

CALHOUN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

COUGAR CONNECTION

September 29, 2023

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.

CHAPEL WEAR STORE OPEN AGAIN!

If you need chapel wear, Jack Pearls has opened the [store](#) one more time for this school year. It is open until 11:59 pm, October 1, 2023. Be sure to order. Once it is closed, it will not reopen again until next school year.

NEWSIES PRODUCTION

CCS has theatre! For the first time in many years, CCS is putting on a theatre production. We are partnering with What-A-Do and so excited about all the possibilities. Please plan to come and see our production of the NEWSIES on Oct. 6 at 7 pm or Oct. 7 and 3 pm. You can buy tickets with cash at the door or online at <https://whatadotheatre.ludus.com/index.php>.

MICROSOFT 365 CHAT FEATURE

We wanted to let parents know that we have chosen to limit accessibility to the chat feature in Microsoft 365 to staff members only. Many students over the years have demonstrated that they are not quite ready for the freedom and responsibility that comes along having such easy access and communication with their fellow students. It is very difficult for us to monitor all activity on the chat feature and have determined that the benefits are far outweighed by the risks of students have access through the school. Teams and email are still available.

ELEMENTARY PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Please use the link below to sign up for elementary parent teacher conferences. Conferences will be Monday and Tuesday, October 9-10 with times available from 3:20-6:40. Conferences will be 15 minutes in length. If you need a longer time, please arrange for another conference with your child's teacher.

Please go to Sign Up Genius to schedule your appointment:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050449A8AD23A6F49-44455579-elementary>

HIGH SCHOOL PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Please sign up [here](#) for high school parent teacher conference. These conferences will be held October 9th - 11th.

LEGO CLUB

There will be no 1-3 Lego club on Tues October 10 due to Parent / Teacher conferences. Club will resume Tuesday October 17.

CHRISTMAS AROUND THE WORLD

Christmas Outreach December 8

We are having a planning meeting on Tuesday October 17 at 3:30 pm. If you are interested in volunteering, please come to the meeting OR arrange a time to chat with Mrs Elkhart or Mrs..Rome.

What we need:

We need families to help by hosting a room or area. We are hoping to have as many different countries and cultures represented as possible. Hosts and hostess would need to help research and organize others who are willing to help. We need decor from other countries including large flags. We need authentic clothing and music and ideas for refreshments.

BOX TOPS

Wanna help the school get new stuff for the kids? Download the Box Top [app](#), select Calhoun Christian School, scan your receipts. It is that easy! You may also bring your receipts into the office. All **receipts** [not physical box tops] must be scanned within 14 days to earn credit. Thanks in advance!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Lunch Program: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050449A8AD23A6F49-lunch1>

Popcorn and Pickle Friday's: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050449A8AD23A6F49-popcorn3>

*******St Joe volunteers**- we co-op with St Joe on several sports such as cross country, MS football and baseball. We would love to have a good representation from CCS parents at the games to volunteer. Please contact Katy Arnson at St. Joe Middle School at 269-963-4935 or email karnson@bcacs.org *****

LAKEVIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL MASQUE WINTER MUSICAL

Calling all third through eighth grade! We have been invited to participate in Lakeview Middle School's winter musical. The info you need can be found [here](#).

ROBOTICS CLUB

Michigan is known for its beautiful lakes and large sandy dunes. Beach glass is created when turbulent waves combine with coarse sand to create a natural rock tumbling effect. The resulting product is a mixture of wonderfully polished glass, soft stones, and colorful shells - all items we will be utilizing to create an eye-catching beach glass wall hanging that is the perfect addition to any Michigander's home. Fifty-five dollars includes step by step instruction, frame, beach glass, and all other necessary materials. Choose from over 20 designs! A portion of all proceeds will be donated to the Calhoun Christian High School Robotics team. Finished products measure 15 by 12 inches. Concessions will be available at the venue. Let's get the creative juices flowing!

Plan to join us and bring a friend, **Monday, October 23 from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm.**

This event will be hosted and instructed by Vinny, aka 'The Richard Simmons of The Crafting World'. He is sure to keep things humorous and entertaining!

Seats will fill fast! Advance registration required. To register [click here](#).

SCHOOL CALENDAR

10/09-11: Evening Mid Quarter PT Conferences

10/10: Middle School Parent Meeting

10/12: Teacher PD: NO SCHOOL

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10/20: End of 1st Quarter
10/27: School Picture Retakes
11/22 Grandparent's Day; Early dismissal 11:30 am
11/23-24: Thanksgiving Break
12/08: Christmas Around the World
12/08: Early dismissal 11:30 am
12/18-12/20: FINALS Early dismissal 11:30 am for MS & HS
12/22: End of 2nd Quarter; Early dismissal 11:30 am for ALL
12/25-01/07: CHRISTMAS BREAK
01/08: SCHOOL RESUMES

SPORTS CALENDAR

09/30: Varsity Cross Country @ Otsego 8 am
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09/30: Varsity Boy's Soccer @ Jackson Christian 7 pm
10/03: Middle School Girl's Volleyball @ Factoryville 4:30 pm
10/03: Varsity Boy's Soccer @ Factoryville 5 pm
10/03: Varsity Girl's Volleyball @ Factoryville 6 pm
10/04: Middle School Cross Country @ Hillsdale Academy 4 pm
10/04: Varsity Cross Country SCAA Jamboree @ Hillsdale Academy-Hayden Park
10/04: Middle School Football vs Athens 5 pm
10/05: Middle School Girl's Volleyball @ Pansophia 5 pm
10/05: Varsity Boy's Soccer vs Barry County Christian 5 pm
10/05: Varsity Girl's Volleyball @ Pansophia 6 pm
10/07: Varsity Cross Country Calhoun County Championships @ Turkeyville 8 am
10/09: Varsity Boy's Soccer @ Bronson 5:30 pm
10/10: Middle School Girl's Volleyball vs Heritage Christian 5 pm
10/10: Varsity Girl's Volleyball vs Heritage Christian 6:30 pm
10/11: Middle School Boy's Football @ Burr Oak 5 pm
10/12: Middle School Girl's Volleyball @ Will Carelton 5 pm
10/12: Varsity Girl's Volleyball @ Will Carelton 7 pm
10/14: Middle School Cross Country @ Colon 9 am
10/14: Varsity Cross Country @ Colon 10 am
10/14: Varsity Girl's Volleyball All City 8:30 am
10/18: Middle School Boy's Football @ Climax-Scotts 5 pm
10/18: Middle School Girl's Volleyball @ Climax-Scotts 5 pm
10/21: Varsity Cross Country MI Class D State Championships @ Shepherd HS 12 pm
10/25: Varsity Girl's Volleyball Scrimmage @ Bangor 5 pm
10/27: Cross Country MHSAA LP Regionals @ Portage Central

