



Middle & High School

Virtual
Grandparents
day

May 5, 2021

People of Deep Hope

Dear Grandparents,

Our hearts long to have you back on campus, and we look forward to that blessed day, but until then, we gladly reach out to your homes with another Virtual Grandparents Day. We hope you enjoy "A Day in the Life of a Student" as much as we enjoyed creating it for you.

This is our 3rd Grandparents Day where we have celebrated with you virtually, but distance does not separate you from our hearts or keep us from recognizing the significant impact you have made on both your grandchild and on our school. Your legacy runs deep, like the roots of a tree. Thank you for all you do to keep that legacy strong and vibrant.

At Sioux Falls Christian, we are a people of deep hope - hope for what God is doing and hope for what he will continue to do. Even in the midst of a challenging year, we see God at work in powerful ways. We are grateful to have maintained in-person learning this school year. We are also grateful to have expanded our campus. We added Breakthrough Christian Counseling & Alternative Education Center and an additional building that will help facilitate chapels and other strategic gatherings. God is using Sioux Falls Christian in powerful ways, and we are grateful to play an important role in our community.

We know you are a person of deep hope too. May together we always cling to the hope Christ offers us! Thank you for your faithfulness in impacting your family and your grandchildren, and thank you for impacting Sioux Falls Christian. You matter to us!

To God Be the Glory,



Jay Woudstra, Superintendent



"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:11

Program

virtual

Grandparents Day

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Welcome & Prayer

Special Feature:
A Day in the Life of a Student

Day in General
Chapel
Bible classes, SHAPE thru LEAD
HS FLEx
MS Fine Arts Class
HS Choir
Extracurriculars
And Much More!

*Enjoy this sneak peek!
Classes & events
not necessarily
in this order*

Love from your Grandchildren

Viewing Online



Visit our website: siouxfallschristian.org
> Select "Support SFC"
> Select "Grandparents"

The live program will be available for viewing beginning at 10:00 am on May 5th.



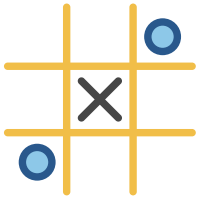
Ideas for Connecting

Things to Do Together to Foster Connections & Relationships:



Put Technology to Work

Ask your grandchild to help you get started on the technology tools they are using. Once you get your accounts set up, your grandchild can teach you how to use them and you can more easily connect with each other.



Online Game

Establish a game night! Play online games such as Scrabble Go or Spyfall. Find an online game and establish a routine. Online games can help develop skills such as vocabulary and math.



Post Office

Getting a letter is always a treat. Start writing back and forth to your grandchild. As an added bonus, your grandkids get to practice their writing skills and conventions of letter writing.



Share a Meal Together

Some families share a picnic when weather permits, spacing chairs out 3 to 6-feet apart and enjoying time together. If you are not located nearby, make a standing weekly date where you share a meal virtually with your grandchildren.



Online Photo Album

The internet offers lots of options for storing and receiving photos. Google, Amazon & Apple are a few examples of services that allow you to share photo albums with your loved ones.



Bible Memorization Challenge

Start a Bible Memorization Challenge with your grandchild. Pick verses to memorize and memorize them together, picking a weekly time to practice reciting them to each other. Pick a reward to enjoy after so many verses are memorized.

With Your Grandchild

Conversation Starters:

Ask Your Grandkids

What is a job you think would be really fun to do as an adult? A job that would be the worst? What do you think would be the scariest or most dangerous job?

What is one of your best childhood memories?

If you could ask God one thing about the future, what would it be and why?



What was your first job? Did you like it? How much were you paid?

Did you ever go on vacation when you were a kid? Where did you go? What did you do?

What is the most important lesson that your parents taught you?

Did you ever get an allowance? What kind of chores did you do? What would you spend your money on?

What is something you are really good at? Will you show me?

What is something you are excited about? What is something you worry about?

What are you looking forward to most when you're an adult? Least?

How is your spiritual life, your quiet times and your relationship with God?

Ask Your Grandparents

Did you go to church when you were growing up? What was your church like? Did you have any special Sunday or weekend traditions?

Did you know your grandparents when you were young? What were they like?

What did your parents & grandparents do for work?

What did you want to be when you grew up?

What is your favorite thing about being a grandparent?

Growing up Students

for God's Kingdom Work



KEEPING IN MIND THE WHOLE STUDENT

Sioux Falls Christian's mission to provide a Christ-centered excellent education, partnering with the church and home has led our school to continue to keep the **WHOLE STUDENT** in mind as we constantly strive to improve upon and deliver Christ-centered education.

WORKING TO PROVIDE MORE WHOLE-ISTIC EDUCATION

Aware of community needs, Sioux Falls Christian added **Pathways Literacy Center** to our campus. Pathways is unique to South Dakota and comes alongside students in need of specialized literacy assistance. Serving not only SFC students, Pathways has a large footprint on our Sioux Falls community with over 50% of its students from outside our school.

