

**CALHOUN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL
COUGAR CONNECTION**

March 18, 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.

Priority Enrollment for 2022-2023 Is Now OPEN!

Enrollment for current families for the 2022-2023 school year is NOW OPEN! A separate email has been sent to you with instructions on how to re-enroll. Current CCS families will have until **April 11** to complete enrollment, and then **we will open registration to other interested families April 12. As a reminder—to be considered enrolled—the online enrollment/paperwork must be completed, a payment plan on file, and the 2022-2023 school year's enrollment and application fees paid in full.** Contact Michelle Wilson with any questions about enrollment (michelle.wilson@calhounchristian.org).

AUCTION

Auction 2022 was a success! Thank you to those of you who donated your time, talent, and treasures. A HUGE thank you to Becca Burkart who organized and donated her time to help make this event a hit. We appreciate you ALL!

STAFFING CHANGE

As we begin planning for the next school year, we are disappointed to announce that Aaron Seifer will resign from his position as Athletic Director and High School Vice Principal effective June 7, 2022. We thank him for his three years of service and will miss him and his family. We pray God's greatest blessings to cover them as they begin this next part of their journey.

LUNCH ORDERS

Please order lunches for your children. Ordering will be open until March 20th for April lunches.

DOWN SYNDROME AWARENESS MONTH

In support of one of our students who has Down Syndrome, we are asking everyone that would like to participate in celebrating and raising awareness to wear CRAZY SOCKS on March 21.

LOST AND FOUND

Please check lost and found for any items that might belong to your student. All items left the Friday before Spring Break will be donated.

LEGO CLUB

Lego club will meet on the second Tuesday of each month. Students are welcome to join to play and build with Legos from 3-4 pm. Club will meet April 12, and May 10.

PRESCHOOL PAINTING IS COMPLETE

Thank you to the following volunteers for painting our Extended Care room:

Michelle Luzius, Frank and Kimberly Bostwick, Doug Buchanan, Nate Schacher and Sebastian Floyd, Brittany Ramos, John and Lauren Pidcock. It is finished and looks amazing!!!!

PSAT/SAT AND WORK KEYS TESTING

All of our 9th - 11th grade students at CCS are registered to take the PSAT 9, PSAT 10, & SATw/essay on the statewide test day of Wednesday, April 13, beginning at 7:45am and ending between 11:30am and 1:00pm (depending on the test). Students will resume their regular afternoon schedule, following testing. Off-site programs will be aware of our testing window, and your student will be excused to arrive late, if needed.

JUNIORS will take an additional test, the ACT WorkKeys, starting at 7:45am on Thursday, April 14. The structure and guidelines for the WorkKeys will be the same as for the SAT. Additionally, the juniors will also take a short, online Michigan assessment in Science & Social Studies in April or May (date TBA). If you have any further questions

EASTER EGG HUNT

WE STILL NEED EASTER CANDY, TRINKETS AND PLASTIC EASTER EGGS!!! Help us celebrate Easter with fun activities! We would like to have a school wide Easter Egg Hunt but we need help! We are asking for donations of plastic (unfilled) eggs and small wrapped candy or trinkets. If you are able to donate eggs or candy/trinkets, please do so by ***Monday, April 8.*** Please drop off to Mrs. Perkins or Mrs. Rome.

MIDDLE SCHOOL SCIENCE FAIR

The MS science fair will be held in the school's cafeteria, Thursday, May 5 from 12:45 pm to 2:45 pm. All parents, grandparents, students and friends of CCS are invited *[please sign in at the office]* to come and see the fantastic job the MS students have done. It has been twelve weeks of work, and they are excited to show it off! Please mark your calendar to visit this amazing display!

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WHO ARE INTERESTED IN PLAYING BASEBALL THIS SPRING

Baseball practices will begin on Monday, March 14 at Climax-Scotts High School. (Pitchers & catchers at 4pm, all others at 5:15pm) If you have questions about playing on the team, please contact Coach Kevin Langs at jccscoachlangs@yahoo.com, or contacting the Climax-Scotts office at 269-746-2303.

MIDDLE SCHOOL SOCCER INFORMATION FOR GIRLS IN GRADES 6-8

We have found a MS girls soccer coach! Summer & Eric LaBonte will be coaching, with help from CCS graduates Grace Lueck and Sydney Ostrander. For parents who are interested in contacting Summer, please have them e-mail her at summer.labonte@calhounchristian.org

Conditioning sessions (optional) are being held from 4:15-5:30pm at CCS.

Daily full practices will begin on Monday 3/21 here at CCS from 4:15-5:45pm for that first week (except no practice on Thursday 3/24). Future practices will be scheduled at a later time.

No game schedule has been released yet.

All students must have a physical form on file in the CCS office to participate in any practices.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

If you need volunteer hours to fulfill your service commitment, please follow these links for volunteer opportunities.

SPORTS: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4eacac23a0fbc07-ccsathletics>

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

POPCORN AND PICKLE FRIDAY: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050449A8AD23A6F49-popcorn1>

FOLLIES 2022

Follies is back! Save the date for April 22 & 23 for "CCS Has Got Talent". See the attached PDFs for more information and audition forms.

COVID-19 AND TEMP CHECKS

Please check your student's temperature daily BEFORE sending them to school. Do NOT send your student to school if they have

ONE of the following:

- Fever of 100.4 or higher
- Shortness of breath
- Continuous cough
- Possible Exposure to Covid-19

OR TWO of the following:

- Chills
- Muscle pain/Body aches
- Congestion/Runny Nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Headache
- Sore throat
- New or loss of taste and smell

If your student tests positive for Covid-19, please contact the office. Once they are released, please provide a copy of their release document to the office upon returning. Thanks for helping us all stay safe and healthy.

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."

SCHOOL CALENDAR:

03/21: Board Meeting 6:30 pm

03/26-04/03: SPRING BREAK

04/04: School Resumes

04/15: NO SCHOOL- GOOD FRIDAY

04/22-04/23: FOLLIES

04/28: Blood Drive
05/08-05/14: High School Mission Trips
05/18: Students report from trip
05/20: Last day on site for Seniors
05/25: Middle School Finals; ½ day with early dismissal 11:30 am for MS
05/26: Middle School Finals; ½ day with early dismissal 11:30 am for MS
05/27: Middle School Finals; ½ day with early dismissal 11:30 am FOR ALL
05/31-06/03: Middle School End of Year Trip
06/01: Elementary Field Day
06/01-06/03: High School Finals; ½ day with early dismissal 11:30 am for HS
06/03: LAST DAY OF SCHOOL; ½ day with early dismissal 11:30 am FOR ALL

SPORTS CALENDAR:

03/24: Varsity Girls Soccer AWAY @ Zion Christian 5 pm
04/05: Varsity Girls Soccer AWAY @ Battle Creek Academy 5:30 pm
04/07: Varsity Girls Soccer HOME vs. Jackson Christian 5 pm
04/12: Varsity Girls Soccer AWAY @ Fellowship Baptist Academy 4:30 pm
04/14: Varsity Girls Soccer AWAY at Creative Technologies Academy 4:30 pm
04/15: Varsity Girls Soccer AWAY @ Delton-Kellogg 5 pm
04/19: Varsity Girls Soccer HOME vs. Barry County Christian 4:30 pm
04/21: Varsity Girls Soccer AWAY @ Heritage Christian 4:30 pm
04/26: Varsity Girls Soccer HOME vs. Battle Creek Academy 5 pm
04/29: Varsity Girls Soccer HOME vs. Algoma Christian 4:30 pm