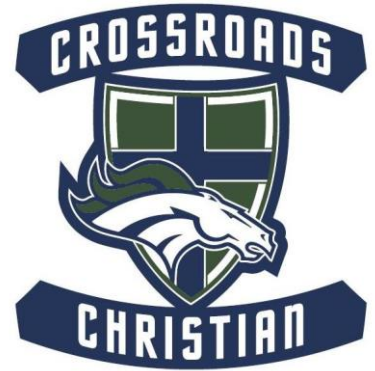


# CROSSROADS NEWSLETTER

January 26, 2018

## One in Christ I Corinthians 1:10

I appeal to you, brothers, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgment.



## SNOW DAYS



As everyone is aware, the winter season is upon us. Due to two snow events, we have missed five days of school. Anytime a school begins to miss numerous days, questions start arising about make-up days. Several years ago, CCS extended the school day by 15 minutes to help build up instructional hours to add in additional snow days into the calendar.

With the days that we have missed so far, we are currently **not** to the point where we will need to make up any days. We will keep you informed regarding make-up days if we continue to have closings due to inclement weather, but we **do not need to make up any days/time** for the five days that we have missed.

## Re-enrollment Opening Soon!

Re-enrollment for the 2018-2019 school year will begin on **Monday, February 5**, with a two-week window to re-enroll at a discounted rate. During the December board meeting, the CCS school board approved the motion to **not increase tuition** for next school year, with fees also staying the same. From Monday, February 5, through Sunday, February 18, families can re-enroll for only \$150 per child, a \$100 discount per child. **The enrollment fee becomes \$250 on Monday, February 19.**

We are thankful for all of our CCS families, and we look forward to continuing our partnership with you as we train our young men and women to serve Christ and to be leaders with a Christian worldview.

## Lost and Found Items Go to Charity on Feb. 1

Lost and Found items have been displayed in the front hallway for a week and will be there until Thursday, Feb. 1. Any items not claimed by that point will be packed up and delivered to Lifeline charity on Raleigh Road.



# Do You Know a Family Who Would Like to Visit CCS?

We are available for meetings and tours for any new family interested in Crossroads. Simply have them call Beth Pegram at 252-431-1333 to set up an appointment. The new family enrollment period opens on Monday, February 19. There is no greater way to reach new students than by a recommendation from a current family.

As a thank you to current families who recommend CCS, we offer a new student referral discount to help offset the cost of tuition. Many families have taken advantage of the referral discount over the past few years, and because of those recommendations, CCS has given out over \$40,000 in referral discounts. Thank you to everyone who helped bring new families to our school!



## 2018-2019 Calendar Approved



The 2018-2019 school calendar has been approved. School will begin on Wednesday, August 15, with Open House taking place on Monday, August 13. A link to next year's calendar will be sent out with re-enrollment information. All calendar updates are available on our school website at this address: <http://ccscolts.org/site/information/calendar/>

## Kindergarten Cap & Gown, Senior Cap & Gown, and Winter Sports Pictures

We will be taking Kindergarten Cap and Gown, Senior Cap and Gown, and Winter Sports pictures on **Thursday, February 1**. Flyers for the cap and gown pictures have already been sent home with students. The Kindergarten picture forms only require a pose to be chosen by picture day. Afterwards a portrait package will be sent home for parents to review and purchase.

There is an online order option available for **Senior Cap and Gown** pictures and **Sports** pictures. Mr. Parker and the coaches distributed sports picture forms Jan. 24 & 25. Picture forms and money, if applicable, are due when the pictures are taken on Feb. 1. If you order online, write the online payment code at the bottom of the form. If paying in cash, have the EXACT amount. Photographers will not have change. Checks should be made payable to LIFETOUGH.

**\*\*\* All athletes must have complete uniform, including shoes, for pictures. \*\*\***



## PSAT Scores

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*A note from Mrs. Choplin:* The scores from the 11<sup>th</sup> grade PSAT/NMSQT test (taken in October) were distributed to juniors when we came back from winter break. I helped them access or set up their College Board accounts and talked about how to use their scores to predict SAT scores in the future. We looked at practice resources to help them prepare for the real test. A score report video guide is also available at <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/psat-nmsqt-psat-10/scores/understanding-scores>.



According to College Board, students who wish to improve their performance on the SAT should follow these guidelines:

- Develop academic skills through challenging coursework.
- Read extensively and develop strong writing skills.
- Engage in deliberate practice in the three math areas that are emphasized the most in the assessments.
- Take practice tests and upload their results to Khan Academy for personalized practice of the skills they need to improve. To learn more, go to [collegeboard.org/psatpractice](https://collegeboard.org/psatpractice).

Scores from the PSAT/NMSQT are not sent to colleges, but these scores are used by Crossroads to meet requirements by North Carolina for all juniors to have taken a standardized test and met minimum scores (see our Student Handbook for more info).

