

CHRISTIAN ACADEMY *Grandparents Club*

Newsletter
October 2025



Dear CAI Grandparents,

Welcome to another edition of the Grandparents Newsletter! We are so grateful for your continuous love and support; it means so much to our students and school community. Your prayers, encouragement, and involvement help make Christian Academy a truly special place. We also invite you to mark your calendars for our next Grandparents Club meeting, with all the details listed below. We look forward to seeing you there and continuing to grow together in fellowship and service!

With heartfelt appreciation,
Christian Academy Development Team

Next Grandparents Club Meeting
Monday, October 27
9 am
Warrior Room

Dates to Know

ELEMENTARY

- October 3 (Grades 1-4) – Grandparents Day
- October 20-25 – Career Week
- October 24 – Fall PTO Event

MIDDLE SCHOOL

- October 3 – Quarter 1 Ends
- October 23-24 – 8th Grade Retreat

HIGH SCHOOL

- October 21 – 11th Grade PSAT
- October 22 – 10th Grade PSAT
- October 29 – Unity Club Field Trip to Cincinnati

ALL

- October 6-10 – Fall Break
- October 13 – Teacher PD, No School Students
- October 30 – Fall Open House

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

2025-2026 Meeting Dates

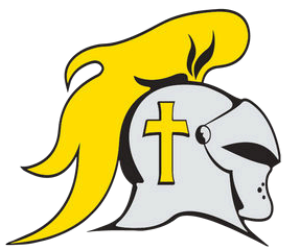
- August 26
- October 27
- December 16
- February 19

Grandparents Conference

- April 24

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All School Happenings...

YOU'RE INVITED TO

GRANDPARENT'S Day

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FRIDAY 2025

We warmly invite you to join us for a special Grandparents Day celebration, "Made to Worship" - a joyful morning filled with worship, fellowship, and fun!

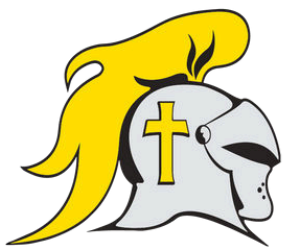
To help us prepare for your visit, we've asked parents to register grandparents in advance. **Please check with your family to ensure you've been pre-registered.**

Upon arrival, pre-registered guests may check in at either the Elementary or Commons entrances. **Don't forget to bring your driver's license, and please know the name of your grandchild's teacher to assist with check-in.**

If you plan to take your grandchild with you after the event, please note: siblings in other classes will need to remain in class until the final classroom visit is complete, as they won't be able to join other sibling programs.

The Warrior Room will be available if you need a place to wait between programs. For your convenience, golf carts will be available for shuttle service as needed. Our Armory will be open from 8:30am-2pm if you would like to shop!

4th grade 9:00-9:45am
3rd grade 10:00-10:45am
2nd grade 12:00-12:45am
1st grade 1:00-1:45pm



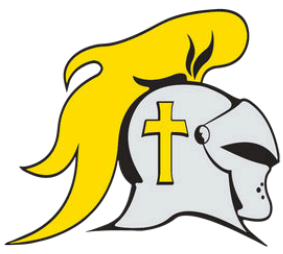
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All School Happenings... New Family Parking Lot Party!

Our families new to CAI were invited to dinner provided by Jaggers and yard games right by the parking lot, along with free tickets to see our Warrior Volleyball team in action! Thank you to everyone who came out to fellowship with us.





All School Happenings... Olive Branch Coffee Shop

The Olive Branch is a small coffee shop/convenience store that operates in the CAI Middle and High School, serving iced coffee, breakfast pastries, soda, chips, and other items that students want. This year, seniors who work at The Olive Branch will divide the profits to help pay the cost of their senior trip. From an educational standpoint, the new business classes that I teach will each have a hand in operating the shop. Marketing is doing much of the promotion, Accounting is tracking finances and inventory, and Management is brainstorming ideas to improve the shop and oversee the operations.

While the "coffee shop" has been in operation for many years to help the senior class, it was remodeled and rebranded last year as The Olive Branch - a place where students and staff can meet, eat, and fellowship. Our goal is to continue to improve upon the foundation that's been set, offering more products that students desire and using proceeds to pour back into the business.

