



VERY IMPORTANT PARENT REPORT 10.09.09

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.

All CCS families are invited to a morning of Monster Mini-golf fun, tomorrow, 10.10 - click here for details - <http://www.cincinnatichristian.org/wp-content/uploads/2007/09/CCS-Boys.pdf>. This is an indoor event so don't let rain cancel your plans! If you did not yet signed-up, you are welcome to attend however, breakfast may not be available.

One Call Now is the system that we use to notify parents of school closings. We are going to test the system next Friday, 10.16. You will receive a call from the school reminding you of the Parent/Teacher conferences. If you would like to change the phone number that you received the call on, please notify Lisa Coombs, 892.8500 or lcoombs@cincinnatichristian.org.

Thank you for your support of the **magazine sale; CCS will earn \$15,600!** Letters will go home early next week with details to those students who earned additional prizes.

Picture retake for the JH/HS is Tuesday, 10.20 and for the Elem, Wednesday, 10.21, 8:00am to 9:00am. Please read the instructions inside your child's packet regarding retakes. Return the entire UNCUT packet with your child on retake day and a \$5.00 check for the retake fee. If your child was absent on the original retake day, a picture order form is available in the office. Please fill it out, include a check for payment and have your child bring it to school on retake day. For questions, please contact Cyndi Totten at the HS campus, ctotten@cincinnatichristian.org and Marla Dunman at the Elem campus, mdunman@cincinnatichristian.org.

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>.

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.

The Fine Arts Boosters' first general meeting for 2009-10 school year will be Tuesday, 10.27, at 7:00pm in the HS diner. We will vote on officers for this year among other critical business items. If you would like to serve as

an officer (president, vice president, or secretary) or would like to nominate someone else to serve, with his or her permission, please email the information to Sandy Shomaker (chrisand12@cinci.rr.com) by 10.20.

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/acsipromo. 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.

The **Fine Arts Boosters are sponsoring a Scrapbooking Day fundraiser/fellowship** for CCS family and friends on Saturday, 11.07; from 9am to 6pm .The cost is \$25 which includes lunch, snacks, and optional workshops in page-making and card-making. In order to maximize the amount of money we can raise for our students in the Fine Arts department, we are looking for donations of snacks, drinks (pop and bottled water), soup, sandwiches, salads, desserts, and paper products. Please email Susan Zaffiro (szaffiro@fuse.net) or Karin Merrell (gaffer@zoomtown.com) if you can help in this way. We also need a few people to help with set-up on that Saturday morning at 8am and clean-up at 6pm.

Veterans' Day invitations will be sent home with the report cards. Please take a moment to invite a veteran who you know to come to our special chapel on November 11th. Additional invitations are available upon request. You may download an invitation by clicking here: <http://www.cincinnati.org/wp-content/uploads/2007/09/11.11.09-invite.pdf> .

Upcoming Dates:

- 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
 - 10.13 – Volley For a Cure JV game at 5:00,Varsity game at 6:00
 - 10.15/16 – Fall Play, 10:00AM and 7:00PM performances, Fairfield Community Theatre
 - 10.16 – HS Report Cards issued
- End of 1st Quarter, Elem 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
 - 10.27 – Fine Arts Boosters Meeting, 7:00pm, HS Diner
 - 11.07 – Scrapbooking Day, 9:00am to 6:00pm, HS Diner
 - 11.11 Veterans Day HS Chapel
 - 11.12 Fall Sports Celebration
 - 11.19 Ktgn-6th Choir Concert
 - 11.23 Skating Party at Skatetown USA, 6:30-8:30
 - 11.25-27No classes, Thanksgiving Break
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Elementary:

Hearing and Vision Screenings will be October 12th – 16th. The Elem nurse needs four volunteers; if you are available to help, please contact Mrs. Traci McLaughlin, tmclaughlin@cincinnati.org .

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 Week is next week, October 12 - 16. Your child may wear the **new** chapel shirt any day during Spiritual Life Emphasis Week, but they will be out of dress code if they wear a chapel shirt from past years. Please pray with us that the Lord will touch the hearts of our students this week.

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** concluded today. The winners and date of the ice cream party will be announced next week. Please keep saving labels and BoxTops all year; we earn 10¢ per label!

Junior High/High School:

Permission slips for all JH and HS students to attend the fall play are due! Please turn in the permission slip and fee to the office Monday. Students will not be permitted to go without a signed permission slip. Click here for details and to download the permission form <http://www.cincinnatichristian.org/wp-content/uploads/2009/09/Permission-form-for-the-fall-play-092.pdf>.

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@cincinnatichristian.org.

The **end of the quarter for JH/HS is today, 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:

- ✓ 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>
- ✓ Watch them SOAR is a college preparatory workshop that will be given by a representative from Cedarville University on Tuesday, 11.03, 6:30 to 8:00pm in the HS Chapel. This informational meeting

is open to parents and students who would like to learn more about the process of transitioning from high school to college.

Colleges visiting CCS next week:

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

- ✓ 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.
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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.cincinnatichristian.org/wp-content/uploads/2007/09/Volley-for-the-Cure-media-release.pdf>
