

Around the Academy

News from the CAL-SW Saints—April 30, 2021

Dear Southwest Family,

I am sitting here praising God for His faithfulness. We are on the cusp of May with only 4 weeks of school left, and I can't believe it. This past summer, our administration was reading documents, Healthy at Work/School plans, regulations, procedures, etc. This year has truly been a year like none other in education! Now we are at the end, and it truly is a blessing from God that we have been face to face. except when we were required to close for 3 weeks. There are so many people to thank: upper administration, the school system nurse, office staff, facilities, families, students, etc. However, I must say next week is Teacher Appreciation Week (May 3-7) and the teachers really are the ones that have had the most skin in the game. They have done school in new and different ways from technology, cleaning, masks, social distancing, purging classrooms, using hand sanitizer more and more, etc. It really has been a blessing to watch this process occur. It was not easy. It was not what we would have chosen, but God equipped and developed our hearts in this season.

Next week is your opportunity to thank them too! Yes teachers love gifts, but also words of edification. A sincere note, card, email or letter is more than mere words. As Proverbs 25:11 states: "A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in a setting of silver." So whether you want to bless with a gift or not, I truly encourage you to take a moment as a parent with your child and drop an email, write a letter, or send a card expressing your appreciation. Bottom line: school happened because your child's teacher taught in ways they would have never imagined. They have arranged their rooms in ways they would have never dreamed. They have taught phonics, reading, etc. with masks. They have cleaned and sanitized like never before. Why? Because they were called to be a Christian teacher. They were called for such a time as this. God equipped them because they sought His face. God equipped them because this is not a job, but a calling. God equipped them because this is not just an education, but an opportunity to see and know things change, but God...He does not change! Please help me thank and appreciate these individuals next week.

Mrs. Carson

IMPORTANT PTO ANNOUNCEMENT

We have been tremendously blessed to be in school this year! As we start to prepare for the 2021-2022 school year, we will be seating a new PTO Board. As you pray over the decision to decide if you want

As you pray over the decision to decide if you want to be a part of the PTO board, I would like to share with you what serving over the past 3 years has meant to me.

- 1 I was able to share in the educational involvement of my children. Research shows children perform better when parents are engaged in education at both Home and School. Being a part of creating their Elementary and MS experience has been a tremendous blessing!
- 2 I was able to demonstrate to my children what having a servant's heart looks like in giving time and support to those around us!
- 3 I was able to connect with some really amazing moms and dads, building lifelong friendships!

We need to have a new board in place by May 15. We will hold a planning meeting at the beginning of June to set the school year calendar of events. We will be seating a new board to consist of:

- President (or if we have two volunteers that can serve as co-presidents)
- Vice President and social media coordinator
- Secretary
- Treasurer

If you are interested in being a PTO Board Member we would like to request you send a short email to Mrs. Carson (acarson@caschools.us) or Mrs. Wilson (sewilson@caschools.us) with the following information:

Your name:

Students Name and grade:

Why you want to be a part of the PTO:

What position do you have an interest in:

If you have any questions or would like to chat offline, you are free to message, call, or text me at 502 -533-1398.

~Sara Butler

ORDER YOUR YEARBOOK NOW!

Click <u>here</u> and be sure to select "Christian Academy of Louisville Southwest" from the list of schools. Yearbooks are \$32.50 each and only sold online. Contact Ms. Goodwin at hgoodwin@caschools.us if you have any questions.

JUNIOR ACADEMY NEWS

Junior Academy will be having a picnic lunch on the last day of school—Thursday, May 27. Your child will need to bring a sack lunch in a disposable lunch bag with a drink.

Purple and Red Room Parade: If your child is in Ms. Marsha's or Mrs. April's room, watch for details for a year-end celebration on Friday, May 21.

