

## 2018 Prayer Guide

### **Ideas to Enhance your 40 Days of Prayer<sup>1</sup>**

1. Fast a particular food or enjoyable activity to help you focus on this campaign.
2. Prayer Walk - pray as you walk around the parameter of the school or through the halls.
3. Attend corporate prayer meetings on Sunday afternoons at 3:00 at the school.
4. Have a prayer partner to join you in seeking God for HCS.
5. Journal - write specific requests, thoughts, and Scripture verses that are brought to your mind during seasons of prayer.

### **Specific Requests for the School**

1. That the school is effective in its mission to be Christ-centered, college-preparatory, and maintain a disciplined environment.
2. That all positions be filled with Godly and competent people.
3. That the school has favor with people, churches, and other entities that can help the school with its mission and financial stability.
4. That the school increase in enrollment and be effective in its mission with all the students God brings to us.
5. That the financial stability of the school be strengthened including increased income, reduced debt, and sound financial decisions.
6. That the facilities and equipment of the school last long and are well-maintained without unnecessary expense for repairs that could have been prevented.
7. That the school will be protected from natural disaster, acts of vandalism, or other destructive forces that may come against it.
8. That students and their families represent HCS (and all we stand for) well in the community and that the reputation of the school is known throughout the area.
9. That chapel services are Spirit-filled and that speakers rightly divide the Word of Truth.

### **General Requests for the School**

1. That there be a spirit of unity within all of the school family.
2. That the school will be free from the influence of drugs, alcohol, and other addictions that steal, kill, and destroy.
3. That no weapon formed against our school or families will prosper.
4. That the school will be a safe place - physically, spiritually, and emotionally for all who come under its roof.

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<sup>1</sup> Forty days before Easter begins February 21st. You are welcome to choose the traditional season of Lent which begins February 14th and does not include Sundays.

5. That students, school personnel Board members and their families have adequate health and be protected from sickness, injury, or premature death.
6. That bullies will have a change of heart or, if necessary, a change of location.
7. That no violence or threat of violence come against students.
8. That the food service will be secure and safe from anything harmful.
9. That sports team will excel in sportsmanship and play to the best of their abilities.
10. That clubs will accomplish their purpose well and be conducive to healthy working relationships.
11. That the playground can be expanded and better equipped.
12. That parents will be supportive of school and Board personnel.

### **Requests for Students**

1. That students will be spiritually minded having a heart for God, His Word, and His work in the world.
2. That students will learn to hate sin, repent, and submit to God and that Satan will not be allowed to gain a stronghold in any area of their lives.
3. That students will be a good influence upon one another and resist negative peer pressure.
4. That the students will show gratitude toward God and appreciation to the people He has used to be a blessing in their lives.
5. That students will be quick to defend the weak, support the needy, love the downtrodden, stand against evil, and lift up the fallen.
6. That students will exhibit a worthy work ethic and be punctual and not guilty of truancy or laziness.
7. That students will have stable, Christ-centered homes where they are taught the importance of Christian values and a quality education.
8. That students are safe in their commutes to and from school as well as to extra-curricular activities.
9. That students and their families will not be distracted by inadequate financial resources and that God would multiply the investment here back to those families in tangible and intangible ways.
10. That graduates seek, know, and obey the will of God for the next step in their lives.
12. That students who struggle academically will find help and have hope for success.
13. That students who struggle with behavior issues will respond to love and discipline.
14. That students will respect authority and be a blessing to their teachers and coaches.

### **Requests for Teachers**

1. That teachers are able season their words with salt and speak truth into the lives of their students in a way in which it will best be received.
2. That teachers would not be discouraged, depressed, or weary in well-doing.
3. That teachers will work as unto the Lord and not unto man.
4. That teachers will teach with excellence and creativity.
5. That teachers can employ effective classroom management without unnecessarily alienating or exasperating students.
6. That teachers will be given wisdom and discernment in dealing with students who are struggling academically or in their personal lives.
7. That teachers would have seasons of rest and refreshment - spiritual, physical, and otherwise.
8. That teachers will walk closely with the Lord and not give an occasion for students to stumble at their example or teaching.
9. That teachers will know wisdom in handling sectarian differences on our campus and know when to address an issue and when to leave it for another time and place.
10. That teachers will have a camaraderie with co-workers and enjoy the productivity and blessings of dwelling together in unity.

### **Requests for School Board and Administration**

1. That leadership may have clear vision to fashion policy.
2. That guidance will be given when an opening occurs and there is the need to hire faculty and staff.
3. That creative and productive ideas will be forthcoming to promote the school.
4. That God's will can be sought, understood, and implemented in the administration of the affairs of the school.
5. That the curriculum will be chosen wisely.
6. That the finances of the school are managed with good stewardship and integrity.
7. That leadership is protected against the Evil One and distractions he would bring to deter the mission of the school.
8. That Godly wisdom and discernment will be given in dealing with faculty and staff, parents, students, and vendors.