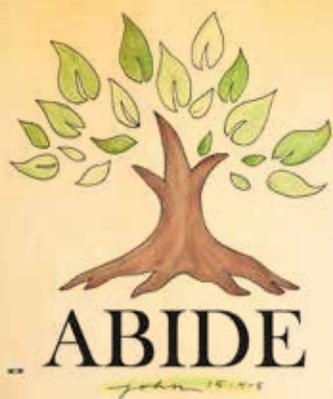


# THE PARK PARTNER



#WE ♥ PCS

EXPANSION  
BUILDING  
MOMENTUM



Alumnus  
STRIVES TO MAKE  
LIFE COUNT

FALL 2018



## WHAT I SEE...

Chris Nellermoe, *President*

**ABIDE.** Jesus says: “I am the vine and you are the branches, whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing.” John 15:5.

The 2019 senior class has provided for our school an incredible reminder of our position in Christ and our need to remain - to seek him first, in all that we do. It is such a privilege to partner with the Christian home and our local churches to bring a Christ-centered education to almost 420 students this year. We take our role seriously in this partnership and seek excellence in all that we do. This Park Partner is such a great way to highlight and report the tremendous things taking place at Park Christian School and to thank you for your continued commitment to our school. The unity that we have as the body of Christ is preparing the next generation of leaders.

This summer has brought a tremendous amount of excitement with the construction ground-breaking ceremony in May and actual excavation beginning in June! Our Phase One expansion plans are in full swing. We will be adding 11 new classrooms, renovating and remodeling our current classrooms, and adding a new front entrance and commons space for our school. These additions will be

transformational for Park Christian School, creating places for 21st century learning.

Our strategic priorities remain the same. We are working to enhance the everyday experience at PCS. We are creating spaces and places for our students and teachers to do their best work. We are seeking sustainable funding as we move into the expansion projects and beyond. In the midst of all of that, be assured that Jesus will be pre-eminent at Park Christian School and our objectives will remain the same.

As the concrete is being poured and the steel beams are being set in place, I am reminded that unless the Lord builds the house, we labor in vain! God is so good, and I am thankful for what the new building will mean for PCS. But I am also reminded that who we are and all that we strive for will not change! Jesus will always be at the center of our school. Being a Christ-centered academic community, equipping students to think biblically, live wisely, and serve faithfully will not change.

*May **GOD** be glorified  
in all we do. Thanks for your  
partnership and unity that we  
have in the name of **JESUS.***

### PCS STUDENT OUTCOMES

- Students will love like Jesus loves with hearts aligned with God’s word.
- Students will utilize their academic knowledge and experience with discernment and integrity for the glory of God.
- Whether they possess dynamic leadership or a quiet presence, our students will have a meaningful impact upon the world around them.





## PCS EXPANSION UPDATE

Momentum is building and dirt is flying! Since our groundbreaking, ZCON construction has been busy laying foundations and completing steel skeletons of the elementary education wing and the new commons and north entrance. Our goal is to enclose these areas by mid-November and to complete Phase One construction by fall of 2019. We caught up with ZCON Construction president (and PCS parent) Lance Ziebarth with a few questions about the project:

### **How has your team at ZCON been encouraged as construction has progressed?**

The enthusiasm has been very encouraging! We've been getting tons of questions, curiosity about the building details, and people stepping forward to partner. Personally, I've received a lot of kind words of support, which has really blessed me. Despite a few normal construction setbacks, we are essentially on schedule, so that's a great encouragement.

### **What are you most excited about as we move ahead?**

For me, our expansion has always been about providing the opportunity for more people to experience Christian education. I know how important Park has been to our family, and I want to share the PCS experience with as many families as we possibly can! That has always been my number one motivator.

### **How will the PCS families and the community be blessed by this expansion?**

By providing top-notch facilities, we are giving witness to the value of Christian education and our care in stewarding this.

### **What is something people might not know about the expansion as a whole?**

(Lance chuckles...) From the south end of our school (the current science and elementary wing) to north end (the new commons area under construction), there is a two-inch elevation drop. If you want to

know more about fixing that problem, ask Park Christian parent and superintendent/project manager Mark Jacobson.

