

**CALHOUN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL
COUGAR CONNECTION**

April 29, 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.

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK- MAY 2-7th.

We want to flood our teachers with blessings: gift cards, notes, hugs, their favorite snacks and more. Be creative. Make it personal. The CCS teachers and staff love your students and invest their heart and soul into them. Let them know they are loved. Specific details on daily ideas will be posted on CCS Facebook page.

MOTHER AND SON EVENT

CCS will be hosting a pancake and pajama day on May 21, at 10:30 am in the cafeteria. We hope you can make this special event. Sign up and pay in the office. Cost is \$20 per family.

DISNEY DRESS UP DAY- MAY 4 [May the 4th be with you!]

Bring in \$3 and dress up as your favorite Disney character. Join the Star Wars competition by dressing up as a Star Wars character. The winner will receive a \$10 Visa gift card. All proceeds go to the Mission Fund.

LUNCHES

June ordering will be available until May 20th. Please contact the office with any questions.

LEGO CLUB

The last club meet is May 10. Students are welcome to join to play and build with Legos from 3-4 pm.

SENIOR BANQUET

High school students are invited to join us for "A Beautiful Night of Dinner, Tradition, & Dancing" on Friday, May 20, 2022 5:30 pm-8:30 pm. This event will be held at Old West Eckford Missionary Church at 19697 F Drive South Marshall, MI 49068. Tickets are \$35 each and can be purchased in the office starting April 18th.

PRESCHOOL COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT

Little people can make a BIG difference! Preschool is supporting this awesome ministry **ALTERNATIVES** in Battle Creek. There will be a collection basket in our preschool hallway [across from our preschool restroom] for donations. We will be collecting items through **May 5, 2022** and plan on blessing them with our donation on May 6, 2022.

Please consider bringing in one or more of the following to bless this amazing ministry that is literally changing lives. You can find out more at <https://www.alternativescc.org/>

- ***Big Items:*** Baby baths, Breast pumps [new], Booster seats, Changing tables, Exersaucers, Pac-n-play, PottySeats, Strollers, Table seats [hook to table]

- Misc Items: Baby shampoo/Wash [new], Bottles [new], Changing table pad, Crib Sheets, Diaper cream [new], Eating utensils, Toddler plates/bowls, Towels/Wash cloths, Shoes, Sippy cups [new]
- Maternity: Bras/Undies, coats, dresses, pants, PJ's, sweaters, tops
- Boys Clothing: 18 M, 2T, 3T/4T
- Girls Clothing: 18 M, 2T, 3T/4T
- Food: Baby Formula, Toddler Food
- For Fun: CD/DVD/Movies

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!

STUDENT COUNCIL NOMINATIONS NOW OPEN

All students in grades 8-11 who would like to run for Student Council should get a nomination form from Mr. Seifer. Students must gather signatures and turn in their nomination form by Tuesday, May 17th at 3pm. Candidate speeches and voting will be done on Thursday, May 19th during 4th hour. If you have questions, see Mr. Seifer.

MINI-CONFERENCE IN BATTLE CREEK

On Friday, May 13, Grace & Peace for BC, an exploratory church-planting effort led by Pastor Markus Jeromin, will present a conference entitled "United We Stand / Divided We Fall." Speaker: Rev. Tony Myles (New City Fellowship OPC). Time: 6:30-9:00pm. Place: Calhoun Christian School chapel. For more info. and to RSVP please go to: <https://www.graceandpeacebattlecreek.org/conference>

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>

Field Day: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050449A8AD23A6F49-field>

HIGH SCHOOL MISSION TRIPS ARE SET!

After much prayer, research, and collaboration with old and new mission partners, we are finally ready to announce the locations for this year's high school mission trips! Specific details about the logistics, daily schedules, etc. will be communicated in April by the class advisors.

This year's trips are:

- 9th grade - **Miracle Camp and Retreat Center** in Lawton, Michigan with special guest teacher Erin Gutowski!
- 10th grade - **Bridgebuilders with Sunshine Gospel Ministries** in Chicago, Illinois
- 11th & 12th grade combined - **Praying Pelican Missions** in Tulsa, Oklahoma

Please be patient and wait for further communication from the class advisors - which should come by mid-April. CCS prayer warriors can begin lifting these trips up to the Lord now to ask His blessing and to prepare the hearts of those who we will be ministering to, as well as the CCS students and staff who will be serving.

FIELD DAY

June 1 is FIELD DAY for Elementary. If you need service hours, this would be a great opportunity to make that happen. If you wish to volunteer, please sign in at the office at 7:45 for instructions and preparation. It's going to be a GREAT DAY! Here is the sign-up link:

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

HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSES

[This information will be updated as we receive them.]

Lainey Bomba: June 10, 5-9 pm; 4125 Beckley Road Battle Creek, MI 49015

Nathan DiTrapani: June 4, 6 pm; 115 Hidden Forrest Rd. Battle Creek, MI 49014

Gabe Essex: May 29, 1-7 pm; 14930 9 Mile Rd. Emmett Township, MI 49014

Michael Harrison: June 11 1-5 pm; 15781 East Ave N. Battle Creek, MI 4017

Emily Luzius: June 4, 2-5 pm; 1305 Olive St Battle Creek, MI 49014

Izzy Milory: June 11, 3-7 pm; 52 Lynwood Drive Battle Creek, MI 49015

Kyla Smith: June 3, 5-8 pm; 112 Elsinore Lane, Battle Creek, MI 49015

Hector Troncoso: May 29, 1-7 pm; 14930 9 Mile Rd. Emmett Township, MI 49014

Ava Weessies: June 18, 1-5 pm; 11500 4 Mile Rd, Battle Creek, MI 49015

Elianna Wilson: May 28, 4-7 pm; 10050 Huff Rd. Bellevue, MI 49021

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:

05/02-05/07: TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

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

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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:

05/02: Varsity Girls Soccer AWAY @ Zion Christian 5 pm

05/04: MS Girls Soccer AWAY @ Otsego Blue 5 pm

05/06: Varsity Girls Soccer HOME vs. Creative Technologies Academy 5:30 pm

05/09: MS Girls Soccer AWAY @ Comstock 7 pm

05/10: Varsity Girls Soccer AWAY @ Barry County Christian 4:30 pm

05/13: Varsity Girls Soccer HOME vs. Heritage Christian

05/13: MS Girls Soccer HOME vs. Hackett 6:15 pm

05/17: Varsity Girls Soccer HOME vs. Maple Valley 5:30 pm

05/17: MS Girls Soccer HOME vs. Lawton 7:15 pm

5/19: Varsity Girls Soccer AWAY @ Algoma Christian 5:30 pm

05/20: MS Girls Soccer AWAY @ Plainwell White 5 pm

05/23: Varsity Girls Soccer AWAY @ Quincy 5 pm