

**CALHOUN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL
COUGAR CONNECTION**

February 3, 2023

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.

EMERGENCY SCHOOL CLOSINGS

In the event of emergency situations, a Tornado Watch or Warning, severe weather or snow days, school-closing information will be announced on local radio (WBCK) and television stations (WOOD-TV8, WWMT 3 and WOTV 41) as early in the morning as is possible.

To receive text alerts, go to WWMT.com/weather/closings, scroll down and "sign up to text/email alerts when your school or organization closes by clicking here."

HOCO 2023

Tickets are on sale in the office for \$35 starting for the HOCO Banquet on Saturday, February 11.

Theme: "A Night In The City"

Verse: *You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Matthew 5:14*

Dress Up Days:

- Monday, February 6th -- Lazy Day
- Tuesday, February 7th -- Out on the Farm Day
- Wednesday, February 8th -- Dress as Your Favorite Celebrity Day
- Thursday, February 9th -- Decades Day
- Friday, February 10th -- Spirit Day (orange and blue)

Join us for Homecoming games Friday, February 10. Varsity girls play at 6 pm and Varsity boys play at 7:30 pm. Homecoming Court will make their appearance around 9 pm. Join us for the crowning of the 2023 HOCO King and Queen

DADDY DAUGHTER DANCE

February 25, 6:30-8:00 pm. "Light Up The Night" sign up TODAY in the main office! The cost is \$30. The ticket covers entry to the event, dessert, DJ and dancing, glow wear, nail art and selfie station. Craft Photography will be onsite for those interested in purchasing photos.

AUCTION TIME!!!

It is that time of year! Auction is QUICKLY approaching!

March 18th

We are in need of auction items for both silent & live. ***We are asking each family to secure 3 items such as gift certificates, themed baskets, trips or events.***

You do not have to purchase these items for donation. We ask that you ask your family, friends & fellow business owners to help our school with a donation.

OR you can put together items/baskets and secure 3 items of your own to donate.
Have questions: contact Becca Burkart, Jeralyn Belote or Michelle Ostrander for ideas!
ALSO.... we are in need of about 20 volunteers to pull off this event! We need greeters, set up, tear down, inputting, catalog design, childcare and section leaders. Please contact Becca Burkart to help fill our positions.

We will be having a auction volunteer meeting **March 1st at 630pm.**

Email: beccaburkart78@gmail.com; jeralyn.belote@calhounchristian.org;
michelle.ostrander@calhounchristian.org

KIDS HEART CHALLENGE

Kids Heart Challenge is HERE!

It's as easy as 1,2,3...

1. Start by downloading the Kids Heart Challenge app or visiting our schools link below
2. Help your child to select a personal challenge: Be Kind or Move More.
3. Become a Heart Hero by sending emails/e-cards on the website or texts via the app to invite friends and family to support.

YOU CAN ALSO GO DIRECTLY TO OUR SCHOOL PAGE AT: <http://www2.heart.org/goto/calhounchristian>

Why not have some extra fun with the family and have your own kickoff party at home?! Watch the official kick off video [here](#) AND our [Online Envelope](#) will show you all the thank you gifts your kiddos can earn.

Click [here](#) to register!

LUNCH ORDERS

March lunches are open and ready for ordering. Please order before February 19. Be sure to select 2023 for the year and scroll all the way down to ensure proper ordering.

LEGO CLUB 2023

Kindergarten - third graders are welcome to come to Lego Free Build Club from 3-4 pm on the following dates: **February 21**, March 21, April 18 and May 16. No sign up needed! It will be in Room 122 (first grade). Dismissal will be out the front doors at 4 pm. If you have questions, ask Mrs. Rome

CHRISTMAS AROUND THE WORLD

We are looking for families to help us represent the many wonderful cultures in our school!

If you are interested in helping us with this community event, please contact us!

Ginger.Eckhart@calhounchristian.org and Diane.Rome@calhounchristian.org

FUNDRAISERS

See the following for ways you can help our students pay for their mission trips and end of year trips this spring!

Spirit Night @ Chick-fil-A

Come eat at Chick-fil-A from 7-10 am and 4-7 pm on Wednesday, March 1. Please mention CCS when ordering and a portion of the funds will go towards our mission trips this spring. [Battle Creek Location ONLY] Cow appearance from 5-6 pm

*****Spaghetti Dinner*****

Dinner on a game night can be tricky! We got you covered! Come visit the tenth graders for a spaghetti dinner featuring Bob's Homemade Spaghetti Sauce on March 2 from 3 pm-6 pm. All proceeds will go to help raise funds for the high school mission trip. Drive through or dine in for a DONATION. See attached flyer for more details.

*****Yard Sale*****

ONE DAY ONLY! CCS will be hosting a yard sale inside the school on March 4, 2023 9:00 am-2:00 pm. See the attached PDF for details.

