



CHRISTIAN ACADEMY *Grandparents Club*

Newsletter
January 2026



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

***Next Meeting Date
February 18 at 9 a.m.
High School Media Center***

Our next CAL Grandparents Club meeting will feature two special guests who play an important role in supporting our students and families.

We will hear from Lorrie Baechtel, Director of Admissions, as she shares insight into how the admissions process works and how new families find their place in our school community.

We will also hear from Rob Hough, Director of Security and Technology, who will discuss the measures we have in place to keep our students safe both inside and outside of our school.

We look forward to an informative and encouraging time together.

Dates to Know

JUNIOR ACADEMY

- January learning and fun!

ELEMENTARY

- January 8 & 12 - 5th Grade Biztown Field Trip
- January 27 - 100th Day of School
- Join Elementary for chapel on Tuesdays
 - K-2nd, 8:10 am and 3rd-5th, 8:55 am

MIDDLE SCHOOL

- January 14 - High School Meet & Greet Event, 6 pm
- January 22 - FCA, 7:30 am in the auditorium
- Join Middle School for chapel on Thursdays at 9:50 am

HIGH SCHOOL

- January 13 - Practice ACT for juniors
- January 14 - Art Song Competition, 6 pm
- January 14 - High School Meet & Greet Event, 6 pm
- January 24 - Winter Ball
- January 27 - Red Cross Blood Drive

ALL

- January 5 - No School, Teacher Inservice Day
- January 19 - No School, MLK Day
- February 2 - Remote Learning Day

SAVE
THE
DATES



CHRISTIAN ACADEMY
Grandparents Club

All Grandparents Club meetings will be held in the CAL Media Center at 9 a.m.

2025-2026 Meeting Dates

- August 25
- October 29
- December 15
- February 18

Grandparents Conference

- April 24

25 / 26



Junior Academy Happenings...

December FUN celebrating our Savior!

Our sweet Junior Academy students laugh, play, and learn together as they celebrate the birth of our Savior. It's such a joy to watch their little faces light up as they share stories, sing, and grow in their understanding of what Christmas truly means. Moments like these remind us what a blessing it is to walk alongside them in faith and community.





Elementary Happenings...

Christmas Programs

Our 1st through 3rd grade Christmas programs were a beautiful celebration of our Savior's birth. Through joyful songs, Scripture, and sweet performances, our students shared the true meaning of Christmas with confidence and heartfelt faith. We are so grateful for our teachers and families who helped make these special moments a meaningful reminder of God's greatest gift.





Elementary Happenings...

Mountain Santa

Another Mountain Santa is officially in the books! This special tradition gives our CAL 4th graders the opportunity to serve others in a meaningful, hands-on way by providing Christmas gifts to children in Harlan, KY. Our students are able to learn the joy of generosity and compassion in action. We are so thankful to our 4th graders and to Mrs. Schlachter for faithfully leading this impactful project that brings hope and Christ's love to families beyond our campus.





Middle School Happenings...

Orchestra Highlights

In December, the CAL Music Department hosted multiple Christmas concerts. Below, pictures feature our very own middle school musicians led by orchestra teacher Courtney Murfin. CAL concerts are a wonderful way to see the fruit produced by hours of teaching, learning, practicing and skill development. Be sure to join us for next semester's concerts!

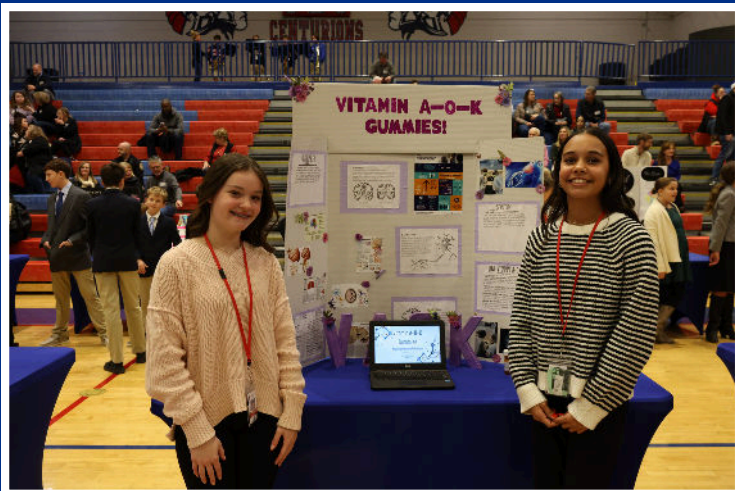




Middle School Happenings...