### Sophomores – PSAT-10's Given on March 22

Our 10<sup>th</sup> graders will take their first practice SAT at school on March 22. This test will give them a chance to experience how an SAT will be. Practice resources for this test are also available at [collegeboard.org/psatpractice](https://collegeboard.org/psatpractice). PSAT scores are not sent to colleges.

## Senior Night for Student-Athletes – January 29

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Senior night for the winter season is Jan. 29 against Oxford Prep. Kyra Corrigan (basketball and cheer) will be recognized before the girls' game (around 5:45) and Brody Steffensen, Zaire Edwards, and Tyler Logan will be recognized before the boys' game at around 7:15. Come on out and cheer on those Colts!



## Soccer Coach Needed

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Varsity girls' soccer coach needed for this spring! Applications available on the CCS website at <http://ccscolts.org/site/information/employment/>. For more info, contact Athletic Director Jamie Parker at [jparker@ccscolts.org](mailto:jparker@ccscolts.org).

## Lunch Menus

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The February lunch menu is available online at <http://ccscolts.org/site/information/cafeteria/>. Copies are also available in the front office.

# Homecoming 2018

Homecoming for Crossroads was celebrated January 12. Our visiting team was Grace Christian. JV boys won their game, with the varsity boys and girls giving a great effort but falling short of their wins.

During the varsity boys' game, senior **Zaire Edwards** scored his 1000th point and the game was paused while he was honored for his achievement. (Pictured below with Coach Lamont Whitaker.)

Little Colts cheered as well as the older cheer squads, and alumni were recognized. After all the games, the Homecoming Court took place in the cafetorium, with seniors **Tyler Logan** and **Kyra Corrigan** crowned King and Queen. Many more pictures by Yearbook Staff on Spirit Week and Homecoming Night activities can be found on [Crossroads' Facebook page](#).



## Art Festival – March 16

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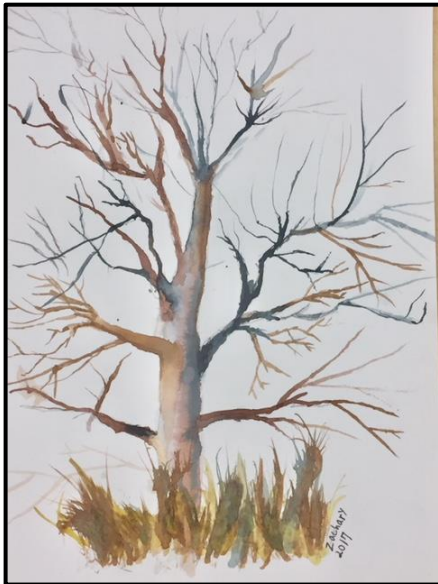
*From Mrs. Newbern:* It's that time of year again and I am preparing for the ACSI Art Festival. Crossroads Christian School will be hosting the event, and I am very honored to be the chairman for this event. The Festival will be held on **Friday, March 16, 8:00-12:00** noon. More detailed information will be sent out at a later date.

Each school is required to provide workers for the event. As the host school, it would be SUPER if we could have a great turnout of help. On the day of the event, we will need: guest artists (2), judges, tabulators, greeters, runners, & helping hands during the students' project time. Judges should have an art or related degree or should be very knowledgeable in art. (If qualifications are questionable, we can discuss.)

If you know of an artist in the area that might be willing to help or if you just want to join the FUN, please give me a call ASAP at 252-431-1333. WE CAN USE THE HELP! Thanks to everyone that has already offered to help. I will be in contact.

**Call for Entries will take place by the end of February.**

Students in Grades 3-12 are eligible to participate in the ART FESTIVAL. Grades K-2 may submit artwork for the ART Extravaganza art show. More details coming soon. Students and parents, take a look at all artwork done in class from April of 2017- present. Anything done in the past year in class is qualified for review. We will be working on new pieces in class that students may submit for review. If middle school student are not in art class this quarter, they may still participate. They may pull anything that they did in the past year or they can meet with me and discuss a new project.



## Crossroads to Host Basketball Tournament Feb. 5-9

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We are hosting the Mid-Carolina Conference basketball tournament the week of Feb. 5-9. Hosting a tournament requires a team of people working together, as well as preparing in advance. We are going to need help that week, so Mr. James Parker is asking for your assistance. Volunteers are needed to work concessions, admissions, the Hospitality Room, the scoreboard, traffic/parking, and other jobs. (Scoreboard operation will require some minimal training. For the tourney, we must have adults at the scorer's table.) To volunteer, email Jamie Parker at [jparker@ccscolts.org](mailto:jparker@ccscolts.org) or call us at 252-431-1333.



