

Calvin Christian Middle School

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"And now, just as you accepted Christ Jesus as your Lord, you must continue to follow Him. Let your roots grow down into Him, and let your lives be built on Him. Then your faith will grow strong." Colossians 2: 6-7 (NLT)

CCMS WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR 9/7/23

Verse of the Week

"But if we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, His Son, purifies us from all sin." 1 John 1:7

This week, I had the opportunity to speak to our students during chapel. Having the opportunity to share with them in this setting is something I never take lightly and this time, God placed it on my heart to challenge them with this question: Is my core identity centered around Christ? We took a look at Paul and the way he introduced himself at the start of Romans. Right away we see that Paul centers his own identity around Christ. But what about our students and what about us?

So often middle school students (and ourselves included) place so much of their identity in the friends they have, the sports they play, school performance, and much more. While all of these things can be good, they shouldn't take center stage. Our relationship with Christ should. Kids need adults in their lives to help guide them in that relationship with Christ. It's what we do here at Calvin Christian Middle School each day and what you do at home.

I want to encourage you as parents to explore this topic with your kids during their middle school years. It's three years of much change in their lives as they discover the gifts that God has given them. When you start to see your student place his or her identity in things other than Christ, remind them of where our true value comes from.

In Christ,
Jason Folkert

Happy Birthday!
9/10 Bryce Mouw

Upcoming Dates

TONIGHT! CCMS Back to School Night for parents, 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
9/9 Nick Stegeman Golf Outing
9/22 Community Football Tailgate Party
9/28 Grandparents' Day - Elementary School
9/29 Grandparents' Day - Elementary, Middle, and High School
10/4 CCMS Skating Party
10/6 Make-Up Picture Day

GRANDPARENTS'/GRANDFRIENDS' DAY

Save the date Friday, September 29 for our annual Grandparents'/Grandfriends' Day. This is one of our favorite days of the school year and we can't wait to spend it with you!

Friday, September 29

9:00 a.m. - Chapel at Calvin Christian High School - Middle/High School grandparents and students. Doors open at 8:30 a.m.

10:30 a.m. - Brunch at Calvin Christian Middle School - All grandparents of K-12 students are invited! Students will return to class.

1:00 p.m. - 2nd / 3rd Grade Program and Visits at the elementary school

2:00 p.m. - 4th / 5th Grade Program and Visits at the elementary school

We're asking grandparents/friends to RSVP to help us plan our food accordingly.

**Grandparents' Day
RSVP**

BREAD Group Leaders Needed!

At the middle school, we have a discipleship program called BREAD, **B**uilding **R**elationships with **E**ach **A**ge through **D**iscipleship. BREAD groups meet every Friday from 7:47 a.m. - 8:09 a.m. In order for our program to kick off on September 15, we are in need of **1 more female leader**. Please click the button below for more specific details about BREAD groups.

If you are interested in being a BREAD group leader for a group of girls, or have a question, please reach out to Kim Schutte.

BREAD Group Information

**Email Kim
Schutte**

STUDENT-PARENT HANDBOOK

The Student-Parent Handbook includes important topics like the school calendar, teacher names, and school expectations. Please look at the handbook with your student when you have the opportunity to do so. If you have any questions, feel free to email the office at msoffice@gccsmi.org or Jason Folkert at jfolkert@gccsmi.org.

CCMS Student-Parent Handbook

Extracurricular Activities (taken from the handbook)

Please note changes this year

Extracurricular activities are an important part of life at CCMS both during and after the school day. Activities that have previously been offered include after-school athletics, Robotics, yearbook, TRIBE Leadership Council, Battle of the Books, MathCounts, Spelling Bee, Praise Band, and Drama. Students who wish to form a new extracurricular group should see the Principal regarding the process.

Students who are failing an academic class on Monday of each week will become ineligible to participate in athletics. Students will become eligible 24 hours after they have completed the missing work in a sufficient manner.

Parent Org Volunteers Needed!

Are you gifted in organizing and interested in giving back to our school? Or, are you just a willing volunteer who will lend a hand supporting our wonderful staff and CCMS and CCHS activities?

We are in need of at least 6 members to make a difference for our teachers and staff. We have a long history of a wonderful Parent Organization that was very supportive of our school community, but as leaders' students have graduated, we need new leadership and volunteers to help support the learning community of Calvin Christian Middle and High School.

