

**CALHOUN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL
COUGAR CONNECTION**

January 17, 2025

MISSION STATEMENT

Calhoun Christian School provides academic excellence while upholding God's truth and challenging children to serve.

VISION STATEMENT

Calhoun Christian School will be the benchmark of excellence in Christ-centered education.

FALL FUND DRIVE

Because of generous donors like you we have already raised a little over \$13,000 so we can continue to provide our students with a safe, warm facility, salaries for our staff, supplies for our classroom, and so much more! Join the movement and help us reach our goal to raise \$40,000 . Donate now! There are three ways to give online at <https://secure.myvanco.com/L-ZJP9>, in person at the school office, or mail to 20 Woodrow Ave. S. Battle Creek, MI 49015

JOB OPENINGS

- Calhoun Christian Preschool is seeking to fill a full-time teacher assistant position in our four-year-old classroom from 7:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Candidate must meet minimal requirements that the Preschool Director will assist with completing upon hire. Please send resume and references to the Preschool Director at Melissa.pidcock@calhounchristian.org.
- Calhoun Christian School is seeking to fill a Director's position in our After-school program from 2:30-6:00 p.m. Candidates must meet minimum State of Michigan Childcare Licensing qualifications. Please send resume and references to the Preschool Director at Melissa.pidcock@calhounchristian.org.
- Substitute teachers – We are always in need of substitute teachers. If you or someone you know is interested, please submit your cover letter and resume to Jeralyn.Belote@calhounchristian.org.
- Para-professional for Middle School. If you are interested in this opportunity, please send your cover letter and resume to erin.gutowski@calhounchristian.org

FEBRUARY LUNCH ORDERS DUE JANUARY 19

Order hot lunch for February by January 19! Log into the [FACTS Family Portal](#), click on **Student**, then **Lunch**, then **Create Web Order** to submit your order. If you want to help serve lunch, sign up for a slot on our [Sign Up Genius](#), as we are always in need of lunch volunteers.

TUITION AND FEES FOR 2025-2026

Our Board of Directors approved the tuition and fee rates for 2025-2026. See attached letter for more details. Reenrollment will run through the month of March.

JEANS DAY

In support of [Charitable Union](#) students may wear jeans instead of chapel wear on January 21 for preschool and elementary and January 22 for Middle School and High School. Please turn in money to your homeroom teacher. All jeans must be dress code compliant.

LEGO/ROBOTICS NEWS

LEGO CLUB for grades 1-3 will be meeting once a month until the end of the school year. Robotics – grades 4-6 will meet in the library.

Here are the dates:

- February 11
- March 11
- April 15
- May 13

Save those cans/bottles to recycle! Mr. Rome will bring his trailer to the back parking lot on February 12. You can drop off cans before and after school. If you are willing to help, we are retuning the cans at the Meijer on Columbia after school that day.

HOMECOMING WEEK February 3-8 2025

Spirit Week:

Monday – Lazy Day

Tuesday – Cowboys vs. Aliens

Wednesday – Movie Day [Class]

Thursday – Celebrity vs Paparazzi

Friday – Spirit Day

Homecoming games are scheduled for February 7 against Will Carleton. Come support the teams!

Start times for the HOCO games are as follows:

- JV Boys – 4:30 pm vs Will Carleton
- Varsity Girls – 6:00 pm vs Will Carleton
- Varsity Boys – 7:30 pm vs Will Carleton

HOCO Court and crowning of the 2025 King and Queen will take place after the last game.

Tickets for the HOCO dance on February 8 are on sale in the office. Cost is \$35 a person. Time is 5:30-9:00 pm. Be sure to sign up ASAP! The theme is “The Golden Age – Welcome to Old Hollywood”.

"He has made everything beautiful in its time. He has also set eternity in the hearts of men; yet they cannot fathom what God has done from beginning to end" Ecclesiastes 3:11



DADDY DAUGHTER DANCE

Join us on February 22 from 6:00-7:30pm in the school cafeteria for the annual Daddy Daughter Dance! Tickets are on sale in the office. **Sign up by Tuesday, February 18.** The cost is \$30. The ticket covers entry to the event, dessert and snacks, DJ and dancing, nail art and a craft. Come join us for a fun night!