We also recently added **Breakthrough Christian Counseling & Alternative Education Center** to our campus as a deeper commitment to provide whole health to students and come alongside students and families during difficult times. Christian counseling and education alternatives are significant community needs, and we hope to grow Breakthrough beyond its current staff of three to reach more students and more families. Both Pathways and Breakthrough enhance Sioux Falls Christian's ability to reach more students and grow the Kingdom.

GROWING TOWARD A GREENHOUSE

SFC hopes to have a Greenhouse on campus someday. A Greenhouse would be an effective tool to educate the whole student by **INVITING, NURTURING,** and **EMPOWERING** PK-12 students to more broadly participate in the growth cycle, steward resources, develop sustainability practices, and provide community benefits. We know a Greenhouse would facilitate beneficial educational, mental, physical, and spiritual growth opportunities for our students.



FLEX *feature:*

*plant science, ceramics,
photography & marketing*

FLEX stands for Formational Learning Experience.

Our Sioux Falls Christian campus has multiple FLEX projects occurring at any one time.

SPRING PLANTS



This Spring, our Plant Science, Ceramics, Photography, and Marketing classes are **working together** in their studies. Students will plant, grow, create and market products that will benefit our community.

TRAINING STUDENTS TO BE PROBLEM SOLVERS

FLEX projects like this one help involve students in all levels of and types of learning. Students take hands-on ownership as they plan and develop projects, identifying real world problems and developing real world solutions.



POTTERY

As they create beauty, study God's design and palette, and examine usage, Ceramics students will "throw" over 75 pots to use toward this project.



COMMUNITY FOCUS

FLEXs are opportunities for our students to use what they are learning for **REAL WORK** that meets a **REAL NEED** for **REAL PEOPLE**.



RAISING UP CHRIST-TREASURERS

Exposing students to the life cycle of plants, the **order-discovering** intrinsic in plant life, the **beauty-creating** of growing plants, and the **neighbor-loving** of providing a community service, we will ultimately raise up our students to be **Christ-Treasurers**.

Deep Hope

Our **deep hope** is that students will immerse themselves in God's beauty of creation and that they will connect their working with plants to the concept of sustaining healthy living.

Plants grown and pots created within this FLEX will be **available for sale the 2nd week of May**.

Proceeds go toward the costs of this FLEX and toward our goal of an eventual Greenhouse on Sioux Falls Christian's campus.

"The LORD God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it."

Genesis 2:15 NIV

How Grandparents Can Help

Consider giving to our Together Campaign.



PHASE 1: Equip

Goal: To provide strategic resources for healthy growth.

- High School addition of nine rooms and a gathering space
- Kirby STEM/FLEx Lab for PK-12th
- Kitchen efficiencies to handle growth
- Seed money for LG3 Impact Fund
- Dedicated Pathways Literacy space
- Second Access Road
- Early Childhood Center

Status: The Early Childhood Center remains to be funded and built.
estimated cost \$5 million



maintain
generational legacy
provide
transformational future

PHASE 2: Flourish

Goal: To live fully into God's calling on our lives.

- Fine Arts Facility to prompt lives of worship
- LG3 Impact Fund to facilitate our vision of Love, Grow, Go, and Glorify within our walls, on our streets, and in our world

Status: Fundraising for Phase 2 will begin when Phase 1 is complete.



PHASE 3: Steward

Goal: To ensure affordability and continued excellence.

Phase 3 is a \$25M Endowment that will provide for two areas critical to future sustainability: Professional Development and Variable Tuition

Status: Both current gifts and future gifts are welcome and encouraged.

Together Campaign ENDOWMENT

The Together Campaign Endowment is a commitment to excellence, ensuring two critical components: keeping Christian education affordable and upholding a tradition of teaching excellence.

