

Calvary Christian Academy

Jr./Sr. High School Newsletter

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First Day of School

CCA's first day of school for the 2019-2020 school year is Wednesday, **September 4, 2019**. This is a regular school day.

Student Parking

All students who drive to school, including seniors, must park in the front Sanctuary parking lot and walk up the side of the building and enter through the car pool doors. Students are not to enter or leave the building through the church entrance.

Sickness / Late to School / Absentee Policy

If your child will not be in school due to sickness or lateness, please contact Stephanie Anderson in the Jr./Sr. High School Office by 8am at 215-969-2404 x256. You may also leave a message.

SAT Test Dates for 2019-2020

The following are the dates for the SAT I Reasoning Tests and SAT II Subject Tests given during the 2019-2020 school year:

Aug 24; **Oct 5***; Nov 2; Dec 7; Mar 14; **May 2***; June 6
* Indicates the dates the SAT test will be given at CCA. Students need to register online at www.collegeboard.org. The deadline to register for the October 5th SAT at CCA is September 6th.

Auditions for Fall Drama - Grades 9-12

Any actor or actress interested in trying out for a role in the play, auditions for CCA's fall drama production *Little Women* will be held on Monday, September 9th and Tuesday, September 10th from 3:15pm-6pm. Please come prepared to read for a part.

In order to avoid conflict in scheduling, please do not come to auditions if you are planning on playing a fall sport. Rehearsal days for this production will be held on Tuesdays through Thursdays from 3:15-6:00, unless otherwise posted.

Save the Date for Fall Sports Day - September

Fall Sports Day - Saturday, September 28th. Both Varsity Boys and Varsity Girls Soccer will be playing! Our seniors soccer athletes will be honored at the games.

Volunteer Service

All students in grades 9th-12th grade are required to complete 8 hours of community service each school year. If your son or daughter completed volunteer service hours over the summer (mission trip, volunteer at VBS, etc.) please submit completed volunteer service form to the High School Office.

CCA IS CELEBRATING 25 YEARS



News

We are excited to begin the 2019-2020 school year at CCA. The Lord has brought us many new students and a few new staff member listed below!

Mrs. Kelly Dixon

Sr. High Science

Mrs. Carolyn Grow

Jr./Sr. High Choir

Mrs. Mackenzie Hettinger

Jr./Sr. High Math

Our entire faculty and staff can be contacted via email. The email address is the individual's first initial followed by last name, then "@ccphilly.org". You may also contact us by phone at 215-969-2404. If you would like to leave a message for a teacher, please contact the receptionist at x256 or email teachers directly.

Student Government

Student Government applications will be due on Friday, September 6th for any 11th or 12th grader who is interested in applying. Information and applications will be provided to all 11th and 12th grade students on September 6th at the back to school assembly. [Click here](#) to go to the Student Government application.

Parking Lot Procedures

The parking lot can be very busy before, during, and after the school day. We ask that you please follow the drop off and pick up procedures. [Click here](#) to view the procedures in this newsletter. These procedures help ensure the safety of all of our students, maintain positive relationships with our neighbors, and make these times run effectively as possible. Along with these procedures we ask that you please follow these important guidelines: 1) do use the veterinarian driveway or block their lot for any reason, 2) do not drop off or pick up students along Philmont Ave.

Upcoming Dates

Sep 4 - 1st Day of School

Sep 26 - Back to School Night - Jr./Sr. High - 7:00pm

Sep 28 - Fall Sports Day

Sep 30 - Picture Day - Grades 7-11

Oct 5 - SATs @ CCA - 7:30am

Oct 11 - Q1 Progress Reports Mailed

Oct 14 - No School - Columbus Day

Oct 19 - PSATs @ CCA

Oct 22 - Meeting with Parents of Seniors - 7:00pm - CPAC



Back-to-School Night - Thursday, September 26th - 7pm Sharp!

Back-to-School night for **parents** of students in grades 7 through 12 will be on **Thursday**, September 26th. It is very important to arrive on time. Bells will ring for each change in class.

