



Playoffs!

What a great season and post season our high school girl's basketball team is having! One more win and they're on their way to the State Championships! Go Eagles!

Pictured (L-R): Candice, Heidi

mandates. The quick answer has been that I want the school to remain open so that we can teach students without interruption. While the board may not agree with the specific mandates, they have not put the students more at risk of getting COVID. The longer answer is that we all live under various authorities, the most notable are government, family, church, and school. Each of these institutions provide direction and support for people who are within each domain. Ultimately, they are all established for our good under the principle of God's common grace to all people.

Families were established soon after creation (Genesis 2:24) and were reaffirmed after the fall (Gen. 4:17, 19, 26; 5:4). The fall was a dividing point in history since it introduced sin into the human race, which ultimately led to the establishment of government. Rather than living for God's glory, humans strove for their own personal happiness, which led to conflict that governments sought to manage (Gen. 9:6). Though it is completely secular, God has affirmed the work of governments, "For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God." (Romans 13:1)

That same verse says, "Let every person be subject to the governing authorities...", which explicitly commands Christians to submit to them. What did Jesus teach regarding obeying the governing authorities? When speaking with a Roman centurion who longed for Jesus to heal his servant, the centurion said, "For I too am a man set under authority, with soldiers under me: and I say to one, 'Go,' and he goes; and to another, 'Come,' and he comes; and to my servant, 'Do this,' and he does it." Jesus affirmed his submission by saying, "When Jesus heard these things, he marveled at him, and turning to the crowd that followed him, said, "I tell you, not even in Israel have I found such faith." (Lk 7:8-9) On another occasion the Pharisees sought to trap Jesus using the issue of obeying the authorities as a wedge between Jesus and the government. How did Jesus respond? He said, "Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's" (Matthew 22:21). Even though Rome was violent and tyrannical, Jesus demanded that Christians obey it. The Scriptures are clear, we are to follow our authorities.

This has been a particularly difficult issue over the past two years because the government has carved out a bigger place for itself than in the past. In fact, many would say it has claimed more than what is lawful, but this is for the courts to decide. The school board's position is that we must follow the regulations handed down to us so that we do not jeopardize the education of our children on which our parents and our community has come to rely.

Events and Athletics Calendars

For the entire calendar see the Grace Academy Events [calendar](#) and Grace Academy Athletics [calendar](#).

Second Quarter Honor Roll

Congratulations to these students whose diligence earned them a spot on the Honor

4th Grade

Eleena Basta
 Matthew Blakely
 Gabriel Goncalves
 Avery Hylton
 Esther Impola
 Ayden Kimori
 Henry Lee
 Asher Lippold
 Cayden McManamon
 Kaden Meyer
 Marvin Velazquez
 Grace Warren
 Rosemary Wamwere

5th Grade

Kenechukwu Aja
 Scout Bagley
 Trenton Danielson
 Zella Fackenthall
 Blaise Goodwin
 Penny Ham
 Max Harden
 Emily Impola
 Nathan Jorgenson
 Tao Novak
 Elizabeth Nysether
 Michael Rogers
 Isaac Wentling
 Darrius Williams

6th Grade

Nicholas Christiansen
 Jackson Danielson
 Erik Didik
 Rowan Hylton
 Benjamin Impola
 Ethan Kimori
 Iliah Kirpach
 Ilyria Torres Lucero
 Ava Roca
 Sam Song
 Isaac Zyskowski
 Emily Zarr

7th Grade

Saron Angelo
 Jasmine Bajaj
 Zac Fackenthall
 Abigail Fuhrman
 Caitlin Langford
 Alice Mellema
 Mya Novak
 Caleb Struiksma
 Phoebe Wentling
 Zoryana Zelenska

9th Grade

Shaandeeep Bajwa
 Makenzie Baylor
 Conner Birkhofer
 Rush Bradley
 Elijah Brent
 Navy Burnley
 Claire Coulson
 Brooklyn Crawford
 Kaylee Hamilton
 Luke Impola
 Noel Jurca
 Kimberly Leach
 Audrey McFarland
 Nathan Mellema
 Noah Rainwater
 Parneet Sangha

