



CALHOUN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL COUGAR CONNECTION

October 5, 2018

MISSION STATEMENT

Calhoun Christian School provides academic excellence while upholding God's truth and challenging children to serve.

VISION STATEMENT

Calhoun Christian School will be the benchmark of excellence in Christ-centered education.

PSAT/NMSQT

The PSAT/NMSQT will be given to CCS juniors on Wednesday, Oct 10, at CCS. Cost is \$16.50 per student and is due by Oct 8 to the office or to Mrs. Tangi Olds. Juniors will be testing all morning & need a calculator and two No. 2 pencils (not mechanical). Please contact Mrs. Tangi Olds or visit the Calhoun Christian Class of 2020 Facebook page for more info.

PARENT VOLUNTEERS

We are looking for parent volunteers who would be willing to come supervise Elementary Lunch recess. Lunch Recess is from 11:20-11:58. This is a great way to get some fresh air and some volunteer hours on your lunch break!

Please call the office to let us know what day you are available to come and help us supervise.

STUDENT SIGN-IN

Please remember to stop into the office (K-4th) or call the office and have your student stop in (5th-12th) if your student is coming in late (After 7:45) We need to keep records of student attendance and when students come in late without checking into the office they may end up being marked absent when they are not. Thank you

FALL CONFERENCES

Fall Parent/Teacher Conferences are fast approaching. They will be held on Monday, October 15th from 3pm until 7pm and Tuesday, October 16 from 3pm until 6pm. Parents of ALL High School freshmen and new students are **REQUIRED** to have a conference with each of their students' teachers.

Elementary families: Please contact your student's teacher to schedule a conference

Middle School families: There is a MS parent meeting on Tuesday, October 17th 6-7pm. If you still would like to setup a conference afterwards please contact the homeroom teacher.

High School families: Please contact the office to schedule your student's conference

All other parents are welcome to schedule conferences with any teachers that they would like to meet with. Each conference is about 10 minutes long, so if your student has 5 teachers please plan that it will take you about an hour to complete all you conferences

FAFSA WORKSHOP

FAFSA Workshop will be held at CCS on Mon, Oct 22, from 4:30 - 6:30pm, in the downstairs computer lab. This is a free workshop that is open to the public and hosted by BC CAN as a resource for parents & students who want assistance with the Free Application for Federal Student Aid. There are additional host sites throughout the county. Attendees should bring their Social Security #, Driver's License, and completed 2017 Federal Tax Return. Please contact Mrs. Tangi Olds for more information.

MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDY HALL

Every Wednesday, starting Oct. 3rd thru Wednesday Oct. 31st there will be a Middle School Study hall offered in the computer lab. This would be a great opportunity for your student to learn study skills and have dedicated time to study for tests. They must follow all computer lab rules and be respectful of the time frame (3:30-5:00pm). If you have any questions please contact Summer LaBonte 269-965-5560 or summer.labonte@calhounchristian.org

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL PARENTS

If you are a high school parent or student, we want to add you to the CCS Facebook group for your class! If you are already a group member, please set your group notifications to "all" so that you don't miss any news! Lots of important info is posted in each group by class advisors, the Academic Advisor (Mrs. Tangi Olds), fellow parents, & school staff! Contact your class advisor today to be added to the group or to get more info on how to find group posts.

SCRIP

Starting October 1st we will be starting a new SCRIP challenge. For every purchase made in the office or online your name will go into a drawing for a \$50 gift card of your choice. The more times you buy, the more entries you get into the drawing. Encourage friends and family to enroll in our scrip program and gain entries into the drawing and support your student and our school. This challenge runs from October 1st to the 31st. If you need any more information please make sure to talk to Summer LaBonte in the office.

ROSLER - HAPPY HOUR EVENT

HAPPY HOUR AT ROSLER - OCTOBER 3RD, 2018

ROSLER will be hosting a special happy hour event to familiarize parents, school counselors, teachers, and other adults who are interested in helping to shape the career interests of their students, with Manufacturing Day 2018.

Food and drink will be provided from 5:00PM-8:00PM. Tours will be given of both Rosler and Geislinger facilities.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Parents, high school educators, counselors, community partners.

LOCATION:

ROSLER METAL FINISHING

1551 Denso Rd, Battle Creek, MI 49037

RSVP - INVITE YOUR FRIENDS

To rsvp, contact Christina Duckworth at 269-441-3683 or c.duckworth@rosler.com

JEN AMO PRESENTATION

Human Trafficking Awareness/Training.

On November 14 we are have Jen at War speak to our 7th-12th grade students from 9:15 to 11:15. She is also going to be speaking to parents beginning at 6:30. Attached are a couple fliers.

