

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 1/19/23

Verse of the Week

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

In chapel this week, Ben Vander Kodde from Grace Adventures in Silver Lake came and spoke with our students about the win-win relationship we're a part of with God.

He began by laying out a cord in front of three pairs of students. Next he had each pair grab one another's wrists and told them that they could win this game if they were able to get the other person over to the opposite side of the cord. Typical human nature took over and each pair had one student who overpowered the other and pulled him or her over to the other side. Three students were joyful because they had "won."

Ben then told the students that each of them could have won this game if they had worked together with their partner and each stepped over the cord at the same time, ending up on the opposite side of where they started. He went on to explain that so often in our lives, we see situations as a win-lose when they could be win-win. Ben taught us that we are part of a win-win relationship with God.

We're given the opportunity to be in relationship with God and the promise of eternal life. What a win that is. In return, we're given an opportunity to help spread the Good News of who God is and share with others how we can repent of our sins and be in relationship with Him. God uses everyday people like each one of us to achieve His plan for the world. As we were reminded this week in chapel, our relationship with God isn't a win-lose. It's a win-win.

In Christ,

Jason Folkert

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Peyton McCarty 1/20
Emily DeHaan 1/23

Upcoming Dates

1/20 Homecoming Basketball Game
1/23 Discover Calvin 6:30 pm
2/2 Future Squires 8th Grade Scheduling Night 7 pm
2/8 6th grade and Girls Choirs Vocal Clinic (during school day)

Winter MAPs

Traditionally we give the NWEA MAP tests in math, reading, and language arts at the beginning of the year (Fall) and closer to the end of the year (Spring). This year, some of our math and language arts courses might opt to give the winter math and/or reading test during a class period. The reason for doing so is to gain another data point in how students are progressing on course standards and content. If your child is in a class that will be giving a winter MAP test, the teacher will let parents know.

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 and RSVP to help us plan accordingly:

Future Squires RSVP

DISCOVER CALVIN II

THIS Monday, January 23, 2023

Please help us spread the word about Discover Calvin II!

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

Experience Grandville Christian School Preschool -Kindergarten Open House Night!

We know that the best way for us to attract new families to our elementary school 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 on Thursday, January 26th. 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 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 GCS

2023-2024 Child Care and Early Childhood Enrollment Has Begun!

As a current GCCS family, you may now enroll for the 23-24 school year for child care and preschool through kindergarten.

An email with the enrollment link was emailed out this past Monday (January 16th at 9:00 AM). In the event you missed it, you can find the email linked below.

Note that we will open up enrollment to the public on January 26th. You may still enroll after that time, but we encourage you to enroll now so that you can secure the class placement and child care you desire.

If you have questions about next steps for your child or the enrollment process for child care, preschool, junior kindergarten, or kindergarten, please reach out to Erin Nichols, for assistance.

Email Erin Nichols

Early Childhood Enrollment Email and Link to Enroll

Yearbook Cover Contest

All CCMS students are invited to participate in the design of this year's yearbook!

Click the button below for details.

Yearbook Cover Contest

Chick-Fil-A Lunch Is Back!

Lunch proceeds will go to support the 8th Grade Banquet.

Please order by Thursday, January 26 at 11:59 P.M. Online orders ONLY will be taken.

The lunch will be served on Tuesday, January 31. Please follow this link to sign up:

Chick-fil-A Order

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

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 Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, or Friday? Our hot lunch program is looking for volunteers to help serve our middle school and high school students. If interested, please email Cheryle DeVries.

Email Cheryle DeVries

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.

**Email Michal
Huizenga**

Intramurals

Exploratory week: No games

1/24 - 8th 2 v. 4

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

1/19 Jenison Chr, Home

1/24 Legacy Chr, Home

1/25 Practice 6-7:30

1/26 @ Moline Chr, No Bus

7th Grade Girls - Green

1/19 @ Jension Chr, No Bus

1/24 Hudsonville Chr, Home 5:15

1/25 Practice 2:45-4:15

1/26 NorthPointe Chr, Home 5;15

7th Grade Girls - Gold

1/19 Zeeland Chr, Home 5:15

1/24 @Legacy Chr, No Bus

1/25 Practice 2:45-4:15

1/26 Moline Chr, Home

Helpful Links

Student Hot Lunch Account

January Hot Lunch Menu

February Hot Lunch Menu

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

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

WYLDLIFE!

We will be having an All Area Club on Tuesday, January 31 from 7-8pm at Rebounderz (in Jenison) with other middle schools from the Grand Rapids Southwest Area. Our students always have fun at Club, but this one is the icing on the cake! If your student wants to join us, make sure to do the following...

- Sign up here: [RSVP to Rebounderz](#)
- Complete the waiver here: [Waiver](#)
- Bring \$20 **CASH** to the event (please bring cash, it makes the check-in process MUCH quicker so kids can get in and get jumping right away)
- Questions... reach out to Jill Francisco (616)890-8504

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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