



Secondary School News

Coventry Christian Schools

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Calendar of Events

February

2/2--MS Spelling Bee, 7 p.m.

2/5--Progress Reports Issued; Ski Club Trip

2/12--Re-enrollment Deadline; Prospective Family Open House

2/14--Ski Club Trip

2/15--President's Day--School Closed

2/21--Board Meeting, 1:30 p.m., PV

2/25--Creative Minds Fair, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

March

3/2--Grandparents Gathering, CV, 9 a.m.

3/8-19--Stanford Achievement Tests

3/8--PTO meeting, 6:30 p.m., PV

3/20--Coventry Challenge 5K

3/21--Board of Trustees meeting, 1:30 p.m., PV

3/24--Market Day Pick-Up at PV

3/26--Third Marking Period Ends

SEE www.coventrychristian.com for sports schedules! Go Eagles!

Educating for Life

"I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full."

Jesus, John 10:10

It's re-enrollment time again. This week all CCS parents will be reviewing the new tuition and fee schedule and reflecting upon the value of a CCS education. Most will recommit to sacrificing thousands of dollars that could be spent on something else in order to send their children back to CCS for 2010-11. For some, the decision will be a difficult one. Others won't even think twice. For those who do sacrifice to give their children a Christian education, the primary motivator is almost always connected to the words of Christ quoted above. They want their children to have the fullest life possible. Some versions of the Bible translate it "abundant life."

This week I tip my hat to CCS parents for your commitment to the very best for your children. I am humbled and amazed at the sacrifices you make to send your children to CCS and at the service so many of you render above and beyond simply paying your tuition. When I give tours of our school to prospective families, you receive my highest marks. Visitors are always impressed by the role our parents play in education at CCS. From volunteering your time, donating your hard-earned money, committing yourselves to prayer for our school, to building meaningful partnerships with our teachers, you are second to none.

This week is also letter of intent time for our teachers. Every February, teachers must turn in their letters of intent to their principal. Those who recommit to teaching at CCS for another year do so at great sacrifice because they believe that only Christian education provides the truth about how to live life to the full. They love young people so much that they choose to work at CCS despite the fact that they could double their salaries by working elsewhere. They willingly give up all of the comforts and fringe benefits of a taxpayer-funded, union position, because they believe in Christian education. I tip my hat to our teachers as well. I am humbled and thankful for their service.

In the agrarian culture of days long gone, parents were able to spend the day working alongside their children, teaching them about social studies, math, science, character, faith, and a myriad of other topics. Time with their children was plentiful. Today, we are hard-pressed to find the time to impart to our children all of the lessons that we believe our children must learn to lead a full life. I send my children to CCS because I trust the teachers here to redeem the time I cannot spend with my children by imparting to them the truths that I most want them to learn from me. I thank God for CCS because her people help me to do with my children what I cannot do on my own, and what other schools will not do for them.

As members of the CCS family, we are all heavily invested in the pursuit of abundant life for our children. I find that in such sacrifice, the keys to a full life are found. I hope and pray that you are as satisfied with the benefits of the sacrifice as I am.

2nd Quarter Honor Roll Announced

Congratulations to our honor roll members for the 2nd marking period!

Honors	High Honors	Distinguished Honors
Buxton, Clay DeJesus, Kristian Dittman, Beth Evans, Zachary Fedick, Eva Gelwicks, Katelyn Gordon, Colin Haas, Brandi Hafer, Kaitlyn Hewlett, Justice Hoffman, Mason Hollinger, Clayton Knepp, Rachel Lee, Jung Yun Loshnowsky, Michael McAdam, Jason McIntyre, Linda Monte, Rachel Myers, Madeline Schoudt, Kaitlyn Schwartz, Samantha Shin, Yesub Weaver, Jason Wise, Charis Yoo, Tae Hee	Barton, Abigail Bender, Gift Boddy, Helen Bristol, Ryan Chroscinski, Nicholas Deblase, Erica Gale, Carolyn Gayl, Joseph Gelwicks, Kyleigh Han, Seung Cheol Hartz, Ashleigh Hopkinson-Wood, Jane Hunsberger, Karena Kim, Hyo Gun Ling, Anna Minemier, Amy Niehls, Jeremiah Niehls, Kaylie Niehls, Mary Kate Scheetz, Brennan Slinkerd, Courtney Smale, Darby Smith, Nathan Snyder, Elizabeth Snyder, Emily Snyder, Katie Swartz, Rachel Swenson, Kailey Tupitza, Stephen Williams, James Won An, Joong	Bull, Eric Bull, Katie Ennels, Nyla Fonder, Alex Gale, Christine Hussain, Saarah Koo, Hayerhin Ling, Elizabeth Navin, Christine Schnabel, Zachary Sicher, Avery Singh, Varun Trego, Cory Zaneski, John

