

# Calvin Christian Middle School

## Worship Fully

*"Ascribe to the Lord the glory due His name; worship the Lord in the splendor of His holiness." Psalm 29:2*

### CCMS WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR 1/12/23

#### Verse of the Week

"For no word from God will ever fail." Luke 1: 37

In my seat as Principal, I get the opportunity to see the ways God works in this building each day. Watching students grow in their love of God, their faith, and their desire to serve Him brings much joy. Being a part of meaningful, life conversations with students and getting to hear what's on their hearts is what brings us as educators to this work each and every day. At GCCS, we firmly believe in our mission of equipping students to serve and glorify God.

We also desire to have an impact on our greater community and partner with families who want to have a Christian education for their children. Currently we are in the midst of what we consider to be enrollment season. There is a great chance that you know a family who is desiring a different type of education for their child.

If you know of those families, I would kindly ask that you connect them with us. We have some great events happening at Calvin Christian High School and Grandville Christian Elementary later this month, the details of which you can find later on in this newsletter, where families can come to learn more. As a current family, your invitation is the number one way that families learn of us.

Finally, I would ask that you join us in praying for families in our community who are considering school options for their children next year and that God would give them the wisdom they need to make those decisions.

In Christ,

Jason Folkert

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

Joel Tanner 1/14



Jaida Jenkins 1/18

Bejamin Lipinski 1/19

Oakland Schrottenboer 1/19

Maestra Hoffman 1/19

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### Upcoming Dates

1/16 - No p.m. GPS busing

1/23 Discover Calvin

2/2 Future Squires 8th Grade Scheduling Night

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### Student Grades

6th-grade students received their report cards to take home Tuesday afternoon.

Grades can be viewed in PowerSchool as well.

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### Future Squires 8th Grade Scheduling Night

Join us on Thursday, February 2, at 7:00 p.m. in the CCHS Learning Commons for class scheduling, course sequences for each subject area, graduation requirements, a clear vision of all the opportunities which await your future Squire, and an opportunity to ask questions. This meeting is for parents only. We will meet with 8th graders during the school day so they will also receive the information we are sharing this evening.

**Please help us spread the word to 8th grade families about this important event. No RSVP required.**

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### DISCOVER CALVIN II

**Monday, January 23, 2023**

#### **Please help us spread the word about Discover Calvin III!**

We have one of our most important nights of the high school year on the evening of Monday, January 23: Discover Calvin II. We had a great turnout for our Discover Calvin event in October. Discover Calvin II will provide the same experiences as the October event, but we want to open our doors back up to families who may have missed us in October. This is Calvin Christian High School's Open House event for area middle school students and parents to learn about the amazing opportunities that await students at CCHS! Please invite friends, neighbors, and coworkers with middle school students, so they can discover:

- Why parents want their children to learn, grow, and develop their faith at Calvin
- How Calvin students, teachers, and staff build strong and caring relationships
- Our amazing teachers who mentor while teaching Calvin's Christ-centered curriculum
- Why our students love CCHS
- The ways we glorify God through athletics, the arts, and our clubs

Will you help us spread the word? We have yard signs at the main entrance for you to take and place on your lawn. We also have social media posts and ads that you can share on your feeds to help us gain more awareness! Simply sharing a post

increases our reach to all your friends!

## RSVP to Discover Calvin

### 2023-2024 Tuition Assistance Applications

Applications for tuition assistance (for K-12th grade students) are available now through FACTS online. Please log in to your FACTS account and select Grant & Aid for the 2023-2024 school year to apply. If you do not have an active FACTS account, you can create a new account and begin your application via the link below. The \$40 application fee must be paid during the application process.

**Applications are due by February 28th** and tuition assistance award notifications will be communicated in late April. Please submit your application, even if you are still waiting on tax documents. Updated tax documents can be submitted as they become available.

### FACTS tuition assistance application

### We Need Your Help!

In our Simply Give exploratory class, students will be making fleece blankets to contribute to organizations that help people experiencing homelessness. We need donations of fleece to make adult size blankets. Fleece is on sale now!! Recommended lengths for adult blankets are 2 1/2 yds. They are also looking for smaller fleece pieces that could be used for making hats and scarves. Donations can be brought to the Middle School Office. If you have any questions, please contact Kim Schutte.

### Email Mrs. Schutte

### Fri-Yay

Everybody loves Fri-yay!

Bring your \$1.00 tomorrow for hot chocolate and a Rice Krispie treat.  
8th grade parents: Donations and volunteers are needed. Please help as you are able. Sign up below.

