



School Alive

Ignite Your Passion

YEAR BOOK
2024-2025

Principal's Message

What an incredible year it has been at School Alive! From the very first day to the final lessons, we've witnessed God's hand at work in every classroom, every project, and every student journey. This inaugural year has been a testament to the power of faith, community, and Christ-centered education. We set out to build something different—a place where passion meets purpose, and students are truly made alive in Christ. And we did just that.

You have laid the foundation for something that will bless generations to come. As we look ahead, with enrollment growing and opportunities expanding, we remember that real success is being who God made you to be. Keep pressing forward, keep growing in grace and truth, and never forget—you are part of something extraordinary. Thank you for being part of our first chapter.



DR. LYON

Faculty



Healthcare & Engineering Teacher

Mr. Robert Lee Mendenhall III is a decorated Marine Corps veteran, Krav Maga State Director, and passionate educator. After serving three combat tours in Afghanistan and earning the Purple Heart, he pursued paramedic training and now teaches self-defense, survival skills, and fitness through The Forge Training Center and local schools. He uses his gift for teaching to promote health, safety, and the love of Christ.



Art Teacher

Mrs. Naomi Talitha Armendariz is a passionate educator, missionary, and artist with a background in teaching, music, and ministry. She has served as a missionary, private school teacher, interpreter, and seminary professor, and currently directs children's and music ministries in Indiana. With a degree in Elementary Education and a love for the arts, Naomi helps children discover and use their God-given talents to glorify Him.



Math Teacher & Principal

Dr. Graham Pierce Lyon is a Christian educator and founder of School Alive, an innovative faith-based education initiative. With a triple major from SUNY Buffalo and a doctorate from Purdue University, he has earned national recognition for excellence in teaching and leadership. His "Authentic HAMSTER Education" model integrates faith with STEM and the arts to foster holistic, purpose-driven learning rooted in Christian values.

Faculty



Science Teacher

Mrs. Christine Leann Peercy, is a dedicated wife, mother, and biotechnology professional with over ten years of lab experience. She holds two honors degrees in Biotechnology and has mentored students in the field. She actively serves in her local church with her husband Micah and enjoys spending time outdoors with their two sons. Christine is passionate about mentoring and connecting science with her Christian values.



Technology Teacher

Mr. Scott Rudolph Krafft is a passionate educator and tech expert with a strong foundation in faith and academics. After graduating magna cum laude in Computer Science from Saint Xavier University, he discovered his calling in teaching through tutoring and mentoring. Now based in Indiana, Scott combines his love for technology, history, and philosophy to help students build confidence and thrive in a digital world.



Religion Teacher

Mr. Jose Eliseo Hernandez is a U.S. Army Reserve Officer and dedicated Christian educator with a background in Biblical & Theological Studies from Biola University. Born in El Salvador, he has over eight years of youth ministry experience and is currently pursuing a Master of Divinity. With a passion for teaching and mentoring, Eliseo combines his military and ministry experience to instill a strong biblical worldview and sense of Christian citizenship in younger generations.

Support Staff



Athletic Director

Mr. Brandon Terry Blankenship is a committed leader with a strong background in athletics, youth mentorship, and organizational leadership. With over 20 years of experience at Evonik and formerly Interim Athletic Director at Lafayette Christian School, he now leads the athletic program at School Alive, focusing on character, teamwork, and spiritual growth through sports.



Security Officer

Mr. John Russell Binske has over 30 years of security experience from the military, law enforcement, and church settings. A decorated U.S. Army veteran, he served 23 years with deployments to Iraq and Guantanamo Bay. Now based in Lafayette, Indiana, he leads security at School Alive, where his leadership ensures a safe, Christ-centered environment for students and staff.



Finance Manager

Mrs. Kayla Alise Boltz, earned a Bachelor's in Business Management from Purdue University and built a strong career in financial management at Purdue and Copper Moon Coffee. In 2023, she chose to focus on raising her two sons full-time while upholding values of integrity, reliability, and leadership. She enjoys hiking and running with her family and plans to return to work once her children are in school, balancing professional growth with family life.