10th Grade

Zia Fackenthall
 Gavin George
 Pearce Hess
 Jenasis Huckaby
 Laura Impola
 Juby Kao
 Katarina Kraft
 William Maas
 Candice Mugo-Wainaina
 Cade Peterson
 Kyle Struiksma
 Benjamin Wentling

11th Grade

Andrew Barrett
 Austin Birkhofer
 Hannah Chapin
 Koen Collins
 Luke Davis
 Elijah Engelson
 Jaya Gill
 Nolan Hegnes
 Karis Jones
 Colton Leigh
 Jack Mellema
 Samuel Roehl

12th Grade

Jason Abrenilla
 Logan Anderson
 Faith Benjamin
 Chris Cai
 Braden Carr
 Allison Dalton
 Kathryn Fehme
 Jordan Hill
 Heidi Impola
 Lindsay Impola

JAKSON COLLINS
Gabriel Engelson
Luke Roehl
Cohen Waschell
Caitlin Zyskowski

EMMA MALDONADO
Sirirung Song
Luke Struiksmā
Hannah Wentling
Dominic Wolfe

Grace Academy Speech Meet

Congratulations to each of the excellent student speakers and their outstanding presentations at the School Speech Meet on Tuesday evening this week.

FIRST GRADE

Philip Didik
Linnea Maldonado
Olivia Testerman

SECOND GRADE

Sienna Church
Shawna Cortez
Jorja Huckaby
Gwendolyn Lee
Alana Ripley
Josie Schlegel

THIRD GRADE

Aubree Ahlberg
Alexis Erickson
Brooke Frankhouser
Tobias Goodwin
Viviana Ham
Kennedy Harney
Jett Hill
Adelyn LeGrand
Cole Loffer
Ethan Moore
Jase Perez-Kirk
Kamilla Thurmond

FOURTH GRADE

Eleena Basta
Avery Hylton
Ayden Kimori
Henry Lee
Asher Lippold
Cayden McManamon
Kaden Meyer

FIFTH GRADE

Scout Bagley
Trenton Danielson
Zella Fackenthall
Blaise Goodwin
Wesley Lotan
Michael Rogers

SIXTH GRADE

Nick Christiansen
Erik Didik
Ethan Kimori
Iliah Kirpach
Jeremy Smith
Sam Song
Ilyria Torres Lucero
Isaac Zyskowski

SEVENTH GRADE

James Abrenilla
Saron Angelo
Jasmine Bajaj
Zac Fackenthall
Alice Mellema
Phoebe Wentling

EIGHTH GRADE

Lorien Ashby
Luke Roehl
Catherine Velazquez

High School Track Season Coming Up

WE WANT YOU! We will have a short informational meeting for high school athletes and parents after school on Thursday, February 24, for this upcoming track season.

[athletic page](#) of the school website before practice starts. This is where you will electronically sign necessary forms and verify the date of your child's last sports physical or upload a current one.

Junior High Track is open to 5th-8th grade students and will begin Tuesday, April 12 (after Spring Break). An informational meeting will take place before the first practice (TBA).

Be Prepared for Snow

The temperatures are falling and this time of year there is always a possibility of snow on the horizon. The school will contact parents with a phone text alert in the event of a school delay or closure. Additionally, you may sign up with [Flash Alert](#), to receive an email notification.

Medication at School Reminder

In compliance with Washington state laws, all medications, prescription or over-the-counter, must be checked in at the office along with the appropriate form signed by a parent/guardian and the doctor.

Because of Washington state laws, Grace Academy's policy states "Medication must be administered by trained school personnel only." The only exception to this is for students with asthma who must carry inhalers with them. Parents must indicate this on the medication authorization form.

Prescription medications as well as over-the-counter medications, such as Tylenol and cough drops, require the following:

- appropriate form (available in the office) completed and signed by parent and doctor.
- medicine in its original container with student's name clearly marked.

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... Academy permission form in the office that is due with final payment. (Parents may come if room is available.)

