

HPC HUNTING PARK CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

Transforming Hearts and Minds

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Mission Statement

Hunting Park Christian Academy's mission is to provide an affordable, quality, Christian education that celebrates a diverse community and leads children to know and serve the Lord.

Ways to Help

- ▣ **Make a donation to our scholarship fund.**
- ▣ **Make a donation to general operating expenses.**
- ▣ **Volunteer for summer work projects.**
- ▣ **Donate back-to-school supplies for the 2010-2011 school year.**

Contact Jen Deane at 215-324-9180 or jen@hpcaphilly.org if you want more information on the above items.

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Why Choose HPCA? *by Jen Deane, Director of Development*

In all my time speaking with people about HPCA, one of the most frequent questions I am asked is, "Why do parents choose HPCA? With free public options, why do they choose a private school where they will need to pay tuition?" Who better to answer this question than our parents. In a parent survey that was distributed last month, we asked parents, "Why did you choose to enroll your child at HPCA rather than another school?" Here are some of the responses:

"Small classroom sizes. Scholarships are available. The best teacher/parent communication in Philly. Zero tolerance for bullying."

"Acquiring an education with a faith-based foundation was my number-one reason. I also appreciate a tuition that is affordable."

"We prefer that our children have a Christian education. It is important to us for them to have teachers who know the Lord and can help them understand who God is calling them to be as they mature. We also want them to receive a good education and believe that HPCA is also doing this."

"They have a staff that care and really want to help the children learn."

Personally, as the parent of a future HPCA student, I am counting down the days until our 2 1/2-year-old son, Isaac, comes here. What a joy to have him in a place where he will learn about God, get a great education, and be in a loving, safe environment.

Of course, none of this could be possible without your support. HPCA relies on contributions from people like you to continue to provide the small classroom sizes, affordable tuition, loving and qualified staff, and the other qualities that make parents choose our school for their children. This year, we need to raise \$53,000 before the end of the summer. Please consider making a special gift as we finish out our school year and look toward next year. Thank you and God bless!

Race for Education 2010



On April 21st, 2010, HPCA held its 5th Annual Race for Education. With the support of over 500 individuals and businesses, we raised over \$24,000!

This year, we also had 13 “special runners,” adults who ran alongside our students and raised money for HPCA. Thank you!

Many thanks to our business sponsors, including:

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Introducing HPCA's 2010-2011 Student Council

On June 2nd, our student council officers were announced. These four students spent the previous week giving speeches to the student body and campaigning for votes. Here is what they had to say about their new positions:

Ricky, President (*top right*): “I enjoy responsibility and being a leader and a role model. I would like to plan more community service activities like cleaning up the park.”

Rasheed, Vice President (*top left*): “I thought it would be a great experience to help people around my age and younger. I would like to organize student sports teams.”

Yerlitz, Secretary (*bottom left*): “I want to make changes in the school, like raising money for supplies. I want to make people happy by improving the school.”

Anyone, Treasurer (*bottom right*): “I’m looking forward to organizing the money from fundraisers and using it wisely on trips. I want to make the school a better place.”

