



BACK-TO-SCHOOL 2026-2027

Christian Academy of Indiana Elementary

Welcome to the 2026-2027 school year! School begins on August 12, at 8 a.m.



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Back-to-School Orientations

You and your child are invited to meet his/her teacher:

"K-DAY" Monday, August 10, 2026

Kindergarten ONLY



- 1:00-1:30 p.m. Group A in Classrooms
- 1:40-2:10 p.m. Group A Assembly in Auditorium
- 2:20-2:50 p.m. Group B in Classrooms
- 3:00-3:30 p.m. Group B Assembly in Auditorium

****Note:** Groups will be shared with teacher assignment on August 7.

1st-4th Grade "Meet the Teacher" Tuesday, August 11, 2026



- 8:30-10:00 a.m. - Last name begins with A - K
- 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. - Last name begins with L-Z
- 1:30-3:00 p.m. - Make-Up Time for those not available during designated time.

School Supply List

BACK-TO-SCHOOL REGISTRATION REQUIRED TO BE COMPLETED PRIOR TO JULY 29

Please promptly complete and electronically submit the required forms numbered **1, 2, 3, 4 and 5** listed below. Please print and complete the School Policy Commitment Form (**number 6**) and return on Orientation Day. Finally, upload the Chirp Release and Immunization Certificate (**number 7 and 8**) via Magnus Health. Your child will not receive a class assignment or may not be able to start school without the proper documentation on file which includes immunizations (see below).

[FACTS Family Portal Required Web Forms](#) to be completed prior to July 29, 2026

1. 2026-27 Technology Use Policy
2. 2026-27 Custodial Parent Demographic
3. 2026-27 Student Demographic
4. 2026-27 Student Medical Information (JA-12) NEW IN Magnus Health {FACTS Family Portal} Click [HERE](#) to learn how to complete these forms.
5. 2026-27 CAI After Care (Before Care will not be offered)



Required Forms

6. [2026-27 School Policy Commitment Form](#) (Please print the last page of the elementary handbook in FACTS Family Portal under Resource Documents, sign and bring the hard copy on K-Day, August 10/Meet the Teacher Day, August 11.)
7. [Chirp](#) (New Students Only) - Upload the completed form into Magnus Health.
8. ****Please upload a copy of your child's current immunization certificate into Magnus Health if you do not already have one on file.** Click [HERE](#) for information about Magnus Health.

Requested FACTS Family Portal Web Form

- ☐ 2026-27 Grandparent Information
This is helpful to email Grandparents' Day Information directly to Grandparents.

Optional FACTS Family Portal Web Forms

- ☐ 2026-27 CAI Piano Registration (grades 2-12)
- ☐ 2026-27 Kentucky to CAI K-12 Bus Registration - Please fill out for daily or occasional bus riders.
- ☐ 2026-27 CAI Southern Indiana K-12 Bus Registration - Please fill out for daily or occasional bus riders.
- ☐ 2026-27 CAI (Fall, Winter, Spring) Sports Registrations

Daily Information

Morning Arrival

- All elementary students will be dropped off at the front entrance (door 1).
- Elementary carline will begin at 7:30 a.m. Before Care **will not be offered** for the 2026-2027 school year.
- The tardy bell will be at 8 a.m. Students should be in their classroom before 8 a.m.
- Parents will be allowed to enter the building only if they have a meeting.



Afternoon Dismissal

- When picking your student up for early dismissal due to an appointment, etc., students must be picked up by 2:15 p.m. Please email your student's teacher as well as the Elementary Receptionist at inelreception@caschools.us.
- Driveline dismissal will begin at 2:35 p.m.
- New Car Tags will be distributed at K-Day/Meet the Teacher Day, August 10th/11th.
- Parents will not be allowed to walk up to dismissal locations or come inside to pick up their students until after Driveline is over at 3 p.m.
- Students not picked up in the carline will go to the cafeteria for After-school Care.*
- All **kindergarten** students will be dismissed at 12 p.m. on the first week of school, August 12-14. After-school care* **will not be available** for kindergarten during the first week of school. Kindergarten lunch **will be available** on these days.

(Carline maps will be available prior to the start of school with more specifics. Please plan for heavy traffic and expect delays. The systems will work and will improve.)

Handbook

- Please read the Indiana Elementary handbook in FACTS Family Portal under Resource Documents. After reading the handbook, print, sign and return the [School Policy Commitment Form](#) (last page). Important points to note:
 - Attendance
 - [Dress Code/Uniforms](#)
 - Treats/Snacks
 - Parties/Invitations
 - Electronic Devices (No smart watches or phones)

Visitors/Volunteers

- All visitors must enter through door 1 at the elementary main entrance and check-in at the front desk. The first check-in of the school year requires a driver's license or similar valid ID.
- No visitors will be allowed past the front desks during the school day unless permitted by a previously scheduled appointment.
- Cafeteria Volunteers - Volunteers are in the cafeteria from 10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. This is a great time to see your child and classmates socialize and help students open lunch items, clean spills or serve condiments. If interested, email Olivia Kahl at okahl@caschools.us.
- Media Center Volunteers - Volunteers help our media center with book check-out, cataloging and shelving of returned books and other media center needs. If interested, email our elementary librarian, Brianna Johnston, at bjohnston@caschools.us.
- Classroom Volunteers - We love classroom volunteers! Email your child's teacher about volunteer opportunities such as mystery reader, classroom helper and material/resource support.
- Lunch Visitors - Visitors must be listed in FACTS as emergency contacts or pick-up persons. [Lunch Visitor Sign Up](#) There are designated tables for you to have lunch with your child.
- WATCH D.O.G.S. - Watch D.O.G.S., a K-12 program, invites fathers, grandfathers, uncles or other father figures to volunteer at least one day at their child's/student's school during the school year. If you want to learn more about the Watch D.O.G.S. program, you can visit the website and watch the video [here](#). We will perform the background check prior to your serve date and verify your ID upon arrival the day you come. If you are interested in being a Watch DOG, please fill out the Watch D.O.G.S. application [here](#).



Chapel

- Elementary chapels will be on Wednesday mornings. However, we will not have chapel on the first day of school, August 12. Our first chapel will be Wednesday, August 19.
 - 3rd-4th grade chapel will be at 8:15 a.m.
 - K-2nd grade chapel will be at 9 a.m.
- Parents are welcome to attend chapel services. [Chapel Visitor Sign Up](#) Please check-in at the front desk when you arrive. Due to limited spacing, visitors will sit in the back of the auditorium. You are welcome to have your child sit with you if they are not presenting during the chapel service.



Building Safety and Security

- Christian Academy School System has a task force team that monitors the security of campuses. All of our employees go through quality training for emergency response and other crisis intervention practices. We view the safety of our students and employees as everyone's responsibility so that all employees are empowered to respond in an emergency situation.
- The exterior doors of the building are locked at all times and visitors are only admitted at the elementary, middle and high school entrances.
- All visitors are verified and checked in with our Visitor Management School Security System.



Thank you for partnering with us to develop students with a heart for God. All for His glory!