



CHRISTIAN ACADEMY Grandparents Club

Newsletter
November 2025



*Thank you for being a part
of the Grandparents Club!*

*It's a packed house at Grandparents Club
meetings, but we can pack more.
Join us December 16 at 9 a.m.*



Dates to Know

ELEMENTARY

- November 4 - Kindergarten Program, 5 p.m.
- November 25 - First Grade taste of Thanksgiving

MIDDLE SCHOOL

- November 14 - Pep Rally

HIGH SCHOOL

- November 5 - Journey to Biblical Unity Field Trip
- November 6 - Senior off campus lunch
- November 14 - AP Art Field Trip to Cincinnati Art Museum

ALL

- November 6 - Picture Retakes
- November 7 - No School - Teacher PD Day
- November 13 - World Kindness Day
- November 19 - Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes due & all school chapel
- November 20-22 - The Sound of Music Production
- November 26-28 - No School, Thanksgiving Break

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All Grandparents Club meetings will be held in the CAI Warrior Room at 9 a.m.

2025-2026 Meeting Dates

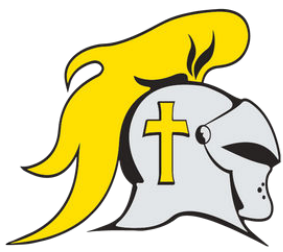
- August 26
- October 27
- December 16
- February 19

Grandparents Conference

- April 24

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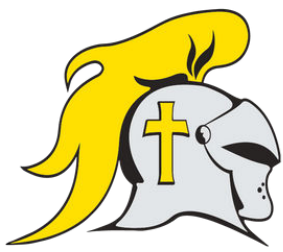


All School Happenings...

Grandparents Day

Grandparents Day at CAI was a special time to celebrate the important role grandparents play in the lives of our students. The morning included a warm welcome, refreshments, and a program filled with songs, smiles, and memories shared across generations. Guests enjoyed visiting classrooms, meeting teachers, and getting a glimpse of what their grandchildren experience each day at CAI. It was a joyful day of connection and gratitude, reminding everyone how much grandparents mean to our school family.





All School Happenings...

Teacher Professional Development

All teachers and administrators kicked off their Monday after Fall Break at the Indiana campus for professional development, with nearly 300 in attendance!

Secondary and non-classroom elementary teachers participated in four Design Labs, each offering hands-on strategies to increase rigor in their content areas. Altogether, secondary teachers completed more than 670 learning sessions!

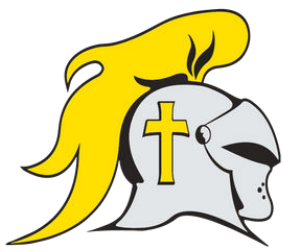
Elementary classroom teachers spent the morning learning about their new English Language Arts curriculum and the afternoon collaborating with grade-level teams to plan how to best serve all students.

Survey results from the day were glowing—showing lots of new learning and collaboration.

The best part? We get to do it all again on November 7 at our Kentucky campus! Please continue praying for our hardworking teachers—they're amazing, and this time to learn together is truly priceless (plus, they're well fed!).

Linda Rafla, Head of Academics





All School Happenings...



Christian Academy's Annual Fund is officially underway following the exciting announcement of our ALL IN Teacher Winners! The Annual Fund remains our school's top fundraising priority because tuition and fees alone do not cover the full cost of a Christian Academy education. Every contribution—large or small—makes an immediate difference for our students and teachers. Through the Annual Fund, we're able to enhance Technology Integration, strengthen Security Upgrades, expand Tuition Assistance, and provide meaningful Staff Benefits.

Why Give?

Your support of the Annual Fund helps sustain the daily work happening on each campus, enriches your grandchild's Christian Academy experience, and reflects your belief in the transformative work God is doing in the hearts and minds of our students. Your tax-deductible gift directly fuels the continued success and growth of our schools.

What Your Gifts Made Possible Last Year

- Replaced 90 Windows-based employee computers
- Completed Phase One of the upgraded access control system
- Reinforced and secured Door 28 with new access controls
- Enhanced our state-of-the-art security camera network
- Added an Engineering Pathway Milling Machine
- Purchased a used work truck for campus operations
- Provided tuition assistance to 359 students

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Junior Academy Happenings...

Fall Festival

CAI Junior Academy celebrated the season with its Fall Festival, a joyful event full of autumn-themed fun! Students enjoyed festive activities like pumpkin decorating, an amazing time of worship, and games that brought the spirit of fall to life. The celebration was a wonderful way for our youngest learners to explore the season, enjoy time with friends, and create lasting memories in Christ's love.





Elementary Happenings...

The Grunch Musical

CAI Elementary students put on a fantastic performance of The Grunch, delighting audiences with their talent, energy, and creativity. The musical, inspired by The Grinch, tells the story of a student who tries to spoil the school play but learns the true joy of working together and sharing the spotlight. From colorful costumes to catchy songs, the production showcased the hard work and enthusiasm of our young performers and staff. It was a fun and heartwarming reminder of the joy that comes from teamwork and the arts.





Elementary Happenings...

Career Week

CAI Elementary's Career Week gave students an exciting glimpse into the many possibilities for their future. Throughout the week, guests from a variety of professions visited classrooms to share about their jobs, answer questions, and inspire students to dream big about how God might use their talents and interests one day. From firefighters and nurses to chefs and engineers, students loved learning about different careers and the importance of hard work, service, and curiosity in every field.



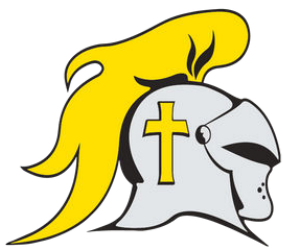


Elementary Happenings...

