

Fall 2023 - October & November



CALMS NEWSLETTER

Welcome home CALMS family!

We are looking forward to continuing to bring together our CALMS community each day. Please take a few minutes to review our newsletter. Our newsletter contains helpful information, including important dates, Chapel News, and House Announcements. We believe a strong partnership with you will make a great difference in your child's education.

We share the responsibility for our children's success and want you to know that we will do our very best to carry out our responsibilities.

We ask that you pray for our families, students, and staff as we work together to grow in Christ this school year.

Important Dates **All Dates Subject to Change**

- 10/2-10/6 - Fall Break
- 10/9 - Quarter 2 Begins
- 10/11 - Picture Retake Day
- 10/16 - Grades 8-12 Band/Orchestra Concert, 6:30 p.m.
- 10/17 - Fall Open House, 6:00 p.m. **NO AFTER SCHOOL CARE**
- 10/19 - 6th Gd Band/Orchestra/Choir Concert, 6:00 p.m.
- 10/19 - 7th Gd Band/Orchestra/8th Gd Choir Concert, 7:30 p.m.
- 11/6-11/7 - No School for Students**
- 11/7 - Guest speaker for parents, 7:00 p.m.
- 11/9 - Veterans Day Chapel
- 11/14 - MS/HS Percussion Ensemble Concert, 6:30 p.m.
- 11/22-11/24 - Thanksgiving Break**

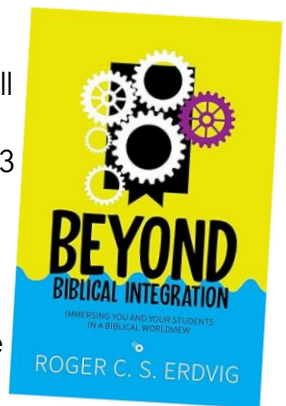
Chapel & House Information

In **Quarter 2**, we are introducing our new quarter focus about ***Distortions of the Truth***

Date	Chapel Topic	House
10/12	Lipscomb University Gospel Choir	House Family's Fall Break Chats
10/19	New Quarter Focus: Distortion of the Truth	House Competition
10/26	Distortion #1: The Outside Is What Counts	House Families Chapel Chats
11/2	Distortion #2: Bad Things Happen to Good People	House Time
11/9	V-Day Chapel (Jason Demming)	No House Time. Assembly

Guest Speaker for parents!

Beyond Biblical Integration author Roger C.S. Erdvig will be presenting to parents Tuesday November 7th, 2023 from 7:00-8:00 pm. in the English Station Auditorium.



Mr. Erdvig's focus supports teachers and parents, as we each are learning to go deeper with biblical integration.

This parent session, titled, "What is a Biblical Worldview and How Should it Affect my Parenting?" has been made available to support our families.

Please join us on this evening!

Ask your child about their house!

- **COURAGEOUS** - Fortem
- **APPRECIATIVE** - Zahvalan
- **LOVING** - Dashuri
- **MINDFUL** - Mahara
- **SERVANTS** - Servitas
- **DREAMER** - Reueur

Order your YEARBOOK now!

As students become more engaged with the CALMS family, take the opportunity to capture these moments in our CALMS Yearbook. Early Bird Special \$45 - 10/31/23 \$55 after 11/1/23.



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Chromebook expectations...

Please make sure to speak with your student concerning the responsibilities that come with their school issued device. Any damage which may include, but is not limited to screen damage, keyboard damage, or case damage will be the responsibility of each family. 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... Biblical Unity

We pursue Biblical Unity at CALMS, by striving to honor God in everything we do (spiritually, socially, academically, athletically, artistically, etc.).

We pursue Biblical Unity at CALMS, by welcoming Christian students from every racial and national background to be a CALMS student.

We pursue Biblical Unity by having weekly CALMS **We Unify** group gatherings, strategizing ways to display Christlike love toward everyone in our school.

Our CALMS **We Unify** group, has been talking about treating people like Jesus did - with love, empathy, grace, mercy, etc. We are developing practical ways to be the hands and feet of Jesus within our school so that we might build a community that is unified under Christ. In October, CALMS students have the opportunity to participate in a field trip to Berea, Kentucky, to visit historical sites to learn more about building unity in the body of Christ.



Counselors Corner

With the completion of the first quarter for the 2023-2024 school year, this is a great time to discuss with your child, his or her academic progress. For most students, the first quarter often deals with an adjustment period. This includes higher level classes, becoming familiar with a new schedule, and learning the expectations of their new teachers. The first quarter also includes the completion of the first of three MAP assessments for the year, parent night, and parent teacher conferences. Once first quarter grades have been posted, students can identify their accomplishments and challenges, as well as goals for the second quarter. Canvas is a great tool for parents to utilize to ensure they have an up to date picture of their child's progress. If you have questions or concerns about your child's progress, please contact Mrs. Patrick.

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.

ENGLISH STATION PTO:

Please be on the lookout for our next **Carpool Coffee Talk**. This is an opportunity to create a stronger partnership between CAL and our parents to impart a desire for a biblical worldview in our children.

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Want Something to Remember?

Buy an 8th Grade Ad To Be Featured In Our Yearbook!

1. Scan The QR Code or visit yearbookforever.com
2. Submit a picture of your 8th grader as a baby or toddler.
3. Submit a note to your 8th grader that you would like to be in the yearbook.
4. Pay your ad space fees and buy a yearbook at the early bird discount!

Student's Name
Message of your choice
Who it's from

CALMS Reminders...

- Students are to follow dress code on a daily basis - 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 all times.
- Students are encouraged daily to put their Student ID in their locker at the end of the day.
- The quickest way to reach the middle school receptionist is by emailing at msreception@caschools.us
- Many questions you have or resources you may need for middle school can be found [HERE](#)
- The start time for middle school is 8:10 a.m. (warning bell rings at 8:05 a.m.).
- 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.