Level 1: Grade P & K



**Ezra
Anderson**



**Benjamin
Bartl**



**Emiliana
Bartl**



**Aurora
Lyon**



**Asher
Peercy**



**Chandler
Thieke**

Level 2: Grade 1 & 2



**Paisley
Anderson**



**Josiah
Fleming**



**Luke
Radloff**



**Jace
Saunders**



**Bailey
Rose**

Level 3: Grade 3



**William
Anderson**



**Avrianna
Keller**

Level 4/5: Grade 6 & 8



**Adriyan
Hunt**



**Jordan
Mendenhall**



**Zander
Sturgeon**



**Victoria
Sturgeon**

Level 7: Grade 11



**Joselle
Pavey**

Homeschoolers



**Jude
Bruins**



**Hannah & Warren
Jackson**

August 2024



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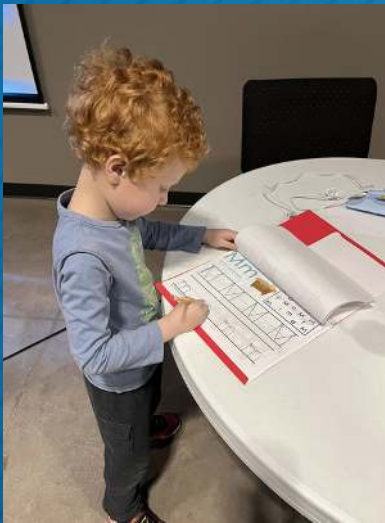
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December 2024



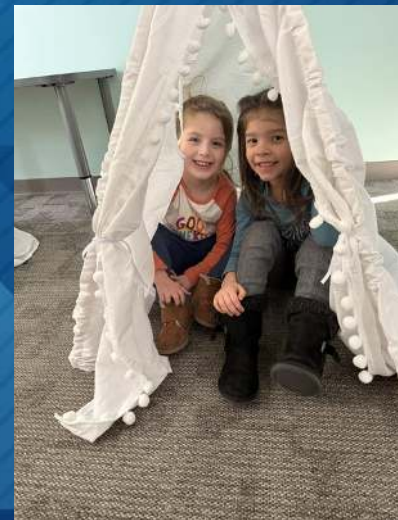
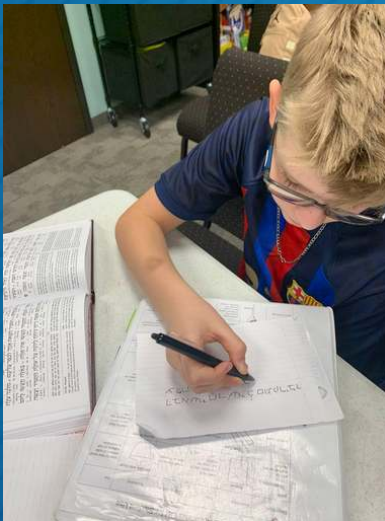
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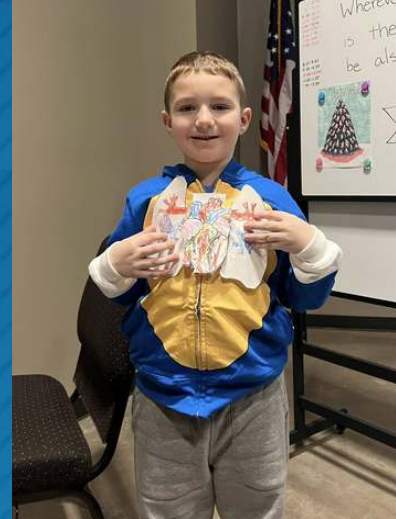
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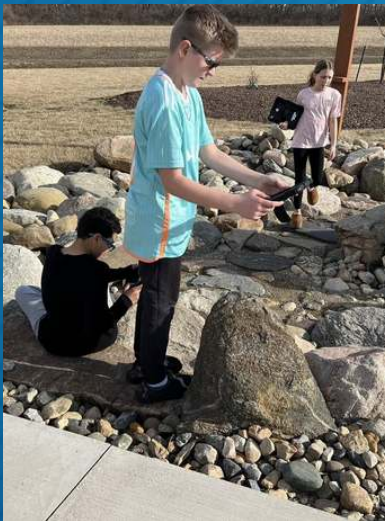
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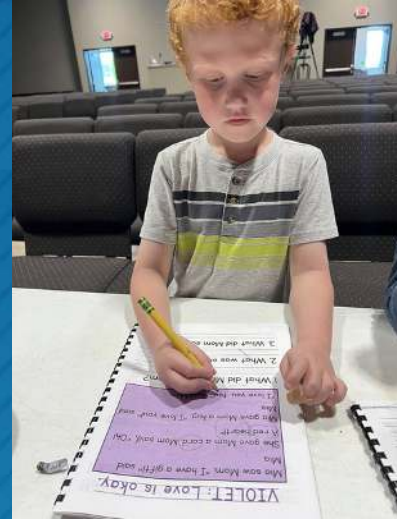
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May 2025



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