

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

***Next Meeting Date
February 19 at 9 a.m.***

Elementary Entrance - Warrior Room

Join us at our next Grandparents Club meeting! Rob Hough, Director of Security and Technology, will discuss how we keep students safe across campus. Additionally, Lorrie Baechtel, Director of Admissions, will share how new families begin their journey at Christian Academy. Join us for this informative look at how we care for and welcome our community.

Dates to Know

ELEMENTARY

- January 16 – Intramural Sports registration closes (Co-Ed Basketball and Girls Cheer).
- January 23 – Fundamental skill evaluations for intramural basketball (grades 1-4).

MIDDLE SCHOOL

- No January-specific events to announce; classes resume January 6

HIGH SCHOOL

- No January-specific events to announce; classes resume January 6

ALL

- January 1 – New Year's Day, school closed.
- January 2 – Christmas Break continues.
- January 5 – Teacher In-Service (no school for students).
- January 6 – Start of second semester/first day back for students.
- January 9 – Deadline to submit nominations for the Christian Academy board of directors.
- January 19 – Martin Luther King Jr. Day, school closed.

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THE
DATES



CHRISTIAN ACADEMY
Grandparents Club

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

2025-2026 Meeting Dates

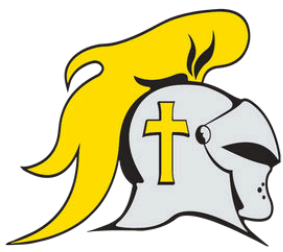
- August 26
- October 27
- December 16
- February 19

Grandparents Conference

- April 24

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CHRISTIAN ACADEMY
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Newsletter
January 2026

As We Begin a New Year!

Dear Grandparents,

Happy New Year!

As we kick off 2026, I would like to take a moment to personally reintroduce myself. My name is Thomas Gwinn and I serve as the Director of Development for Christian Academy of Indiana.

This school is home for my family. My wife Allie serves as the Middle School Science teacher, and we have two children in the elementary and middle school classrooms.

As a father, I look for evidence of our mission to develop students with a heart for God. I found it recently in the story of Eli Graves. You may have read about him in December. Seeing how a teacher's mentorship changed Eli's heart during a mission trip is exactly why I am here.

I want my children to grow into leaders like Eli. I know you want that for your grandchildren, too.

Your generosity makes this environment possible. As we begin this new year, we invite you to prayerfully support our mission with a meaningful gift that will make an immediate impact.

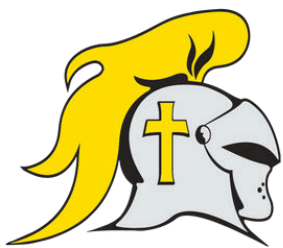
Thank you for welcoming my family into the CAI family.

Blessings,



Thomas Gwinn
Director of Development, Christian Academy of Indiana

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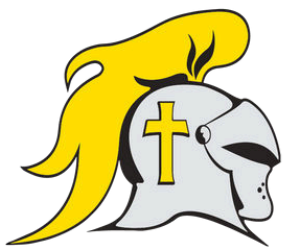
All School Happenings...

Praise & Worship Night

We ushered in the Christmas season with a beautiful Praise & Worship Night on December 1. Held in the school auditorium, the evening brought families and friends together for two hours of music, prayer and fellowship. Students and staff led a series of worship songs that focused our hearts on Christ's birth and encouraged everyone to sing along. It was a meaningful time of unity and reflection, setting a reverent tone for the busy month ahead.

Worship Service

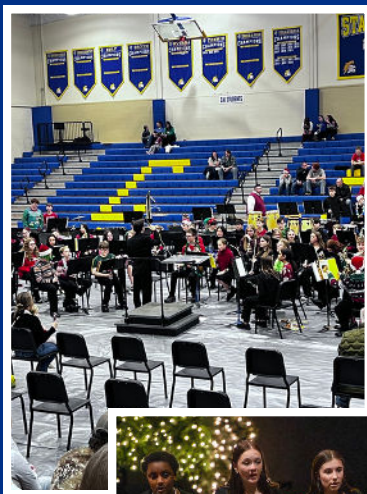




Middle/High School Happenings...

Band & Choir Christmas Concerts

Our middle and high school music programs delivered two memorable performances. On December 18, band students filled the CAI gym with festive sounds, performing holiday classics and sacred pieces that showcased months of practice and teamwork. Just a few days earlier, on December 15, the choir took the stage at Graceland Church for a heartfelt concert of sacred carols, contemporary arrangements and audience sing-alongs. These back-to-back concerts highlighted the talents of our young musicians and vocalists while giving families and grandparents a wonderful glimpse into the vibrant arts community at CAI.





All School Happenings...

The Sound of Music

For this year's all-school musical, Christian Academy of Indiana mounted an ambitious production of Rodgers & Hammerstein's *The Sound of Music*. Students from every grade level took to the stage with evening performances on November 20–22 and a special matinee on November 22. The two-and-a-half-hour show drew enthusiastic audiences, and grandparents were thrilled to see their grandchildren singing, acting and dancing together in such a beloved classic. The production was a testament to the hard work of the cast and crew and to the strength of CAI's performing arts program.





Elementary School Happenings...

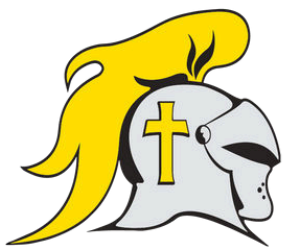
Christmas Program

On December 11, Christian Academy's first and second grade students presented their Christmas programs for family and friends. These programs took place during a season that invites our community to slow down, reflect, and remember the true reason for our celebration. The evening provided families and grandparents an opportunity to gather, support our students, and share in a meaningful moment that reflects the joy and hope of Christmas at CAI.



*Merry
Christmas*





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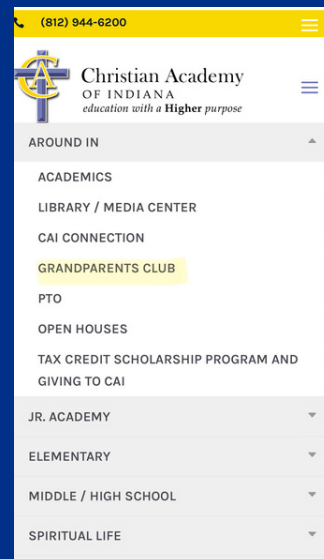
GRANDPARENTS STAY CONNECTED

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

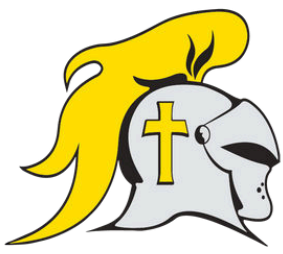


Grandparents Club
Webpage
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**Tell us about your
Grandkids!**
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Grandparent opportunities for the 25/26 school year

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 - [APPLY 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 - email tbarnett@caschools.us
- Lunch Helpers

High School:

- Greeters for concerts and programs
- ACT Tutoring
- Workshops or classroom instruction on 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](#)