

Christian Family & Children's Center History

- 1981 Oct. Merle and Barb Skinner and other dedicated Christians formed a Board of Directors and rented a vacant funeral home in Indian Head.
- 1982 Jan. Preschool program starts with three students.
Sept. Interdenominational ladies small group Bible study developed.
- 1983 Aug. Kindergarten program begun with the intention of adding a grade each year.
- 1984 July Center became a practicum placement for WCCC Child Development students.
Nov. Conference/Seminar program started.
- 1987 Apr. Special program contracting with churches began.
Sept. First meetings of the Advisory Board and Parent Advisory Committee held.
- 1989 July First meeting of the Pastoral Advisory Committee held.
Dec. Crisis Pregnancy Center started.
- 1991 Mar. School program officially becomes Champion Christian School, offering grades K – 8.
Aug. Parent-Teacher Fellowship officially begun.
- 1993 Jan. Annex built; Champion Christian High School begun; Apartment converted into Center offices.
- 1994 May Christian Counseling Services hired first counselor.
- 1995 Sept. First computer grant resulted in 13 Internet accessible interlinked computers.
Nov. Center brings Internet to area as a local dial up number and develops web site, www.champion.org.
- 1996 Dec. Attic sprinkler pipe broke, totally flooding original building.
- 1997 April \$200,000 insurance restoration completed; Additional computer lab of thirteen computers given.
Aug. Discovery program through the National Institute for Learning Disabilities (NILD) begun.
- 1998 Aug. Part of parking lot repaved; two basketball poles and hoops installed; Champion Christian Middle School started; dual accreditation achieved with Middle States and ACSI.
Oct. Mortgage Burning ceremony held on South Campus building.
- 1999 Feb. Center hosts radio show, IMPACT LIVE!, on WWNL 1080AM.
Mar. Center Board of Directors sign sales agreement on 50 acre Donegal property.
- 2000 July Bus maintenance garage built by volunteers on Donegal site.
- 2002 July Middle school, high school, and accounting department moved into new facility.
- 2005 Sept. Soccer field dedicated as Harr Field in honor of excavator's years of donated time.
- 2006 June Promotional DVD completed and ready for mass distribution.
- 2008 Aug. Greenhouse and concession stand constructed at North Campus.

- 2009 Jan. Exec.Dir. Skinner serves on state and national Council for American Private Schools (CAPE).
 May FEMA trailer purchased and set up for preschool expansion at North Campus in Donegal.
 July Alloutpraise! first annual outdoor contemporary Christian music benefit festival held.
- 2010 Jan. Coach bus purchased and community trips program launched.
- 2012 Nov. New two sided entrance sign built at North Campus in Donegal.
- 2013 July Thanks to Richard King Mellon Foundation, many businesses and volunteers both campuses were professionally paved.
 Oct. Began managing the ICV Community Center from the Lions Club with plans to purchase it.
- 2014 Jan. Licensed professional counseling services expanded
 May A fire destroyed the ICV Community Center before the purchase agreement was signed.
- 2015 Nov. Capital Campaign launched for new early education/fine arts addition at North Campus in Donegal.
 Dec. Ground breaking for new addition and shell completed.
- 2016 July New addition dedication ceremony held.
- 2017 June Mortgage paid in full! Praise the Lord!
- 2017 Oct. South Campus metal roof completed.
- 2018 June Lead gift given for gymnasium/auditorium.
- 2019 Sept. Walking track around the soccer field begun.
- 2019 Oct. Early Education Early Childhood Services (EEECs) expanded to include infants and toddlers.
 Oct. Ligonier campus added to Champion Christian Preschool.
- 2021 Jan. New LED two sided sign installed at North Campus in Donegal entrance.
- 2022 May Ground breaking for the gymnasium/wellness center at the North Campus in Donegal.
- 2023 Sept. Center podcast started.
- 2024 April First official use of gymnasium.
- 2025 Jan. Wellness center/work out room opens with gym memberships.