

Community Christian School

September 29, 2020



No School Thursday & Friday - Oct 1st & 2nd (PD)

SPIRIT WEEK: If you haven't added us yet, join CCS on Facebook to see all of the fun from Spirit Week.

PTF SAVE THE DATE: Our ALL SCHOOL FALL Butterbraid Fundraiser begins Monday, Oct 5th. If you have any questions, please text Bethany Heath PTF/Booster Coordinator at (515) 408-8181.

OCTOBER MENUS: October breakfast and lunch menus are attached. Breakfast and lunch continues to be free for all students. Lunch slips will not be sent home weekly unless there is a negative balance or one is requested.

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)

CRAZY 8s MATH CLUB (AFTER SCHOOL): Last week was the first week of Crazy 8s Math Club after school. Students in grades K-2 attend on Tuesday and grades 3-5 attend on Thursday. This keeps the numbers low enough to ensure social distancing guidelines are followed. Students are 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. (please be on time)

ATHLETIC SIGN-UP: Usually this time of the year that we start sending athletic sign-up forms home. Due to continued COVID precautions, all CCS athletics are on hold until further notice.

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

CCS ON-GOING FUNDRAISER: RaiseRight Scrip App 3 Easy Steps for Apple/Android Users:

- 1) Search for "RaiseRight Fundraising" app in your App/Play Store, and install.
- 2) Follow in app instructions for "Join a Program" with our school enrollment code **D5181E7E62477**
- 3) Buy and use e-gift cards on-the-go for your everyday shopping while supporting CCS!

If you need a physical gift card - purchased cards will arrive at school and you will be notified for pick-up.

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.

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.

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.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Sep 24-30 **CCS Spirit Week** (Tuesday, PJs and Wednesday, Crusader Day)

LOOKING AHEAD:

Oct 1-2 No School (professional development)
Oct 12 PTF Meeting – 7 pm Chapel
Oct 13 Marketing & Development Meeting – Noon (Trolley Center)
Oct 20 CCS P&F Meeting – 6:30 pm
Oct 26 CCS Association Annual Meeting – 6:30 pm
Oct 26 CCS School Board Meeting (to follow Association Meeting)
Oct 28 End of 1st 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: REVIEW

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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."