



VERY IMPORTANT PARENT REPORT 10.02.09

You'll notice a new title to this email! We want to emphasize the importance of this weekly communication from the school Administration to parents. This is a key communication tool to inform you of what's happening at CCS.

- ❖ This report is written in sections with keys words highlighted to make it easy for you to read. The first section contains information relevant to all parents. From there, you will see the categories Elementary, Junior High/High School (with a subcategory Guidance Counselor) and Athletics. We encourage you to read it all; there are a lot of great things going on and we want you to know about all of them!
- ❖ Each week's report is posted on the school website under the "Parents" tab.
- ❖ The Elementary "Campus News" is also posted to the "Elementary" tab of the website every week.
- ❖ Field Trip information and Permission Forms will now be posted on the website under the "Elementary" and "High School" tabs. Look at the menu on the right side of each page and click on "Field Trips". You are able to download and print permission forms to then sign and return to school.

Parent/Teacher conferences will be held Thursday, 10.22 and Friday, 10.23. We urge all parents to attend!

Click on this link for information regarding JH/HS conferences; <http://www.cincinnatichristian.org/wp-content/uploads/2007/09/conferences-HS.pdf>.

Click on this link for information regarding Elem conferences; <http://www.cincinnatichristian.org/wp-content/uploads/2007/09/Conferences-Elem4.pdf>.

Please click on this link for an important update from the School Board - <http://www.cincinnatichristian.org/wp-content/uploads/2009/09/Update-from-the-School-Board-9-25-09.pdf>.

The next School Board meeting is Tuesday, 10.20. Parents are welcome to attend the open session at 7:00, in the HS Conference Room.

All students who sold 2 or more magazine orders for the second turn-in day may be **out of dress code** Tuesday 10.06 and Wednesday 10.07. Students may wear jeans, basketball shorts and appropriate t-shirts, tops, dresses; hats may not be worn. Elementary students must wear in dress code shoes. JH/HS students may wear flip flops.

Market Day online orders, www.marketday.com, are due by 10pm Monday 10. Order pick-up is Friday, 10.09, from 3:00 – 4:00 in the Elem cafeteria. Special arrangements may be made for pre-paid orders to be picked up at the High School between 3:10 and 3:50.

Volunteers needed:

The PTF is in need of volunteers at the High School to **make and sell popcorn one Friday a month** during lunch. They need a coordinator and parents to make and sell it. You may be a parent of any age student to volunteer. The approximate times would be from 10:30 to 1:00 and all volunteers receive a free bag of popcorn! Please consider fulfilling your 20 hours of volunteer service by helping PTF in this service; contact Adrienne Hubbard, smiley12@zoomtown.com.

Exclusive Special for ACSI member schools parents - Microsoft **Office 2007** may be purchased for \$75 (good for 3 home PCs). For details and to purchase, go to www.paragonmicro.net/acsi promo. 5% of all sales will be donated back to the Association of Christian Schools, Inc to help support Christian education worldwide. Promotion ends 10.31.09. Contact Paragon Micro for further information, 1.866.380.8663.

Save the Date – Saturday, 11.07, 9:00 to 6:00 will be a day of **scrapbooking/card making** in the HS cafeteria. The cost for the day is \$25 and benefits the Fine Arts Boosters. More details will follow.

Upcoming Dates:

- 10.02 – tonight! Homecoming Football Game
- 10.03 – HS Homecoming Banquet
- 10.05 – Market Day orders due online by 10pm
- 10.09 – End of 1st Quarter, HS only
Market Day pick-up
- 10.10 - Monster Mini-Golf fundraiser, 9:30 to 12
- 10.12 – Athletic Boosters Meeting, 7, Diner
- 10.15/16 – Fall Play, 10:00AM and 7:00PM performances, Fairfield Community Theatre
- 10.16 – HS Report Cards issued
- End of 1st Quarter, Elementary only
- 10.17 – Fall Play, 2:00pm and 7:00pm performances, Fairfield Community Theatre
- 10.20 – HS Picture Retake Day
- School Board Meeting, 7:00, HS Conference Room
- 10.21 – Elem Picture Retake Day
- 10.22/23 – No School, Parent Teacher Conferences
Elementary report cards will be issued at each conference
- 10.26 to 30 – OGT will be given to juniors and seniors who have not yet passed
- 11.11 Veterans Day HS Chapel
- 11.12 Fall Sports Celebration
- 11.19 Ktgn-6th Choir Concert
- 11.25-27 No classes, Thanksgiving Break

Elementary:

Tradetown is up and running and we need help with a few recycled items: used DVD's or CD's, used golf balls and golf tees, and plastic bags. Please send these items to the Elem office. The first Cougar Mall for Tradetown will be Friday, 10.30. Please see the "Campus News" for further details. Parents are invited to attend.