The evening begins at 7:00pm and concludes around 9:30pm. Doors will open at 6:45pm and paperwork will be handed out at that time. We hope you are able to attend.

We will be following a **Wednesday** Schedule.

Each period tonight will be **10** minutes long. The bell will ring at the beginning and end of each period. You will have **3** minutes between periods to get to your next class.

You will have a **free period** when your child has lunch, Teacher's Aide or a study hall. Please do not go to that classroom.

Period Times

* Homeroom	7:10	-	7:15	* 5 th Period	8:10	-	8:20
* 1 st Period	7:18	-	7:28	* 6 th Period	8:23	-	8:33
* 2 nd Period	7:31	-	7:41	* 7 th Period	8:36	-	8:46
* 3 rd Period	7:44	-	7:54	* 8 th Period	8:49	-	8:59
* 4 th Period	7:57	-	8:07	* 9 th Period	9:02	-	9:12

Reminder: This night is for **parents only** – no students please.

Technology Tips

As the school year starts, there is a sense of a fresh start as students enter their classes. There is usually also an uptick in social media activity as students make new friends and use social media as a way of connecting with them. Below is a link to an article with a list of apps that you should be aware of and some of the dangers they pose. As things start afresh it is also a good time to set/review standards and expectations in regard to social media with your child.

<http://www.fox13news.com/news/local-news/15-apps-every-parent-should-know-how-to-use>

FIFTEEN APPS

PARENTS SHOULD KNOW ABOUT

Courtesy of the Sarasota County Sheriff's Office
UPDATED JULY 2019



MEETME
 MEETME is a dating social media app that allows users to connect with people based on geographic proximity. As the app's name suggests, users are encouraged to meet each other in person.

GRINDR
 GRINDR is a dating app geared towards gay, bi and transgender people. The app gives users options to chat, share photos and meet up based on a smart phone's GPS location.

SKOUT
 SKOUT is a location-based dating app and website. While users under 17 years old are unable to share private photos, kids can easily create an account using a different age.

WHATSAPP
 WHATSAPP is a popular messaging app that allows users to send texts, photos, voicemails, make calls and video chats worldwide. WHATSAPP uses an internet connection on smart phones and computers.

TIKTOK
 TIKTOK is a new mobile device app popular with kids used for creating and sharing short videos. With very limited privacy controls, users are vulnerable to cyber bullying and explicit content.

BADDOO
 BADDOO is a dating and social networking app where users can chat, share photos and videos and connect based on location. While the app is intended for adults only, teens are known to create profiles.

BUMBLE
 BUMBLE is similar to the popular dating app "Tinder" however, it requires women to make the first contact. Kids have been known to use BUMBLE to create fake accounts and falsify their age.

SNAPCHAT
 SNAPCHAT is one of the most popular apps in recent years. While the app promises users can take a photo/video and it will disappear, new features including "stories" allows users to view content for up to 24 hours. Snapchat also allows users to see your location.

KIK
 KIK allows anyone to contact and direct message your child. Kids can bypass traditional text messaging features. KIK gives users unlimited access to anyone, anywhere, anytime.

LIVEME
 LIVE.ME is a live-streaming video app that uses geolocation to share videos so users can find out a broadcaster's exact location. Users can earn "coins" as a way to "pay" minors for photos.

HOLLA
 HOLLA is a self-proclaimed "addicting" video chat app that allows users to meet people all over the world in just seconds. Reviewers say they have been confronted with racial slurs, explicit content, and more.

WHISPER
 WHISPER is an anonymous social network that promotes sharing secrets with strangers. It also reveals a user's location so people can meet up.

ASK.FM
 ASK.FM is known for cyber bullying. The app encourages users to allow anonymous people to ask them questions.

CALCULATOR%
 CALCULATOR% is only one of SEVERAL secret apps used to hide photos, videos, files, and browser history.

HOT OR NOT
 HOT OR NOT encourages users to rate your profile, check out people in their area, and chat with strangers. The goal of this app is to hook up.

