

### Christian Academy Schools Eagle Vision

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Our Mission is to "Equip and Inspire Students to be a New Generation of Christ-Centered Leaders" Dick Dray, Head of School Rusty Kirkpatrick, Director of Students

#### From the Desk of Head of School Dick Dray



#### Special Praise and Spaghetti Dinner Update

It is always good to give thanks to the Lord for His goodness according to Psalm 92:1. Even as today marks the end of the first academic grading period here at Christian Academy, we are seeing God's goodness in His protection for our students and staff during this time of COVID-19. To date we have had no positive cases of the virus for either our students or staff! God is so good! I thank Him and am grateful as well to our staff and students who have been daily working to take the precautions that we need as well to stay healthy.

With the thought in mind of God's protection and various daily preventative safety and health measures we are going to be postponing our fall Spaghetti Dinner for November 6<sup>th</sup>. Over the past 2-3 weeks there has been a definite uptick in COVID cases and hospitalizations nationally as well as statewide and in Shelby County. Schools have done a good job of monitoring and following protocols to help prevent the spread of the virus per Governor DeWine in a news conference yesterday. The issue of an increase in the spread has come more in casual settings and groups where precautions are more relaxed. Our annual spaghetti dinner would be this type of activity. After various discussions among our organizing committee here at the school we have made this decision. Any pre-payment for tickets will be returned and a later date in possibly late winter or early spring is being considered for this community event.

An annual part of the dinner also includes school classes assembling special themed baskets which help raise funds for Christian Academy. **This year's baskets are made, and we will continue moving ahead with them for this November which is just around the corner**. We are looking at either a raffle option or online auction to dispense these beautiful baskets. Both methods (raffle or auction format) have been utilized by CAS in past years successfully. We will send along details pertaining to the baskets next week.

We appreciate your prayers and understanding with this change. We know many of you have come to know and love having the Spaghetti Dinner that we hold every fall. Our goal is to continue to help keep our staff, students and families safe so we can continue our daily in person instruction here at the school where we strive to equip and inspire a new generation of Christ-centered leaders.

God Bless,

Dick Dray
CAS Head of Schools

**Mission Statement** 

"To Equip and Inspire a New Generation of Christ-Centered Leaders"

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# FOR THE HEALTH & SAFETY OF OUR FAMILIES & COMMUNITY CAS HAS DECIDED TO POSTPONE THE SPAGHETTI DINNER WHICH WAS TO BE HELD ON FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6<sup>th</sup>!

#### Picture Retake Day on Wednesday, October 28th

Picture retakes will be held on **Wednesday, October 28<sup>th</sup>**. If your student was absent, didn't buy portraits or want more, or for a retake because didn't like the first one this is your chance. If your student needs a retake parents are to return the entire package to the photographer on retake day and you will get what you ordered. If you have a student that forgets their package that needed to be retaken Lifetouch still want to photograph them, so they have the image, but they will not print the new package until the picture taken on September 23<sup>rd</sup> is returned. **Have your student pick up an order form in the informational rack.** 

#### Please Pray for the Upcoming Spiritual Emphasis Week

We are looking forward to an awesome Spiritual Emphasis next week. The students will be challenged by messages and worship from a local area Youth Pastor and band. They will have opportunities to ask questions and put into practice some spiritual disciplines to help them grow in Christ. They will also be serving in various local opportunities maintaining Covid19 guidelines. Students will be required to wear masks when traveling by bus or car. Please have your son or daughter bring a mask, hoodie, a coat and hat for Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. Dress Monday is normal. Tuesday and Wednesday please wear a CAS shirt as we will be out in the community. Keep in mind whatever they wear Tuesday and Wednesday may get a little dirty as we will be serving. Above all else be in prayer for the students during this time for their spiritual growth!

#### **Parent-Teacher Conferences**

Elementary Parent Teacher Conferences for parents of kindergarten thru 5<sup>th</sup> grades will begin this year during the week of November 2<sup>nd</sup> to November 5<sup>th</sup>. Middle & High School Parent Teacher Conferences will be held on Monday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> from 4:30 p.m. – 7 p.m. These conferences are for parents of students in grades 6 thru 12. This year parent teacher conferences are NOT required for all families to come to the fall conference. In past we have. Teachers will be contacting the parents to schedule appointments they feel are necessary. Parents can also request a conference if they feel it is needed. Due to Covid, we are asking that only 1 person attend conferences (no children) and you must wear a facial covering. If you do not feel comfortable coming to the school, we can do a phone conference or a virtual conference as well.

#### Winter Dress Code Begins on Monday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>

Beginning **Monday**, **November 2**<sup>nd</sup> elementary, middle school and high school students <u>will not</u> be permitted to wear shorts or flip flops. Parents, please encourage your children to dress neatly, modestly, and accordingly. Thank you for your support of the dress code policy.

#### Verse of the Week

"Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity." 1 Timothy 4:12

Are you living in a way that displays maturity? Do your actions show that you are thinking of others and living Christ-like? These are great questions to ask yourself. You don't have to be old to be mature. True maturity is found in what you say and do. What is today's Bible verse stressing? It tells you to set an example in these areas. You don't have to wait until you're older, you can start now. Let your speech, action, and love reflect Jesus and maturity. Be an example to those around you of what the love of Jesus really looks like!

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## CAS is Closed on Thursday, October $29^{th}$ & Friday, October $30^{th}$

On Thursday, October 29<sup>th</sup> & Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup> CAS will be having our professional development for full-time & part-time teachers and select administration. MARK THESE TWO DAYS ON YOUR CALENDAR!