



CALHOUN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL COUGAR CONNECTION

November 21, 2018

MISSION STATEMENT

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

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

HAPPY THANKSGIVING

Enjoy your Thanksgiving break! The office will close at 12:00pm on Thursday. We will be back in the office at 7:30am on Monday November 26th.

DRESS CODE CHANGE TO PANTS:

The policy has not changed except to the exception regarding athletic pants. It now reads "nylon or athletic pants (no breakaways) are acceptable. Note -- athletic pants may have printed words on them, but the words must be appropriate with nothing offensive, derogatory, insulting or scary. Also, no words or logos may be printed on the buttocks or the groin region."

MISSING LADDERS

After our work days this fall it appears that a couple of ladders have gone missing from school. We are missing 2 6' step ladders. One has a standard 4 legs, and the other is a tri-pod ladder. If you have seen either of these, or happen to have mistakenly taken them home with you, please let the school office know! 269-965-5560

LOST AND FOUND

There is a large amount of items currently in the lost and found. The lost and found is located in the front area of the parent room. Please check for anything that your student may have lost! We will be cleaning it out and donating all unclaimed items soon!

BATTLE CREEK BOYCHOIR AND GIRLS CHORUS

On behalf of the Battle Creek Boychoir and Girls Chorus, students 3rd grade through 12th grade are invited to join us for our next open house, Monday, November 26 from 5:00-6:00pm. Come meet our staff and current choral members and stay for a free choir rehearsal from 5:30-7:00pm. Attached is a flyer with more information.

BATTLE CREEK ACADEMY WINTER FEST

Battle Creek Academy will be holding Winter Fest on December 8th at 6 pm. We will be

offering a variety of vegetarian and vegan food options as well as cotton candy, goodies from a bake sale, and other yummy treats. There will also be games and craft sales. We are inviting individuals who may be an independent consultant for Pampered Chef, Scentsy, Tupperware, etc., to offer their items for sale at this event. The evening will include good food and games for all. We look forward to having you join us for this fun filled evening. Battle Creek Academy is located at 480 Parkway Drive in Battle Creek, Michigan. For more information please call (269) 965-1278

BLOOD DRIVE

Our Key Club will be hosting a blood drive in the Library on Tuesday November 27, 2018 from 1:00pm-6:45pm. To schedule an appointment, log on to redcrossbloo.org (Sponsor Code CalhounChristian) or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767). Come to donate and receive a FREE American Red Cross T-shirt (while supplies last)!

SCRIP

Come shop the Scrip book today in the office!!

Top 5 SCRIP reasons to shop in November-

5- Stop by the office and grab a few cards to hand out during the holidays to families who may need it.

4- We now have lower denomination cards (\$5, \$10, \$20) to places like Starbucks, Panera Bread, Olive Garden, Meijer, Barnes and Nobles, and more.

3- Donate cards to the local food banks or to homeless shelters! This is a great way for them to get the items they are in need of.

2- Start your Christmas Shopping early! Swing by the office or go online and start grabbing 2-3 cards each week. Then at Christmas time you will have your holiday \$\$ set aside.

1- A percentage of the cards helps our school and you! This is a great way to help pay a portion of your tuition or put extra cash back in your pocket.

POUND PARTY

It is a fun way to spend a few hours with friends and help our high school with their mission projects all at the same time! How we do that is with a surprise auction and a fundraiser all wrapped up into one! The items you bring are the items we will auction off. The kicker – you won't know what you get until you win the bid! You bid based on how the looks of each package!!! We serve drinks and a variety of pastries.

Located in the Calhoun Christian School cafeteria on December 8, 2018. Doors open at 9:30 A.M. for sign-in. The auction begins promptly at 10:00 A.M.

Bring at least one creatively wrapped gift that weighs at least one pound and costs at least \$3.

These are the items we will be auctioning off. There will be prizes for the "best dressed box/bag"! You can win either most decorative or most creative so have fun designing the box or bag you put your items into. Questions about this event can be directed to Tina Perkins at (623) 694-9897.

MIDDLE SCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL

Parents of 6-8 grade girls – Middle School Girls Basketball Parent Meeting Monday Dec 10 7-8pm in the library. Practice will begin the week of December 10th and the season lasts through

the middle of February. Girls can sign up in the office if they are interested in playing. Parents or students can call Mr. Vandepol or John Bomba 269-209-2558 for more information.

