

Newsletter September 2024





In October, join us for a special discussion featuring insights from some of our esteemed grandparents, along with Adrienne Crosby, our Director of Development. Together, we will explore the factors that have contributed to the continued success of Christian Academy over the years and the foundations that have supported its growth.

Please email Danielle Gleitz at dgleitz@caschools.us if you would like more information.

Dates to Know

ELEMENTARY

Sept 18, Conference Day - No School Sept 24, PTO Skating Party Sept 27, Senior Carnival - come hang with your student during their time slot

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Sept 18, Conference Day - No School Sept 25, Picture Retake Day Sept 27, Senior Carnival

HIGH SCHOOL

Sept 12, Parent Night Sept 27, Senior Carnival - Reach out if you'd like to help

ALL

Sept 2, No School, Labor Day Sept 3, Remote Learning Day

A LOOK AHEAD

October 7-11, Fall Break



First Grandparents Club meeting for the school year was a success!

At our first school meeting of the year, our grandparents had the opportunity to hear from Christian Academy's superintendent, Darin Long. He provided an insightful overview of the school's history, its organizational structure, and the unique aspects that define our institution. Darin also shared exciting details about our school's future direction and engaged in a lively Q&A session. It was an enlightening presentation, and we're already looking forward to the next gathering. Even if you're unable to volunteer, we encourage you to join us and connect with other grandparents in our community at these events.

















Grandparent opportunities for the school year

It was SO GOOD to be back together for the school year! The CAL Grandparents Club aims to foster intergenerational connections that can support our students' education. Our goal is to see more interaction between grandparents and students. Below are some grandparent opportunities to be involved inside and outside of the school.

Providence School:

- World Down Syndrome Day 3/21/25
- WDSD T-Shirt distribution help
- WDSD lunch for teachers Help serve the teachers lunch or bring goodies for them
- Lunch helpers needed! 10:30 and 11:40 daily
- Prayer group to specifically pray for teachers and kids - Our Providence
 Director does a great job of getting weekly prayers from her staff and will email them out to the prayer team

Athletics

- Gate workers arrive 1 hour prior to the game, take money and sell tickets until halftime of the last game of the evening.
 Training will be before. Sign up sheet to work as little or as much as you want. Can get paid or volunteer
- Concession Stand Organize stand and sell during games
- Run game clocks
- Announce at games

Library

- Book fair volunteers with student shopping and creating wish lists
 - Nov. 7-14 and March 18-26

Elementary:

- Lunchroom visits/helpers
- Interested in helping a specific teacher? I will connect you with your Grandchild's teacher and open up the communication to start helping if they have a need

Middle School:

- Missions snacks for meetings, help with getting kids organized and ready for their mission trips
- Lunch Helpers to walk kids from the lunchroom and back to class - 11:45, 12:10
- Prayer Wall help Friday afternoon after school or Monday morning at 7:30 am

High School:

- Greeters for concerts and programs
- ACT Tutoring
- Subbing teaching and reception
- Workshops or classroom instruction with specific topics the kids are currently learning - pathways help

ALL

- Concert/Program Greeters
- Grandparents in prayer Notes of Encouragement
- GRANDBAKERS 3 out of the 4 weeks each month, make treats for our teachers/school staff



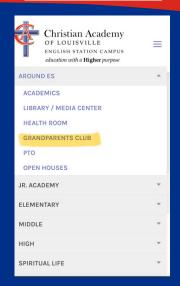
GRANDPARENTS STAY CONNECTED

Grandparents Club Facebook Group CLICK HERE

We're excited about our brand new CAL Grandparents Facebook Group. Below is what the group page looks like. Please request to join and pay attention to all the fun things coming soon!



Grandparents Club Webpage <u>CLICK HERE</u>



Tell me about your Grandkids! CLICK HERE





WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL!

On August 7, we proudly welcomed roughly 1,900 students to our English Station Campus for their first day of school. Our dedicated teachers and staff were fully prepared and eager to greet each student with warmth and enthusiasm, ensuring a positive start to the new academic year. Throughout the summer, we have lifted each student in prayer, asking for guidance and blessings as they embark on this new chapter of their educational journey. Side note, if you were there for morning carpool, BLESS YOU! Our seniors welcomed as many as they could arriving on campus that morning.









SUMMER HAPPENINGS

This summer, we had the pleasure of welcoming new families to CAL with a delightful event called "Popsicles on the Playground"! It was a fantastic opportunity for incoming students to play and get acquainted with their new school surroundings. While the kids enjoyed their time on the playground and shared a popsicle, parents had the chance to connect with each other. It was a wonderful and enjoyable experience for everyone involved!