Career Week...Careers on Wheels

Students from Junior Academy through 2nd grade enjoyed a fun and engaging Careers on Wheels event, where they learned about different jobs and the important work people do in our community. They had the opportunity to explore vehicles, ask questions, and see how various careers play a role in everyday life. It was an exciting, hands-on day that encouraged curiosity and inspired future career dreams.





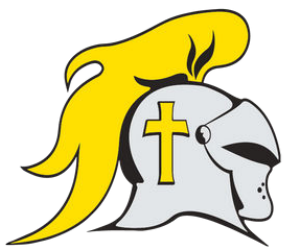
Middle School Happenings...

8th Grade Retreat

Our 8th grade retreat was such an unforgettable experience filled with a lot of fun! We spent two days at Country Lake enjoying activities like paintball, high ropes, canoeing, volleyball, and archery tag. It was a great chance for the 8th grade class to grow closer and connect with each other. Students worshipped together before hearing a message from Mr. Lehman. He shared from John 15 and Ephesians 2, reminding us to “be the branch” by staying connected to Jesus and living out our faith every day. Later that night, we hung out around the campfire with s’mores, laughter, and great conversations under the stars. Our prayer is that our students left the retreat feeling refreshed and encouraged; closer not just as classmates, but as friends growing together in Christ.

Jenny Davison,
Middle School
Counselor





Middle School Happenings...



Congrats CAI Middle School Warriors of the Week!

6th - Hailey Hourigan

7th - Sam Dean

8th - Genevieve Burke

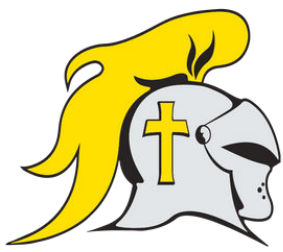
Welcome Mrs. Gwinn



Meet Mrs. Gwinn!
New Middle School science teacher.

About working at CAI, she said, "I love that our school teaches students in a Christ-like character, which overflows into how they treat each other, show respect, pray for each other, and respond in the classroom."

We are blessed and thankful to have Mrs. Gwinn as part of our CAI family!



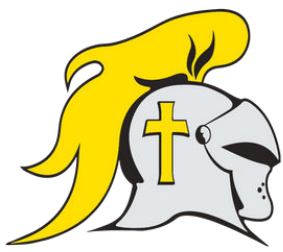
High School Happenings...

Unity within CAI

On Friday, October 24th, Christian Academy of Indiana High School students partnered with Christian Academy of Louisville High School students on two Biblical Unity field trips to Cincinnati, Ohio. Museums. Statues. Beautiful views of God's creation. Scripture readings. Christian discussions. Fun lunch stops. These students made great memories and learned how to be Biblical unifiers together. Could their generation be the best in human history to demonstrate widespread unity with Jesus Christ and Christlike unity with one another? We hope and pray they will because it is God's will.

Deon Parker, Director of Biblical Unity





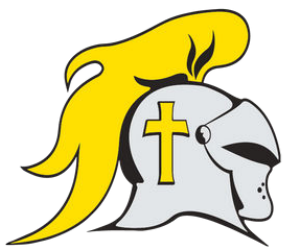
High School Happenings...

Marching Band Winners

Our Marching Band had several exciting debut performances this year! We not only performed at our first fall competition at CAL, but we also performed in the Lanesville Heritage Parade!! It was a super exciting day! None of the students had ever marched in a parade before, but they put in a ton of work practicing for it! It was quite a hot day, but the students kept the energy high in their new uniforms! We represented our school performing our fight song and "Praise" by Elevation Worship! They did a fantastic job! We even won best band for their excellent performance!!

Garrett Johnson, CAI Band Teacher & Marching Band Director





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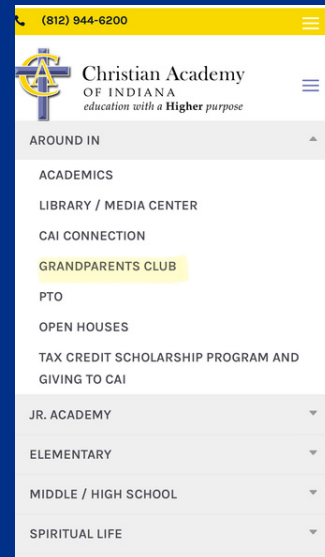
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GRANDPARENTS STAY CONNECTED

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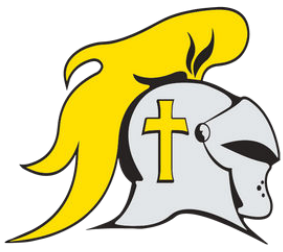
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Webpage
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Request to join the
CAI Grandparents Facebook Group!
Below is what the group page looks like.



**Tell us about your
Grandkids!**
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Grandparent opportunities for the 25/26 school year

The CAI 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.

Athletics

- Gate workers - arrive 1 hour before 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
- All Athletic opportunities - [SIGN UP HERE](#)

Library

- Book fair volunteers with student shopping and creating wish lists
- [SIGN UP HERE](#) to help

Watch Dogs

- Be a mentor for our students, help assist in many different ways, keeping students safe and engaged
- [APPLY HERE](#)

Elementary:

- [SIGN UP HERE](#) to help in the lunchroom
- [SIGN UP HERE](#) to visit the lunchroom
- 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 - [SIGN UP HERE](#)
- Lunch Helpers

High School:

- Greeters for concerts and programs
- ACT Tutoring
- Workshops or classroom instruction with specific topics students are currently learning
- Mentorship

ALL

- Chapel Visitors - [SIGN UP HERE](#)
- Grandparents in prayer - Notes of Encouragement (Great for out of town Grandparents)
- Substitute Teaching - [APPLY HERE](#)
- GRANDBAKERS - [SIGN UP HERE](#)