LIVE NATIVITY

Please invite your friends and relatives for this year's Christmas program on December 14th from 6 to 8 p.m. We had over 850 people attend this event last year and we are making plans to make it even better this year for all who attend. Several people made great suggestions and we are making some changes. Just like last year, we will be having everyone meet in the gym starting at 6 to begin touring the 9 different stations set up around the school. Everyone will finish in the cafeteria for cookies and cocoa. Here are some changes from last year: First: Preschool will be performing on stage in the gym from 6-6:30. (We will have other performers on stage from 6:30 -8:00.) The parents have been contacted by teachers concerning specifics but the preschoolers will be wearing their Christmas best outfits. ALL other students k-12 will need to wear Bible Time costumes. Second: Elementary students (K-4) will performing in the library in shifts Elementary teachers will give specifics to parents. All other students will need to plan to be here for the entire 2 hour production. We will continue to have shuttle service available to those willing to park across the street. Third: We are hoping that with having Preschool and Elementary performing at specific times, we can encourage people to come and go at their convenience so that we can accomodate more people from the community. Our Performing Arts Class, under the direction of Mrs. Taria Moser, is helping in many areas this year. She and her students are making a big impact on Live Nativity! We are planning and organizing this event with the talents of our own students and staff this year. We will need help from our school community for set up and tear down. If you would like to volunteer to help with the event please contact Diane Rome or Ginger Eckhart.

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CALENDAR

Nov. 21	Half Day, Grandparents Day
Nov. 22	NO SCHOOL – Thanksgiving Break
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Nov. 26	Board Meeting @ 6:30pm
Nov. 27	Blood Drive 1pm-6:45pm
Dec. 14	Live Nativity
Dec. 20	Community Service
Dec. 21	Half Day
Dec. 24-Jan 4	CHRISTMAS BREAK
Jan. 7	School Resumes

SPORTS CALENDAR

Nov. 19	MS Boys Basketball AWAY @ MarLee at 5:00
Nov. 20	Varsity Girls Basketball Scrimmage AWAY @ Colon at 6:00
Nov. 27	JV Boys Basketball HOME vs. Athens at 5:30
	MS Boys Basketball AWAY @ Pansophia at 6:00
	Varsity Boys Basketball HOME vs. Athens at 7:00

Nov. 29 MS Boys Basketball AWAY @ WMAES
Nov. 30 Varsity Boys Basketball HOME vs. Kalamazoo Phoenix at 6:30
Dec. 3 JV Boys Basketball AWAY @ Holland Black River at 5:30
MS Boys Basketball AWAY @ St. Joe at 5:30
Varsity Boys Basketball AWAY @ Holland Black River at 7:30
Dec. 4 Varsity Girls Basketball HOME vs. Athens at 6:30
Dec. 6 MS Boys Basketball HOME vs. Marshall Academy at 5:00
Dec. 7 Varsity Girls Basketball HOME vs. Will Carleton at 6:00
Varsity Boys Basketball HOME vs. Will Carleton at 7:30
Dec. 10 MS Boys Basketball HOME vs. MarLee at 5:00
Dec. 11 Varsity Girls Basketball AWAY @ Pansophia at 6:00
Varsity Boys Basketball AWAY @ Pansophia at 7:30
Dec. 13 JV Boys Basketball AWAY @ Marshall Academy at 4:30
MS Boys Basketball AWAY @ Island City at 5:00
Varsity Girls Basketball AWAY @ Marshall Academy at 6:00
Varsity Boys Basketball AWAY @ Marshall Academy at 7:30
Dec. 18 MS Boys Basketball HOME vs. Pansophia at 6:00
Varsity Girls Basketball AWAY @ Jackson Prep at 6:00
Varsity Boys Basketball AWAY @ Jackson Prep at 7:30
Dec. 20 Varsity Girls Basketball AWAY @ Bellevue at 7:00
Dec. 21 MS Boys Basketball AWAY @ Holt Lutheran at 5:30
JV Boys Basketball AWAY @ Holt Lutheran at 7:00