



CORNERSTONE
CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

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CCA²DAY

EDUCATING WORLD CHANGERS

CURRICULUM NIGHT (KINDERGARTEN-12TH)

Our annual Curriculum Night, for parents only, will be held Tuesday, August 30. Parents of students in grades K-5 should plan to attend from 6:00-6:25 PM or 6:30-6:55 PM. The same information is presented at both times. Go directly to your child's classroom at the start of one of these times to meet with your child's teacher and hear about the year ahead. Parents of students in grades 6-12 should plan to come at 6:30 PM. Parents will be given a copy of their student's schedule and will participate in a "mini version" of their day. With 10-minute periods, the "mini day" will end around 8:00 PM.

PARENT ALERT

In the case of an unscheduled early dismissal, cancellation due to inclement weather, unforeseen school closure, or an emergency, Cornerstone will utilize the FACTS Parent Alert system to notify you via text message using the cell number you provided. We will also continue to post school cancellations via the school website, Cornerstone app, and WJBC 1230AM. **IMPORTANT:** We will be sending a TEST alert next week to verify your information. You will receive an email the day before reminding you of this and when to expect the text.

SCHOOL DROP OFF AND PICK UP

Thank you for your patience this week during arrival and dismissal times. As a reminder, students arriving from 7:15 AM to 8:00 AM should be walked in and checked into Before School Care. Also, student drop off and pick up should take place in the front parking lot only. When arriving for dismissal, please be sure to have your pick up card in the passenger window when entering the stacking lanes. Leave your card in the window until your child has been loaded into your car. If you have a student in

Junior High or High School and want to avoid the stacking lanes, text your child when you have parked and they may walk out to the parking lot. Just a reminder, Upper School students are not dismissed until 3:15 PM. Please be alert and aware of cars entering and exiting the rows of parked cars. Also, be sure to follow the flow of traffic and do not pass cars in the pick-up lines.

PLEASE JOIN US!

It's been said prayer is the most important thing we do at Cornerstone. There are two very specific ways you can join us. First, you are invited to join the parents that meet every Wednesday morning at 8:15! This committed group prays for your children, the staff, and the needs of the school. The CCA Prayer Circle has been meeting on campus, outdoors, weather permitting throughout the summer, and plans to continue with this practice. Everyone is welcome! Can't make it in person? Then be sure to check the list of prayer requests and praises in **Pray Now!** under the **Support CCA** tab on the website! Updated monthly, this list will help you better know the needs of your school.



SCHOOL PICTURES SEPTEMBER 13 & 14.

Watch for more details soon!

COMBINED CHAPEL/COFFEE CONNECTIONS

Our first Combined Chapel & Coffee Connections of the year is **Friday, September 27!** All parents are invited to drop off the kids for school and come down to the Forum Room at **8:15 AM** for coffee, refreshments, and a time of community before chapel begins at **9:25 AM**. No reservations are required, and there is no charge!

CORNERSTONE APPAREL STORE

The Cornerstone apparel store is now open year round. Get your CCA spirit wear [here](#). If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Dossett at davis.dossett@cornerstonechristian.com.

PARENT/STUDENT HANDBOOK

The 2022-2023 Parent/Student Handbook is now available on the website (under Quicklinks) and on the CCA app. Be sure to read it with your family!

EARLY ED—5TH GRADE STUDENTS

Don't forget our nut-free guidelines for Early Ed—5th grades. All snacks and treats must be approved by our school nurse in the office. For nut-free treat ideas, please refer to the idea list at snacksafely.com.

SCHOOL REWARDS

There are several organizations that partner with Cornerstone and offer rewards based on everyday purchases. After purchasing any Box Tops product, simply scan your receipt using the free Box Tops app. The app will automatically add Box Tops to Cornerstone's total online. Once you've created an account, scan your receipt, and CCA receives credit for your purchases! Another way to donate to the school is to use AmazonSmile and designate Cornerstone Christian Academy of McLean County Inc. Amazon will donate 0.5% of your qualifying purchase to Cornerstone. Doing this will not add to your total. Finally, Kroger offers a community rewards program. Choose Cornerstone Christian Academy when setting up your digital account through Kroger's website and Cornerstone receives a percentage of your total purchase. Please contact the main office with any questions.