KIDS HEART CHALLENGE – American Heart Association

Check out this [video](#) to see how you can get involved. Students will learn more information on how to get involved in their gym classes. Find out how to register for the KIDS HEART CHALLENGE [here](#).

NEED VOLUNTEER HOURS?

If you are looking for ways to fulfill the required twenty service hours, check out the links below to sign up. Be sure to log all your service hours before the last day of school using FACTS Family Portal.
Serve Lunch: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050449A8AD23A6F49-lunch1>
Popcorn and Pickle Friday: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050449A8AD23A6F49-50168299-popcorn>

COUGAR SPORTS

Check out the sports/games coming up. Show up with your COUGAR SPIRIT to cheer on our students.

Also- WE NEED YOU! If you are able to help with ticket sales or concessions please contact Don Hughes at don.hughes@calhounchristian.org

Basketball sign up genius for all home games can be found [here](#). Please sign up and support our Cougars Sports program.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

02/3-7: Spirit Week

02/13-17: NO SCHOOL Mid-Winter Break

03/04: MS Parent Meeting 6:30 pm
03/04-6: Mid Quarter Parent Teacher Conferences
03/14: End of 3rd Quarter – ½ day; Early dismissal at 11:30 am
03/15: Annual Spring Fundraiser
03/31-04/04: Spring Break – NO SCHOOL
04/07: School resumes
04/09: PSAT & SAT Testing for 9th-11th
04/09: NO SCHOOL FOR SENIORS ONLY
04/10: Work Keys testing – 11th grade
04/17: Follies
04/18: Good Friday – NO SCHOOL
04/26: Senior Banquet
05/04-10: 9th – 12th grade Mission Trips
05/12: Awards Night 4:00 pm
05/14: Seniors report from Mission Trip
05/16 Last day on site for Seniors
05/21-22: MS Finals – 11:30 am dismissal for MS ONLY
05/22: Commencement
05/23: MS Finals – 11:30 am dismissal for ALL
05/26: MEMORIAL DAY – NO SCHOOL
05/27-30: MS End of Year Trip
05/28-30: HS Finals – 11:30 am dismissal for HS ONLY
05/28: Field Day
05/30: LAST DAY OF SCHOOL – 11:30 am dismissal for ALL
05/30: End of 4th Quarter

SPORTS CALENDAR

01/17: JV Boys Basketball @ St Phil 4:30 pm
01/17: Varsity Girls Basketball @ St Phil 6 pm
01/17: Varsity Boys Basketball @ St Phil 7:30 pm
01/20: JV Boys Boys Basketball vs Tekonsha 6 pm
01/20: Varsity Boys Basketball vs Tekonsha 7:30 pm
01/21: JV Boys Basketball @ Bellevue 4:30 pm
01/21: Varsity Girls Basketball @ Bellevue 6 pm
01/21: Varsity Boys Basketball @ Bellevue 7:30 pm
01/22: MS Girls Basketball vs Mar-Lee 5 pm
01/23: MS Girls Basketball vs Kalamazoo Cougars 5 pm
01/27: Varsity Boys Basketball @ Climax 6:30 pm
01/28: JV Boys Basketball vs Jackson Christian 4:30 pm
01/28: MS Girls Basketball @ Marshall Academy 5 pm
01/28: Varsity Girls Basketball vs Jackson Christian 6 pm
01/28: Varsity Boys Basketball vs Jackson Christian 7:30 pm
01/29: MS Girls Basketball @ Mar-Lee 5 pm
01/30: MS Girls Basketball vs Barry County Christian 5 pm
01/31: Varsity Boys Basketball vs Marshall Academy 7:30 pm
02/03: MS Girls Volleyball vs Marshall Academy 5 pm

02/04: JV Boys Basketball @ Delton Kellogg 4:30 pm
02/04: Varsity Girls Basketball @ Delton Kellogg 5:30 pm
02/04: Varsity Boys Basketball @ Delton Kellogg 7 pm
02/07: HOCO JV Boys Basketball vs Will Carleton 4:30 pm
02/07: HOCO Varsity Girls Basketball vs Will Carleton 6 pm
02/07: HOCO Varsity Boys Basketball vs Will Carleton 7:30 pm