PSAT/NMSQT

PSAT – all 10th graders

PSAT/NMSQT – 11th graders that choose to take the PSAT again for scholarship opportunity



Saturday, October 19, 2019 8:00 a.m.

Please take note of the SATURDAY testing date.
Testing is optional, but highly recommended.

<p style="text-align: center;">What is the PSAT/NMSQT?</p> <p>The PSAT/NMSQT measures critical thinking skills that are important for success in college, including critical reading, math problem-solving, and writing skills. Taking the PSAT/NMSQT enables students to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • get feedback about critical academic skills • seek information from colleges • enter scholarship competitions • practice for the SAT Reasoning Test • initiate the college-planning process 	<p style="text-align: center;">Reason for taking the PSAT/NMSQT?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The PSAT/NMSQT lets you compare your ability to other college-bound students. • Access to CollegeBoard Khan Academy • Taking the PSAT/NMSQT helps you plan for college. You can get an idea of how you will do on a college admissions test and can find colleges that see students like you.
<p style="text-align: center;">Services for Students with Disabilities</p> <p>Decisions on accommodations are made solely by The CollegeBoard Services for Students with Disabilities. Eligibility must be approved by the CollegeBoard prior to testing.</p> <p>Please check the appropriate box on the attached form:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> My child is approved by CollegeBoard and would like to use his/her accommodations on the PSAT/NMSQT exam.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> My child is approved by CollegeBoard but would like to test in the regular classroom.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Not applicable</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Helpful Score Reports</p> <p>In January, your PSAT/NMSQT Score Report and test book will be returned to you. Your score report will include your critical reading, math and writing skills; score ranges; percentiles; and Selection Index (critical reading + math + writing skills scores), which NMSC uses as an initial screen of the large number of entrants to its competitions. Your score report will show the correct answers, your answers, difficulty level of each question, math content involved, skills that need strengthening.</p> <p>The PSAT Scores may help students:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assess his/her ability to do college work • Firm up college plans with parents • Predict his/her college entrance exams scores for the SAT exam • Become familiar with the testing format of the SAT exam • Receive materials for college through the Student Search Service of the CollegeBoard. • Qualify for the National Merit Scholarships and Achievement Scholarships Junior year
<p style="text-align: center;">Cost & Registration Deadline</p> <p>Cost of Test: \$15 Please make checks payable to CCA.</p> <p>Registration deadline: Please return the attached registration form to the High School Office by <u>Wednesday, May 1st</u>.</p>	

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PSAT/NMSQT Registration Form



PSAT/NMSQT

PSAT – all 10th graders

PSAT/NMSQT – 11th graders that choose to take the PSAT again for scholarship opportunity

Test Date: Saturday, October 19, 2019

Sign In: 7:30 a.m. **Test Start Time:** 8:00 a.m. **Test End Time:** 12:00 p.m.

Test with Accommodations End Time: Varies between 12:00-1:00 p.m.

Cost: \$15 (please make checks payable to CCA)

Please return this form and payment to the High School Office by Wednesday, May 1, 2019

Student Name: _____ Grade/Homeroom: _____

Address: _____ Date of Birth: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Services for Students with Disabilities

Decisions on accommodations are made solely by The CollegeBoard Services for Students with Disabilities. Eligibility must be approved by the CollegeBoard prior to testing.

Please check the appropriate box:

- My child is approved by CollegeBoard and would like to use his/her accommodations on the PSAT/NMSQT exam.
- My child is approved by CollegeBoard but would like to test in the regular classroom.
- Not applicable

Note: Testing is optional, but highly recommended.



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Senior Stroll – Friday Lunch Out Form



Dear Parents,

One of the most special privileges our Seniors will have this year is the opportunity to go off campus for lunch on Fridays. We will start this on Friday of the first full week of school.

Please sign below indicating your permission for your child to leave campus.

All seniors leaving the building for lunch must sign out at the High School Office before leaving and sign back in upon arrival back at school. No student will be permitted to leave campus without a signed permission slip.

Students are only allowed to walk; driving is not permitted.

