Cross Country
WINTER	Basketball	Basketball
		Hockey
		Swimming
SPRING	Soccer	Golf
	Track & Field	Track & Field
	Golf	Baseball
	Softball	Tennis



Mr. Klug recently was recognized by the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletics Association with an Award of Excellence for Athletic Directors. We congratulate Mr. Klug who received this award for his leadership, sportsmanship, ethics, and integrity.



Thank you, Mr. Klug, for all that you do, and thank you for keeping the Lord at the center of our athletic programs!

THE JOY OF MISSING OUT

In January 2025, the Board of Trustees recognized the need to strategically focus on increasing student engagement. This goal was prioritized as a result of research suggesting that increased engagement leads to increased achievement and overall well being.



A Focus on Digital Wellness

As a result of increased awareness, the board implemented an “off and away” cell phone policy as well as the “Wait Until Eighth” initiative. “Off and away” requires any SCS students with mobile devices on campus to have them powered off and away in their locker between the first and final bell of the school day. “Wait Until Eighth” is a nation-wide initiative that challenges parents to not get their child a cell phone until eighth grade, and to delay smart phones until later.

The response to these new initiatives has been positive, with more student interaction, engagement in games during breaks, and overall increase in positive school culture.

Additionally, the school is engaging with the Joy of Missing Out, a digital wellness platform, to provide resources to parents, teachers, and students. Christina Crook, author of *The Joy of Missing Out and Good Burdens: How to Live Joyfully in the Digital Age*, came to present and interview 6-12 students to challenge them and to get their stories.

Digital wellness will continue to remain a focus. Next, we'll be studying the use of educational devices (i.e. chromebooks) and artificial intelligence.

SCS welcomes parent and community partnership in this endeavor, as we together work to align digital wellness with our mission to form responsible, connected, and flourishing graduates.



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Scholarship



Core Knowledge Language Arts

Sheboygan Christian School began using the Core Knowledge Language Arts (CKLA) curriculum resource across grades K–5. CKLA integrates reading, writing, listening, and speaking through engaging, content-rich units in literature, history, and science. Our teachers have been intentional to teach CKLA through a Christian worldview by helping our students see and reflect upon God’s design and the truth of His Word. This approach has nurtured our students’ ability to think critically and biblically about the world around them.

Middle School Curricular Collaboration

This year, collaboration between our middle school English Language Arts (ELA) and social studies classes has created deeper and more meaningful learning experiences for students. Mr. Luke Steuerwald and Mrs. Bevin Tislau have worked together to align research and writing projects, allowing students to explore The American Revolution through the lens of literacy. This integration helps students build essential skills in source evaluation and evidence-based writing and gain confidence as thoughtful, informed communicators.

NHS

The National Honor Society at Sheboygan Christian School continues to exemplify excellence. On October 27th, we celebrated the induction of 14 new members, bringing our total to 40 students who demonstrate a commitment to the NHS pillars of scholarship, leadership, service, and character both in and beyond the classroom. The Sheboygan Christian School National Honor Society is led by advisors Mrs. Betsy Warmus, Mr. Juan Engels, and Mr. Matt Seider.

SCS continues to develop deeper and more meaningful learning experiences for students through our Christ-centered education.

Project Lead the Way (PLTW) - Introduction to Engineering

This year, Sheboygan Christian School added the Project Lead The Way (PLTW) Introduction to Engineering course under the leadership of Dr. Landgraf. The class, composed of 15 students, has explored foundational engineering concepts through hands-on projects and collaborative problem-solving. Students are developing critical thinking and design skills as they apply math and science principles to real-world challenges, often working in teams to create innovative solutions. Next year, we plan to expand the PLTW engineering pathway with the addition of Principles of Engineering in the fall of 2026, further strengthening the school’s commitment to STEM education.

SOAR

Within our elementary schools, we introduced S.O.A.R. (Support, Own, Achieve, Reach). This dedicated time provides all K–5 students with 25 minutes, four days each week, of focused instruction tailored to their academic needs. During S.O.A.R. time, teachers and support staff work with small groups or individual students to strengthen foundational skills, address specific learning goals, and offer enrichment opportunities for those ready to be challenged further in the areas of reading, writing, and mathematics. S.O.A.R. allows our instruction to be responsive to each child’s progress, building both academic growth and confidence, and supporting each student in reaching their God-given potential.





