

Legacy Life



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It was nearly 30 years ago that I was offered a position as a 4th grade teacher with Dayton Christian Schools. In that first year, I grew to love my students and their families. I also grew to embrace the idea of integrating God's truth into everything I taught. Watching students grow in their knowledge of the world and develop their understanding of God's plan gave me great joy. Eventually, I found myself taking on administrative responsibilities and came to Xenia Christian. Although I left for a while to explore education in public schools, I couldn't get away from the importance of teaching about the Lord's world from His eternal perspective found in Scripture.

Returning to this campus and being a part of Legacy Christian Academy since the school was renamed in 2016 has been one of the highlights of my career as an educator. It is such a blessing to be part of a group of people – faculty, staff, and parents – unified with the purpose of reaching students with the gospel of Christ and training them to become fully mature disciples who in turn make disciples.

I will always view education as a tool to help children grow in their faith and become the people God intends for them to be – people who are being conformed to the image of Christ (Romans 8:29a).

Thank you, one and all, for your support as I leave this stage of my journey to pursue another calling that the Lord has for me at this point in my life. I will continue to cheer all of you on as you partner together – educators and parents – to Equip Leaders for Christ.

"You have heard me teach things that have been confirmed by many reliable witnesses. Now teach these truths to other trustworthy people who will be able to pass them on to others." - 2 Timothy 2:2

-Tim Combs, Elementary Principal



Left: Mr. Combs reading to one of our Elementary classes during the school day.

Life at Legacy



Fall Play: High school students made audience members laugh during their rendition of "Ransom of Red Chief" in November.

Christmas Concert: LCA secondary students got everyone in the Christmas spirit at their annual Christmas Concert on December 10th.



Christmas Program: The elementary students did a wonderful job at their annual Christmas program on December 15th.

Class Christmas Parties: Each elementary class celebrated the Christmas season with class parties! Classes played games, made crafts, and enjoyed snacks together on the last day of the first semester.



Winter Sports: Winter sports have been in full swing over the past two months! Legacy students are playing basketball, wrestling, swimming, bowling, and cheerleading.



Upcoming Events

Junior High Play: Junior high students are preparing for their performance of "The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe" March 2nd-4th. We invite you to come and enjoy one of their four performances! Tickets are now on sale on the school website at legacyknights.org/tickets.

February 24th Admissions Event: We have another Admissions Event coming up on February 24th! The event will be at LCA from 5pm-6:30pm. If you know any families that are interested in learning more about Christian education at Legacy, please invite them to go to our website to learn more!

Gala: Our annual Gala will be on March 11th. Join us to learn more about what God has been doing in the lives of Legacy students and families and how you can be involved in it.

Spring Musical: High School students are already rehearsing for the Spring Musical! This year, they will be performing "Fiddler on the Roof". You won't want to miss their performance of this classic show April 20th-22nd! Tickets will go on sale later this Spring.



Thank you to all who gave to Legacy during Giving Tuesday 2022! Our main ask this year during Giving Tuesday was for gifts towards a Knight mascot costume. We are happy to announce that the

mascot costume is fully funded and in production! You can expect to see our new mascot next school year. We are excited for how this will increase school spirit throughout the year!

We also want to thank everyone that gave to Legacy Education Affordability Fund (LEAF) and our other campaigns this Giving Tuesday. We are thankful for your partnership in Equipping Leaders for Christ.

Chapel Highlight

Students gave back to the local and global community during one of our chapel services this past December! The elementary students packed Operation Christmas Child (OCC) boxes and turned them in during elementary chapel. Operation Christmas Child is a ministry of Samaritan's Purse that seeks to show the tangible love of Jesus to children around the world by providing shoeboxes filled with toys, school supplies, and hygiene products around Christmas. These shoeboxes are often the first gift the children have ever received. This year, the elementary students donated 229 boxes full of gifts to send to children around the world!

While the elementary students filled OCC boxes, the secondary students collected plush toys for Shoes for the Shoeless.

Once a year, LCA 11th and 12th grade students help Shoes for the Shoeless host a "Christmas party" in the school gym where local children try on and choose a new pair of shoes, receive new socks, choose a plush toy, and get other goodies. This year the secondary students collected 146 plush



toys for the event, which meant that every child that attended received a new toy! We are proud of the LCA students for serving the global and local community and are thankful that they get the opportunity to do so as a school community!



