

Christian Academy Schools Eagle Vision

September 17, 2021 Volume 18, Issue 8 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

From the Desk of Head of School



Hi Folks,

Today September 17th marks the midway point of this first academic period. Students have now settled into routines in many areas related to their academics. Most routines are good, and some need some tweaking. Our staff has been working through to see what areas for each student are going well and what areas we can adjust.

We are glad for the opportunity to partner with our families in all areas of the student's experience. As a parent of now adult children my wife and I were so thankful for our own children's teachers and Christian School education and want the same for all of our young people here at Christian Academy. Several years ago, Dr. James Dobson came out with a book entitled" *Parenting Is Not for Cowards.*" The title and content of that book has often come back to encourage me. As I also read Proverbs 22:6 and have been reminded by the proverb (proverb is a saying or general truth) that training up or discipling is crucial not only for now but for its impact down the road.

Our students and staff are making great strides with these wonderful young people. Know that we are grateful for your partnership and prayers as we move forward in this training process with you.

Mr. Dray



Do You Enjoy Chess?

Chess is not only a wonderful board game but also a great way to strengthen the mind. Recently I came across a listing of Eight benefits of playing chess:

1. Develops perspective 2. Improves memory 3. Deepens focus 4. Elevates creativity 5. Boosts planning skills 6. Increases self-awareness 7. Protects against dementia 8. Helps ADHD.

Developing these skills as you can see can be a great advantage not only for now but for down the road. This is why we would like to start chess club here at CAS not only for enjoyment but also for mental development.

If you enjoy chess and would like to help to lead a chess club here at Christian Academy, please contact Denise here in the school office at 937-492-7556.

Mission Statement

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

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Be Our Guest at our Faith Event Dinner

On **Saturday, October 2nd** at **6 p.m**. we will be hosting our annual Faith Event Dinner here at Christian Academy. It is a part of our Fall Fundraising Campaign to help share of God's goodness for us here at CAS and to encourage folks to contribute to our yearly needs. We depend on the Lord to provide approximately 25% of our annual funds needed to assist with the operating costs. This is an adult only event which includes a complimentary catered dinner and a wonderful program with a guest speaker and testimonials. If you would like to come simply RSVP **no later than Thursday, September 23rd** to Denise McPheron at 937-492-7556 or denise.mcpheron@caseagles.org.



See You at the Pole

"Just Pray" from James 4:10 is the theme for See You at the Pole 2021, which is all about students praying at their schools. Let's see how many students, parents, and staff we can have at CAS for these years **SEE YOU AT THE POLE**, which will be held on **Wednesday, September 22nd** at **7:30 a.m.** Students across the United States will be praying for our nation, our national leaders, world events, local events, and schools. CAS will be saying the "Pledge of Allegiance", singing the National Anthem, and praying. All parents and students are welcome to attend this important event. Invite your friends and family. Let's make this event well attended. On **Wednesday the 22nd** an estimated 1 million students around the world join each year to pray for others.

FAFSA Meeting for Parents of High School Students

You are invited to the FAFSA meeting which will be held on **Monday**, **September**. **27**th at **5:45 p.m**. The purpose of this time is to educate families on different options on covering the cost of furthering a student's education after high school. There will also be a representative from the Barnes Trust Loan who will provide information regarding this opportunity for Shelby Co. students.

4th Grade to Experience Pioneer Day at Shelby County Fairgrounds

The fourth-grade class will be attending Pioneer Day on **Wednesday**, **October 6**th at the Shelby County Fairgrounds from **9:30** a.m. – **2 p.m.** The 4th grade students will be provided the opportunity to experience pioneer life as it was in the early days of Ohio. The numerous hands-on Ohio History learning experiences are tied directly to the 4th grade academic standards.

The students are to dress warm (wear jeans) and tennis shoes instead of chapel dress. A disposable sack lunch & drink with the student's name clearly labeled will be needed for lunch. We would like to thank all the volunteers that have organized this day. In case of severe weather, the event will be cancelled.