Coventry Challenge 5K/1 Mile Fun Run/Walk--Some BIG Changes This Year

Goodbye Bowl-a-thon, hello Coventry Challenge 5K! That's right! The bowl-a-thon and jog-a-thon have been replaced by our 6th annual Coventry Challenge 5K. The date of the 5K/1 Miler is Saturday, March 20, 9 a.m. It will once again be held at the Pleasantview campus. Stay tuned for more details about how all of our families will be participating. This year's event has been generously sponsored by the Pottstown Area Health and Wellness Foundation, and we are committed to turning this into a great CCS community event. Last year we had over 200 participants, and this year we are looking for at least 450! Registration for CCS students and parents will be FREE! Look for your free registration form and fundraising information to come home on Monday, February 8. Tell your friends and family to sign up online at our website. Mark your calendars, start training, and stay tuned!

High School Baseball Coach Needed

For the first time in CCS history, we have the students to form a high school baseball team. We have had a history of support for baseball in middle school but not in high school. This year we finally broke that barrier! If you are interested or know someone who might be interested in coaching the high school boys, please contact Tina McIntyre at sports@educatingforlife.com, or call 610-326-3320 weekdays between 3 p.m. and 6 p.m.

Ski Club Trips

February 14 and February 20 are the last two ski trips for the ski club, weather permitting. For both trips, we will leave from the school at 3 p.m. and return to the school at 11 p.m.

Re-enrollment Deadline, February 12

All re-enrollment forms and fees must be in by February 12 to secure your child's spot in his or her class. As of February 16, we will be filling seats with new students. Secure your child's spot by turning your form and fee in by Friday, February 12. If you have concerns or financial need that keep you from meeting this deadline, please let Mr. Fisher know.

Financial Aid Applications Due April 15, Get Started Now

If you want to re-enroll your child but know that you will need financial aid for the 2010-11 school year, you must go to www.ffna1.com to complete a financial aid application. Financial aid decisions will be made in May. Aid is limited, so late applications may not be accepted. You must still complete your re-enrollment form and pay the re-enrollment fee in order to reserve a spot for your child. Financial aid applications are not considered unless re-enrollment has been completed.

Schedule for Events Center Dedication, Feb. 26

The schedule for the Events Center Dedication has been finalized. See you there!

4 p.m. Middle School Girls Basketball v. Middle School Boys Basketball

5 p.m. Faculty Women v. High School Girls Basketball

6 p.m. Events Center Dedication

7 p.m. Faculty Men v. High School Boys Basketball

Creative Minds Fair, February 25

Be sure to ask your child about their Creative Minds Fair project. The fair is fast approaching, and there are certain to be very big deadlines that have already passed or are looming on the horizon. Your partnership is essential to making certain your child gets the most out of this opportunity.

Upcoming Academic Assessments/Projects:

Middle School

Day	5th	6th	7th	8th
Monday				
Tuesday			Earth Science Test	
Wednesday	Reading test			
Thursday	English test	Life Science Test		
Friday				
Monday, February 15		History Test		Physical Science Test

High School

Day	9th	10th	11th	12th
Monday				
Tuesday		Harriet Beecher Stowe Quiz		
Wednesday				
Thursday	Biology quiz			
Friday		Emily Dickinson Quiz		Suicide Report; Psychology Test (world-views)
Monday, February 15				