

Rock Valley Christian School

Monday- December 2: Scrip Orders due 9AM

Wednesday- December 24: 2:30 PM Dismissal

Thursday-December 5: Christmas Program 6:30 PM at Trinity CRC all are welcomed to join

Friday December 6: Arrows Prayer Warriors 8:30 AM-All are welcomed to join. This month we will be specifically praying over our 4th grade students and cooks.

Attention Grain Farmers! Please remember the annual Winter Festival Grain Project when delivering your corn to Doon Elevator, Farmers Elevator, and/or Valley Feed and Seed. Thank you in advance for your generosity! The Winter Festival is slated for **Friday, February 14th**.

NICSTO contributions are being accepted through December 1, 2024

Monday -December 16: Rock Valley Christian School invites all families affected by the flood to a **"Drive-through Christmas Event."** Come by the west side of school on December 16 from 11:30 AM-1:00 PM or 3:00 PM-4:30 PM to receive your family Christmas Gift Bag! May you experience the JOY, PEACE, and HOPE of Jesus' birth throughout this difficult holiday season. See the bulletin board for more information.

Upcoming Dates:

Christmas break December 23-January 3

Classes Resume January 6

End of 1st Semester January 10-noon dismissal

Kindergarten begins attending daily the week of January 13

Western Christian-thank you for your partnership

Will you prayerfully consider *Celebrating Western* with a Thanksgiving or year-end gift? Information has been recently mailed, placed in church mailboxes, and is also available on our website: www.westernchristianhs.com. Funds raised will support the General Fund and be allocated for capital improvements. You can contribute to Western through various means, including checks, gifts of grain, stocks or bonds, or the minimum distribution from your IRA. Thank you to everyone who has already given! Together, we are partnering to train the next generation to build His Kingdom!

National Alliance on Mental Illness-meeting December 3

The NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Group will meet in the Fireside Room of Central Reformed Church in Sioux Center from 7 to 8 PM on Tuesday, December 3. Janelle Hultquist, a Crisis Care Specialist at Seasons Center for Behavioral Health, will discuss the wide variety of services they offer in NW Iowa, including psychiatry, therapy, substance use, counseling, and a 24/7 Crisis Hotline. For information, call Shirley Matheis at 722-4462.

Christmas Programs

December 5: Rock Valley Christian Christmas Program, 6:30 PM

December 16: Rock Valley Community School (6-12), 7:00 PM

December 16: Western Christian, 6:00 PM (BJ Haan Auditorium)

Dordt University

Friday, December 6: The Dordt University Choral Department will present "Born Thy People to Deliver," a Christmas Choral Concert on Friday Dec. 6 at 7:00 PM in the BJ Haan Auditorium. This concert will feature Bella Voce women's chorus, Canons of Dordt men's chorus, Chorale, and Concert Choir. The choirs will share a wide range of repertoire contemplating and celebrating the coming of the Christ child in old ways and new. Joining the choirs will be several instrumental collaborators including piano, organ, percussion, and brass.

The concert will also be available on livestream at www.dordt.edu/live-events.

Saturday, December 7: The Dordt University Instrumental Ensembles will present their final concert of the fall semester on Saturday, Dec. 7 at 7:00 PM in the BJ Haan Auditorium. The concert will include Johann Sebastian Bach's "Brandenburg Concerto No. 3" as well as the monumental work for winds by Paul Hindemith entitled "Symphony in Bb." Other music by Puinno, Lo Presti, and Grieg. The wind symphony will also feature Dordt Professor of Clarinet, Dr. Beverly Gibson, as soloist on a fun work titled "A Klezmer Tribute!" We hope you can join us to celebrate the accomplishments of all of our Dordt University Instrumental musicians.

The concert will also be available on livestream at www.dordt.edu/live-events.

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