K-8TH GRADE SCHOOL SUPPLY KITS FOR 2021-2022

We have partnered again with Educational Products, Inc. (EPI) - a national school-supply program. This is an optional service that is being offered to our campus families for the 2021-2022 school year. We have provided our class supply lists to EPI and they have created an online ordering system for our families to use. By using EPI, this will drastically reduce the amount of time that parents will need to spend to shop for their child's school supplies for the coming school year. If you order a supply kit through EPI, your child's kit will be directly shipped to the school and will be waiting for them in their classroom in time for our Back-to-School events! Here are some important details to be aware of:

- 1. Our school is not making any money from this sale. While schools have the option of utilizing EPI for a fundraiser, we have passed on that option and the prices that you see listed are the wholesale prices from EPI.
- A copy of this year's supply lists are included <u>here</u>. Any items that are highlighted on the list <u>are not included</u> in the EPI kits and therefore would still be your responsibility to secure prior to the beginning of the school year. If you choose to shop on your own for your child's supplies, you are welcome to do so by using this list.
- 3. The EPI kits include name-brand, high-quality supplies and the kits will be individually packaged for each student that orders them.
- 4. Orders must be submitted online by June 1, to avoid rush shipping charges. Free shipping is included for any orders that are shipped directly to our school. If you wish to have your child's kit shipped to your home instead, there is an additional shipping fee for that option.

Ordering information for EPI is included <u>here</u>. Be sure to enter our school code (CHR145) and then select the grade level that your child will be in for the 2021-2022 school year.

FACULTY/STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK IS MAY 3-7

We set aside this week each year to show our appreciation to our faculty and staff for their service to all of our families. The PTO and Administration will be providing various treats throughout that week, but you are welcome to show your support and thanks to your teachers and staff as well! Have your child make a card or write a letter, send an email, or any other expressions of thanks would be greatly appreciated.

QUARTER 4 SERVICE PROJECT—SHOES FOR WATERSTEP

We are committed to Jesus being our Living Water. Clean water is a basic need that we take for granted every day. Waterstep is an outreach that reminds us to take the message of clean water, health education, and well repair to places all over the world so that communities can fight disease and have the basic need of clean water. Send in your shoe donations between May 6-20! We will be collecting old shoes at the main entrance and preschool entrance in order to help fund the work of Waterstep. Bringing in any shoes will do, but especially bring in gently used shoes. All shoe donations must be turned in by **Thursday, May 20.** Pray God will use us to be a blessing to the nations so that they may have clean water and the Living Water!

K-5TH GRADE FIELD DAY

Kindergarten through 5th Grade Field Day is on Friday, May 14 in the afternoon. If it rains, our make up day is Monday, May 17.

Students should wear gym shorts of an appropriate length and CAL Spirit Wear t-shirts. Parents are encouraged to apply sunscreen on students before they arrive for school that morning. Students should bring a hat, beach towel, and a water bottle.

Due to COVID guidelines, we cannot have any spectators/visitors. We only have a limited number of volunteers that have already been secured for Field Day as our middle school Junior Beta Club students will be assisting Mrs. Coble with the Field Day stations.

STUDENT RECOGNITIONS



Congratulations to Christian Wharton (8th Grade) - Miss Teen Dance of the Bluegrass! Back in February, Christian won a competition that includes interviews, audition and scholarship classes, and her solo dance. She is now Teen Miss Dance of the Bluegrass. In July, she will travel to Texas to compete for Teen Miss Dance of America. Please join us in congratulating Christian and praying for her as she prepares for this next round of competitions!

Congratulations to Kate Hunter (7th Grade) - Winner of the TARC and Derby Festival Foundation Design-A-Bus Art Contest! Kate's art submission will be featured in the month of May on the pink TARC bus as part of the Derby Festival contest. We are so proud of Kate for using her talents in this way! Keep an eye out around town for the pink bus!







MONDAY	TUESDAY WED	NESDAY THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3 Boscos Sticks w/ Marinara Sauce Tossed Salad Pears	4 Chicken Tenders Buttered Noodles Green Beans Peaches 5 Frito Pi Corn Pineapp	Sandwich	7 Pizza Fresh Vegetables Fruit
10 Pepperoni Pizza Sticks Broccoli Tropical Fruit Salad Oreo Cookies	9	Applesauce	14 Pizza Fresh Vegetables Fruit
17 Burrito with Queso Corn Pineapple Sugar Cookie		ken Breast Tossed Salad Apple Slices Chips	21 Pizza Fresh Vegetables Fruit
24 Sausage Links Hashbrown Applesauce Yogurt	25 Chicken Quesadilla Mexican Fiesta Rice Pineapple Chocolate Chip Cookie 26 Chicker Peas Peache Roll	n Alfredo 27 Pizza Fresh Vegetables Fruit	28