



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 27th. 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 during both sessions. 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 receive a copy of their student's schedule and will participate in an abbreviated 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 sent a test alert this morning. If you did not receive the test alert, please notify the office.

COMBINED CHAPEL/COFFEE CONNECTIONS

Our next Combined Chapel & Coffee Connections of the year is **Friday, September 27th!** 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!



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 (with the exception of postseason play). Stop by and purchase your pass today!

PRE-ORDERED T-SHIRTS & APPAREL STORE

If you pre-ordered a t-shirt before School Supply/Drop-Off Days and have not picked up your shirt, please do so by Friday, August 30th. We do have some extra shirts available for \$15 in the office.

Looking for something besides a t-shirt? We are excited to open a new apparel store through September 9th [here](#).

SCHOOL PICTURES SEPTEMBER 3 & 4

Inter-State Studio will be taking school pictures on September 3rd and 4th. All orders must be placed online at interstate.com/order using order code: 87931GB

Pictures will be taken on the following dates:

Tuesday 9/3

- EE 3/4 (Gerber/Horine)
- Kindergarten (Farney & Summers)
- 1st Grade (Ficks, Fitch)
- 2nd Grade (Kallevig, White)
- 3rd Grade (Kinzinger, Wallin)
- 4th Grade (Dotson, Kalmes)
- 6th Grade
- 12th Grade



Wednesday 9/4

- EE 4/5 (Smith/McLaughlin)
- Developmental Kindergarten (Walker)
- 5th Grade (Brothers)
- 7th & 8th Grades
- 9th, 10th, & 11th Grades

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.

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.



LUNCHES

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 is available now. Please see Lunch Ordering Instructions within the "Quicklinks" section on our [web-site](#) 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 \$6.00

Tuesday: Custom Catering taco with meat, corn, cookie, & water \$6.50

Wednesday: Annie's Eats pulled pork sandwich, chips, applesauce, & water \$6.50; Mac & cheese, chips, & water \$6.50; side of mac & cheese available as an add-on \$3.00

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

Friday: Custom Catering nachos with meat, rice, brownie, & 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! **There are still opportunities for parents to sign up!** Please use the following sign-ups to serve our wonderful students:

[Lower School](#)

[Upper School](#)

Please contact Michelle Clemons at jmclemons602@gmail.com with any questions.

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 (8/23) Combined Chapel; JH Softball at Clinton JH @ 6:00 PM

Saturday (8/24) JH Cross Country at Trinity Lutheran @ 9:30 AM; JH Girls Softball at Clinton @ 9:00 AM; HS Boys Golf at Greenview @ 1:30 PM

Monday (8/26) HS Boys Golf vs. Roanoke Bensen HS at Prairie Vista @ 4:00 PM; HS Soccer vs. Blue Ridge at home @ 4:30 PM; HS Girls Volleyball at Tremont @ 5:00 PM

Tuesday (8/27) Curriculum Night (K-5th @ 6:00 PM; 6th-12th @ 6:30 PM); JH Softball vs. Ridgeview at Eastview @ 4:30 PM; JH Cross Country vs. Tri-Valley at Dawson Lake @ 4:30 PM; HS Boys Soccer at Bloomington HS @ 5:00 PM; HS Girls Volleyball vs. Ridgeview at home @ 6:00 PM

Wednesday (8/28) JH Girls Softball vs. Delavan at Eastview @ 4:30 PM; HS Boys Golf at El Paso @ 4:30 PM; HS Cross Country at Paxton @ 4:30 PM

Thursday (8/29) JH Girls Softball vs. Metcalf at Champion Field @ 4:30 PM; 6th Grade Baseball vs. LeRoy at home @ 5:00 PM; HS Girls Volleyball at Flanagan-Cornell @ 5:00 PM

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