

2026 - April & May

CALMS NEWSLETTER



CAL-A-THON
2026

Together We're Totally Awesome

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In life, we often compare our challenges to running a marathon, mile after mile we push forward. In a marathon, runners desire to "Finish Strong". At CALMS, we also have that same enthusiasm as we prepare to close the 25-26 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**

- 4/2/26 -Meal Packing- LifeLine Christian Mission for Honduras
- 4/3/26 - Good Friday - School Closed
- 4 /6 -4/10/26 - Spring Break -School Closed
- 4/15/26 - CAL-A-THON begins! (ends **4/25/26** - Family Fun Night)
- 4/18 - 4/22/26 - 8th Grade Trip to DC
- 4/23/26 - 7:30 am - FCA Meeting in auditorium
- 4/24/26 - Shrek, The Musical Jr.- 6pm Fri., 2 pm & 6:30 pm Sat. 4/25
- 4/28/26 - 6:30 pm -Jazz Band and Show Choir Concert
- 4/30/26 - PTO Luncheon to bless Middle School teachers and staff
- 4/30/26 - 6:30 pm - Percussion and Ensemble Concert
- 5/1/26 - Recess Day - School Closed
- 5/4/26 - MAP Testing begins - ends May 22nd
- 5/7/26 - 6:00 pm - Middle School Choir Concert
- 5/12/26 - 6:30 pm - MS and HS Bands Concert
- 5/14/26 - 6:00 pm - 5th and MS Orchestra Concert
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- 5/25/26 - Memorial Day - School Closed
- 5/26/26 - Last Day for 8th Grade Students
- 5/27/26 - 8th Grade Crossover Ceremony - 10 am - Blue Gym
- 5/28/26 - Last Day for 6th & 7th Grade Students

Chapel & House Information

In **Quarter 4**, we are focusing on our semester theme of *Everyday Worship*.

Date	Chapel Topic	House
4/2	Who Do I Worship?	None - Meal Packing
4/16	Worshipping God at Church	Independent House Time
4/23	Worshipping God in Devotions	Power Hour
4/30	Worship Service	Independent House Time
5/7	Bible Teacher Panel	House Competition
5/14	8th Grade Milestone Speeches	Celebration of 8th graders
5/21	No Chapel	Celebration of 8th grade leaders

Eighth Grade - Crossover Wednesday, May 27 at 10:00 a.m.

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 morning include: the presentation of academic and character awards, speeches from 8th grade students, and PTO scholarships awarded to two students who will attend CAL for High School.

Crossover will be held on Wednesday, May 27 at 10:00 a.m. in the Blue Gym. Doors open at 9:00 a.m.

To ensure parents do not miss the start of the program, we recommend arriving early to allow time for signing in at the front entrance and making your way to the Blue Gym. **The ceremony will begin promptly at 10:00 a.m. Guests will need to have identification to check in.**

After the ceremony concludes, we kindly ask that both students and parents exit the building in a timely manner. This will help facilitate a smooth transition and accommodate class changes for our 6th and 7th grade students. **A reminder regarding the dress code:** students are expected to wear church attire, not formal wear. School uniforms are also acceptable.

BUY YOUR YEARBOOK TODAY!
\$55

As students become more engaged with the CALMS family, take the opportunity to capture these moments in our CALMS Yearbook.

There is still time to order your Middle School Yearbook. Scan the QR Code:
Or click here: [MS Yearbook](#)

STUDENT Chromebook turn-in – UPDATE – PLEASE READ

Middle School Students will be turning in their school issued Chromebooks to Technology according the following schedule: 8th Grade - Thursday, May 21st and Friday, May 22nd, 6th Grade - Tuesday, May 26th and 7th Grade – Wednesday, May 27th. 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 15. The insurance deductible for repair costs is \$70 - \$240, based on damage.

Technology accepts the following forms of payment: Apple pay, credit cards and checks made out 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 able to take part in the whole process of being Jesus' hands and feet in our world. As a school, our students raised

OVER **\$13,500** that will fully support our meal packing project - **PLUS extra!** Because of our students and families, we are serving Christ with our hands and feet by serving others. We are partnered with the Ocotillo Christian School in Honduras, through Lifeline ministries. On April 2nd we will be packing over **45,000** meals for those in need. After packing, we will gather and pray over the meals before loading them into the truck!



Counselors Corner - Important Dates

- **7th and 8th Grade ELA Accelerated Program Applications Due** - March 20, 2026
This program is for current 6th and 7th grade students that would like to be considered for the accelerated pacing in their ELA programming for the 2026-2027 school year. Current 6th and 7th grade students will be given applications in their ELA class. Current 7th graders in the Accelerated ELA class WILL need to re-apply to continue in the Accelerated programming for 8th grade.
- **Yearbook Applications Due** - April 1, 2026
Yearbook is an 8th grade exploratory class. Current 7th grade students received applications in their ELA class.
- **Rising 7th and 8th grade Exploratory Forms Due** - April 14, 2026
Parents will receive an email on March 30 with a Google form to rank student preferences for exploratory classes for the 2026-2027 school year. Please complete this form no later than April 14th. The sooner it is completed, the more likely your student will be placed in their most preferred exploratory classes for the upcoming school year.
- **8th Grade Washington D.C. Trip** - April 18-22, 2026
- **8th Grade PTO Scholarship Applications Due**
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 freshmen tuition at CAL. To be considered for this scholarship, students are asked to complete an essay on what CALMS means to them, and how it will impact their lives. The deadline to complete this essay is Friday, May 9. Essays should be turned into Mrs. Agee in the office, or emailed to magee@caschools.us.
- **Last Day for 8th Grade Students** - May 26, 2026
- **8th Grade Crossover** - May 27, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. - *Students will be dismissed with their parents at the conclusion of the event.*
- **Last Day for 6th and 7th Grade Students** - May 28, 2026
- **End of the Year 6th & 7th Grade Awards** - May 28, 2026
Parents will receive an email if their child is receiving an academic award.

Please do not hesitate to contact us with questions or concerns:

Mrs. Agee (magee@caschools.us) or Mrs. Ahner (ahner@caschools.us)

FROM THE ENGLISH STATION PTO:

Don't Forget to purchase your 2025-2026 Coupon Books!

To purchase Here is the link for coupon book purchases:

[Click Here](#)

Enjoy \$60 in Kroger Coupons for only \$20, plus so many other great local restaurants and activities! **Enroll in Kroger Rewards Today!** Help earn money for our school by shopping for your groceries! It's easy! One time enrollment.

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 at msreception@caschools.us by 1:00 pm.

