



# KALAMAZOO CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS

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## YoungLife at KCHS

Kalamazoo Christian High School (KCHS) is charged with equipping, inspiring, and challenging students to love and serve Jesus. In classrooms, teachers develop instructional strategies for their students to understand science, math, language, and the like from a distinctly reformed Christian point of view. However, the Christian school community's mission isn't simply limited to the classroom, rather it extends beyond the four walls of the classroom and into extracurricular activities. Participating on athletic teams and in extracurricular clubs and organizations are other important ways KCHS equips, inspires, and challenges students to be ambassadors for Christ.

Many years ago, KCHS had an active Young Life club; now, because of the recent efforts of several adults in the KCHS community, KCHS is again partnering with Young Life and reestablishing a YL club within the high school. Since 1941, Young Life has been dedicated to reaching out to young people to help them foster their relationships with Jesus. One primary way Young Life carries out its mission is working with and within schools while "proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ and introducing adolescents to Jesus Christ and helping them grow in their faith."

In recent months, Mrs. Chenoweth, Mrs. Ekkens, Mrs. Macias, and Mr. Scheffers along with a few committed KCHS parents have been working with Mr. Ryan Nienhuis, Young Life's SW Michigan's Regional Director, to organize, plan, and chart a course for this ministry at KCHS. Already, under the leadership and guidance of Mr. Scheffers, a few high school boys attended a YL retreat in the fall at Timber Wolf Lake in Lake City, Michigan. Throughout the current semester, Mrs. Tara Macias will be hosting Young Life meetings during Comet Time. The teacher and parent YL facilitators have many more exciting events and experiences planned for the coming months.

Kalamazoo Christian High School would like to thank the many staff members and parents who have taken the time and made the effort to bring Young Life to our campus. We're very grateful for their commitment to our students, and excited to see how the Holy Spirit will work through Young Life and its leaders as they help our students grow in their faith in Jesus Christ. If you would like to learn more about Young Life or would be interested in supporting the KCHS YL chapter through prayer or volunteering, please contact Mrs. Chenoweth ([achenoweth@kcsa.org](mailto:achenoweth@kcsa.org)).

Sincerely,

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