## National Beta Club Induction – Nov. 15, 2017



*A bit of news from the fall...* A community of students that focus on academic achievements as well as community service was honored on Wednesday, November 15, 2017, at Crossroads Christian School. CCS held their 11<sup>th</sup> Beta Club Induction Ceremony to recognize new members. The proceedings were led by the current leaders of the Beta Club (pictured) with Lakin Greathouse as president, Sam Boyd as vice president, Will Burton as treasurer, Landyn Wiggins as secretary, and Noah Brantley as Chaplin. Luke Williams spoke on behalf of the new members. The new members took part in a pledge that has been a Beta Club tradition since 1934. The inductees were then pinned and received a certificate of membership.



The new members included from the 6th grade: Will Alston, Colby Bargfrede, Haley Edwards, Hailey Grissom, Noah Newbern, Julian Pahl, Matthew Perkinson, Shane Sawyer, Caroline Wiard, and Luke Williams.



The 7th grade included Zachary Bartholomew, Abbigale Cranfill, Zoie Hutson, Anna Jacobs, Logan Ross, Pamela Stevenson, and Brycelyn Woodward. Marie O'Donoghue, Shelby Sawyer, and Nicholas Shah were the new members representing the 8th grade. The 9th grade members were inducted into the Senior Beta Club and included Noah Brantley, Will Burton, Isaac Corrigan, Hope Macklin, Anna Parker, Haley Patterson, Noah Puckett, Justice Simmons, William Wiard, and Caden Woodward (pictured).

The events of the afternoon were concluded with a reception for the family and friends of the new inductees as well as current members of the Beta Club.

*CCS Beta Club Adviser: Tracy Anderson*

## A Note from the College Counselor

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Scholarship time is upon us! Tons of scholarship deadlines are coming up in early spring, so seniors should be searching for and applying for scholarships. Not all scholarships are academically based – there are all types of scholarships out there. Some online resources to check are these:

- [www.cfnc.org](http://www.cfnc.org)
- [www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)
- [www.scholarships.com](http://www.scholarships.com)
- Your local civic groups and electric co-ops and businesses

Also search for “weird” scholarships and find the unusual ones like scholarships for left-handed people, people who are a certain height, people who like dogs or can make duck calls, etc. Here’s a few:

- **Doodle 4 Google Scholarship:** \$30,000. You know your favorite part of Googling stuff is seeing if there's a fun new Google Doodle to play with that day! Well, you can be part of that and win a college scholarship by submitting a Doodle of your own to the Doodle 4 Google scholarship competition. #GoogleDoodles
- **American Fire Sprinkler Association Scholarship:** \$2,000. So, first you need to read the "Fire Sprinkler Essay." Then you take a 10-question multiple-choice test about the essay. Then you get a scholarship. Woo! (Okay, there's a basic application too, but it's not too crazy.) #FireSprinklers
- **CoffeeForLess.com Hit the Books Scholarship:** \$500. A short 500 words or less about the role of education in your life through the lens of why you love coffee can get you \$500. Invigorating! #CoffeelsLife



## Upcoming Events

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January 29	Senior Night for Winter Sports
February 1	Picture Day (K5, Seniors, & Winter Sports)
February 1	Lost and Found Items Taken to LifeLine
February 5-9	MCC Tournament at CCS
February 9	Donuts with Dads (K3, K4, K5, 1 <sup>st</sup> grades)
February 5-18	Re-Enrollment Period
February 7	Valentine’s Day Surprises Order Forms DUE
February 14	Valentine’s Day Surprises Delivered
February 16	Spelling Bee (5th-8th Grades)
February 19-20	Winter Break
February 22	NHS Induction
February 26-28	9th-11th grades DC Trip
March 2-11	Senior Trip
March 9	Math Olympics
March 9	End of 3rd Quarter
March 12	Teacher Workday - No School
March 16	Art Festival at CCS
March 22	PSAT-10 for sophomores
March 23	Spelling Bee (1st – 4th Grades)



# Valentine's Day Surprises

Send your child, friend, staff member, or teacher a Valentine's surprise!

Valentine's Day Surprises will be delivered on Wednesday, February 14 by our Juniors. Please fill out the order form below and return it to your homeroom teacher or the office no later than Wednesday, February 7, along with payment (make checks out to CCS).

More order forms are available in the office and on our website at [ccscolts.org](http://ccscolts.org).




*Questions? Contact Mr. Russell.*

Name of person ordering: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of person to receive the surprise: \_\_\_\_\_

Homeroom of person to receive the surprise: \_\_\_\_\_

*Check your selection below.*

-  **Sweet Treats Gift Bag and small gift with personalized card attached .....\$5.00**  
A variety of candies in a small bag and a small plush valentine animal (limited quantities)
-  **Sweet Treats Gift Bag with personalized card attached.....\$3.00**  
A variety of candies in a small bag with your message attached.
-  **Personalized Valentine's Cards.....\$1.00**  
A card with your message and a candy treat attached.

**Write your personal message in the box below.  
We will attach this message to your gift. Be sure to sign your message!**