Kindergarten thru 2nd Grades to Go on a Field Trip

On **Wednesday**, **October 13**th the kindergarten thru 2nd grade classes will be boarding the bus at **9:15 a.m.** to travel to Crossway Farms (2211 Cisco Road, Sidney). The cost is \$6 per student which includes admission to the farm, hayride, petting zoo, corn maze, picking a pumpkin and playing in the play area. They will go rain or shine, so please dress your child in layers and sneakers as we will be outside for most of the trip. A permission form was sent home and needs returned with payment NO LATER than **Monday**, **October 11**th.

Safety of Everyone is Important to CAS

The end of the day is a very busy time. For the safety of everyone, we are asking all parents and visitors to remain outside the building or in the car pick up line to retrieve your child at the end of the day. If you have an afterschool appointment with your child's teacher, please let the teacher on duty know your name and with whom you will be meeting. You will then be asked to wait at the front desk until all students are out of the building and teachers are free to meet with you. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding on this matter.

Mid-Term Ends Today, September 17th

Our first mid-term ends today, Friday, September 17th. The mid-terms will be posted on RenWeb by **Thursday, September 23rd.** If you have any questions or comments, please contact CAS at 937-492-7556.

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Bus Load of Blessings

As you may or may not know last spring as a part of our Spring Walk-a-thon fundraiser we raised funds to replace one of our school buses. We set as a goal to raise \$15,000 for a newer used bus to be used for our many field trips and sporting events. We are thankful that the Lord provided these funds through many prayers and efforts by our students, staff, and families.

As an update it is so neat to know we were able to sell our bus #14 which was a 2001 model and with over 250,000 miles on it and seated 66 passengers. Our new bus is a 2012 model with 107,000 miles on it and seats 84 students. We just received all our paperwork and today we have been able to use this bus now for some great events.



The picture you see here is our first field trip today with our new bus #1 as our students grades 8-12 headed to the Vietnam Memorial at Custenborder Park here in Sidney.

Later today on bus #1 our Lady Eagles Volleyball teams will head to Bellefontaine and take on rival Calvary Christian. Praise the Lord!

Concrete Work Complete......Four Square Can Resume



Last week our diehard 4 Square participants at CAS had to take a time out while some repairs were made on the west end concrete that had suffered some damage by the heavy crane during this past summers HVAC work. The new concrete looks great, and the games have resumed Thanks for your patience and prayers.



Thank You Gideons and Pastors

Last night here on campus CAS was able to host the Gideons and their Pastor Honoring Dinner. We are grateful for the Gideons and their work not only here in Shelby County but around the globe distributing Bibles. We are also grateful for the many pastors who serve here in Sidney and the surrounding areas in meeting so many spiritual needs that our families have. Last night there were 132 Christian Workers here for the dinner. Our school is represented by almost 30 different churches here in the area that proclaim God's Word weekly.

Sports News

Come and Show Some CAS Spirit

Tuesday, September 21 Thursday, September 23

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Junior High Volleyball @ Chess (away) Junior High volleyball vs. Grand Lake (home) Varsity Volleyball vs. Grand Lake

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Saturday, September 25

Soccer @ Piqua Junior High Volleyball @ East Dayton (away) 5:30 p.m. 12 p.m. 1 p.m.

5:30 p.m.

6:30 p.m.

Varsity Volleyball @ East Dayton Soccer vs. Calvary (home)

12 p.m.

Verse of the Week

For God loved the world in this way: He gave His One and Only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him will not perish but have eternal life. – John 3:16

It's easy at times to look at ourselves and others and see all the flaws. All the stuff that is wrong and reasons why we or someone else is unlovable. However, God doesn't see us that way. When He sees people, He sees how much He loves us and what we can become in Him. So, the next time you feel down about yourself or someone else remember how much God loves them and you!

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6 p.m. (bus leaves @ 4:15 p.m.)

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Congratulations to...

- ...The 2nd grade class for selling 20.86 mums per student. They will enjoy an ice cream party.
- ...Elise Connell, grade 4 whose name was drawn for elementary. She won a \$25 scrip card.
- ...Malia McMahan, grade 8 who won a \$25 scrip card. Her name was drawn from the middle school students who sold 10 or more mums.
- ...Samuel Freer, grade 12 whose name was drawn from the list of high school students. He won a \$25 scrip card.

CAS MEMORIES

















CAS Students are Enjoying Recess!



Kendall, kindergarten, is enjoying her snuggle bunny, Karli, grade 11. They have developed a special friendship and enjoy each other's company.