

**REDLANDS CHRISTIAN SCHOOL  
PRE-KINDERGARTEN THROUGH 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE**

The purpose of Redlands Christian School is to provide quality Christian Education. We enjoy a rich history of providing academic excellence to the Inland Empire. Our first classes were held in September of 1921.

Children of families who uphold the philosophy of education of Redlands Christian School and actively participate as members of an evangelical Christian church are welcome to enroll. Student academic performance will be reviewed upon entry.

Our teachers are committed and very dedicated to their work, providing a learning environment that challenges students to do their best in an atmosphere of love and acceptance. All teachers at Redlands Christian have credentials and are listed below.

**ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Degree</b>	<b>College/University</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Yrs. Experience</b>
Ray Leenstra	MA	Montana State Univ.	MT	Administrator	34 years
Kathy Barr	BA	Baptist Bible College	MO	Asst. Administrator	19 years
Mark Witvliet	BA+30	Calvin College	MI	Asst. Administrator	10 years

**ELEMENTARY TEACHERS**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Degree</b>	<b>College/University</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Yrs. Experience</b>
Leanne Bruinsma	AA	Crafton Hills College	CA	Pre-K 3 day	2 years
Lynda Hofman	AA	Crafton Hills College	CA	Pre-K 5 day	6 years
Julie Brandenburg	MA	National Univ.	CA	Kindergarten	8 years
Betsy Jeffers	BA	Cal State S.B.	CA	Kindergarten	7 years
Kathy Vander Wal	BA+30	Calvin College	MI	1 <sup>st</sup> Grade	17 years
Mary De Waard	BA	Calvin College	MI	1 <sup>st</sup> Grade-Team Teacher	10 years
Laura Witvliet	MA	Calvin College	MI	1 <sup>st</sup> Grade-Team Teacher	10 years
Nicole Johnson	MA	National Univ.	CA	2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	1 year
Rebecca Bajema	BA	Calvin College	MI	2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	1 <sup>st</sup> year
Katie Verhoef	BA	Calvin College	MI	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	4 years
Fran Miersma	MA	Michigan State Univ.	MI	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	36 years
Melissa Lemm	BA	Dordt College	MI	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade	3 years
Rachel Treur	BA	Trinity International University	IL	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade	7 years
Karen Koning	BA+10	Hope College	MI	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade-Team Teacher	25 years
Jean Mattson	MA	Cal State S.B.	CA	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade-Team Teacher	31 years
Richelle Stone	BA+30	Calvin College	MI	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	10 years

**MIDDLE SCHOOL TEACHERS**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Degree</b>	<b>College/University</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Yrs. Experience</b>
Matt De Boer	BA	Calvin College	MI	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade	2 years
Charissa Camping	BA	Dordt College	IA	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade	6 years
Elizabeth Lyons	BA	Calvin College	MI	7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade English	1 <sup>st</sup> year
Matt Wiers	BA	Calvin College	MI	7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade History	7 years
Jeff Hartog	BA	Univ. of New Mexico	NM	7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Math & PE	9 years
Roger Boersen	MA	Calvin College	MI	7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Science	31 years

**SPECIALTY TEACHERS**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Degree</b>	<b>College/University</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Yrs. Experience</b>
Jill Leonard	MA	Univ. South Dakota	SD	Band	6 years
Kara Niewenhuis	BA	Dordt College	IA	Music	2 years
Mike De Jong	BA	Calvin College	MI	Physical Education	6 years
Denise Kouwe	MA	Nazareth College	NY	Art	21 years
Gwen Leenstra	BA	Dordt College	IA	Opportunity Center	10 years
Patti Winslow	BA	Calvin College	MI	Spanish	9 years
Jani Van Gorp	BA+30	Calvin College	MI	Enrichment Center	9 years
Ruth Verhoef	AA	Dordt College	IA	Computer	5 years
Sarah Schenkel	BA	Calvin College	MI	Librarian	4 years
Sarah Slayman	BA	Cal Baptist	CA	Special Education	1 <sup>st</sup> year

**COUNSELORS**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Degree</b>	<b>College/University</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Yrs. Experience</b>
Nick Ingt Hout	BA	Calvin College	MI	Boys Counselor	1 <sup>st</sup> year
Josh Camping	BA	Cal State Baptist	CA	Boys Counselor	1 <sup>st</sup> year
Kirstin Collins	MA	Azusa Pacific Univ.	CA	Girls Counselor	6 years

Redlands Christian School offers current classes in Bible, Reading, Language Arts, Mathematics, Social Studies, and Science. In addition to regular subjects, we also offer Art, Music, Computer, and Physical Education classes. At the Middle School level, studies in Spanish, Computer, and Christian Perspectives are also offered. Students can also participate in Fine Arts activities, Spelling, Math, and Knowledge Bowl contests, Band for grades 4-8, special singing groups, musicals and drama.

In pursuit of academic excellence, we continue to do a school-wide testing program. The majority of our students consistently score above the national norms in the Iowa Test of Basic Skills.

One of the special programs at Redlands Christian School is our Learning Center Support Program. We have an Opportunity Program designed to help students with special learning needs. We also have an Enrichment Program for our gifted children. Our Learning Center teachers assist students in their independent learning program. We also offer Special Education for students with mild to moderate learning difficulties.

Our Library has a 4,000 plus volume collection of books. Our Computer Lab is a 30-station PC Lab. Our Music room includes an office, several practice rooms, as well as a large classroom. We have a gymnasium that includes a kitchen facility and our grounds and playing fields have been re-landscaped. We offer a Hot Lunch program three days a week, Tuesday's, Wednesday's and Thursday's.

Although Redlands Christian does not provide bus service, parent lists are available for those interested in car-pooling.