

Dear Friends,

We write this year's Annual Fund appeal with great joy and amazement over God's provision and blessing for Holden Christian Academy. This year's joy and blessing is largely because we have been able to experience in-person learning since September 10, 2020. To be safely on campus this year has exceeded many expectations, and the energy at school is palpable.

Our Annual Fund appeal is one of HCA's annual fundraisers that help fill the gap between the cost of tuition and what HCA actually spends to educate our students. Because we had to cancel our 5K this fall due to the Covid-19 pandemic, we are faced with limited opportunities to fundraise for our school - this Annual Fund appeal, our Trike-a-thon, and Read-a-thon. This year, our costs to educate have increased, especially due to COVID-related expenses. *We are blessed to be one of only a few schools in the region on campus five days a week*, however the state guidelines have increased our operating expenses significantly, and in many unexpected ways. We have made many improvements and continue to improve

I am thankful to be able to talk and play with my classmates.

I'm thankful for teachers that care enough about me to risk being in person.

I love this school! It has brought me good friends and challenged me in schoolwork.

our program allowing HCA to thrive! We have included some of the heartfelt comments from students that are blessed to be at HCA this year.

As you read these, please consider what God might put on your heart to give. **Your generosity and support are so greatly appreciated!** Please donate by returning the enclosed pledge card, or online at holdenchristianacademy.org/support. On behalf of the entire school community, and all those who benefit from your giving,

WE THANK YOU!

~ The HCA School Committee

I love going outside and learning about God's creations with my class.

I love being at HCA because of the kind, loving atmosphere ... At other schools I haven't always felt safe or wanted.

I truly love HCA because it is a safe, Christian community that can enjoy academics and do fun events and games.