

**CALHOUN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL  
COUGAR CONNECTION**

December 9, 2022

**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.

**\*\*\*LIVE NATIVITY TONIGHT!!!\*\*\***

- **Preschool** students should be brought to their classrooms through the **preschool entrance**.
- **All preschool program spectators** should enter through the **preschool entrance**. You **MUST** have a ticket to enter.
- **All other students** should be dropped off at 5:30pm and enter through the **playground doors** on the southeast corner of the building.
- **All guests**, including parents that have dropped off their children, will be entering through the **gym vestibule doors** on the northeast corner of the building. Please do not walk through the hallways to the gymnasium. **These doors will open at 5:45 pm.**

**All other outside entrance doors will be locked.**

**\*\*\*CHRISTMAS BLESSINGS\*\*\***

The Board of Calhoun Christian School will be collecting donations to bless the staff with a Christmas bonus. Members of the Board **will be at drop off and pick up December 12-19**. Our faithful staff works diligently each day to help our children grow and learn. Please plan on showing your appreciation for their sacrifice by giving generously.

There will be a donation box at the Live Nativity where you can make cash or check donations. If you would like to give online, please go to our website's Online Giving page (under the "Support" tab) and click the [Christmas Blessing link](#).

**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](http://WWMT.com/weather/closings), scroll down and "sign up to text/email alerts when your school or organization closes by clicking here."

## **LUNCH ORDERS**

Lunch orders are open through December 19<sup>th</sup> . Please order your January lunches.

## **RaiseRight GIFT CARD FUNDRAISER**

Do you need gift cards for Christmas? Stocking stuffers? Teacher gifts? A gift for that "hard to buy for" person on your list?

We have ALL the brands (750+) you're looking for! Here's how it works:

- You buy a gift card- in the office, on the app or website
- The brand gives back -NO extra money comes out of your pocket
- CCS splits the earnings with you!

***Online orders via the website or app for physical cards must be placed by Monday, December 12 at 9am to ensure delivery before Christmas.***

For more information contact Necia DiTrapani- [necia.ditrapani@calhounchristian.org](mailto:necia.ditrapani@calhounchristian.org)

PS We have a list of your teacher's favorite brands in the school office.

## **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>

## **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](mailto:jerilyn.belote@calhounchristian.org).

## **SERVICE HOURS**

Just a reminder that each family has agreed to serve 20 hours for our school in some capacity for the 2022-2023 school year (such as concessions, lunch, helping in the classroom, recess duty, Popcorn and Pickle Fridays, field trip chaperoning, event set up / clean up, etc.). These hours must be served and logged via Sycamore by April 30, 2023. Any hours not served by May 1 will be invoiced at a rate of \$12.50 per unserved hour, up to a maximum of \$250. If you are looking for ways to serve our school, check out the options listed below.

## **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>

## **CCS SKI CLUB**

This year, we are excited to again offer the CCS Ski Club which we've partnered with Bittersweet Ski Resort. This is a great opportunity to try or continue skiing/snowboarding, save a lot of money, have fun

and make great memories. See the attached flier for more information. ***Applications should be turned into the office by December 14.*** The ski club cards will be available in the office on **December 19.**

### **GIRLS ON THE RUN**

- Registration for GOTR Spring 2023 is NOW open for GIRLS 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grades
- Online registration at [gotrofcalhoun.org](http://gotrofcalhoun.org)
- GOTR Spring 2023 start March 6 – May 20
- Teams meet Tuesdays and Thursday 3 – 4:45 pm
- We are looking for coaches for all teams
- Scholarship available with \$140 fee which includes:
  - Practice shirt
  - Water bottle
  - Tennis shoes
  - Weekly snack at practice

### **SCHOOL CALENDAR**

12/09: 11:30 dismissal for ALL

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12/19-21: Finals: Early Dismissal @ 11:30 am for MS and HS; Elementary FULL DAY

12/22: Community Service Day-FULL DAY

12/23: 11:30 dismissal for ALL

12/23: End of 2nd quarter

12/26-30: Christmas Break

01/ 2-6: Christmas Break continues

01/09: School Resumes

### **SPORTS CALENDAR**

12/13: JV Boys Basketball VS Will Carleton 4:30 pm

12/13: Varsity Girls Basketball VS Will Carleton 6 pm

12/13: Varsity Boys Basketball VS Will Carleton 7:30 pm

12/15: MS Boys Basketball @ Mar-Lee 5 pm

12/15: JV Boys Basketball VS Barry County Christian 5:30 pm

12/20: MS Boys Basketball VS Factoryville 5:30 pm

12/20: JV Boys Basketball @ Bellevue 5:30 pm

12/20: Varsity Girls Basketball VS Kalamazoo Home School 7 pm

12/22: JV Boys Basketball VS Delton Kellogg 4:30 pm

12/22: Varsity Boys Basketball VS Delton Kellogg 5:30 pm

12/22: Varsity Girls Basketball VS Tri Unity Christian 7:30 pm

12/28: Varsity Boys Basketball - Chuck Turner Classic 6 pm

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01/09: Varsity Basketball @ Pansophia 5:30 pm

01/10: JV Boys Basketball @ Delton Kellogg 5:30 pm

01/10: Varsity Boys Basketball @ Delton Kellogg 7 pm

01/12: Varsity Girls Basketball @ Marshall Academy 5:30 pm

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01/13: JV Boys Basketball @ Fruitport 4:30 pm

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