The Parent Org helps plan and support the following activities:

- Parent teacher conference dinners
- Staff monthly snacks
- End of year Staff Appreciation week and lunch
- Food/snacks for Curriculum meetings
- Annual Flower Sale

Please prayerfully consider serving in this capacity, and reach out if you are willing to help! Please email Lisa DeHaan if you are interested

Email Lisa DeHaan

Hot Lunch Volunteers Needed

Do you have an extra 60-90 minutes to help serve our middle and high school students? Our hot lunch program is looking for volunteers to help set up, serve, and put away lunch. We need help **every other Monday, every other Thursday, and Friday** from approximately 11:45 a.m.-1:15 pm (hours vary per day). You may

help once a week, 2x/month, or even once a month if you are able! Join us in this fun job interacting with students! Please contact Cheryl if you are interested or have questions at chdevries@gpsbulldogs.org.

September Lunch Menu

Grandville Calvin Christian After-School Tutoring (CAST) program

Interested in tutoring for your student? Click the button below for more information.

[Tutoring](#)

High School Football Games

Parents: You should have received a separate email regarding middle school students attendance at football games. Thank you for supporting our school and staff by following these guidelines.

Community Tailgate Party

Join Calvin family and friends before the football game at Grandville Public Middle School for a pre-game tailgate party on Friday, September 22! We'll provide the food and games, and you show up and enjoy dinner and time with fellow Squires. Then stay to watch the football team!

Middle School Sports

All game information is now on the middle school calendar on the website. The link is below.

All games are at 4 p.m. unless stated otherwise.

7th & 8th Boys Soccer

9/11 Practice 3:30-5:00 p.m.

9/12 Game @ Byron Center Christian

9/14 Game, home vs. Grand Rapids Christian

7th Girls Volleyball

9/11 Practice 2:45-4:15 p.m.

9/12 Game, home vs. Byron Center Christian, **at 5:15 p.m.**

9/14 Game, @ Dutton Christian, **at 5:15 p.m.**

8th Girls Volleyball

9/11 Practice 4:15-5:45 p.m.

9/12 Game, home vs. Allendale Christian

9/13 Practice 2:45-4:15 p.m.

9/15 Game, home vs. Moline Christian

Cross Country

9/9 Christian School Invitational @ South Christian High School

9/11 Practice 3:30-5:00 p.m.

9/12 Practice 3:30-5:00 p.m.

9/13 Practice 3:30-5:00 p.m.

Football

9/12 Game, @ NorthPointe Christian

Middle School Game Schedule

District Wide Announcements

Grandville Christian School is looking for responsible and caring adults to serve in after-school care from 3:00 – 6:00 PM, Mondays through Fridays. Candidates should love to spend time with little children and be committed to carrying out the mission and vision of Grandville Calvin Christian Schools. Please send a cover letter and resume to Alicia Kragt, Childcare Director:

Email Alicia Kragt

Love to thrift shop and want to support Christian education? Nice Twice Resale Shoppe is hiring for a part-time Retail Clerk/Cashier position. The role requires working 20 hours per week, including Saturdays but can be customized and split between two people.

Nice Twice Resale Shoppe is also currently looking for volunteers to help with sorting clothing, assisting customers with donations, furniture pickup and delivery, and cashiers. Candidates for either role at Nice Twice should contact Mary Cnossen at 616-249-2020. Learn more about Nice Twice and its mission to support Christian education:

Nice Twice Resale Shoppe

GCS Noodles & Co. Fundraiser

Give yourself a break from making dinner and support Grandville Christian Elementary! September 12, 4:00-8:00 p.m., order dinner from Noodles & Co., with the offer code Giving25 at checkout, and 25% of the sale will go to support GCS! See the flyer for all the details.

Noodles & Co. Fundraiser

Requested Announcements

Join the fun of a West Side Run and help them buy books for their school!

When: September 30, 9:30am for adults, 9:00am for the Kid's Fun Run

What: 5k "Donut Dash" Trail Run

Where: Blandford Nature Center's "The Highlands" trails

Who: West Side Christian School

Why: Raising funds to support our outdoor ed program, and fill our library shelves!

There will also be sweet merch for runners, food trucks, and LOTS of donuts and

cider for those participating and watching the race!

Sign up: <https://runsignup.com/Race/MI/GrandRapids/WestSideDonutDash>

Grandville Community Education brochure is available. Click the button below for information.

Grandville Community Education

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