Teacher Focus

Mrs. Christina Moffitt



Christina Moffitt has been a 3rd grade teacher at Legacy Christian Academy for five years. Before becoming a teacher at LCA, she was the parent of a Legacy student. She fell in love with the

culture of the school during her son's first few years as a student here. In fact, the culture at LCA is the reason that Mrs. Moffitt decided to make the jump from being a kindergarten teacher at a different school, to a 3rd grade teacher at Legacy!

Her appreciation of the Legacy community continues to be a big part of why she enjoys working at LCA. One thing that is most important to Mrs. Moffitt about the culture at LCA is that she feels supported and cared for by the administration, her colleagues, and parents. Another thing Mrs. Moffitt appreciates about the school is the ability to teach her students about Jesus in the classroom. She explains that she enjoys building relationships with her students, learning about the gifts that God has given each of them, and helping them see the special ways God has created them.

As she continues in her fifth year of teaching at LCA, she is learning how to trust the Lord when He opens the door for her to try something new and challenging. For example, this year the school gained a new 3rd grade teacher that she has had the opportunity to give advice to and mentor. While things like this scare her a little, Mrs. Moffitt is learning that trying things that are new to her is worth it. She has realized that it glorifies God when she pushes through her fear to follow where He is leading her.

Thank you, Mrs. Moffitt, for your heart for the Legacy community and your commitment to helping students learn about who they are in Christ!

-Taylor Brooks, Multimedia Communication & Marketing Coordinator

Alumni Highlight



David Kensinger

Meet David Kensinger! David began attending Legacy, then called Xenia Christian, in 2005 and graduated in 2017. As a 2017 Legacy graduate, he is part of the first class of students that graduated after the school changed its name from Xenia Christian to Legacy Christian Academy. After graduating from Legacy, David attended Wright State University. He graduated from college in 2021, married his high school sweetheart (Rebecca), and bought a house all within the same month! He now works at Athletes in Action (AIA), a ministry that operates on the same campus as LCA, doing IT and marketing.

When asked about his time at Legacy, David notes that he didn't realize how safe and comfortable he felt at Legacy until he went to college. It wasn't until he attended a secular university that he noticed how much of a privilege it was to be surrounded by adults and peers that were all focused on helping each other grow closer to Christ. Looking back, David recognizes that the Lord taught him more than he thought during his time at Legacy. One of the main things he learned that stuck with him is what it looks like to not just believe in Christ, but to really pursue Christ. The Lord continues to teach David new lessons in this season of life. One of the biggest things the Lord is teaching David is the importance of frequent communication with the Lord. He has realized that the more he is in prayer with the Lord throughout the day, the more he abides in the Lord and Lord's word in his life.

-Taylor Brooks, Multimedia Communication & Marketing Coordinator

Advancement at Legacy Christian Academy

LEAF Update: Many of you donated to Legacy Education Affordability Fund (LEAF), an Ohio Scholarship Granting Organization created late summer of 2022. By December 31, 2022, LEAF collected several thousand dollars in donations, and will soon award nearly \$70,000 in tuition scholarships to students who will be enrolled at Legacy Christian Academy in fall 2023. The incredible thing about LEAF is that it is designed to allow a donor to donate income tax dollars they would otherwise pay to the State of Ohio. Depending on when the donor filed their IT1040 and claimed the tax credit, with few exceptions, a refund check will soon arrive for the entire amount given to LEAF by the donor. That's what I call "payback!"

Legacy's Annual Fundraising Gala: You won't want to miss our annual Gala. It will be held on March 11, at 6 pm at the beautiful Schindler Center. This year's event will include a drama scene from the spring musical, Fiddler on the Roof. There will also be student musical performances and testimonies from students, alumnus, faculty & staff, and Legacy Christian Academy parents. Featured projects are upgrades to the auditorium, including a long throw projector. Last year, the auditorium was fitted with new curtains and our cafeteria was remodeled with proceeds

from the Gala. Before the curtains were installed, new windows replaced the drafty old ones. We are excited to see how continued renovations to this frequently used space will enhance students' experiences at Legacy! RSVP for the Gala by using the QR code to the left.



-Brian Ray, Director of Development