

**EMPOWERING GOD'S
CHILDREN TO JOIN IN HIS
RESTORATIVE WORK.**

MISSION

The mission statement of Pella Christian is rooted in our purpose to provide the children of Christian families with an excellent, Christ-centered education rooted in a Reformed understanding of the Christian faith.

The educational programs of the schools are founded upon the infallible Word of God as interpreted by the common Christian creeds (Apostle's Creed, Nicene Creed, and the Athanasian Creed) and Reformed confessions, such as the Three-Forms of Unity (Heidelberg Catechism, Belgic Confession, and the Canons of Dort), and other foundational documents from the historical reformed tradition.

BOARD OPERATIONS

The Pella Christian Board of Trustees is made up of Society members who love the school and believe in its mission. Pella Christian Trustees do not represent a particular constituency, platform, or agenda. The fundamental role of a Trustee is to uphold the mission of the school passed down by previous generations. This does not preclude innovation and progress. However, all decisions are rooted in the school's Christ-centered mission. To that end, the Board of Trustees functions as a governance, not an operational, board. Trustees are not involved in day-to-day operations. They work closely with the Head of Schools to execute the "Strategic Priorities" to ensure the school continues for the next generation. The Head of Schools is the only employee over which the Board of Trustees has direct oversight. Trustees and Society members become more involved through various committee functions.

BOARD COMMITTEES

The Board of Trustees, along with other members of the Society, contribute invaluable service to Pella Christian through their leadership and service on committees. The Finance Committee stewards the school's budget, tuition, and long-term financial health. The Development Committee advances giving, donor relationships and shapes the school's overall philanthropic efforts. The Building & Grounds Committees oversees facilities, capital projects, and looks to future campus needs. The Education Committee supports the academic policy, faith-based learning, and overall standards. The Nominations Committee vets, nominates, and equips individuals to serve as board trustees and committee members. The Board of Trustees may, at times, create other ad hoc committees to meet the needs necessary to accomplish the boards "Strategic Priorities."

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES 2026-2031



Telling the Story

Cultivate a community of informed and enthusiastic ambassadors who clearly understand, communicate, and champion the distinctive value of Pella Christian.



Cultivating an Exceptional Faculty

Foster a collaborative and growth-oriented faculty culture where teachers are supported, challenged, and empowered to continually improve their practice and thrive in their calling.



Pursuing Operational Excellence

Build a mission-aligned organizational and operational framework with capacity to respond wisely to future opportunities and challenges.



Achieving Exceptional Learning Experiences

Advance a mission-driven vision for teaching and learning by aligning curriculum, equipping educators, integrating technology wisely, and lead students to Christ-centered service.

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

The Nominations Committee is a committee of the Board of Trustees representing Pella and the surrounding K-8 Christian schools. It is tasked with seeking out, vetting, nominating, and equipping individuals as trustees. This is an intentional, ongoing, multi-year process to build a pool of qualified trustees for Pella Christian's strategic needs now and in the future. A candidate whose profile may not be the right fit for next year's board composition could be a strong fit for the future. Candidates not selected for board service may be invited to serve Pella Christian's mission on a committee or in another meaningful way.

NOMINATIONS TIMELINE >>>

SEPTEMBER 10, 2026

Informational Session for prospective Board Trustees and Committee Members

NOVEMBER 1, 2026

Board Trustee Application deadline

NOVEMBER 11, 2026

Candidate and date selection

JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2027

Candidate interviews and recommendations

FEBRUARY/MARCH 2027

Board Approves Nominations Committee recommendations

MARCH/APRIL 2027

Society Meeting and affirmation of incoming Board Trustees

MAY/JUNE 2027

Board orientation of new Trustees

JULY 2027

New 3-year term begins for Trustees

ELIGIBILITY

- Active member of the Pella Christian Schools Society (a parent or a donor in the past 12 months)
- Active member in a local Christian church who agrees wholeheartedly with the Pella Christian Statement of Faith, which includes a Reformed perspective of the Christian faith and covenantal Christian Education
- Have a passion for and commitment to Christian education
- Be willing to assist with fundraising efforts on behalf of Pella Christian
- Be willing to share your gifts, talents, and areas of expertise with the Board for the benefit of Pella Christian

DESIRED QUALITIES

- Love Pella Christian and have a desire to see Christian Education thrive in the region
- Ability to make decisions based on the best interest of all current and future students
- Diverse in viewpoints for the board as a whole, including: multiple generations, different churches, varied geography, and various skill sets
- Consensus builders who listen well to others and are comfortable offering diverse opinions
- Excitement at serving where they can best meet Pella Christian's immediate needs

SERVICE INVOLVEMENT

- 3-year term with the opportunity for a 3-year renewal (a total of 6 consecutive years)
- Monthly Board Meetings and service on one or more of the board committees
- Attendance and representation at various Pella Christian events and activities

PROCESS

- Interested individuals should prayerfully seek to learn and fully understand what it means to be a Board Trustee
- If still interested, they should email nominations@pceagles.org and complete an application by the listed deadline
- The Nominations Committee will select candidates and proceed with the interview process
- Those matching the needs of Pella Christian's board will move through the steps as listed on the left side panel

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