Spiritual Life Emphasis is October 12 - 16. Students will attend chapel every day.

Please ask your children about chapel and encourage them to meet the challenges for this week.

- Pray for gratitude
- Pray for those who need Jesus or need to return to Jesus.

The **end of the quarter for Elementary students is Friday, 10.16.** Report cards will be issued during your Parent/Teacher conference.

The **Box Tops/Campbell's Labels Contest is October 5-9!** The classroom with the most Box Tops/Campbell's Labels collected will SCORE the Touchdown and earn a class ice cream sundae party. Volunteers are also appreciated to help count midway through and at the end of the contest. Please contact Christine Guckiean at cguckiean@fuse.net or 870-0447.

Junior High/High School:

CCS is excited to introduce a new way for parents and students to share CCS event photos with the yearbook staff for possible inclusion in the JH/HS yearbook. Simply log on to classscene.com, enter school code ccs and download up to 10 of your favorite photos per event (sporting events to fieldtrips to special school activities). Your photos may also be used for various other CCS publications or advertising throughout the school year. Go to classscene.com and begin sharing your photos today!

From the Guidance Counselor:

Please contact Mrs. Zeller for information regarding these announcements, mzeller@cincinnatiachristian.org.

The **end of the quarter for JH/HS is Friday, 10.09**. Reminder: eligibility for sports is dependent on the quarter report card grades.

Senior meetings are being scheduled with Mrs. Zeller. Parents are invited to attend this meeting. This is a time for you and your child to meet one-on-one with the Guidance Counselor to discuss plans for next year.

Senior Scholarship opportunities:

- ✓ The Burger King Scholars program offers students \$1000 awards to help pay for educational expenses. You do not have to be an employee of Burger King to apply for this opportunity. The criteria includes: a 2.5 or higher GPA, hold down a part-time job, be actively involved in community service activities, and demonstrate financial need.
- ✓ The Overture Awards is a scholarship competition that recognizes, encourages, and rewards excellence in the arts among Tri State students in grades 7-12. For students in grades 9-12, this competition offers scholarships in 6 artistic disciplines: creative writing, dance, instrumental music, vocal music, theater, and visual arts. The fee to compete in this competition is \$20.

College Fairs:

- ✓ Saturday, 10.03, the Assemblies of God College Fair will be held from 10:00am to 3:00pm at the Ohio Assemblies of God District council building in Columbus, Ohio. 13 colleges that are affiliated with the Assemblies of God church will be represented at this fair.
- ✓ Miami Hamilton University is hosting a College Fair on Tuesday, 10.13 from 6:30 to 8:00pm. A financial aid workshop will also take place before the fair from 6:00-6:30pm. Representatives from over 100 colleges will be on hand to talk with students and parents at this free event.
- ✓ Miami University is hosting a scholarship information session on Saturday, 10.17 from 8:30am to 12 pm at the Voice of America Learning Center in West Chester on Cox Rd. At this event, students and parents will gain valuable information about scholarships, the admissions process, financial aid, and preparing for college. The event is free, but you must register by October 12 to attend. Register online at <http://www.eventbrite.com/event/431628011>

Colleges visiting CCS next week:

Students are encouraged to visit the tables and speak with representatives during lunch.

- ✓ Tuesday, 10.06 – Calvin College
- ✓ Wednesday, 10.07 – Grace College
- ✓ Thursday, 10.08 – Mt. St. Joe
- ✓ Monday, 10.12 – Waynesburg College
- ✓ Tuesday, 10.13 – Indiana Wesleyan

Testing:

- ✓ Junior students will be taking the PSAT on Wednesday, 10.14. This is a Pre-SAT test as well as a qualifying exam for the National Merit Scholarship. There is no make up day for this test.
- ✓ Sophomore students will be taking the PLAN test on Wednesday, 10.21. This is a Pre-ACT test. There is no make up day for this test.
- ✓ Juniors and seniors who have not passed all 5 parts of the OGT will be taking that test during the week of October 26th. If your child needs to take a test(s), you should have received a notification at home from the Guidance office last week. If you think that you received this notification in error or think that your child should be taking the test, but did not receive notification, contact Mrs. Zeller.

Athletics:

All parents, staff and coaches are invited to join the **Athletic Boosters for their monthly meeting** - Monday, October 12, 7:00pm in the HS Diner.

Join us for Volley For a Cure, click here for all of the details - <http://www.cincinnati-christian.org/wp-content/uploads/2007/09/Volley-for-the-Cure-media-release.pdf>

All CCS families are invited to a morning of Monster Mini-golf fun, click here for details - <http://www.cincinnati-christian.org/wp-content/uploads/2007/09/CCS-Boys.pdf>.