-Brandon Dickerson - Teacher: Management, Marketing, Accounting, Personal Finance

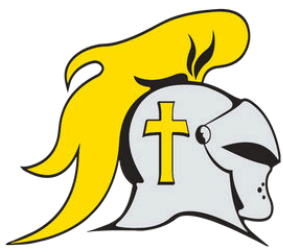




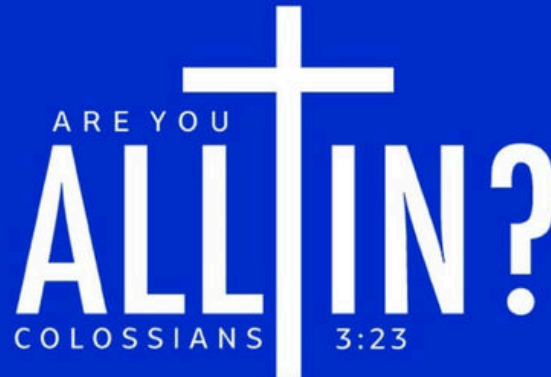
All School Happenings...

Christian Academy of Indiana is grateful to have our grandparents partner with us in supporting Operation Christmas Child. Together, they worked to prepackage shoeboxes that will soon be filled by our students with gifts, school supplies, and personal notes. By serving alongside us, our grandparents help make it possible for these boxes to be distributed to children around the world, sharing not only joy and encouragement but also the hope of the Gospel. This partnership is a beautiful reminder of the impact our school family can have when generations come together with one purpose—to serve others in Christ's name.





All School Happenings...



Christian Academy's Annual Fund kicked off last week with the announcement of our ALL IN Teacher Winners. The Annual Fund is the highest priority for fundraising at Christian Academy. Tuition and fees simply do not cover the cost to educate our students. Every gift provides an immediate impact on students and teachers! The Annual Fund provides support for Technology Integration, Security Upgrades, Tuition Assistance and Staff Benefits.

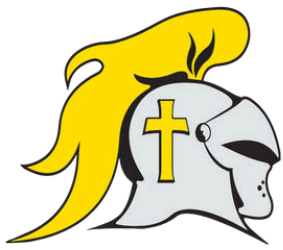
Why Give?

Christian Academy depends on Annual Fund support to operate each of our campuses, impact your grandchild's Christian Academy experience, demonstrate support for the work God is doing in the lives of students and ensure success of the school through your tax-deductible financial gifts.

Last Year Your Gifts Helped Provide

- Replaced Two-way Radios to Enhance Day-to-Day and Emergency Communications
- Replaced 60 Windows-based Computers for Employees
- Upgraded/Expanded Access Control System (Phase One)
- Improved Upon State-Of-the-Art Security Camera System
- Athletics Fencing Under and Behind New Stadium Bleachers
- Baseball Warning Track
- Purchased Used Work Truck
- Tuition Assistance for 292 Students

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All School Happenings...

CAI ALL IN Teacher Winners



Carson Casey - Indiana Elementary

Carson is the perfect example of a teacher who puts everything they have into the profession. She always goes above and beyond, whether it's staying late, working on weekends, constantly putting her own money towards her students, and the list could go on and on. Carson is the embodiment of the ALL IN Teacher award.



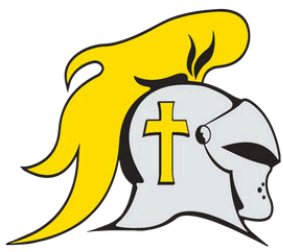
Katie Barnett - Indiana Middle School

Katie loves her students so well! She is consistently stepping in where needed and attending after school activities to support her students. She spends time preparing to teach her students to the best of her ability. Her students seek her out for guidance and just to spend time with. She is such an asset to our middle school!



