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UPCOMING EVENTS

* Chapel

October 23, 2026 @ 9 AM

Come worship and fellowship with us. Bring the whole family

Use the QR Code to reserve your spot.



* Winter Musical

December 14, 2026 @ 6 PM

IT'S A GINGERBREAD CHRISTMAS

What's a gingerbread cookie to do when he discovers he might become Santa's Christmas Eve snack? Join us for a sweet holiday adventure and find out if our clever little cookie can escape his delicious destiny!

COMMUNITY CHAPEL: GATHERED IN FAITH

At Rock Harbor Christian Academy, we believe some of the most meaningful moments of learning and growth happen when we come together in worship and fellowship. One of our favorite traditions is our monthly Chapel, a special time set apart to celebrate our faith, grow in God's Word, and strengthen the relationships that make our community so special.

Each month, students, staff, families, and friends gather for a joyful time of worship through music, movement, a short biblical message, and prayer. Afterward, we enjoy refreshments, conversation, and fellowship as we continue building connections beyond the classroom.

And Chapel isn't just for RHCA students! We warmly invite homeschool families and parents with little ones who aren't yet school age to join us. Our desire is to create a welcoming place where families throughout our community can worship together, build friendships, and encourage one another in their walk with Christ.

As we prepare for our first Chapel of the school year, we're excited to have seven families registered to join us! We look forward to welcoming familiar faces, meeting new friends, and sharing this special time together.

At RHCA, Chapel is more than a monthly gathering. It's a reflection of our heart for Christian education—a community anchored in Christ, growing in faith, and learning to serve Him together.

FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

What an exciting beginning to our second year at RHCA! As we continue to grow, our commitment remains the same: providing rigorous academics, meaningful discipleship, and a warm community where every child is known and valued. I am grateful for the families who have entrusted us with their children and excited to see all that God has planned for the year ahead!



BEFORE PENCIL MEETS PAPER: WHY LETTER FORMATION MATTERS

At Rock Harbor Christian Academy, we believe that how a child learns to write is just as important as what they write. While handwriting and penmanship are often used interchangeably, there is an important distinction between learning to form letters correctly and developing beautiful handwriting.

Letter formation is the foundational skill of knowing how to construct each letter—where to begin, which direction to move, and how the strokes come together. Penmanship builds upon that foundation, focusing on neatness, consistency, spacing on paper, and overall presentation.

At RHCA, we intentionally teach letter formation before expecting students to practice handwriting independently. Using a multisensory approach rooted in our Structured Literacy instruction, students begin by forming letters through large movements in the air, tracing them in sand, and writing on chalkboards. These experiences help students develop the motor patterns needed to form letters accurately and automatically. Only after those movements become familiar do we transition to placing letters on lined paper. Why does this matter?

Correct letter formation lays the groundwork for fluent, efficient writing. When students learn proper starting points and stroke sequences, their pencil movements become smoother and more continuous, reducing unnecessary pencil lifts and interruptions. Over time, these movements become automatic, allowing students to write with greater ease and speed.

Perhaps most importantly, automaticity frees up valuable cognitive resources. Rather than concentrating on how to form each letter, students can focus their mental energy on what they want to communicate—developing ideas, choosing precise vocabulary, constructing meaningful sentences, and expressing their thoughts clearly. In other words, we are not simply teaching students to write letters correctly; we are preparing them to become fluent, confident writers.

GROWING THROUGH CHALLENGE



At Rock Harbor Christian Academy, we believe some of the most meaningful learning happens when students are challenged to think, persevere, and discover solutions. While it can be tempting to step in and provide an answer, we intentionally create opportunities for students to wrestle with ideas, ask questions, and work through difficulties with appropriate guidance. This process, known as productive struggle, develops more than academic skills—it builds confidence, resilience, independence, and critical thinking. Our goal is not to remove every obstacle from a child's path, but to equip them with the tools and perseverance to overcome challenges and become confident, capable learners.

THE POWER OF A GOOD QUESTION



At Rock Harbor Christian Academy, we believe curiosity is the beginning of meaningful learning. Rather than simply providing answers, we encourage students to ask thoughtful questions, examine evidence, and explore ideas from different perspectives. Through discussion, logic, and inquiry, students learn to move beyond memorization toward genuine understanding. Asking good questions develops discernment, strengthens reasoning, and helps students articulate what they believe and why. As students grow in knowledge and wisdom, our desire is that they become confident thinkers who approach the world with curiosity, humility, and a commitment to biblical truth.