

Community Christian School

September 22, 2020



CCS Spirit Week Sept 24-30 - see flyer

CCS SCHOOL PICTURES: School pictures are **this Thursday & Friday** (Sep 24 & 25). All students in attendance will take pictures on Thursday, those absent will go on Friday along with the 3yr old Friday PS group.

IMPROVED HEALTH AT CCS: Several studies have demonstrated that appropriate **hand hygiene** can significantly reduce illness and absenteeism from **school** due to gastro-intestinal or respiratory illness. One intervention with scheduled opportunities for cleaning hands throughout the **school** day produced as much as a 50 percent reduction in absences. We're definitely seeing the fruits of our labor here at CCS and appreciate everyone's ongoing commitment to our preventative practices here (masks, hand washing, temping at the door and hand sanitizer). We can attest that all of our classrooms have all seen a reduced number of absences due to illness so far this year.

THANK YOU (CRUSADER STORE): Huge thank you to the Anderson & Satterwhite families for their generous donation to the Crusader store. Students are excited – the Crusader store opens today for those with PBIC dollars.

LATE PICK-UP (\$5 CHARGE): We have observed an increasing number of parents showing up 15+ minutes late for pick up. We understand that there will be incidences out of your control that can cause a delay. For parents picking up students at multiple schools, we ask that you pick your younger students up first, who need supervisor vs your older students, when possible. We have a fabulous After School program here at CCS, however its' function is not to hold students whose parents are running behind. Going forward, if your child is not picked-up from their assigned door by 3:10 pm, they will be signed into the After School program and you'll be invoiced \$5.00 for the 3-4pm hour, regardless of what time your child is picked up. (re: we have to staff our AS program w/the number in attendance at 3:10p)

CCS ON-GOING FUNDRAISER: WE HAVE A NEW RAISE RIGHT (SCRIP) ENROLLMENT CODE: D5181E7E62477
Download ""RAISE RIGHT"" (previously ShopWithScrip) on your phone now by going to the app store on your phone. When you open the app, create an account using our enrollment code. Order an gift card and wait for it to be approved before using it at the store. If you prefer the conventional method, gift card orders will be taken in the office once a week on Thursdays. RAISE RIGHT (Scrip) donates a portion of all gift card purchases back to CCS. It's a super simple want to help CCS out today.

CRAZY 8s MATH CLUB (AFTER SCHOOL): It was so popular last year, so we are going to start up the Crazy 8s Math Club after school **THIS WEEK**. Students in grades K-2 will attend on Tuesday and grades 3-5 will attend on Thursday. This will keep the numbers low enough to ensure social distancing guidelines are followed. Permission slips have been sent home, please turn in your permission slips as soon as possible so we can plan snacks and group sizes for the activity. Students will be dismissed to the gym for a snack at 3 pm, continue to Math Club and can then be picked up on the south side of the school (gym door) at 4:30 pm. Again, this starts this Tuesday & Thursday!!

USDA FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM: The USDA recently extended the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP). Due to this extension, beginning Monday, September 21, Community Christian School will be providing free breakfast and lunch to all students. The program is scheduled to expire on December 31, 2020, or when funds run out, whichever happens first. There is a press release attached to this memo with more information.

CHAPEL OFFERING: We are passing an offering tray during Chapel each week. The students can donate as much or as little as they'd like, but giving an offering is not required. The students will then nominate a community organization each month that they will be giving our monthly offerings to.

PTF BOOSTER MEETING UPDATES: The CCS PTF group has the following announcements:

- A). We are looking for 1 volunteer to take temps from 7:40 am - 8 am on Wednesdays at 5th-8th door
- B). We are looking for 1 volunteer to take temps from 7:40 am - 8 am on Thursdays at 1st - 4th door
- C). The next PTF Boosters Meeting: October 12 @ 7 pm in chapel

All Crusaders Fall Butterbraid Fundraiser begins 10/05/2020 (Daycare-8)

WAYS TO HELP CCS: Remember when you're shopping in your community, there are simple ways you can easily donate to CCS. In Amazon, select Amazon Smile at check-out and designate rewards to CCS. Download the new Box Tops for Education app and scan your store receipts to collect Box Tops for CCS. When you visit KwikStar, you can designate your rewards to CCS or select us in the Casey's Reward app (at the bottom of the FD list) and send your Casey's cash to CCS. If you'd like more information on any of these, give Lauri in the office a call and she would be more than happy to help you with any of these.

GRANDPARENTS DAY: At this time, Grandparents Day is currently postponed. However, the classrooms will be doing individual activities to honor their grandparents so stay tuned!

CHAPEL DRESS CODE: Just a reminder, we've had a month to adjust to Chapel and the students know the expectations in regards to the Chapel dress code. Going forward, if your child is not in proper attire on Chapel day, we will be calling parents and requesting a change of clothes. Some of the rules to remember are: No jeans, t-shirts or shorts on Chapel day, no sleeveless tops or spaghetti straps, (including on a dress) unless worn under a cover garment.

MASKS REQUIRED: REMINDER: **MASKS ARE REQUIRED** for all people entering the school. If you have a fever, shortness of breath, cough, nasal congestions, runny nose, sore throat, nausea/vomiting or have been in contact with anyone displaying these symptoms, please do not enter the school until you are symptom/fever free.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Sep 22	CCS P&F Meeting - 6:30 pm
Sep 24-25	Fall School Pictures
Sep 24-30	CCS Spirit Week (see attachment)
Sep 25	3-8 th Midterms go home
Sep 28	CCS School Board Meeting – 6:30 pm

LOOKING AHEAD:

Oct 1-2	No School (professional development)
Oct 12	PTF Meeting – 7 pm Chapel
Oct 20	CCS P&F Meeting – 6:30 pm
Oct 26	CCS School Board Meeting – 6:30 pm
Oct 28	End of 1 st quarter

CHAPEL: (because of COVID, we are conducting Chapel a bit differently. If you'd like to submit a 15-20 minute chapel message via video (or connect to the group to give a Chapel message via Zoom, please contact the office).

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE FOR THE WEEK: John 3:16 For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life.

We are noticing a lot of Tuesday memos being left in the student's bags, if you would appreciate a weekly hard copy – please contact the office and we will add you to a short list of hard copies to be sent home.

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CCS MISSION: "Serving God by providing families an academically-excellent, Biblically-integrated education, which encourages spiritual development and social responsibility in an environment where students can develop their God-given gifts and talents."