BASKETBALL VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

We need YOU! Please sign up to work concessions, scoreboard, scorebook, tickets etc! Is your student playing a game and you don't want to miss it? That's fine! *Watch* your student play then *volunteer* before or after their game. Sign up using this link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050449A8AD23A6F49-sports1>

SPIRIT WEAR STORE NOW OPEN

Need some winter spirit wear? We got you covered! Follow this link below to order. The store has been extended until February 5.

<https://ccswinterapparel23.itemorder.com/shop/sale/?fbclid=IwAR1eP8DGSyvZTGtnHHNk4ibFQRbP2LGRP6lGrZnWCZPFuaz5de1hw99b9Oc>

SUBS

We are looking to add to our SUBSTITUTE TEACHER pool. If you would be interested in subbing in a teacher or a paraprofessional capacity, please send a cover letter and resume to

jerilyn.belote@calhounchristian.org.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

- Lunch Program: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050449A8AD23A6F49-20222023>
- Popcorn and Pickle Fridays: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050449A8AD23A6F49-popcorn2>
- Sports: Basketball <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050449A8AD23A6F49-sports1>

SCHOOL CALENDAR

02/10: Homecoming

02/16: NO SCHOOL- Teacher PD

02/17: NO SCHOOL-Winter Break

02/20: NO SCHOOL-President's Day

02/25: Daddy Daughter Dance 6:30 pm

02/27: Board Meeting 6:30 pm

03/01: Spirit Night at Chik-Fila-A

03/02: Spaghetti Dinner

03/04: Yard Sale

03/08: Middle School Meeting 6:30pm
03/08: Mid Quarter Parent/Teacher Conference
03/17: End of 3rd quarter
03/17: Teacher Comp Day Half Day 11:30 am dismissal
03/18: Annual Auction Fundraiser
03/27: Board Meeting 6:30 pm
03/27-03/31: SPRING BREAK- NO SCHOOL
04/03: School Resumes
04/07: Good Friday- NO SCHOOL
04/21-22: Follies
04/24: Board Meeting 6:30 pm
05/013: 9th-12th grade Mission Trips
05/15: Awards Night
05/17: Students report from mission trips
05/19: Last day on site for Seniors
05/20: Senior Prom
05/24-25: Finals 11:30 am dismissal MS ONLY
05/26: Half Day 11:30 am dismissal for ALL
05/26: COMMENCEMENT
05/29: Memorial Day- NO SCHOOL
05/30-31: Middle School End of Year Trip
06/01: Middle School End of Year Trip
06/01: Field Day
06/01-02: High School Finals early dismissal 11:30 am [HS ONLY]
06/02: LAST DAY OF SCHOOL; Half day 11:30 am dismissal
06/05: Last day of school FOR TEACHERS

SPORTS CALENDAR

02/03: JV Boys Basketball @ Zion 4:30 pm
02/03: Varsity Girls Basketball @ Zion 6 pm
02/03: Varsity Boys Basketball @ Zion 7:30 pm
02/06: MS Girls Basketball vs. St Joseph 4:30 pm
02/07: MS Girls Basketball @ Kalamazoo Home School 4:30 pm
02/07: Varsity Boys basketball vs. Barry County 7:30 pm
02/10: HOMECOMING -JV Boys Basketball vs. Marcellus 4:30 pm
02/10: HOMECOMING -Varsity Girls Basketball vs. Marcellus 6 pm
02/10: HOMECOMING -Varsity Boys Basketball vs. Marcellus 7:30 pm
02/13: MS Girls Basketball @ Will Carleton 5:30 pm
02/13: JV Boys Basketball vs Burr Oak 6 pm
02/13: Varsity Boys Basketball vs Burr Oak 7:30 pm
02/14: Varsity Girls Basketball vs Factoryville 6 pm
02/14: Varsity Boys Basketball vs Jackson Prep 7:30 pm
02/17: JV Boys Basketball @ Athens 5:30 pm
02/17: Varsity Girls Basketball vs Zion Christian 6 pm
02/17: Varsity Boys Basketball @ Athens 7 pm
02/20: MS Girls Basketball @ Pansophia 6 pm
02/21: Varsity Girls Basketball @ Battle Creek Academy 5:30 pm
02/21: Varsity Boys Basketball @ Battle Creek Academy 7 pm

02/22: MS Girls Basketball @ St. Mark 5 pm
02/22: Varsity Girls Basketball vs Pansophia 6 pm
02/22: Varsity Boys Basketball vs Pansophia 7:30 pm
02/23: MS Girls Boys Basketball @ Barry County Christian 5 pm
02/24: JV Boys Basketball @ Algoma 4:30 pm
02/24: Varsity Girls Basketball @ Algoma 6 pm
02/24: Varsity Boys Basketball @ Algoma 7:30 pm
02/28: Varsity Boys Basketball @ Jackson Prep 7 pm
03/02: JV Boys Basketball vs Delton Kellogg 6 pm
03/02: Varsity Boys basketball vs Delton Kellogg 7:30 pm