-Aimée Games, Parent Relations, Marketing Manager





Elementary Happenings...

CAL Elementary Grandparents,

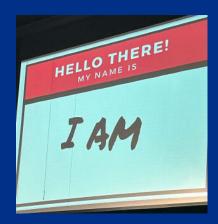
We are so excited that August has been a wonderful start for our elementary students. The focus on developing students' hearts for God is primary. We begin each morning with the National Anthem, prayer, our mission statement, and a focus on our relationship with God and others. Our announcements have daily focuses too: Manner Monday, Tickle Me (Joke) Tuesday, Wisdom Wednesday, Trivia Thursday, and Would You Rather Friday. Delightful ways to welcome the day God has ordained with a focus on Him and others.

Also, our chapel focuses on the Names of God. Did you know you can attend your grandchild's chapel program? Grades K-2 chapels are on Tuesdays from 8:10-8:35. Grades 3-5 have chapels on Tuesdays from 8:55-9:30. This past week we looked at God's name: I AM.

Our elementary school is having its first "Chuck and Duck" dodgeball fun for student-organized teams in grades 4 & 5. All elementary families are invited to come and attend on Saturday, August 31 in the blue gym from 6-9 PM. The concessions stand will be open for concessions. This opportunity is fun and inviting, and Mr. Chitty will be our MC for the event playing his playlist that all ages and stages are sure to enjoy.

Grandparents--look at your legacy! Thank you for knowing, loving, and serving your grandchild right here at Christian Academy. Our Jesus knows, loves, and serves us best so thank you for modeling, investing, sharing, and developing those grandbabies!

Your Elementary Admin Team, Mr. Chitty, Mrs. Carson & Mr. Gutierrez







Pictures:
Grandparent, Beth Watts, with her grandchildren during grades 3-5 chapel.
Mr. Chitty with the trophy that will go to the winning "Chuck and Duck" team.



Middle School Happenings... House Reveal Day

CALMS says "Welcome Home" to our students for the 24-25 school year. Houses are an exciting way to celebrate our students while creating a positive school climate. Middle school students are divided into 6 Houses comprised of 6th, 7th and 8th grade students. Each House embodies a characteristic we hope our students develop. They meet together throughout the year for Chapel discussions, prayer, encouragement and competitions! All 6th graders and new students opened envelopes to "reveal" their House assignment! The 7th and 8th graders welcomed them to their teams! Ask your grandchild about their house!



Fortem- Courageous
Zahvalan- Appreciative
Dashuri- Loving
Mahara- Mindful
Servitas- Servants
Reveur- Dreamers







High School Happenings...

Our high school students have been actively participating in clubs, athletic teams, and the arts, among other activities. This week, each high school grade level gathered for a retreat with their respective grade level sponsor. The students took this opportunity to get to know each other better, strengthen their bonds, and build a stronger sense of community. Stay tuned for next month's newsletter, where we'll update you on all their exciting pursuits and achievements.

CAL Athletic Happenings...

Stay up to date with all the latest in CAL athletics by clicking the link below and signing up for the CAL eNews.

You can also email Enews@caschools.us to subscribe. Wonderful sports articles and up to date schedules can all be found here.

CLICK HERE FOR ATHLETIC ENEWS

Wait, there's more!





Other Happenings...



Families New to CAL, Don't Miss the New Family Tailgate, September 6 - Free Tickets to the Game, Great Food Sponsored by Jaggers, Games, Fellowship and Fun!, Read More and RSVP Here



Do you have an Alumni? Make sure they know about Homecoming 2024, September 20! Complimentary dinner by Mama's BBQ beginning at 6 p.m. and the Homecoming football game vs. Ryle beginning at 7:30 p.m.



Our first Gardening Club is coming to life!
If you haven't seen the Shirley Poulter
pavilion over by the pond, you should
check it out. Our Gardening Club leaders
have been super busy this summer with
the many plants growing at the Pavilion.



Are you an ALL IN Grandparent?

What a wonderful start to the Grandparents Club! I've enjoyed getting to know each of our new Grandparents and catching up with our "seasoned" ones. I love hearing about your relationships with your Grandkids, and plugging you into the school. Please reach out to me if you'd like to meet up for coffee!

Our Annual Fund campaign will kick off in the fall. There will be a lot of hype and information around this campaign. Would you prayerfully consider a donation to our Annual Fund? Please click the link below or reach out to me for more information. I would love to talk more about the impact this campaign has on CAL staff and students.

THANK YOU! Danielle Gleitz

ARE YOU ALL IN? CLICK HERE TO MAKE A GIFT



Thank you for being such wonderful Supporters of CAL!