



Bradford Area Christian Academy

Providing the best possible academic education
in a Christ-centered environment

September 2020

Welcome Back!

It is so wonderful to see everyone back! Though this past year has been a bit crazy, we can't help but feel the presence of God working to make this school the best it has ever been. The staff, board, and volunteers have put in many extra hours getting everything ready for the students. We think everyone will be pleased with all the accomplishments.

We would like to introduce our new 4th and 5th grade teacher, Mrs. Rachael Champlin, our new Before Care attendant, Mrs. Jeanette O'Rourke, and our newest board member, Mrs. Shalee Dart. They all have a love for Jesus and children and all are blessed with incredible backgrounds and talents which they are now sharing at the school.



Picture taken after Chapel on Wednesday, September 2, 2020.
Special thanks to the First United Methodist Church for use of their facilities.

Meet The BACA Family

Here at BACA, we are more than just a school, we are also a family. This family includes students, parents, teachers, volunteers, board members, area pastors and churches, individual and corporate scholarship sponsors, and so many more. Thank you all for being a part of the **Bradford Area Christian Academy** this academic school year. Below is a list of our staff and board members. If you ever have a question, please just contact us.

Our Staff:

Preschool:	Mrs. Taylor Henry	Administrator:	Mrs. Michele Panek
Kindergarten - 1:	Mrs. Wendy Henry	Admin. Assistant:	Mrs. Patti Droney
Grades 2 - 3:	Mrs. Corinne Hooten	Before Care:	Mrs. Jeanette O'Rourke
Grades 4 - 5:	Mrs. Rachael Champlin	After Care:	Ms.. Sarah Border
Grades 6 - 8:	Mr. Michael Hooten	Cleaning	Miss. Faith Hooten
Art:	Mrs. Kim VanHorn	Gym:	Mr. Ben Livingston
Learning Support:	Mrs. Alice Stewart	Math:	Mrs. Jami Auteri
Music:	Mrs. Alice Stewart	Reading:	Mrs. Kim VanHorn
Substitutes:	Mrs. Marsha Gustafson, Mrs. Michele Orczeck		

Our School Board:

Member:	Mrs. Laura Blackwell	President:	Mr. Jim Machuga
Member:	Mrs. Cherie Booth	Vice President:	Mrs. Katie Bange
Member:	Mr. Greg Booth	Treasurer:	Mrs. Christy Bailey
Member:	Mrs. Shalee Dart	Secretary:	Mrs. Alison Burgess



Substitute Teaching Opportunities

If you or someone you know may be interested in being a substitute teacher, please have them contact Mrs. Michele Panek, our School Administrator. You may call the office or email: administrator@bacaacademy.com.

Personnel Acknowledgements

As we begin this school year, it seems only fitting that we should recognize some of our long-term staff and board members. These individuals have gone above and beyond the call of duty over many years and even decades. They all have a great love for Jesus, the children, and the school, and they bring a wealth of expertise that we all benefit from every day.



Mrs. Patti Droney, Administrative Assistant, started with BACA in 2003 and has served for seventeen years. Patti takes care of many student needs throughout each day, helps to hold the office together, has been a consistent uplifting face to public, and has a real passion for this school.



Mrs. Wendy Henry, Teacher, started with BACA in 2010 and has served the school for ten years. Wendy started as an After Care Assistant, quickly moved into a full time teaching position, has taught Preschool, Kindergarten, and First grade over the years, and she has shown great love for her students.



Mrs. Alice Stewart, Music Instructor, started with BACA in 1998 and has served for an incredible twenty two years. Alice started with BACA when BACA was located on Bolivar drive. She is best known for providing weekly music lessons, overseeing the Christmas and Easter productions, and most recently adding the title of Learning Support Specialist. Alice brings music to life.



Mrs. Cherie Booth, Board Member, joined the board in 2006 and has served for fourteen years. Cherie has served in various board roles including Board President for several years, has helped as a volunteer in many ways, and is truly a powerful prayer warrior for the entire BACA family.



Mr. Greg Booth, Board Member, joined the board in 2012 and has served for eight years officially, but he also supported the school for many years behind the scenes. Greg brings a tremendous amount of discernment to decision making, is always able to bring joy into the room, and has been critically important for our student scholarship program over the years.

**Thank You all,
and as Jesus would say: “Well done good and faithful servant.”**

Student Scholarship Thank You!

Thanks to the PA government Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) program, BACA families have been able to receive substantial tuition assistance over the years. This program allows businesses and individuals to redirect their PA tax dollars to student scholarships. It's a great program where everyone wins: students receive scholarships, and contributors receive tax credits up to 100%. Please contact the school office for details.

The Children's Scholarship Fund of Pennsylvania (CSF of PA)

For over a decade, BACA families have benefited from the efforts of this organization headed by Cindy Nave. This organization helps businesses redirect their PA tax dollars to student scholarships. We would like to extend a special thank you to Zippo Manufacturing and Northwest Savings Bank for their participation in this program. If you own a business, and would like to participate, please contact the school office.



Last year we connected with the Children's Tuition Fund (CTF) organized through the Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI).

Catherine Long and Tonia Harding coordinate this program. This organization helps individuals (and businesses) redirect their PA tax dollars to student scholarships. If you as an individual would like to participate, please contact the school office.

Our New STEM Lab

One of our key goals set back in January 2020 was to develop a strong STEM program. STEM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics. With the support of the First United Methodist Church, Mrs. Panek was able to secure an additional room. Over the summer this room was remodeled with new lights, fans, a fresh coat of paint and more. A big thank you to everyone who contributed to making this happen.



September 2020 Events



- 07 Labor Day—No School
- 15 6:00 p.m. School Board Meeting
- 16 Picture Day (Details to be announced)
- 22 Open House (Details to be announced)

September Chapel Schedule (Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m.)



- 02 Hosted by Grades 6-8
with guest speaker Pastor Andrew Christiansen, 7th Day Adventist Church.
- 09 Hosted by Grades 4-5
with guest speaker Pastor Rob Jeffrey, Alliance Church.
- 16 Hosted by Grades 2-3
with guest speaker Pastor Jim Lenaway, Free Methodist Church
- 23 Hosted by Grades K-1
with guest speaker Pastor Jay Tenny, Hill Memorial Methodist Church
- 30 Hosted by Preschool
with guest speaker to be announced.



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