

Society News + School-wide

Secondary Expansion Project - Next Steps. The CSCE Board would like to thank those members who participated in the February 27 Resolution Meeting. They are now seeking your feedback on those results (resolution did not pass) to help determine next steps. They are asking all current parents to respond using his <u>SURVEY</u> to share their insights and suggestions. Please complete the survey by Friday, March 15.

CSCE Board Nominees and Election - "Thank you for all of the nominations for the Calgary Society for Christian Education (CSCE) Board of Directors submitted by the March 1, 2024 deadline. The Board Development Committee will be meeting with all the nominees over the next couple of weeks as part of our process in preparing for the CSCE Annual General Meeting (AGM) to be held in May. At the AGM, CSCE members will be electing three (3) new members to the Board of Directors. **Why are we electing three (3) new members?** The CSCE by-laws provide for a minimum of 5 and maximum of 9 members of the Board of Directors. In recent years, we have had an inconsistent turnover in the number of directors. Last year there was only a single vacancy; this year there are four (4) Board members whose terms are ending, namely Jon Halford, Matt Weening, Michelle Zuk, and Olugbenga Adebayo. To improve Board of Director transitions - including retaining Board member knowledge and assisting new members in getting up to speed as Directors, the Board is working towards achieving an annual turnover of three (3) Board members in each given year. Based on current and projected director terms, it will only take a couple cycles to get back to the turnover of three (3) Board members. This could be as early as 2026.

If you have any questions about the CSCE Board of Directors, please email us at <u>*Board@calgarychristianschool.com*</u>"

Sincerely, CSCE Board of Directors

2 Opportunities on March 20. CCS has been invited to: 1) a Rwandan Canadian Society event to remember the Genocide in Rwanada through a documentary film and a panel discussion - we recommend this for grade 9 students and above; and 2) the Faith & Family Night at the Wranglers hockey game. Please click <u>here</u> to register for the Rwandan Genocide event at UCalgary, and <u>here</u> to express your interest in the Wranglers game.

The **Early Learning and Child Care Parent Engagement Survey** needs your feedback to help shape child care in the province. More information about our province's child care system can be found <u>HERE</u>. When you're ready, take the survey using this <u>link</u>.

Prayer Team meets each Wednesday at 8:40 - 9:30am. Currently, we are using the <u>discipleship</u> <u>diagram</u> to launch our prayers. On Feb. 28, we focused on the phrase, at CCS <u>you are loved</u> using 1 Corinthians 13 to guide our prayers.

Pre School News

Learning Adventure News - Registration has begun for September 2024. Register now to avoid disappointment!!



Elementary News

CCS Floor Hockey Tournament Bake Sale - On March 7th a bake sale will be held during the Floor Hockey Tournament to raise money for the CCS Faithfulness Campaign with 10% of funds raised being donated to the Mustard Seed. Students should bring Loonies & Toonies if they would like to purchase something.

Help Needed - Gr 6 Floor Hockey Tournament on March 7th - We have special guests participating this year from Leduc Covenant Christian School. We will be joining forces for a FLEX project as well as a community building event with our CCS students. Can you help with dinner? <u>Click here.</u> You can also help by bringing a box of cereal or a pair of new men's sized socks to the tables at the Elementary school to contribute to their donations to Mange's Breadsticks and the Mustard Seed.

Emmanuel Church Parking Lot Not Available for Drop Offs & Pickups this Friday, March 8th as Emmanuel CRC is hosting Classis Alberta and South Saskatchewan. Alternative arrangements will need to be made for school drop off and pick up as delegates will be using the parking spaces.

Elementary Soccer - This parent-run program is set to take place again this spring for students in Grades 1-6. **Registration is now open** on the CCS website <u>Click here to register</u>. Space is limited and this program fills quickly, please register ASAP to avoid disappointment.

ES Lunch Volunteers Needed - Two more volunteers are needed for tomorrow's **March 6th Pizza Day**. Also many more volunteers are needed for future lunch days. Did you know that you <u>do not</u> need a Police Clearance to volunteer for our lunch program? We cannot run this program without you. If you can help, please sign up using the following link: <u>VOLUNTEER</u> <u>ELEMENTARY LUNCH</u>

Grade 6G Snack Pantry - In working to reduce food waste and provide food to those who need it, 6G is working to make a snack pantry for our school AND Glenbrook Elementary. Glenbrook Elementary is a school in our community where many students are refugees or have more trouble having enough food to eat. Our hope is to build a Snack Pantry in both places. Just like a little free pantry, this would be in the schools. If students had extra food to put in, it can be donated or left in the pantry for another child to use. If you forget a snack or are extra hungry, you can go and grab a snack. If you have any wrapped snacks that you would be able to donate to the 6G Flex Snack Pantry, or you are able to purchase some for donation, please send them with your child and have them brought to 6G. Thanks!

Elementary School Council - 12:35; Monday, March 18

Secondary News

Info Session Tonight, Tuesday March 5- for those who RSVP'd to learn more details about this upcoming travel opportunity to Portugal and Spain! This trip is for students who will be in grades 10, 11, and 12 in the 2024/2025 school year.

VAPING: What Parents Need to Know is a free presentation put on by AHS. If you'd like to sign up, visit this <u>website</u>.

US College Admission Help is available to families who are considering the opportunity of attending post secondary school in the United States. Have a look at this <u>poster</u> if you want to learn more.

Ski Trip -High School Students (Gr10-12) please check your Google classroom to find details and get registered for the **Ski Trip** happening March 20, 2024. The registration and payment deadline is March 6th. Please contact the student coordinator of the trip, Joshua Zieber, if you have any questions.

Calaway Park? Does your grade 9 student want to attend the Calaway Park end of year celebration in June? For more information and to sign them up <u>please use our Google Form</u>.

Cougar Athletics CCS Athletics is in need of volunteers to help coach and support our Track + Field Team for the 2024 season. The season goes from the end of April - end of May. If you or someone you know is interested in helping out, please contact <u>Mark Jonker</u> or <u>Curtis Smeding</u> (or both). **Parent-Teacher Interviews *New Dates*** In an effort to provide space for dialogue that could lead to more significant learning, we are moving our first parent-teacher interview date up to March 14 from the usual late April. Interviews will run from 4 pm to 8 pm in person. Additionally, we will have interviews available virtually at a second date on April 26 (8 am - 12 noon) which will allow for follow up or an additional touchpoint. An invitation with booking instructions will be emailed tomorrow.

National Drama Festival (New Westminster, BC) - Our Grade 9-12 One Act Drama Class is looking at travelling on April 26-27 to Douglas College in New Westminster, BC to participate in the National Drama Festival! (https://taeacanada.ca/national-star-fest/) Keep an eye out for tickets to our April 18th show "Much Ado High School" as we raise money to make this trip possible. Two of our students were selected to compete this year at Nationals, and we have applied to have our One Act featured. **Parent/Student Info-night** from 7:30-8:15pm in Room 004 at the end of the Parent Teacher Conference evening for those specifically enrolled and anyone with a genuine interest. The information at that meeting will be shared in subsequent mail-outs.

Grad Portraits: To book a Prestige Session at Calgary Christian Secondary School please follow these steps: Go to: <u>https://prestigeportraits.ca/</u> Select Province/Enter City - Click on Go Select School - Click on, Calgary Christian Secondary School Enter First/Last Name - Click on Search Click Schedule your appointment - follow prompts to complete booking Appointment Email Confirmation will be sent upon completion.

Advance Notice

Save the Date: May 14 For the 60th Anniversary Concert ... more details to follow

Missed last week's communication? Find it here: Weekly Email