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CALMS NEWSLETTER



Finishing CALMS Strong!

In a marathon, runners desire to "Finish Strong". At CALMS, we also have that same enthusiasm as we prepare to close the 23-24 school year. Please take a few minutes to review our April & May newsletter.

This edition contains helpful information, including important dates, Crossover updates, Chapel News and related announcements. Partnering with you, continues to have a great impact in your child's education.

As we progress through this remaining 4th quarter of school, we ask that you pray for our families, students, and staff as we work together to grow in Christ throughout the last quarter of the school year.

Important Dates *All Dates Subject to Change*

- 4-8 No School (Eclipse Day)
- 4-13/4-17 8th Grade Washington, D.C. Trip
- 4-22 Parents can view Q4 Progress Reports on-line
- 4-30 MS/HS Percussion Ensemble Concert, Auditorium, 6:30 p.m.
- 5-3 Recess Day/No School
- 5-7 Choir Concert, Grades 6-12, Auditorium, 6:30 p.m.
- 5-9 Band Concert, Grades 8-12, Auditorium, 6:30 p.m.
- 5-10 7th Gr Band, Choir & Orchestra Field Trip to Kings Island
- 5-10/5-11 8th Gr Band, Choir & Orchestra Field Trip to Kings Island
- 5-14 Orchestra Concert, Grades 5-7, Auditorium, 6:30 p.m.
- 5-14 Orchestra Concert, Grades 8-12, Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.
- 5-16 Band Concert, Grades 5-7, Auditorium, 6:30 p.m.
- 5-21 8th Gr Students Last Day
- 5-22 8th Gr Crossover, Auditorium, 6:00-8:00 p.m.
- 5-24 6th & 7th Grade Students Last Day
- 5-24 6th/7th Grade Awards Program, Auditorium, 10:30 a.m.
- 5-24 THERE WILL BE NO AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Chapel & House Information

Date	Chapel Topic	House
4/18	Faith Drives You To Action.	Power Hour
4/25	Bible Teacher Panel: Answer Student Submitted Questions	Chapel Chats
5/2	Live it. Tell People About It.	Mega-Kahoot Competition. Announce winner.
5/9	8th Gr Chapel. Milestone Speeches.	House Time

Eighth Grade - Crossover

The Eighth Grade graduation ceremony at CALMS is called Crossover. The name represents the tradition of crossing over from middle school to high school.

This is a wonderful celebration, commemorating the end of middle school. Some of the highlights of the evening include: the presentation of academic and spiritual life awards, speeches from 8th grade students, and PTO scholarships awarded to a male and female student who will attend CAL for high school.

Crossover will be held on Wednesday, May 22 at 6:00 p.m. in the schools auditorium (doors will open at 5:30). Each family will be given **four (4)** tickets for attendance.

Dress attire for students is their CAL uniform.

Ask your child about their house!

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- APPRECIATIVE Zahvalan
- LOVING Dashuri
- MINDFUL Mahara
- SERVANTS Servitas
- DREAMER Reveur



STUDENT Chromebook turn-in - UPDATE - PLEASE READ

Middle School Students will be turning in their school issued chromebooks to Technology on May 20th-22nd. Please ask your middle school student if they have any damage which may include, but is not limited to screen damage, keyboard damage, or case damage. **Students who have damage will need to bring the damaged chromebook and payment to Technology prior to May 20th.** The insurance deductible for repair costs is \$70.00.

Technology accepts the following forms of payment: Apple pay, credit cards and checks made to CAL.

OUR DEEP HOPE - helping our students grow in Wisdom, Stature, and Favor with God and Man- as Jesus did.

CALMS *Honors God* with... Giving to others

At CALMS, we are invested in modeling for our students the entire process of seeing a need, planning how to meet the need, and ACTIVELY seeing the plan come to completion. Therefore we challenged each student to raise \$30 to cover the price of meal packing. By raising the money themselves, and not just asking for money from a parent/family

member, the students were be able to take part in the whole process of being Jesus' hands



part in the whole process of being Jesus' hands and feet in our world. As a school, our students raised \$13,124 that will fully support our meal packing project. Because of our students and families, we are serving Christ with our hands and feet by serving others. We partnered with the Ocotillo Christian School in Honduras, through Lifeline ministries, and packed over 46,000 meals for them on March 28th and prayed over the meals before packing them into the truck!

THIS CLASSROOM TEACHER

WITH THE 3 LOVES.

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Counselors Corner - End of Year Events

- PTO Family Night at the Louisville Bats April 12, 2024 at 7:15 p.m.
- 8th Grade Washington D.C. Trip April 13-17, 2024
- Exploratory Forms for 2024-2025 Forms are due on April 15, 2024 Parents of current 6th and 7th grade students will receive an email and Google form on April 8, 2024.
- **ELA Enrichment Application for 2024-2025** Applications are due on April 19, 2024 Parents of current 6th grade students will receive an email regarding the application process for the ELA Enrichment Class.
- Yearbook Applications for 2024-2025 Applications are due on April 19, 2024 Applications for current 7th grade students interested in being in the yearbook class for next year will be available in the MS office after spring break.
- 8th Grade PTO Scholarship Applications Each year, the PTO sponsors two scholarships for 8th grade students who will be attending high school at CAL. The recipients will receive \$500 towards their freshman tuition at CAL. To be considered for this scholarship, students are asked to complete an essay on what CALMS meant to them, and how it will impact their lives. The deadline to complete this essay is Friday, May 10, 2024. Essays should be turned into Mrs. Patrick in the office, or emailed to mpatrick@caschools.us
- Last Day for 8th Grade Students May 21, 2024
- Crossover May 22, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. in the Auditorium
- Last Day for 6th and 7th Grade May 24, 2024
- End of the Year Awards May 24, 2024 (Parents will receive an email if their child is receiving an academic award).

If you have questions or need assistance, Mrs. Patrick (mpatrick@caschools.us) is the 6th grade Counselor and handles administrative and scheduling issues for all MS students. Mr. Barnett (tbarnett@caschools.us) is the 7th and 8th grade Counselor, Spiritual Life Coordinator, and House Chair.

CALMS Reminders...

Students are to follow <u>dress code on a daily basis</u> - If not in dress code each family must address the need so that the student may return to class.

When attending extra curricular events - it is expected that parents accompany and supervise their middle school student at <u>all times</u>.

Students are encouraged daily to put their $\underline{\text{Student ID}}$ in their locker at the end of the day.

The quickest way to reach the middle school receptionist is by emailing at $\underline{msreception@caschools.us}$

Many questions you have or resources you may need for middle school can be found $\underline{\mathsf{HERE}}$

The <u>start time</u> for middle school is 8:10 a.m. (warning bell rings at 8:05

Early Dismissals: If a student is to be picked up early from school – this must be before 2:30 p.m. or you will need to pick up your student in the carpool line. We also ask that you notify the middle school office by 1:00 pm.

Student Led Conference Survey Was your child prepared to lead this conference? 90.2% Parents responded yes

Do you feel this opened a door for you and your child to have future conversations about school and life? Academics 94%, Spiritual Growth 92%, Behavior 72%

Did your student's presentation offer you a window into their learning for the year? 96.1% Found this to be favorable

How could we improve Student Led Conferences for the future? We had many great responses from families to grow and improve for next year -THANKS!