### **As a Park parent and ZCON Construction President, how are you feeling about our progress so far?**

Currently we are working and praying for the final phase 1 giving to come in. We are trusting God for an additional \$250,000 for the commons and elementary wing. This is a giving-driven construction project. We'd also love to press on with the upcoming gymnasium and fine arts addition, estimated at \$5.5 million, because our elementary expansion will grow our attendance and demand more space! Pray that generous donors will step forward and this momentum will continue.



## PCS BOOSTER CLUB

The PCS Booster Club was founded in late 2015 with the broad mission to help maximize the potential of all student athletes and athletic programs. This is done through a variety of actions – some as simple as paying for indoor driving range time for the golf teams when spring doesn't show up, to something as elaborate and long lasting as funding the new mats in the gym. The saying goes you need to look good to feel good/play good, so we have started budgeting to replace all of our team sport uniforms every four years so no participant will ever need to wear "old stuff" for the duration of their careers. Most recently we purchased new uniforms for the volleyball team and football teams. The Boosters provide money above and beyond the money that the school earmarks for athletics. In other words, everything we do and have



done would not have happened without the support of the members of the Booster Club. As an example, the school may have not been able to let every football player on the team dress this year as we wouldn't have had enough certified helmets to outfit everyone without the Booster Club paying to re-certify and purchase several new helmets. We are always looking for any time, talent, or treasure anyone can provide our group – there are plenty of opportunities to get involved beyond the mandatory concession serving when your kids are in 8th and 11th Grade!

## PCS PARENT ASSOCIATION

**The Parent Association exists to:**

- Serve and love our teachers, as they teach and love our children
- Serve to enrich and unify our parent and student body through communication and fellowship
- Serve to defray educational costs in the classroom through fundraising opportunities

In our efforts to serve and love our teachers, you will find us hosting Teacher Appreciation week in which we provide a meal each day to our hardworking faculty and staff. We also try to provide little pick-me-ups throughout the year. We love planning family restaurant nights, Skate City nights and, of course, the Fun Fair as ways to unify and enrich our Park community. All of our fundraising efforts go straight back into the classrooms, providing resources and supplies for our students and teachers.

None of these efforts could be done without YOU!  
How will you serve this year?



## PCS ATHLETES MAKE STATE



### GOLF STATE RESULTS

The girls team finished 3rd at state, and **Emily Doeden** tied for 3rd individually. **Alex Iverson** placed 13th at the boys' state tournament.



### STATE TRACK RESULTS

**Karley Motschenbacher** placed 2nd in 300m hurdles and 5th in Long Jump.  
**Steele Senske** placed 7th in High Jump.  
**Allyson Kangas** placed 11th in Shot Put.  
**Signe Harris** placed 13th in Pole Vault.  
**Madi Wagendorf** jumped 5'0 in high jump.



### GIRLS' SOCCER

The Shanley/OG/PCS Co-op team placed 4th in the ND State Soccer Tournament. Congratulations **Hannah Hansen, Molly Metzger** and **Ashley Hansen**.

# PCS ALUMNA

CARMEN ALBRECHT, '17

Park Christian School has been such a blessing in my life, not only growing up but even today. During my time at the school, I learned so much truth about the Bible and saw it applied through my teachers and friends. In school, I learned about what it meant to be a Christian. In classes, we talked a lot about being obedient when God calls. Another important truth I learned was God was faithful to us when we were faithless. This truth changed my life, and I decided I would be obedient and faithful to God. After I went on to college, I decided that I wanted my life to count so that God would be glorified by my actions.

This desire to serve God and longing to make Him known took me on some crazy adventures. God has been calling me to go to Africa since I was 10 years old, but I thought it would be once I was more qualified. But this past summer God gave me the opportunity to serve in Ghana. I served in two different capacities: as a social worker and as a teacher.