MEET PETER KUIPERS

SCS's new Discipleship Coordinator

Can you share a bit about your personal and faith journey? What brought you to SCS?

God has been and still is my rock. I have, like many others, experienced trials, temptations, and challenges. The early death of my father and loss through natural disaster floods have certainly battered me. Yet the words of my dad's favorite Psalm ring true, "God is my refuge and my strength, an ever present strength in times of trouble". When difficulties come, I know to turn to the Lord. And when the good (or at least decent) times make those challenges seem distant and my need for the Lord even less, I know that in those moments I need to maintain regular spiritual disciplines in the Lord.

What drew you to this specific role of Coordinator of Discipleship?

As a former music teacher, I've had my hand in quite a bit of chapel planning as music forms the soul in ways that words alone are unable to. I've also considered going back to seminary to further my education. I knew from past experience that SCS has a culture of excellence and I wanted to be a part of that. This role seemed like a way that I could step into a role of ministry while still being in the school setting.

Why is this role important for a Christ-centered school like SCS?

As someone who has taught at a number of Christ-centered schools, I am aware of the effort that it takes to integrate a Christian perspective into academic subjects. Without the intentional effort, the Christian perspective can easily fall through the cracks or be relegated to Bible class and chapel. Stepping outside of the classroom into the role of coordinator of discipleship affords me the time and space to consider the bigger picture.

How does your work connect with our school's mission to "partner with the Christian church"?

Regarding the church: As someone new to the community, I am working on introducing myself to the area pastors. And, with 60+ churches represented within the student body of SCS, that takes a considerable amount of time. This means phone calls to introduce myself, a pastor appreciation brunch to coordinate, and meetings over coffee. My conversations with pastors have been fruitful. I've learned that the church/school relationship should be a 2-way street and I'm working on finding small ways for the school to support the churches.

What are some ways you're helping students and staff grow in their walk with Christ?

There have been a number of grade levels where I've led the class in their morning devotional and there are a number of other grade levels/groups for which I have provided devotionals. I have currently been writing the B1 devotionals for the 8th grade leaders in their cross-grade level groups.

What's your prayer for the students and families of SCS?

My deep hope is that we will wrestle with our identity in Christ as we seek to faithfully live in a fallen world. I guess you could say that that is my prayer as well.

How can parents and the broader community support your work?

There are a couple of ways: 1) Uphold me in your prayers as I seek to navigate a new role in a new community. But more importantly: 2) Share your faith stories with your children. Tell them your testimony, share with them questions you've had about your faith, let know how you are growing in your faith. Even though it can be hard to talk about faith, sharing stories of God's faithfulness helps normalize these discussions at school and with others.



Citizenship

At Sheboygan Christian School, we aim to create opportunities for our students to transform God's world. We are temporary citizens here on earth with Kingdom work to do.

Recently our middle school service club, under the leadership of teacher Riley VanHulzen, traveled to Meals on Wheels. Our school partners with this organization's work to serve needs in Sheboygan County. But being able to tour their building and talk with their employees allowed our students to gain a greater perspective.

First, they grasped a deeper understanding of Sheboygan County's residents who are not only in need of meals, but also in need of feeling love from the community around them.

Second, our students learned just how much work is done by so many people to help meet that need.

In response to this formational learning experience, our servant leadership club decided to make a video for our upcoming b1 service project to share the story of Meals On Wheels and the people they serve. Now our mixed K-8 b1 groups can build community with each other while serving the needs of their neighbors as they decorate meal bags with encouraging pictures, messages, and scripture.

These experiences allow our students to live out our theme verse of the year found in 1 Corinthians 5:17, "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!"



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Join us for the celebration
and dedication of the
Phase 3 Building Project!

Friday, November 21, 2025
8:30am

All School Worship and Dedication of the Building



Scan the
QR code to
pre-register
for this event.

Students, staff, builders, corporate partners, generous donors, and the entire SCS community is invited to join our community for a time of worship and dedication of our new middle and high school spaces.

Please note, all visitors coming to campus during the school day will have to register and go through our school screening process.

Scan the QR code to see how you can pre-register online to skip the sign-in line on the day of the event!

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