In Christ,

Mr. Al Schiavo
Principal

Cut and return the first week of school

Student's Name: _____ Homeroom: _____

I give permission for my child to leave the CCA Campus every Friday during their lunch period.

Parent's Signature

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Student Driver Permission Form



Student's Name: _____

Please complete the following information about any vehicle(s) you drive to school:

Make	Model	Year	Color	License Plate	State
Name of the Owner of the Car:					

Make	Model	Year	Color	License Plate	State
Name of the Owner of the Car:					

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Name of the Owner of the Car:					

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Volunteer Service

This form is due
by June 1st.

Volunteer Service Hours Log 20__-20__

This form is due
by June 1st.

Student's Name: _____ Grade Level: _____
By signing below, both student and parent agree that the information presented here is accurate and truthful.

Student's Signature _____

Parent's Signature _____

Name of Organization: _____ Phone: _____

Dates of service: _____ Total Hours Completed: _____

Specific job or service description: _____

Supervisor's Name & Title _____

Supervisor's Signature _____

OFFICE USE ONLY

Date received: _____ Entered into PowerSchool: _____

Volunteer Service

STUDENT GOVERNMENT APPLICATION

All applications must be returned to the High School Office by 3:00 on Friday, September 6th.

Late applications will not be considered.

Name _____ Grade _____

Phone # _____ Email (home) _____

Are you willing/able to give up lunch periods for student government meetings? YES NO

If no, please explain: _____

Are you prepared/able to be committed to student government throughout the entire school year?
(Attend all meetings, help at special events, stay after school if needed, etc.)

YES NO

If your answer is no, explain: _____

List any obligations/responsibilities you have that may conflict with your responsibilities of serving on student government:

List 3 personal traits/ talents/characteristics that you believe equip you to serve our student body well.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Please give the names of 2 CCA staff members that you would like to use for a recommendation.
We will email the recommendation form directly to them.

Reference 1: _____

Reference 2: _____

STUDENT GOVERNMENT APPLICATION (CONTINUED)

Describe your personal relationship with God.

In 100 words or less describe what you believe the responsibility of being on student government includes.

In 250 words or less describe why you would be a good addition to student government.



Morning Carpool Drop off Procedure



JH/HS After School Pick Up



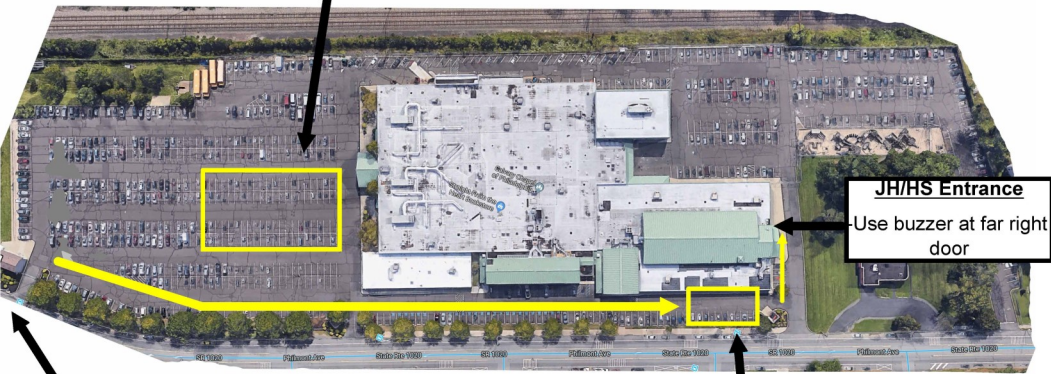
- Park in front of Sanctuary
- Exit by the field house

Drop Off And Pick Up Map



Accessing JH/HS Office During A School Day

Option #2: Park in front lot if visitor spots are filled.
Walk alongside Philmont Ave. side of building to JH/HS entrance



Enter at field house

Option #1: Park in visitor spots and walk to JH/HS to entrance to access building

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Name: _____

Technology Registration

Please fill out the information below if you will be bringing in personally owned technology into the CCA classroom.