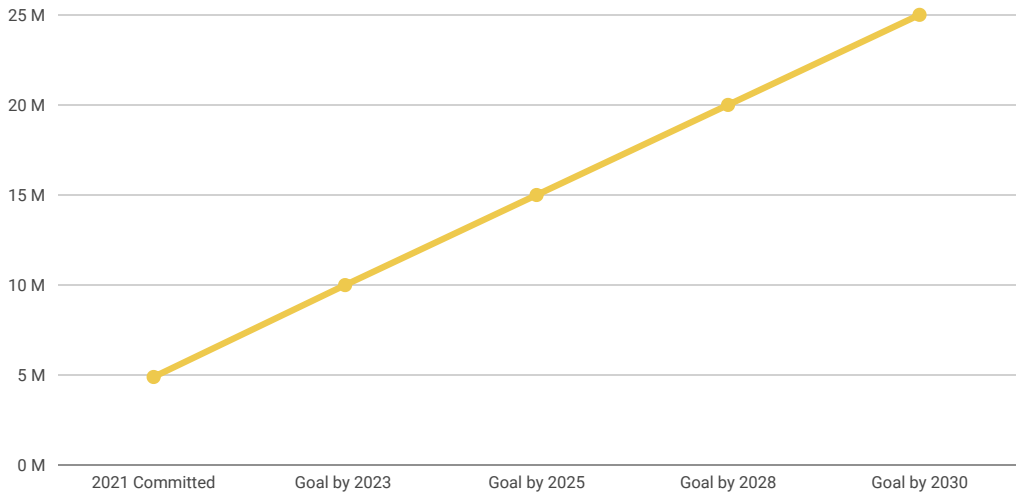


25M
Goal

603,500
Currently Funded

4.9M, 19%
Currently Committed

The power of endowed money is tremendous.



A \$25 million endowment, once funded, with a modest annual return of 5% would provide \$1,250,000 in annual revenue, while leaving the \$25M principal intact to grow and provide increased benefits.

We are seeking 100 Endowment Commitments by 2025.

Supporters can provide current or future gifts to our Endowment. Current gifts include cash, appreciated securities, charitable IRA rollovers, or other transfers of assets. Future gifts include gifts in a will or trust or designating Sioux Falls Christian as the beneficiary of a retirement plan or insurance policy.

WOULD YOU BE ONE OF OUR 100?
A DIFFERENCE THAT LASTS GENERATIONS.



WHO

All grandparents of SFC students are members of GRACE. We encourage our grandparents to officially sign up with GRACE and to consider sharing your time, talents, or treasures at SFC.

GRACE

GRandparents in Action for Christian Education

Connection & Community. GRACE members stay informed about events and activities at SFC.

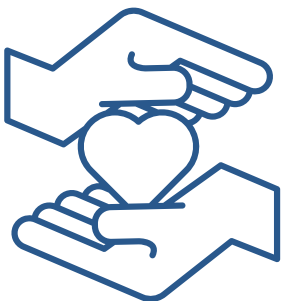
Pouring into the next generation. Our grandparents have wisdom and experience to impart to others, and we benefit from their involvement.

Abundant blessings. Our grandparents who share their time, talents, and treasures with the next generation bless that younger generation and are blessed in return.

WHY

When we use what
God has blessed us
with to support others,
we see HIM at work
in powerful ways.

The **GOAL** of **GRACE** is to develop and promote intentional and supportive Christian relationships between our grandparents and parents, students, and staff members.



GRACE works to establish these relationships through prayer, fellowship, and various means of support.

HOW

For more information about GRACE,
contact Glenda Engbers:
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VOLUNTEERISM

GRACE encourages opportunities that foster **relationships between the generations**, including:

- volunteering in the classroom or cafeteria,
- helping with events such as Master's Touch Auction, annual golf tournament, Reading Extravaganza, and the NU2U Thrift Shop,
- helping the athletics' Booster's Club with tickets and concessions.

GRACE emphasizes



GRACE intentionally ministers to SFC students and families through:

- One-on-One Mentorship,
- Adopt a Grandchild,
- Family Mentoring,
- Group Mentoring.

MENTORSHIP

Grandparents praying for our school is a blessing.

PRAYER

GRACE regularly meets to pray over our school and students, including prayer walks. Grandparents play a **powerful** role through prayer.

"MY MOUTH WILL
TELL OF YOUR
RIGHTEOUS DEEDS,
OF YOUR SAVING
ACTS ALL DAY
LONG...."
PSALM 71:15

SUPPORT

GRACE encourages grandparents to financially support Sioux Falls Christian through the:

- **Tuition Assistance Fund:** assisting families who desire Christian education but are not able to meet tuition costs.
- **Endowment Fund:** supporting the general mission and vision of SFC with current or future gifts.

Such support makes a significant impact on today's SFC students and on generations to come.

Upcoming Events

Apr 21-24	HS Drama Production	7:00 pm Middle School Gym
May 3	HS Art Show	TBD
May 5	MS/HS Grandparents Day	10:00 am Virtual Event
May 7	Jr/Sr Prom	TBD
May 11	HS Band & Choir Finale	7:00 pm High School Gym
May 20	Final Day of School K-12	11 am Dismissal
May 21	Senior Graduation	7:00 pm High School Gym
June 5	2021 Golf Tournament	All Day Spring Creek Country Club

When in-person attendance is limited, please join us online:

Visit our website, scroll to the bottom of our homepage, and click "Live Events"
OR go directly to our YouTube Channel: ChargerNationSFC.



SFC GOLF TOURNAMENT

June 5th, 2021 • Spring Creek Country Club

Contact Development@siouxfallschristian.org or go to www.siouxfallschristian.org/support-sfc/golf_reg.cfm to register.

STAY CONNECTED

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