

## Upcoming Dates to Know

**September 19**– Homecoming

**September 20**– Alumni  
Baseball Game

**March 7**– Alumni Dinner &  
Drama

**March 12**– Gala

**April**– Alumni Night at the Bats

**May**– Golf Scramble



## Featured Story

Hear from Kellie Denton, a 2005 alumna and parent, as she shares about the 30-year (and counting!) legacy her family is leaving on the school.

## HOMECOMING FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

6:00PM | COMPLIMENTARY ALUMNI DINNER  
7:30PM | KICKOFF CAL VS. CENTRAL HARDIN



RSVP [here!](#)



Learn more about ALL IN week  
September 15-19 and how you can  
help support our Annual Fund!

# FROM THE HALLS

## SCHOOL NEWS & UPDATES

The first month of school has been full of joy and excitement! With hearts and minds focused on academic growth and spiritual formation, the new year is off to a blessed and inspiring start!



Big things are happening in our Middle and High School FCA! These young men and women are committing their season, their teams, and their lives to the Lord, seeking His guidance and strength both on and off the field!



Calling alumni parents! We invite you to join our team for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Chuck and Duck elementary dodgeball tournament! For more info and to sign up, follow the link [here](#).



## ALUMNI COUNCIL STANDING COMMITTEES

We're excited to introduce new standing committees designed to strengthen connections and enhance engagement within our school community. These volunteer opportunities allow alumni to contribute their time, talents, and insights in meaningful ways.

### Alumni Relations Committee

*Mission Statement:*

The Alumni Relations Committee exists to engage CAL alumni through meaningful events and experiences that strengthen their connection to the school. The committee supports and helps plan major alumni gatherings such as Homecoming, the Annual Gala, and class reunions. It also works to build school spirit and foster a welcoming, inclusive alumni community.

*Committee Member Responsibilities:*

In addition to attending committee and general Council meetings, members are expected to assist with planning and executing alumni events, promote attendance among fellow graduates, and serve as ambassadors at key gatherings. Committee members may be asked to represent the Council at school events and collaborate with the Advancement and Development teams on alumni outreach.

### Spiritual Formation Committee

*Mission Statement:*

The Spiritual Formation Committee exists to support the Christ-centered mission of Christian Academy by promoting spiritual growth and service among alumni and the broader school community. The committee helps organize alumni involvement in chapel services, service projects, and faith-based formation efforts that reflect the school's commitment to nurturing hearts for Christ.

*Committee Member Responsibilities:*

Members are expected to help identify and organize opportunities for alumni to participate in chapel services, lead devotionals, and support school-wide service initiatives. They may also assist in developing alumni-focused faith events or resources, and collaborate with CAL staff on student faith formation efforts with an alumni connection.

### Mentorship Committee

*Mission Statement:*

The Mentorship Committee exists to connect CAL alumni with current students to inspire, guide, and prepare the next generation for success in college, career, and calling. Through programs such as Career Day, guest speaker opportunities, and mentoring initiatives, the committee seeks to promote professional development and Christian leadership among students.

*Committee Member Responsibilities:*

Committee members are expected to assist in organizing and attending events that provide students with exposure to various career paths and life experiences. Members may be asked to recruit and coordinate alumni participants for Career Day and similar events, develop mentorship opportunities, and support initiatives that connect students with alumni role models.

### *Interested in serving?*

Fill out the form [here](#) and denote which standing committee you would like to join!

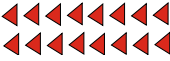
## WHERE WE WENT. WHERE WE WERE. WHERE WE STILL ARE.

When Christian Academy opened its doors to its newly erected English Station campus in 1998, it was still fresh with paint, zero landscaping, and we students carted our supplies around in cardboard boxes because lockers had not yet been installed. Its freshly opened doors were years in the making, tangible answered prayers from the sacrifices of so many. When I arrived for my first day of sixth grade at CAL's new campus, no one, including myself, could have ever imagined that my family would be linked to this school for nearly thirty years (and counting).

As the oldest of 7 children (5 brothers stand between me and my baby sister), I was the first to chart the CAL waters but I was hardly the only and definitely not the last. Soon after I arrived in middle school, another brother joined...and another...and another...until just a few years later there were five of us under one roof for many years. The youngest two Raines kids were born when I was in high school, the smallest CAL mascots being carted around to my field hockey games and my brothers' soccer practices. When I graduated in 2005, I was just making room for my youngest siblings to chart their own path at Christian Academy.

While my siblings and I carry our own individual memories of CAL, we all share the same collective bond of a deep sense of community and history. Can you put a price on growing up under an umbrella of godly instruction that extends beyond the classroom doors? Turns out you can, I guess, but we prefer not to do the math on that one! The general consensus after many years of being able to honestly assess our formative experiences at CAL was that we felt loved, known, supported, and confident in who we were in Christ. It was a PRICELESS decision - crucial to our upbringing, critical to our individual identities. When the time came to send my own children to school, it was a no-brainer - they would go where we went. Where we were. Where we still are.

The "baby" of the family, Jolie, graduated from CAL in 2022 with her sights set on nursing school. When she entered her senior year, her nephew (my oldest son, Avery) entered Kindergarten. She was able to paint his face at her Senior Carnival, a real mind-blowing experience watching my son unknowingly take part in what was a rite of passage. With two of my boys now in elementary school, it is simply a thrill to bring them back to the stomping grounds which have quickly transformed into theirs. What a gift knowing that they are being shepherded through the gracious direction of so many teachers and administrators that truly partner with us parents. And what a special testimony that so many of us former students are now bringing our children back to the place that helped shape us. So that puts me looking forward to the next thirty. Where we were. Where we still are.



The Raines 6 circa 2003.



Kellie graduates 2005.



Jolie graduates 2022.



Avery graduates Kindergarten 2022.



Kellie (Raines) Denton, Class of 2005

## CONTINUING THE TRADITION

**We invite you to join us September 15-19 for our ALL IN week of giving!**



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 to students and teachers!

During this ALL IN week, we invite you to pause and reflect on the impact our school has had—not just in academics, but in shaping hearts, building faith, and preparing students to serve Christ in all they do. As alumni, you are living proof of the mission that continues to thrive within our school.

This week is a special opportunity to give back in gratitude, ensuring that the next generation can experience the same Christ-centered education and spiritual foundation that helped shape your life. Every gift, no matter the size, helps create opportunities, support current students, and sustain the programs that make our alma mater exceptional. Join us in going ALL IN—because once a Centurion, always a Centurion.

How Will My Dollars Make an Impact?

- Technology Integration
- Tuition Assistance
- Athletics
- Fine Arts
- Security Upgrades
- Staff Benefits



**Donate [Here](#)**

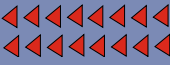
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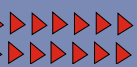
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**We'd love to hear from you!**

Make sure to Update Your Information, Share Family Photos or Life Events [here](#).

Come visit any time! Whether it has been a few months or many years, our doors are always open. See what's new and how your legacy continues to grow!



*Once a Centurion, always a Centurion!*