FAMILY ATHLETIC PASS

Family athletic passes are available for \$65 in the office. The family pass allows your immediate family to attend all Cornerstone Home Events (except any postseason play). Stop by and purchase your pass today!



LUNCHESES

We will begin serving catered lunches on Tuesday, September 6. All lunches must be ordered in advance through FACTS. The 15th of each month is the last day to order lunches for the month immediately following. Lunch ordering for October will be available September 1 - 15. Please see Lunch Ordering Instructions within the "Quicklinks" section on our [website](#) for complete details and instructions.

Available lunch items include:

Monday: Chick-fil-A chicken sandwich, chips, & water \$6.50; Chick-fil-A 5-piece chicken nuggets, chips, & water \$5.50

Tuesday: Dairy Queen cheeseburger or hot dog, cheese-its, water \$6.50

Wednesday: Avanti's penne pasta with meat sauce, bread, apple sauce & water \$6.50

Thursday: Pizza Hut cheese pizza, chips, & water \$5.50

Friday: Avanti's gondola, chex mix, & water \$6.50

PIZZA LUNCH VOLUNTEERS

The most popular lunch we offer is our Thursday Pizza Hut lunch. In order to serve our hungry students, we need a group of volunteers to help us each week. Generally, this is a once-a-month commitment for about an hour during each lunch period. Schedules are very flexible and no experience is necessary. This is one of the most fun ways to volunteer at school and get to know other parents!

If you are interested in serving our students once a month as a pizza lunch volunteer or have any questions, please email Pizza Lunch Coordinator Michelle Clemons at jmclemons602@gmail.com.



EXTENDED CARE

Before School Care begins each day at 7:15 AM. All Early Education through 5th grade students arriving between 7:15 and 8:00 AM must report to the designated locations and

be signed in by a parent or guardian upon arrival. Junior high students (6th - 8th grade) must go directly to the Upper Tiered Seating Area (UTSA) after they gather necessary items from their lockers. Upper School students are not invoiced for BSC. Students will not be allowed to wait in the airlock before school begins.

At 3:30 PM, all Early Ed-8th grade students who have not been picked up will be checked into After School Care. Parents/caregivers arriving to pick up students from After School Care must meet their children in the assigned ASC rooms and sign them out, recording the time of departure. Whenever circumstances require someone other than the child's custodial parents to pick him/her up from school or ASC, parents must inform school staff of such arrangements in advance, and photo identification of the approved caretaker may be requested. After School Care is available until 5:30 PM. See the Parent-Student Handbook on our website under **Quicklinks** for details about charges and billing. If you need to reach CCA personnel in After School Care, the phone number is 309-622-3552. Please save this number for your reference.

Coming up.....

Friday (8/26) HS Boys Soccer at Galesburg @ 5:30 PM

Saturday (8/27) JH Soccer at Trinity Lutheran @ 9:30 AM; HS Girls Volleyball at Flanagan @ 10:00 AM; JH Girls Softball at St. Teresa—Decatur @ 10:00 AM; HS Boys Golf at Greenview Jr/Sr High @ 1:30 PM

Monday (8/29) JH Girls Softball vs. LeRoy at Eastview @ 4:30 PM

Tuesday (8/30) Curriculum Night (K-5th @ 6:00 PM; 6th-12th @ 6:30 PM); HS Girls Tennis at Maroa-Forsyth @ 4:30 PM; HS Girls Volleyball at LeRoy @ 5:00 PM

Wednesday (8/31) HS Boys Golf at Peoria Christian @ 2:00 PM; HS Boys Soccer at Streator @ 4:30 PM; HS Girls Volleyball vs. Woodland at home @ 6:00 PM

Thursday (9/1) HS Girls Tennis at Evergreen @ 4:00 PM; JH Girls Softball at Evans @ 4:30 PM; JH Soccer at Judah Christian @ 4:30 PM; HS Girls Volleyball at Tremont @ 5:30 PM

*Visit the [website calendar](#) for more details.