7th Grade Science Fair

After months filled with thoughtful research, problem-solving, and innovation, our students demonstrated exceptional curiosity and dedication to scientific discovery. The Engineering the Future Science Fair showcased the incredible innovation of our students. From tackling real-world challenges to exploring cutting-edge ideas, these projects reflected curiosity, perseverance, and a passion for discovery. Read on to celebrate our outstanding winners!





Middle School Happenings...

7th Grade Science Fair

And the WINNERS are....

1st Place

Grayson Stine, Isaiah Sheffield, Grayson McDowell, Henry Monhollen, and Nash Amos — PROJECT BONES

2nd Place (Tie)

Bryce Burge, Hajun “Daniel” Cho, and Isaac Wallace — Leukemia Project

Emily Olsofka, Mary Clare Stavens, and Ella Haley — Cost-effective Disposable Plastics

3rd Place (Tie)

Charlotte Ivey, Siena Crush, Katherine Morgan, Lucy Powell, and Cassie Payne — Alport Syndrome

Kate White, Bianca Schaefer, Ava DeSilvery, and Olivia Thomas — Bear Hugs

Top Future Engineers of 2025

Emily Olsfoka, Bryce Burge, and Grayson Stine

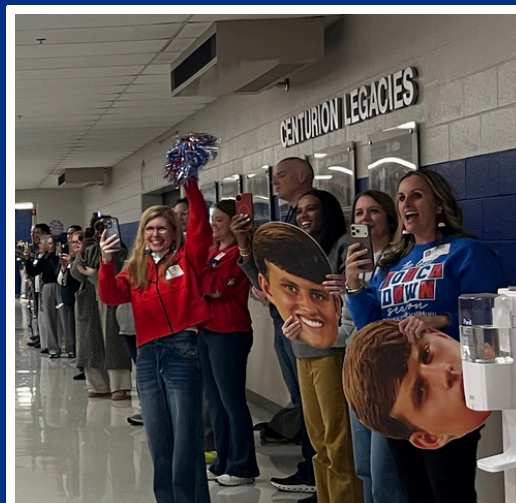
Community Impact Award

Samulel LeClair, Simon Balsley, and Ezra May



High School Happenings... Football State Walk Through

There were drums, cheers, and chants echoing across campus that Friday as students, faculty, and families gathered for a spirited send-off for the Christian Academy of Louisville football team. The energy and excitement reflected the pride of the CAL community as they headed to win their fourth straight state championship appearance under head coach Hunter Cantwell, a testament to their hard work, perseverance, and commitment to excellence both on and off the field.





High School Happenings... Football State Champs

The CAL Centurions extended their state-best winning streak to an impressive 22 straight victories, culminating in the capture of a fourth consecutive KHSAA Class 3A State Championship title. This remarkable achievement reflects the team's discipline, unity, and relentless pursuit of excellence, marking another historic milestone for the Centurions football program.



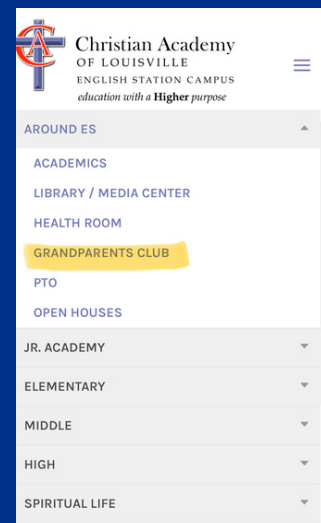
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GRANDPARENTS STAY CONNECTED

Grandparents Club
Facebook Group
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Request to join the
CAL 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 CAL 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.

Providence School:

- World Down Syndrome Day - 3/21/26
- WDSO T-Shirt distribution help
- WDSO lunch for teachers - Help serve the teachers' lunch or bring goodies for them
- Lunch helpers needed! - 10:30 and 11:40 daily
- Prayer group to specifically pray for teachers and kids
- ALL Providence interest, email MCrawford@caschools.us

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. [APPLY HERE](#)
- 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 -
- Spring Book Fair March 19-26
- Email MNEYhart@caschools.us to help

Elementary:

- Lunchroom visits/helpers - [SIGN UP HERE](#)
- 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 to walk kids from the lunchroom and back to class - 11:45, 12:10
- 10 minute Bible Class Devotional Volunteer
Email DGleitz@caschools.us

High School:

- Greeters for concerts and programs
- ACT Tutoring
- FCA Doughnut help - [SIGN UP HERE](#)

ALL

- Concert/Program Greeters
- Grandparents in prayer - Notes of Encouragement
- GRANDBAKERS - [SIGN UP HERE](#)
- Substitute Teaching - [APPLY HERE](#)