

**CALHOUN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL**  
**COUGAR CONNECTION**  
February 12, 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.

**NO SCHOOL – Winter Break February 13-February 17. School will resume on Tuesday February 18. Enjoy your break!**

**LOST AND FOUND**

We will be donating another round of lost and found items to a local charity soon. Please check for any items that may belong to your student. We also have a couple of crock pots that have been left in the kitchen from previous events. If you are missing one, please stop by the office to pick it up. See the below photo.



**AUCTION DONATIONS**

The auction is coming up quickly on **Saturday, March 15**. Save the date and make plans to attend! It is a fun night for our school community. Ticket sales will begin soon. Currently, the auction committee is collecting donations for our live and silent auctions. This is a huge part of the auction and we are asking each family to please provide at least one item to our event. Parents, families, local community businesses and friends provide some of the best and most creative donations to the auction. Donations could include gift certificates, themed baskets, tickets to events, or even a trip! You do not have to purchase these items for donation. We ask that you ask your family, friends & fellow business owners to help our school with a donation, all which are tax deductible. Donation forms, along with request letters, are available in the school's main office. All donations are due to the main office on or before **February 26**.

**FALL FUND DRIVE**

We are still looking for donations for this very important fundraiser. ANY AMOUNT given will be DOUBLED. Join the movement and help us reach our goal to raise \$40,000. 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:erin.gutowski@calhounchristian.org)

## **REENROLLMENT, 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 from March 3 - 28. More details to come!

## **MARCH LUNCH ORDERS DUE FEBRUARY 19**

Order hot lunch for March by February 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.

## **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!

## **RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE**

Make your appointment today to donate blood on February 25, 2025 1:00 pm – 6:15 pm. Visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) and enter sponsor code CalhounChristian, or call 1-800-RED-CROSS [1-800-733-2767].

## **KIDS HEART CHALLENGE – American Heart Association**

We are half-way through our Kids Heart Challenge Adventure and if you haven't already, the time is now to join the celebration! CLICK [HERE](#) or visit [heart.org/schools](http://heart.org/schools) to sign up! Once you are signed up, become a LIFESAVER and help your student complete [Finn's Mission](#). In doing so, you and your

family will learn Hands-Only CPR, warning signs of a stroke, and earn your very own Finn's Lifesaver award!

### **HOT DOG LUNCH**

Plan to purchase a hot dog lunch on March 20! Meals include an ALL BEEF hot dog, bag of chips, drink and dessert! WHAT A DEAL!!! Cost is \$7. Order form is attached. Orders are due Friday, March 14. All proceeds will go towards Student Council projects and school spirit events.

### **NEED VOLUNTEER HOURS?**

If you are looking for ways to fulfill the required twenty service hours, check out the links below to sign up. **All service hours should be served and logged by May 30, 2025 or you will receive a bill for any hours unserved.** Be sure to log all your service hours before the last day of school using FACTS Family Portal.

[Sign up to Serve Lunch](#)

[Sign up for Popcorn and Pickle Friday](#)

[Sign up for Home Game Sports](#)

### **COUGAR SPORTS**

We are currently looking for a Middle School Girl's Soccer Coach for this spring. If you are interested in more information please contact [don.hughes@calhounchristian.org](mailto:don.hughes@calhounchristian.org)

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](mailto: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.5

### **SCHOOL CALENDAR**

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

02/22: Daddy Daughter Dance 6 pm

02/24: Board Meeting 6:30 pm

02/25: American Red Cross Blood Drive

03/04: MS Parent Meeting 6:30 pm

03/04-6: Mid Quarter Parent Teacher Conferences

03/14: End of 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>

04/09: NO SCHOOL FOR SENIORS ONLY

04/10: Work Keys testing – 11<sup>th</sup> grade

04/12: Mother/Son event

04/17: Follies 6 pm

04/18: Good Friday – NO SCHOOL  
04/26: Senior Banquet  
05/04-10: 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> 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 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter

#### **SPORTS CALENDAR**

02/14: MS Girls Basketball @ New Covenant Hope 5 pm  
02/14: JV Boys Basketball @ Litchfield 6 pm  
02/14: Varsity Girls Basketball @ Factoryville 6 pm  
02/14: Varsity Boys Basketball @ Factoryville 7:30 pm  
02/17: MS Girls Basketball vs KZOO Cougars 4:30 pm  
02/18/: JV Boys Basketball vs Mendon 6 pm  
02/18: Varsity Girls Basketball @ Mendon 6 pm  
02/18: Varsity Boys Basketball vs Mendon 7:30 pm  
02/20: MS Girls Basketball @ Barry County Christian 5 pm  
02/21: Varsity Girls Basketball vs Factoryville 6 pm  
02/21: Varsity Boys Basketball vs Factoryville 7:30 pm