

September 5



Learn,  
to shape God's world.

Day 1 is now already over for many, and tomorrow the remaining ES students are arriving! We're excited students are in the building and are looking forward to a year of learning, connecting and growing together.

### **School-wide news + Society Items**

Get to know staff, meet new teachers - including new Faith Formation instructors at the Secondary - with this [link to the Staff Directory on the website](#), which is currently being updated. You can also view the structure of our Faith Formation team with the chart under both the [Elementary](#) and [Secondary](#) web pages.

**APPLES** ARE BACK from Davison Orchards and that's a good thing too because you know - school lunches! Plus they're so delicious. Proceeds from your orders will go to Experiential Learning at our High School! Details and how to order (on hotlunches.net) is [linked here](#).

CCS Community Notice Board - did you know we have an online board where CCS families can request, share and ask for information. [Check it out HERE](#).

One of the tasks of the Calgary Society for Christian Education (CSCE) is to share our story of learning with our community. Sometimes we include photos of classroom learning and engaging activities on our socials, but please note - we do not include students names or any other personal information. If you do not want your child to be included, [please COMPLETE THIS FORM](#). If you have any questions, please contact [info@calgarychristianschool.com](mailto:info@calgarychristianschool.com). Make sure you check out our posts on facebook and Instagram to stay informed and learn more about what's happening at CCS.

*We LOVE our volunteers! There are so many things we couldn't do without you!*

If you are planning to volunteer with CCS this school year we have a \*NEW\* registration system for onboarding. All of the details are laid out [here](#) on our website. Even if you were a volunteer with us in the past, we kindly ask that you fill out this form so that your information is transferred correctly to our new system. It is important to note that only those registered in our new system will be permitted to volunteer. Thank you!

**Orange shirts** are now available in support of **National Day for Truth and Reconciliation** on September 30! You can pay directly [on our new site with a credit card or paypal](#). The beautiful artwork, used with permission, is from indigenous artist Michelle Stoney and once again, proceeds from the shirts will be donated to the [Legacy of Hope Foundation](#).

(missed last week's communication? It's posted as a PDF on our website: [Parents/Weekly Email](#))

## **Elementary News**

ES Picnic and Meet the Teacher is scheduled for Wednesday, September 13. Meet the Teacher takes place in your child's classroom between 5:30 - 6pm, with a picnic to follow (outside) from 6-7pm. Please bring your family's meal and also chairs/blankets to sit on. A dessert treat (popsicle/ice cream bars) will be provided. It's a great time to meet new families and say hello to old friends too! This is weather permitting, so please watch our social media for updates.

Traffic Reminders: We ask that you be mindful of the surrounding properties, do not park in front of or block driveways. Please follow the signs (no stopping zones, etc) and remember that u-turns in school zones are not permitted.

Opening Chapel is September 7 at 8:50am - parents are welcome to attend too!

## **Secondary News**

**Meet the Teachers on Monday, September 11 at 6:30pm** - there will be a short main session in the LINC and then 3 repeated session times with Grade Teams and Departments so you can meet staff and learn more about our programs and your teen's learning! Hope to see you there.

Please pray for our Gr12 students and staff who are headed to Frontier Lodge on Wednesday morning. We hope they have a great time building community and relationships while being creation-enjoyers, and have a safe time together.

**Gr9 schedules** are available to view on Students' ConnectEd accounts. Please have your student log in using [this LINK](#). They will need to use their student email as the username and the password they have set prior. They can use the 'forgot password' option if they need to reset their password.

Gr 9 students are NOT permitted to submit course change requests at this time. Students will be given information on how to request a course change (for option classes only) next week.

**Gr10-12 students** should have access to their schedules through their student portal on Connect Ed/Edsembli (under QUICKLINKS on the front of our website) and linked [HERE](#).

**Gr10-12** if you need to **request a course selection/change**, students must complete [THIS REQUEST FORM](#), the submission deadline is **September 6 @ noon**.

One of the most important ways parents/guardians can make a meaningful difference for their students is by participating on the School Council. Under the Education Act, a school council is a structured group of parents/guardians, principals, teachers and secondary students designed to advise the principal and the Palliser School Division Trustees on matters related to the school. School councils have legislated advisory.

They are different from Parent Societies, whose main function is to raise funds for the school. You can find more information in the [School Council Resource Guide](#).

Calgary Christian School Secondary Council needs you! We are looking for parents/guardians who are passionate about their student's education to join the Council. We are currently looking for volunteers to fill the following Executive roles: Co-chair, Secretary and Key Communicator. We are also seeking individuals to lead the following committees: Blessing & Burdens, Grade 12 Graduation and Staff Appreciation. If you are interested or would like more information regarding these opportunities, please email [CCSSCouncil@gmail.com](mailto:CCSSCouncil@gmail.com).

It's almost time - delicious hot lunches begin on Tuesday, September 12 with Chef Chris. Order with [THIS LINK on hotlunches.net](#), please remember *everyone* needs to set up an account, even if you had one last year as the system reset over the summer.

IMPORTANT: Does your secondary student have a life threatening medical condition that we need to be aware of? Fill out this [Medical Alert Form](#). This information will be posted on the Secondary Campus office bulletin board with the student's emergency medication (if applicable).

VOLLEYBALL SEASON HAS ARRIVED! Here's [a link to the try-out schedule](#), which is also posted on our website under ATHLETICS - starting today!