

ANNUAL STATE OF THE SCHOOL REPORT

MISSION | FOR STUDENTS TO KNOW CHRIST AND TO MAKE HIM KNOWN

VISION | DEVELOPING TOMORROW'S SERVANT LEADERS TODAY

In 2019, we had only \$4 Million remaining to raise in our \$10.5 Million Capital Campaign to purchase our facility.

We had 4 years to complete this goal and were successful in 2019 and 2020 in raising our first two \$1 Million dollar goals.

Additionally, this fall we had to pause the Capital Campaign to raise \$500,000 to address shortfalls and additional expenses due to the COVID-19 pandemic. In December, we accomplished that goal.

So, now at the beginning of 2021, we begin the quest to conquer the final two \$1 Million Capital Campaign Mountains. If successful, we will have achieved our goal of providing a permanent home for our students in purchasing our campus. What a miracle day that will be! Thanks to all who have and will support us.



- CHS will raise and distribute \$500,000 annually in financial aid scholarships for students who would not otherwise have the opportunity for a private Christian education.
- CHS is home to 630 students from Preschool (6wks – 4yrs.) to 12th grade in the 2020–2021 school year.
- CHS employs 125 people, including 80 teachers. 100% of Faculty/Instructors in K-12th hold a bachelor's degree, while 40% hold advanced college degrees. Our faculty are all teaching in their field and certifications.
- CHS is led by a gifted and committed Board of Trustees, which includes 5 officers and 10 members.
- Castle Hills is accredited by the Association of Christian Schools International. ACSI is the largest accrediting body of Christian schools and colleges in the world.



Castle Hills is so much more than a school; it is a place where God's church lives. This school gave me a new outlook on work and taught me to do the best I can for the glory of God. I have learned to be more like Christ and to be different from the world.

STATE OF THE SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

SERVANT LEADERSHIP & CAMPUS SPIRITUAL LIFE

- National Honor Society served alongside Mission City Church's Manna Ministry to collect non-perishable food for the greater San Antonio community.
- Students continue to accept Jesus as Savior during this school year, making a total of 484 students since 2010.
- Eagle students have led over 650 people to Christ through the gospel presentation in missions and outreach.

ACADEMICS

- STEM Emphasis: CHS continues its partnership with UT-Austin in STEM Engineering College dual-credit courses for secondary students. CHS added AP Computer Science Principles for Seniors to enhance our rigorous curriculum. Engineering Your World was a course added back into the curriculum for Juniors.
- Nine new members were inducted into the National Honor Society.
- The new Elementary Spanish Infusion Program is growing.
- 85% of students receive academic scholarships to college.
- Senior Class of 2020 (22 students) earned more than \$2.5 million in college scholarships.
- CHS Kinder-12th grade students typically score over 2 years above national average on standardized TerraNova testing.
- New positions were added in Administration to strengthen the school and provide support to students and families.
- In the fourth quarter of the 2019-2020 school year, The Christian School at Castle Hills went to remote learning to address the new global pandemic. Our students and faculty did splendidly, and we saw the majority of our students right on track when they returned in August.
- For the 2020-2021 school year, we offered the CHS Online School to address the needs of families who desired to keep their students at home. We continue to offer remote learning opportunities for short term quarantined students. In K-12, we have 21 online students returning to campus and 7 new students for the spring of 2021.



STATE OF THE SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

ATHLETICS & FINE ARTS

- Mason Wokoma won the Bronze Medal in the 3A TAPPS State Cross Country Finals.
- TWIKA (This Week in Kingdom Athletics) - Weekly devotionals are shared with students & parents by coaches.
- San Antonio Rodeo Art Show Awards: Four students placed in the top 17 and earned a total of \$20,000 in college scholarships: Ryder Kerr, 9th grade - Best in Category, Mixed Media (\$8,000 Scholarship); Hope Ash, 12th grade At Large - Monochromatic B/W Drawing (\$4,000 Scholarship); Julieta Garcia, 10th grade At Large - Color Pencil (\$4,000 Scholarship); Ariana Rivas, 11th grade, At Large - Painting (\$4,000 Scholarship). Two students placed in the top 50: Sierra Perez, 12th grade, Painting and Barron Burns, 10th grade, Monochromatic B/W Drawing.
- Our Eagle Yearbook staff placed 1st in the 3A TAPPS State Competition.

FACILITIES & CAMPUS IMPROVEMENTS

- Newly Renovated Preschool Infant Care Center opened its doors August 2020.
- Our PTF joined together to update the 1st and 2nd floor bathrooms of the Elementary Building. New water fountain stations were donated by a parent to help us adhere to our Safe Smart Schools Plan. Privacy tinting for the first floor windows of our Elementary Building were donated from another parent for the safety of our students. Flooring for the Elementary office was updated with gifts from parents. The Senior Class of 2020 donated 6 picnic tables for lunch enjoyment outdoors. God is at work here at CHS!

PHILIPPIANS 2:4 | SHOWING CONCERN FOR OTHERS

- The Safe Smart Schools Plan with 120 Safety Protocols was developed in the Spring of 2020 at the beginning of the COVID pandemic. Plans were developed and tailored to CHS with guidance from the CDC, TEA (Texas Education Agency) and research from other schools (public, private and Christian).
- The Safe Smart School Task Force was created to oversee the plan throughout the time of the pandemic.
- We are grateful for the parents who support our actions when we have to quarantine students due to potential exposure. While we are happy to report that no quarantined student who was potentially exposed at school fell ill with the virus, we are convinced that had it occurred, without a strict quarantine, the virus could have easily spread across the campus and affect a larger number of families.
- We are happy to report that Mr. Pinkston is recovering very well! There has been an incredible outpouring of love for him: 250 emails of encouragement, 29 gift cards, 4 weeks of meals provided, 1,000+ comments on social media posts, 1,000's of people praying around the country, round-the-clock prayer vigil for him. Thank You!

Families helping families...that's what CHS is all about!