While I was interning at the Department of Social Welfare in Ghana, I worked with three main population groups: disabled, elderly and orphans. One day my coworker and I went to a cured leprosy village to distribute funds to them. This was a very special experience for me because the people that lived there were hurt by society and felt like second-class citizens, forced to live in an outcast society. I quickly realized how much emotional support these people needed. It was my responsibility to help people to the center and register them. Many of them had not received physical touch in years. In many cases I was able to pray for them and speak truth into their lives that Jesus doesn't see them as outcast. We also worked with abused and/or neglected children, those in financial crisis and those having marriage problems. The best part of it all was everything in the office revolved around how Jesus would solve problems and we would openly pray in the workplace with clients -- and this is a government-sponsored program. Come on Jesus!!!

This desire I had to make my life count and glorify God has only begun. God has amazing plans for every person in this world. and too often we get distracted by our own agenda. But if we choose to let God invade our lives, we have much better things coming then we could have planned or imagined.



*Carmen Albrecht, Ghana, Africa*



## AMANDA SCHOUWEILER, ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL

Fall is here and the new school year is upon us! I am proud to be affiliated with such an outstanding institution that not only prepares our students in their basic studies but also prepares them to walk with and abide in God through his son Jesus Christ. I am looking forward to getting to know the students and the entire Park Christian family in the upcoming year and participate in -- and stop by and say hello at -- the events that will be hosted at PCS!

# PARK CHRISTIAN SCHOOL FAQs

**462**  
**ALUMNI**  
(2002 - 2018)

**96%** STUDENTS  
RETURNED



## 21 VARSITY SPORTS OFFERED

**24.77** Average  
ACT Score

(for 95.28% of graduates  
2002-2019) -

**The National**   
Average is 20.08



**Churches &  
17 Communities**  
are represented at **PCS**

**3 College  
Credit Options:**  
AP, Dual Credit  
& PSEO

**89%** of 9-12th graders  
were involved in ex-  
tra-curricular activities  
while maintaining a  
**3.62 average g.p.a.**

**416 VERSES**  
**MEMORIZED**  
**THROUGHOUT**  
**K-12 GRADE**



**2018 PCS Graduates were**  
offered **\$1,750,188**  
in Scholarships

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

To get the most up-to-date calendar information, click on the calendar page of our website: [ParkChristianSchool.org](http://ParkChristianSchool.org)

*December 21* ..... Alumni Game  
*February 14* ..... Giving Hearts Day  
*April 13* ..... Banquet & Auctions  
*May 24* ..... Baccalaureate  
*May 26* ..... Graduation  
*June 24* ..... PCS Golf Scramble  
(at the Hawley Golf and Country Club)

### Elementary Chapels:

Mondays, 8:10-8:40 A.M. in the Fine Arts Room.

### Jr & Sr High Chapels:

Mondays, 8:10-8:50 A.M. in the gym.

Park Christian School welcomes guests to Chapel.

## MEMBER CHURCHES

**Bethel Church**  
(since 1981)

**Calvary Church at  
Village Green**  
(since 2014)

**Fargo First Assembly  
of God**  
(since 1981)

**Metropolitan Baptist**  
(since 1993)

**River Valley  
Assembly of God**  
(since 1991)

**Salem Evangelical  
Free**  
(since 1991)

**Triumph Lutheran  
Brethren**  
(since 1996)

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First International Bank & Trust  
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Forum Communications Company  
Gate City Bank  
Gateway  
Gehrtz Construction Services  
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Hornbachers  
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ISR Homes, Dan Parrow  
Kayjay Ag Services, Inc.  
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Larry's Auto Body, Inc.  
Life 97.9 (in Kind)  
Luther Family Ford

M.I.G. Properties, Ken Martin  
Matt's Automotive Service Center  
Meadows Management  
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Jason & Jaclyn Frueh  
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Nepstad Oil Company  
Nexus Innovations  
Nine Dragons/Slap Shot Pizza  
Nodak Mutual Insurance Company  
Northwestern Bank  
Nova Fire Protection  
Olaf Anderson General Contractors  
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Park Co. Realtors, Vicky Matson  
Pearle Vision, Dr. Don Gunhus  
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Marketing, Inc.  
Petro Serve USA  
Petro Stopping Centers  
Prairiewood Wealth Management  
Jerry Kensock  
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Rehab Authority, Tyler Burcham  
Roers  
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