# CALHOUN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL COUGAR CONNECTION

December 13, 2024

#### **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.

## **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.

#### **NEW STAFF**

It is our pleasure to announce that Mr. Kevin Bennett has agreed to be our chaplain for the remainder of this school year. Mr. Bennet has been in full time ministry for 25 years, serving as a children's pastor, youth pastor, and senior pastor. His wife, Mrs. Rhea Bennett keeps our school running smoothly as the office manager. He has had two sons who graduated from CCS and his youngest son is a current Sophomore. We are so excited to welcome him to our staff and grateful for his willingness to serve as one of spiritual leaders.

## **CCS WINTER SPIRIT WEAR**

The <u>CCS Spirit Wear Store</u> is open NOW! The store closes on Sunday, January 5, 2025 at 11:59 pm EST. GET YOUR COUGAR GEAR TODAY!

# **JUNIOR SNACK CART**

The junior snack cart will be open daily during lunch. High School students may purchase from the resource room. Middle School students may purchase from the cafeteria. Students can prepay and have a credit for their account. Sorry, no pay later deals or I.O.U.s

#### **RAISERIGHT**

Special! Get a \$10 gift card as a thank you for your first time of ordering E-gift cards in your RaiseRight app and paying with your bank account. Download the app and enter the enrollment code to join: E6F5E98E4442. Come to the office to claim your gift! See the attached flier for more information.

#### **TEACHER'S HOLIDAY GIFT GUIDE**

The Christmas countdown is on! The PIT Crew has compiled a list of all the staff's favorite things. Check it out to see favorite stores, coffee drinks, and treats of all our hard-working staff. We hope this will help you with your Christmas shopping. We have attached the PDF. For your convenience, the office stocks our RaiseRight book with a lot of great options. Stop by and shop!

## **JANUARY LUNCH ORDERS DUE DECEMBER 18**

Order hot lunch for January by December 18! Log into the <u>FACTS Family Portal</u>, 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 <u>Sign Up Genius</u>! We are always looking for volunteers. If you can come from 10:15-11:00 or 11:15-11:45 even, that is great - just let <u>Michelle Wilson</u> know.

#### **LEGO/ROBOTICS NEWS**

## **BREAKFAST WITH ST. NICK - Robotics Fundraiser Dec 14**

The Lego and Robotics Clubs are hosting a Pancake Breakfast with St. Nick on Saturday, December 14 from 8-11am. It is open to the public, so spread the word and come with your family! For a donation, you can enjoy pancakes, sausage, coffee, baked goods, and meet St. Nick. Come celebrate Christmas a tad bit early with some yummy breakfast and treats, and help out our robotics teams!

LEGO CLUB for grades 1-3 will resume on Tuesday, January 14, 2025.

#### **RAVIOLI DRIVE**

The tenth grade class is organizing a collection for CANNED RAVIOLI. Please bring as many cans as you would like to your student's homeroom by December 18. Canned ravioli will be given to the Love Thy Neighbor organization to pass out to school aged children who may need food over the weekend.



#### **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: <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050449A8AD23A6F49-50168299-">https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050449A8AD23A6F49-50168299-</a>

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## **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 <a href="mailto:don.hughes@calhounchristian.org">don.hughes@calhounchristian.org</a>

Basketball sign up genius for all home games can be found <u>here</u>. Please sign up and support our Cougars Sports program.

**Girls On The Run Coaches Needed!** Be the difference in a girl's life by becoming a Girls on the Run coach! No running experience is required—just a passion for mentoring and supporting young girls as they grow in confidence, strength, and character.

As a coach, you'll guide a team through fun, dynamic lessons while helping them achieve their personal goals. Crossing the finish line of a 5K is just the beginning!

If you are interested in learning more about being a part of this amazing program for girls in 3rd-5th grade, send an email to melanie.doubleday@calhounchristian.org

# THEATRE OPPORTUNITY

See the PDF attached information for 2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> graders for a fun theatre opportunity.

#### SCHOOL CALENDAR

12/14: Breakfast with St Nick – Robotic Fundraiser

12/16-12/18: MS & HS finals – 11:30 am dismissal [MS and HS only]

12/19: Community Service – High School

12/20: Half Day – 11:30 am dismissal for ALL

12/20: END OF 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter

12/23-01/05: Christmas Break

01/06: School resumes

#### **SPORTS CALENDAR**

12/13: Varsity Girls Basketball vs Climax 6 pm

12/16: MS Boys Basketball @ MarLee 5 pm

12/17: JV Boys Basketball vs Maple Valley 4:30 pm

12/17: Varsity Girls Basketball vs Maple Valley 6 pm

12/17: Varsity Boys Basketball vs Maple Valley 7:30 pm

12/19: JV Boys Basketball @ Will Carelton 4:30 pm

12/19: MS Boys Basketball @ Barry County 5 pm

12/19: Varsity Girls Basketball @ Will Carelton 6 pm

- 12/19: Varsity Boys Basketball @ Will Carelton 7:30 pm
- 12/20: JV Boys Basketball @ Zion Christian 4:30 pm
- 12/20: MS Boys Basketball vs New Covenant Hope-Holt 5 pm
- 12/20: Varsity Boys Basketball @ Zion Christian 7:30 pm
- 12/27: Varsity Boys Basketball @ Bangor Christmas Classic New Buffalo 2 pm
- 01/03: Varsity Girls Basketball @ Bangor Christmas Classic New Buffalo 2 pm