

"Tell the people what the Lord has done" Ps. 105:01b

## CHRISTMAS BAZAAR 2025

Once again, the Christmas Bazaar fundraiser was a huge success. Not only did we meet our fundraising goal (15k) but families came together in community to craft, serve before, during, and after the event, donate sale and concession items, and unite towards meeting LCA's fundraising needs. Total funds raised from the Christmas bazaar were \$15,573.99. Families and administration alike observed that the thing they love most about the LCA Christmas Bazaar is the togetherness (in the united goal of funding LCA) that crafting, and serving together brings.



## THANKFUL PEOPLE ARE HUMBLE & HAPPY

From The Collapse of Parenting  
by Leonard Sax

As we often focus on being thankful at Thanksgiving and Christmas time, it's helpful to remember why being thankful is such an important mindset. At its root, a truly thankful person is also a humble person, and a humble person is a happy person. So, to teach students gratitude, we must start at the root and teach humility.

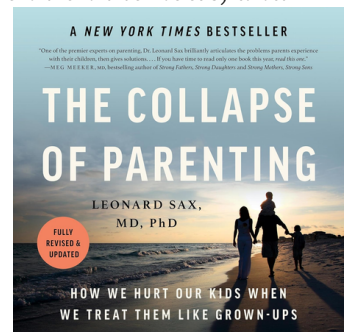
What is humility? Many people in our self-esteem focused culture mistake humility for something negative. If we are familiar with the scripture in Micah 6:8 we know that the Lord requires us to "do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with our God." But when asked what humility is, most either don't know or think it's downplaying abilities – pretending we are "dumb." Pretending we are something we are not, is psychosis (a detachment from reality.) Are humble people timid? What is humility?

Simply put, true humility is the opposite of being timid. Humility is being as interested in other people as you are interested in yourself. A truly humble person can see themselves as who they are, in truth, aware of not only their strengths but also their

weaknesses. It means that when you meet a new person you try to learn things about them before giving your spiel about how incredibly awesome is your current thing. Humility means taking time to look up at the sky instead of looking only in the mirror.

Humility is the opposite of inflated self-esteem. A puffed up ego at age 8-14 can lead to resentment at age 20-25. (If I'm so wonderful, but my talents aren't on the news, and I'm still a "nobody" at age 25, then I feel envious and resentful of those who are more successful. If I am humble then I rejoice at the success of others and am happy with my portion.)

Humility leads to gratitude and contentment. Researchers are discovering that a grateful attitude is the cause of happiness not the result of happiness. At the core, isn't happiness a large part of what we hope for our children to discover?



**STRATEGIES TO  
TEACH YOUR CHILD  
JOY, RESILIENCE,  
COURAGE AND MORE**



## Prayer – it's the work

*"Prayer is not just the most important work; it IS THE work" –unknown.*

*This quote reminds me often that the work we do at LCA must start with prayer. Prayer is not just something we sprinkle on top of: lesson planning, developing our teaching skills, learning lessons so as to better teach, grading assignments, or any other school related task that may be seen as a more important task in education. It is in fact paramount, foundational, and non-negotiable.*

*Our academy came into existence through prayer, and we rely on prayer daily to do the work God calls us to do each day. LCA board members meet weekly at the beginning of each week to pray for the upcoming week. Staff pray at the beginning of each day or the beginning of each shift.*

*We often pray for you, our students, families, and donors. We also pray for the Laramie community, pastors, government officials and whoever else the Holy Spirit brings to mind while we are praying.*

*As we continue through the advent season please keep LCA in your prayers. The transformative process of classical Christian education is not possible without God doing a work inside all of us. We rely on His help and ask you to join with us in praying. In January, we historically have invited parents to join us in praying for our school in prayer-pods as we recognize that third quarter can be a time where extra prayer and encouragement for the January and February winter months are so needed.*

*As always, if you have a specific prayer request you would like us to pray for you or your family, text or email us and we will lift you up in our prayer times. It's just one more way we can do community together.*

**"The academy that prays together, stays together."**

## Rhetoric – Spotlight

Our Rhetoric (high school) students learn many useful skills in their life skills class. This month they learned some basic plumbing skills and how to change a tire. Our mission to equip students with academic excellence, Biblical knowledge and values and a resilient hope in Jesus to impact the world around them means that we aim to graduate students who are able to handle life as they leave grade school upon graduation from twelfth grade.



## DATES TO REMEMBER

- DECEMBER 22 - JAN 2 -- CHRISTMAS BREAK
- JANUARY 13 – END OF FIRST SEMESTER
- JANUARY 19 – NO SCHOOL (STAFF DEVELOPMENT)
- JANUARY 26 – FEED THE NEED CORPORATE LAUNCH
- JANUARY 30 – KINDERGARTEN PREVIEW


### THE BIG "3" OF LCA

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE  
BIBLE INTEGRATION  
RESILIENT HOPE IN JESUS

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2025  2026  
LARAMIE CHRISTIAN ACADEMY  
ACADEMIC CALENDAR

### DECEMBER 2025

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### JANUARY 2026

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