***Keep in mind that you already agreed to the Technology Acceptable Use Policy by signing off on the Parent/Student Handbook.**

Students are encouraged to bring in their personal technology to be used for note taking and study related organizational tools. **Students may not use their technology or personal data plans for personal use during the school day.**

Type of Device Laptop/iPad/Tablet	Make	Model
Ex: Laptop	Apple	Macbook Air

****CCA is not liable for personally owned technology that is lost, stolen or damaged. CCA will not reimburse for lost or stolen technology. Nor will CCA be able to fix or troubleshoot damaged technology. Technology that is brought into CCA is solely the responsibility of its owner.***

Student Signature: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Printed Name: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____

Student Wireless Internet Access Form

Wireless Internet Rules and Regulations:

- Students may NOT share their log on information with anyone. (If they are experiencing technical difficulties, they should report to the High School Office.)
- All Internet activities must be Academic and related to class work or homework.
- Students may NOT access any form of social media (Facebook, Twitter, Vine, etc) through CCA WiFi or through their own data plans during school hours. This policy is in our Parent/Student Handbook.
- Students may NOT use this Wireless Internet Access to multitask, study, or work on **other** assignments while in any one class. Any activity on a personal device must relate to the class they are in at that time.
- **Wireless Access will only be available from 9:00am until 3:00pm Monday through Friday.**
- Students may NOT use the Internet Access to stream/watch videos.
- Students may NOT use the Internet Access to play games unless directed to by the classroom teacher for Academic purposes.
- Students must seek permission from their Homeroom, Study Hall, Lunchroom or Elective Teacher before using their technology and wireless access in class.
- Unless given a specific assignment or direction to do so, students must request permission from their core subject teachers to use the Wireless Internet Access in their class. (This is as easy as having a discussion with each teacher about what/when is appropriate to research during each individual class.)
- CCA does have software to monitor what students are doing online. This will be monitored randomly and when requested by a teacher due to a specific concern.
- **CCA has Zero Tolerance toward infractions to the above stated Rules & Regulations as well as toward any infraction of the CCA Technology Acceptable Use Policy as stated in the Parent/Student Handbook.**
- CCA DOES have Filtering Software that protects our Internet. This software blocks access to pornographic sites, gambling sites and protects from viruses.
- CCA is NOT LIABLE for lost, stolen or damaged student devices that are brought into CCA.

Your signature below validates that you have read and understand the Rules & Regulations of Access to the CCA Wireless Internet.

Student Signature: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Printed Name: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____

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After School Late Activity Bus



AFTER SCHOOL LATE ACTIVITY BUS

The following school districts will provide a late activity bus.

BENSALEM / BRISTOL / NESHAMINY/ PENNSBURY

Only residents of the above districts are permitted to ride one of these busses.

Upon arrival to school – **BY 8:45AM** – students who would like to get a ride on one of these busses must report to the high school office and make a request to the office secretaries. They will notify the transportation office and the bus will pick up those students at the designated area.

School District	Pickup Time	Pickup Location
Bensalem	5:00pm	Pickup near the high school office by the dumpster. (Philmont Ave. side of building.)
Bristol	5:00pm	Pickup near the high school office by the dumpster. (Philmont Ave. side of building.)
Neshaminy	5:00pm	Pickup near the high school office by the dumpster. (Philmont Ave. side of building.)
Pennsbury	6:00pm	Pickup near the high school office by the dumpster. (Philmont Ave. side of building.)

Students 7th – 12th grade are eligible to take advantage of this late ride home. Students who are staying for sports or drama or any other after school activity may take the bus **IF** it is pre-arranged with the office by 8:45AM.

*If you have ordered the bus and your plans change during the day, you **MUST** inform the office so the bus can be cancelled.*

Late bus privilege will be lost if the bus comes and there are no rider(s).

Please be considerate of the driver and others and be to the bus on time.

September 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4 First Day of School	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26 Back-to-School Night Grades 7-12 7pm Sharp	27	28 Fall Sports Day
29	30 Picture Day Grades 3yr - 11th Grade					