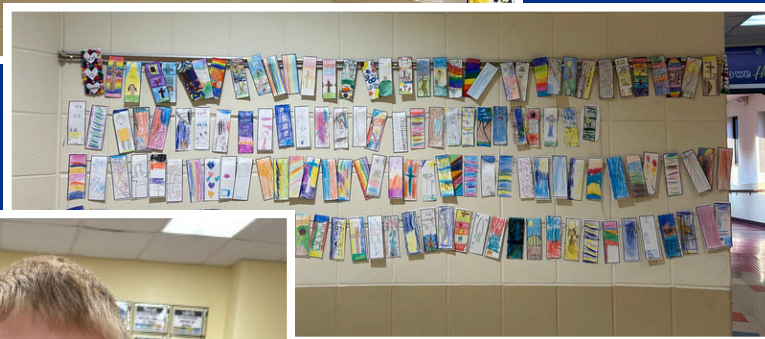
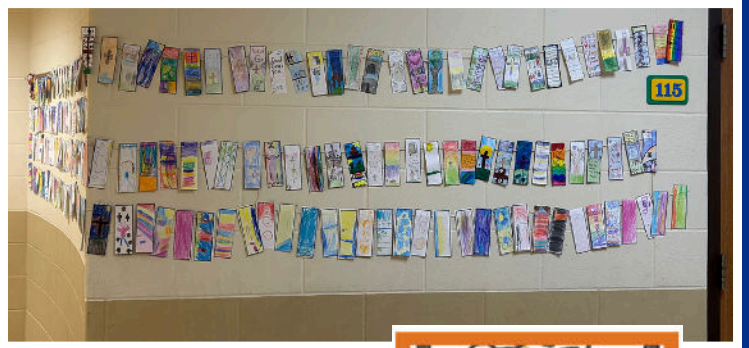
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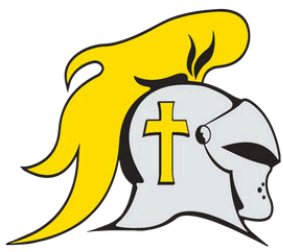
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Elementary Happenings...

As part of our ALL IN campaign, our elementary students take part in a special bookmark contest that has quickly become a favorite tradition. Each child is given the opportunity to design and illustrate a bookmark that answers the question, “Why do I love my school?” The creativity and heart that shine through these entries are always a joy to see, and the wide variety of designs makes it a fun but challenging task to select just one winner. This year’s winning bookmark was created by Landry Culburtson, a fourth grader in Mrs. Hart’s class. Congratulations to Landry for sharing such a thoughtful and creative design—we are so proud of you!

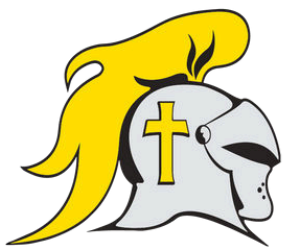




Middle & High School Happenings...

Our CAI Middle and High School bands filled the New Albany Amphitheater with beautiful music, showcasing the hard work, talent, and dedication of our student musicians. Families, friends, and community members gathered to enjoy a wide variety of pieces that highlighted both the skill of individual performers and the strength of the ensembles as a whole. The evening was a wonderful celebration of music and community, and we are so proud of our students for sharing their gifts in such a memorable setting.

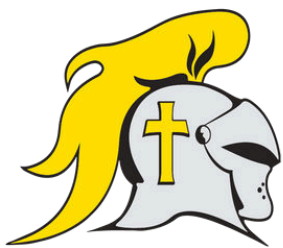




High School Happenings...

Mrs. Stepp's Honors Chemistry students, aided by their teaching assistant, put their lab skills to the test today by using density to identify an unknown object—eager to see if their measurements were accurate and precise enough to get it right!





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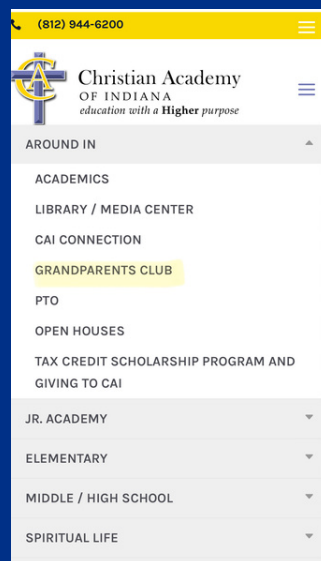
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GRANDPARENTS STAY CONNECTED

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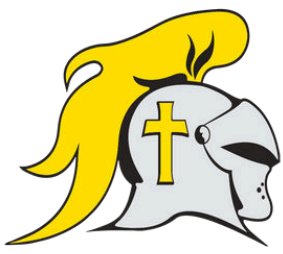
Grandparents Club
Webpage
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Request to join the
CAI Grandparents Facebook Group!
Below is what the group page looks like.



**Tell us about your
Grandkids!**
CLICK HERE





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

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 - [SIGN UP HERE](#) to attend informational meeting, September 4
- [SIGN UP HERE](#) to apply

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
- Lunch Helpers

High School:

- Greeters for concerts and programs
- ACT Tutoring
- Subbing - teaching and reception
- 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)
- GRANDBAKERS - 2 weeks each month, make treats for our teachers/school staff