“I want to share the reality of this issue with the families, communities and professionals of this nation. Learn more about my story through video at www.jennatwar.com. I look forward to working with you to take your circle of influence and change it into a circle of protection! Awareness is building value by protecting our bodies and guarding our hearts!”

Jenn Amo will be presenting to parents and community members on Wednesday, November 14, at CCS at 6:30pm regarding the crime of Human Trafficking. Jenn partners with area agencies to combat Human Trafficking, and her program raises awareness of this fast-rising crime and offers training to families so they can create a circle of protection for their children. This program is provided by CCS and is free of charge to the community.

ACADEMY NIGHT OPEN HOUSE

Please be advised that U.S. Representative Justin Amash has scheduled **Academy Night for Monday, November 19, 2018, from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.** in the Ryerson Auditorium of the **Grand Rapids Public Library**. This is an evening for students and their parents to learn more about our nation’s distinguished service academies and the process of applying for an academy nomination and appointment.

Liaison officers from all five service academies have been invited. Each academy will make a short presentation and will also have information tables where students can ask questions. The offices of U.S. Senators Gary Peters and Debbie Stabenow will also be present. Staff for Representative Amash will give a brief overview of the congressional nomination process and will be available to answer questions as well. Questions? Contact Jennifer Ungrey Office of U.S. Representative Justin Amash Phone: (616) 451-8383 | Email: Jennifer.Ungrey@mail.house.gov

LIVE NATIVITY

We will be doing the Live Nativity for Christmas again this year. For this event each student will need to be dressed in a costume as if they are from the time of Jesus’ Birth. Please begin planning now for the costumes for your child(ren). We will be providing some ideas in the weeks to come. We believe this will be an incredible opportunity to celebrate Christmas as a school community, but also to invite in those from the Battle Creek community into our building. Keep your eye out for more information to come. If you would like to volunteer to help with the event please contact Diane Rome or Ginger Eckhart.

Diane.rome@calhounchristian.org

Ginger.eckhart@calhounchristian.org

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Operation Christmas Child is an international organization that, through the presentation of Christmas boxes filled with toys and goodies for children in third world countries, shares the love of Jesus Christ. Calhoun Christian's Key Club teams with Operation Christmas Child to pack and send as many boxes as we can, but we need the CCS families' help! We need shoe boxes! The more boxes we can use from the school families, the less we have to purchase and can use that money for shipping the boxes. Not only do we need boxes, but we need things to fill them! Starting now, as you shop for school supplies, pick up an extra box of crayons or pencils to send with your kids to school. The more items we can store up, the more boxes we can fill! We have loved watching this program grow over the years and are excited to see what we can accomplish this year!

CALENDAR

Oct. 10	PSAT Testing for juniors
Oct. 15-17	Fall Conferences
Oct. 16	Middle School Parent Meeting
Oct. 18	NO SCHOOL – Teacher PD
Oct. 19	NO SCHOOL
Oct. 22	FAFSA Workshop @ 4:30pm Board Meeting @ 6:30pm
Oct. 26	Harvest Party @ 6:00pm
Nov. 2	End of First Quarter
Nov. 9	Fall Banquet
Nov. 14	Jen Amo Presentation
Nov. 17	CCS Christmas Craft and Vendor Show
Nov. 21	Half Day, Grandparents Day
Nov. 22	NO SCHOOL – Thanksgiving Break
Nov. 23	NO SCHOOL – Thanksgiving Break
Nov. 26	Board Meeting @ 6:30pm
Dec. 14	Live Nativity
Dec. 20	Community Service
Dec. 21	Half Day
Dec. 24-Jan 4	CHRISTMAS BREAK
Jan. 7	School Resumes

SPORTS CALENDAR

Oct. 5	Varsity Soccer HOME vs. Marshall Academy at 5:00 – PINK OUT MS Volleyball HOME vs. Marshall Academy at 5:00 – PINK OUT Varsity Volleyball HOME vs Marshall Academy at 6:00 – PINK OUT
Oct. 6	Varsity Volleyball AWAY @ Hanover-Horton Tournament at 8:30am MS Volleyball AWAY @ WMEAS Tournament at 9:00am Varsity Cross Country AWAY @ Portage Invitational at TBD MS Cross Country AWAY @ Portage Invitational at TBD
Oct. 8	Varsity Boy Soccer HOME vs. Will Carleton at 5:00
Oct. 11	Varsity Boys Soccer HOME vs. Bellevue at 5:00
Oct. 12	MS Volleyball HOME vs Will Carleton at 5:00

Oct. 13 Varsity Volleyball HOME vs Will Carleton at 6:00
Varsity Boys Soccer HOME vs. Kalamazoo Cougars at 5:30
Varsity Football HOME vs. Michigan Lutheran
Varsity Volleyball All City Tournament at 8:00
Varsity Cross Country AWAY @ Gabriel Richard Invitational at TBD