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Administrator/Principal's Up-Date

More Than A Convention

On Thursday and Friday of last week Gateway teachers and staff again participated in the annual Northern California ACSI Teacher Convention in downtown Sacramento. During these two days, more than 3,000 Christian school teachers gathered for general sessions in the War Memorial Auditorium and for teacher seminars in the Convention Center and nearby hotels. In addition to earning a Continuing Education Unit for their ACSI teacher certification, these two days were, as always, an encouragement to our teachers.



But the ACSI is more than this yearly convention. The mission of ACSI is...

***To enable Christian educators and schools worldwide
to effectively prepare students for life***

ACSI works to accomplish its mission by providing information, services and products to its more than 5,000 member schools in over 100 countries. The combined enrollment of these member schools now exceeds 1,000,000 students. ACSI began in 1978 as a non-profit religious educational association as a result of a union of several Christian school associations throughout the United States and Canada. Gateway benefits directly from ACSI in three ways: 1) student academic meets (such as the Spelling Bee, Math Olympics, Creative Writing, Science Fair, Speech Meet, etc.), 2) teacher certification and 3) professional growth through the Convention seminars. I am thankful that Gateway is an active member of ACSI. It's a lot more than a teacher convention.

**Serving the Savior,
Mr. Stutzman**

Announcements & Reminders

✦ **Calling All CRAFTERS for the Holly Days Boutique** If you are a crafter or know of someone who would like to sell at Gateway's annual *Holly Days Boutique* in December, please contact Kim Dutra (778-7174) to reserve your booth area. This annual fundraiser directly supports the operation of Gateway and reduces family tuition costs.

✦ **Dress Code** – No double-shirting (wearing long sleeve shirt under short sleeve polo shirt), please. Long sleeve polo shirts are available through "School Uniforms Direct" for the colder days.

✦ **Early Pick-Up 11:30 on Thursday** 3rd-5th and 6th-12th grade students should be picked up at 11:30 on Thursday. This is 30 minutes earlier than the usual minimum day time.

✦ **Parent Conference Confirmation** Please confirm with your child(ren)'s teacher(s) your scheduled parent conference day and time.

✦ **More Minimum Days Coming !**
 October 26 Due to GH facilities closure
 October 31 Teacher Report Card Prep
 November 6-9 Parent Conferences

✦ **No School Days**
 November 10 Veterans Day
 November 22-24 Thanksgiving

- ✦ **Donation Needed & Tasks To Be Done**
- Digital Camera for Yearbook staff, at least 3 mega pixels
 - Sheet metal duct work expertise for the installation of our new HVAC system in the K-2 Portable.
 - Organize all Emergency Supply Tubs for grades K-12
 - Serve the Daily Hot Lunch for a month.
Pick day: Wed, Thurs or Fri.

✦ **10-Pay Tuition Due the 1st of Each Month**
 You will receive by mail a tuition (and Extended Day charges) billing invoice prior to the new month. Please make your tuition payments on time to avoid the \$25 tuition late fee charged after the 10th. Thank you.

For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be the glory forever!

- Romans 11:36 NIV

Coming Events

October	
26	Minimum Day
27	FT: 3 RD & 4 TH to ARF, Walnut Creek
27	FT: 5 th to Exploratorium, SF
27	FT: 6 th to Lawrence Hall of Science, Berkeley
27	FT: 7 th & 8 th to USS Hornet, Alameda
27	FT: HS to San Jose Tech Museum
30	9-12 "Lunch Out " Day
31	Minimum Day - 1st Quarter Ends K-8 "Casual Dress" Day
November	
1	K-5 Recognition Chapel at LH – 8:15 6-12 Chapel in GH210 – 9:00
1	Nacho Sales (High School)
1	Chess Club 3:00-4:00pm, GH Library
1-17	Canned Food Drive
2	FT: 2 nd Grade to Oakland Zoo
6-9	Minimum Days: Parent Conferences
6-9	Christian Book Fair at LH Campus
7	PTF Meeting 7:00pm at LH Campus
10	Veterans Day - No School
13	School Photo Make-up Day at LH & GH
15	K-5 Chapel at LH-8:15 6-12 Chapel in GH210-9:00
15	Nacho Sales (6 th Grade)
15	Chess Club 3:00-4:00pm, GH Library
22-24	Thanksgiving Vacation No School
27	Board Meeting 7:00pm at LH
29	K-5 Chapel at LH-8:15 6-12 Chapel in GH210-9:00
29	Nacho Sales (7 th Grade)
30	FT. 1 st & 2 nd Grade to see play "Christmas Carol", Castro Valley