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It's Official!

**By Adam Rasmussen,
Middle School Principal**

It's official! Gilbert Christian Schools is now accredited with the Association of Christian Schools International. Gilbert Christian Schools has been accredited with North Central Accreditation since 2005. We will keep our accreditation current with both NCA and ACSI. It gives me a great sense of pride in our school to hold dual accreditation with both of these organizations.

Jerry Bowen, director for the ACSI Rocky Mountain Region visited the K-12 campuses, reviewed materials, and interviewed key personnel.



Here is some information about ACSI. *From the ACSI website:*

"The Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI) is a Christian educational organization. Since 1978, ACSI has advanced excellence in Christian schools by enhancing the professional and personal development of Christian educators and providing support functions for Christian schools.

Through a host of services, including teacher and administrator certification, school accreditation, legal/legislative help, and curriculum publishing, the association touches the lives of more than 3.9 million students worldwide. Along with a headquarters facility, ACSI has 27 regional offices in North America and around the globe. Nearly 23,000 schools from more than 100 countries are members."

GCS takes advantage of ACSI staff trainings, academic contests for our students, and one-on-one consulting. We value their endorsement, and we are thankful for their service to Christian schools.

The K8 Office Staff Says "Thanks"

"The office staff would like to thank all the wonderful GCS families who showered us with so many Christmas gifts and

cards. We consider it a pleasure to serve our families. Blessings for a great new year."

Donna Wallace and the
GCS Office Staff

KidLead

Our second module of KidLead begins February 6th. (See the June 2011 newsletter on our website for more details). Space may be available for a couple more young leaders of middle school age.

The first step to get involved is to fill out an application and two free social influence surveys at

www.kidlead.com.

In the section that asks for trainer information, please put my email address, arasmussen@gilbertchristianschools.org so the results will be sent to my office. While you are at the website check out all of the helpful tools and information.



8th Grade Spanish Field Trip



Mrs. Briggs took our 8th Grade Spanish class to Ranch Market in Mesa. Students got a “taste” of Hispanic culture- literally! “Three King’s Bread” was eaten in community at the restaurant and for some, a surprise. You will have to ask them about it.



Science!

Gilbert Christian Middle School loves science. This spring we will have our first school science fair. Also, join us on February 13 for a parents meeting outlining our approach to teaching science.

February 13 7:00pm
-Science! Parents Meeting

February 23
Science Fair



Shadow Days

February 1 8th Grade Shadow Day

8:30 Visit the High School
11:30 Return

February 2nd 5th Grade Shadow Day

8:15 Report to the gym to Visit the Middle School
Lunch Return to class

8th Grade Graduation- **May 18th at 7 pm**

It's time to start planning our first ever 8th Grade Graduation. **Parent volunteers are needed so please email Adam Rasmussen if you are interested.**

Mark your calendars for Friday, May 18th.

This year we have a superb 8th grade class. Our graduation ceremony will be a special time to celebrate their accomplishments.

So far the plans for the 45 minute assembly will involve special music, blessings, a time capsule,

and a reception in the cafeteria.

Save the date!



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The Mission of GCS Middle School

"To transform students into effective communicators, critical thinkers, and servant leaders who will impact the world for the glory of Jesus Christ."

2nd Quarter Honor Roll

"On a Roll"

All A's and B's
6th Grade
Breseman, Dillon
Cobb, Cady
DeJong, Ryleigh
Erickson, Caleb
Hakes, Tyler
Langer, Anna
Mason, Georgia
Mominee, Samuel
Morton, Andrew
O'Hair, Sean
Sage, Susannah
Sharkey, Taylor
Sutherland, Brooke
Waggoner, Kennedy

7th Grade
Betz, Claudia
Bock, Claudia
Brannan, Kaden
Charvat, Paige
Dynes, Alexa
Ferguson, Braeden
Fitzwater, Ray
Fleisher, Jamie
Ford, Amy
Gottschalk, Hayley
Johnston, Rhea
Kelly, Shannen
Miller, Rebekah
Olivera, Jordan
Parisian, Brianna
Schumacher, Jordan
Stimac, Trent
Vandruff, Sarah
Vaughn, Naomi
White, Logan

8th Grade
Brooks, Brendan
Flora, Savannah
Ingegneri, Caleb
Kinslow, Joshua
Kirkpatrick, Alexis

Lacy, Jacob
Langendorf, Kaylee
Messer, Gabrielle
Moses, Rachel
Pinkerton, Logan
Porter, Brett
Valliere, Raquel
Wagner, Jordan
Wall, Alexandria
Zierer, Devyn

Honor Roll

All A's
6th Grade
Boehmer, Jacob
Condit, David
DeBree, Andrew
Gargan, Kyler
Gregory, Kathryn
Johnson, Carter
Krahling, Ambria
Landeryou, Ashlyn
Mason, Georgia
Swingle, Sean
Wang, Wesley

7th Grade
Anderson, Marissa
Bailon, Josh
Chalmers, Anne Marie
Dengler, Samantha
Handy, Caitlin
Hightower, Stephen
Johnson, Faith
Portonova, Hailey
Redding, Brannon
Reiley, Amanda
Reinke, Wyatt
Sluder, Nicole
Thomason, Hunter
Young, Caleb

8th Grade
Barnes, Emmalle
Caprisecca, Krista
Desmarchais, Steven
Erickson, Kari
Fougnes, Elijah
Husbands, Heather
Kirmis, Ryan
Mason, Micah
Painter, Jordan
Patterson, Kaitlyn
Rogerson, Brian
Tennison, Braxton

WAY TO GO,
TEACHERS AND
STUDENTS! WE ARE
VERY PROUD OF YOUR
ACCOMPLISHMENTS!!!!

