



Donor News & Notes Summer 2025

A Note from Dr. Collette House, Superintendent

I am SO excited to be celebrating 50 Years of the Lord's faithfulness to Aurora Christian Schools! On September 27 we will host a major celebration of the Lord's faithfulness – ACS Family (staff, students, and donors) from past and present will join for fellowship, worship, a glimpse of the past, and a look toward the future. I hope you will join us!!

Our District theme this year is Soar Like Eagles! Anchoring to Isaiah 40:28-31 and aligned with our mission of Relationship/Education/Service, students of all ages will explore what it means and encourage one another to Be an Eagle. In the classroom, in the halls, on the field, in the stands, at home, and in the community... Eagles should rise above and soar. I hope you will join us throughout the year and continue to partner with us in His work here at ACS!



A Note from Ms. Danielle Kullum, PS/ES Principal

I'm excited to begin the 2025-26 school year as the new Preschool & Elementary Principal at Aurora Christian. It's a privilege to lead in a Christ-centered community committed to relationships, education, and service.

This past year, we've seen God move powerfully—students coming to Christ, academic growth, and impactful community service. We were blessed to serve over 300 students, helping them grow both spiritually and academically. These moments are possible because of faithful partners like you.

As we look ahead, I'm eager to continue this Kingdom work—drawing students closer to Jesus, raising academic excellence, and inspiring lives of service. Thank you for your prayers, partnership, and generosity. May God continue to bless you.



Did you know? ACS expanded to two campuses in 2019! ACS Sycamore provides Relationship/Education/Service for Preschool through 8th grade students who then join our HS Eagles in Aurora.

A Note from Miss Amanda Leonhart, ACS Sycamore Principal

As a member of the Aurora Christian family for 18 years and now in my sixth year as Sycamore Campus Principal, I've seen the powerful impact of Christ-centered education. With steady enrollment and a growing presence in DeKalb County, we're committed to serving families and reaching hearts for Christ. Our faculty and staff model a deep love for the Lord daily. Your support helps us continue shaping lives for eternity—thank you for partnering with us in this mission.

Class of 2025 Graduation Highlights

Of the 39 graduates in the Class of 2025, over 87% pursued higher education, while others entered trade programs, internships, or the workforce.

The class earned more than \$5.4 million in scholarships, with over \$1.7 million accepted.





Mission Impossible 2025

Started by ACS founder Paul House, Mission Impossible continues to be a vital part of our service pillar—giving students hands-on opportunities to serve, learn trades, and grow spiritually.

This year, 123 high school students traveled to Kentucky to serve at Barefoot Republic Camp, contributing to major construction and landscaping projects. Students worshiped together, attended chapel daily and several made commitments to Christ. A highlight was the unity and leadership growth among our senior class. We're grateful for those who have supported this mission through time, skills, and donations.

If you'd like to get involved or help a student attend next year's trip, please contact the ACS Finance Office. God is using this trip to grow His Kingdom—both in the places we serve and right here at ACS!

A Note from Dr. Natalie Henderson, MS/HS Principal

As I reflect on this past school year, I am grateful for how our students, staff, and families embraced the call to be *On Mission* in every aspect of our school community. Whether through deepened relationships, academic growth, or opportunities to serve others, we saw our mission lived out in meaningful ways. As I step into my fourth year at Aurora Christian School, I remain deeply committed to the work ahead.

We will continue to prioritize our mission—relationship, education, and service—as we pursue excellence and faithfulness in all we do. I'm excited for what God has in store for us this year!



A Note from Mr. Dan Beebe, ACS Athletic Director

As Aurora Christian celebrates 50 years, we're thankful for God's many blessings—especially in athletics. While sports and conferences have changed, our mission remains: to honor God in all we do (Colossians 3:23).

In 2024–25, boys' basketball won regional and sectional titles, baseball won a regional and reached the sectional finals, football made the playoffs, and volleyball reached the regional finals. We're also launching middle school co-ed soccer, expanding middle school cheer to two seasons, and expanding high school girls' basketball to two levels.

With strong participation and a foundation of excellence, we look forward to the next decade of Christ-honoring growth.



50th Anniversary Celebration

All friends, family, and Alumni are invited to our 50th Anniversary Celebration!

Date: September 27, 2025

Time: 4:00 – 6:00 PM

Location: Aurora Christian Schools – Main Campus
2255 Sullivan Road, Aurora, IL, 60506

Cost: \$15 per person (includes refreshments and heavy appetizers)



"but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint." Isaiah 40:31