### Sign up to donate

### Sign up to volunteer

### Hot Lunch Help

Would you be willing to volunteer 1.5 hrs/day, twice a month, on Mon, Tues, Wed or Friday? Our hot lunch program is looking for volunteers to help serve our middle

school and high schools students. We would love to have you here. If interested, please email Cheryle DeVries by clicking the button below.

**Email Cheryle DeVries**

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### **6th Grade Boys' Basketball Opportunity**

There will be a one day event for all boys in 6th grade. Click the button below to learn more and sign up!

**6th Grade Boys  
Basketball**

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### **Softball Opportunity**

CCHS softball is offering hitting opportunities on Saturdays for any 7th and 8th grade girls interested in playing softball. If you are interested, please email the varsity coach, Michal Huizenga, by clicking the button below.

**Email Michal  
Huizenga**

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### **Intramurals**

**1/13**

Girls 2 v 3 6th 2 v 3

7th 2 v 3 8th 1 v 3

**Exploratory week:** no games

**1/24**

8th 2 v 4

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### **Sports**

**All games listed below begin at 4:00 pm unless noted otherwise .**

Full sports schedule - [HERE](#)

AOK Sport Event Locations - [HERE](#)

#### **8th Grade Girls**

1/12 Practice 4:15-5:45

1/17 Practice 4:15-5:45

1/18 Practice 6:00-7:30

1/19 Jenison Chr, Home

#### **7th Grade Girls - Green**

1/12 Practice 2:45-4:15

1/16 Practice 2:45-4:15

1/18 Practice 2:45-4:15

1/19 @ Jension Chr, No Bus

#### **7th Grade Girls - Gold**

1/12 Practice 2:45-4:15

1/17 Practice 2:45-4:15

1/18 Practice 4:15-5:45

1/19 Zeeland Chr, Home 5:15

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## Helpful Links

[Student Hot Lunch Account](#)

[January Hot Lunch Menu](#)

[Student Parent Handbook](#)

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## District Wide Announcements

### GCCS Sports Camps

We have a SALE! Squires Sports Camp is offering an early sign up discount! Sign up before Feb 5 to receive \$30 off your cost! This sale goes toward BOTH weeks of June 5 and June 12. Do not miss out on this opportunity to not only save some money, but keep your child active, away from screens, and burn all their energy before coming home! Squires Sports Camp is for all kids entering 1st-8th grade. Sign up by clicking the link below.

[GCCS Sports Camps](#)

### **Early Enrollment: Preschool, Jr. Kindergarten, Kindergarten Monday, January 16, 2023, at 9:00 AM:**

Childcare (Preschool - 5th grade)

Preschool, Junior Kindergarten, and Kindergarten

We know that making a decision on where to send your child for their first step into school is a huge decision. **Current GCCS families are given the opportunity to enroll their child in Preschool, Junior Kindergarten, and Kindergarten starting January 16th. Open enrollment to the public begins January 26th.** An email with the enrollment link will be sent on Monday, January 16th at 9:00 AM.

### **Experience Grandville Christian School**

#### **Thursday, January 26, 2023, Open house at 5:30 or 6:30pm**

We know that the best way for us to attract new families is through what YOU share with them. Please invite family and friends looking for childcare, preschool, junior kindergarten, or kindergarten to join us for this special evening. This is a great opportunity for new families to come and experience firsthand the wonderful things we offer here at GCS, to meet our incredible staff, and to enroll. Kids are welcome to join the open house with their parents!

Current families are also invited to spend this evening with us. Come check out our

childcare and preschool classrooms, and spend some time learning about what class is like for a junior kindergarten or kindergarten student.

## Register for Experience Calvin

### Spanish Immersion Travel Opportunity

This summer, Amanda Cisneros (former Spanish teacher at Holland Christian and current Spanish Immersion mom at Grand Rapids Christian) and her husband, Guillermo, will be leading a trip to Madrid, Spain for Spanish Immersion students and their families. See below for more information.

## Madrid 2023

### Summer Camps

It might be January, but it is time to think about summer! Calvin Christian summer camps are now open for registration!

## GCCS Summer Sports Camps

### Requested Announcements

#### Grandville Little League Information

Both baseball and softball for ages 4-16, along with a Challengers program for ages 6+.

## Little League Information

### Baton twirling classes are starting soon!

Students can earn awards and will have a chance to be in a competition and parades! Fliers are available for pick up in the display case for this really fun class!

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