

August 6, 2020

Crossroads Family,

I pray this letter finds each of you enjoying your summer break. It's hard to believe, but in a few weeks we will begin another school year.

While the staff is preparing and the students are starting to realize just how many (or few!) days remain of summer break, I wanted to remind all parents of the integral role that you play in your child's education. Your children will receive the best education when you and our dedicated teachers work together. It's a parent's enthusiasm, support, and involvement that inspire a child to do his or her best and to develop a love of learning. Together we can make the 2020-2021 school year the best it can be for our students.

CCS is excited to introduce our new faculty members for the 2020-2021 year:

- Mr. Hayes – Upper School History
- Ms. Mattson – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher
- Mrs. Paschall – Aide
- Mrs. Smith – Upper School English

Thank you for your commitment to your child's education. We are excited about the start of another year and all of the wonderful things that the Lord is going to do through the school and our students this year. Enjoy the remainder of your summer, and I look forward to seeing you at Open House!

*Jonathan E. Capps*

Headmaster

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## MAKE A PACT THIS YEAR WITH CCS

This is the fifth year that the P.A.C.T. (Parents Appreciating Crossroads Teachers) program will be in place, and we are excited about how God will use families to encourage the faculty and staff at CCS.

Parents, please prayerfully consider adopting a teacher or faculty member for the 2020-2021 school year and make a PACT to pray for that person and encourage him or her throughout the weeks to come. With Covid-19 restrictions in place, we realize parents will be unable to bring in food or gifts as in the past, but our teachers and staff would definitely appreciate your constant prayers and kind words of encouragement this ever-changing school year!

To find out more information or to adopt a faculty member, please send an e-mail to [pact@ccscolts.org](mailto:pact@ccscolts.org).

*Therefore encourage one another and  
build one another up, just as you are doing.*

*1 Thessalonians 5:11*



# BACK-TO-SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

The back-to-school Open House will be held on Monday, August 24, and Tuesday, August 25. Please use the table and information below to plan to attend.

Date	Grade	Last Names Beginning with	Time Frame
Monday, August 24	Kindergarten, 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> , 6 <sup>th</sup> , 8 <sup>th</sup> , 10 <sup>th</sup> , 12 <sup>th</sup>	A – I	9:00 – noon
		J – Z	1:00 – 4:00
Tuesday, August 25	1 <sup>st</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 5 <sup>th</sup> , 7 <sup>th</sup> , 9 <sup>th</sup> , 11 <sup>th</sup>	A – I	9:00 – noon
		J – Z	1:00 – 4:00

The guidelines we have in place are for the maximum safety of our families and our staff. Please take a moment to read through these:

- Masks will be required for everyone attending (CCS will not provide masks).
- All individuals will have their temperatures checked as they enter the building.
- Only one adult with a student will be allowed inside the building to drop off/pick up items.
  - *Lower school grades* (K-5<sup>th</sup>): Enter through the side door to the left of the main building.
  - *Upper school grades* (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>): Enter through the main gym entrance at the back of the school.
- 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grades:
  - Computers will be available for pick-up for returning students in grades 8-12 (completed user agreement form required).
  - Students in grades 6-7 and all new upper school students will receive their tablets when school begins (completed user agreement form required).
  - All textbooks/materials will be available in the classroom listed below.
- Families with students in both Monday and Tuesday grades can bring all items together on Tuesday.
- Mrs. Pegram & Mrs. Williams will be available in the office for you to pay outstanding balances, receive a parking pass (for students who drive – must complete form), place funds on a lunch account, or ask a financial question.
- Lower school families interested in after-care will need to see Mrs. Jarrell in Room 122 (After-Care Room).

## Lower School:

- Kindergarten Mrs. Marlowe Room 201
- 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Mrs. Bartholomew Room 203
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Mrs. Brauer Room 205
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Mrs. Doherty Room 211
- 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Mrs. Pernel Room 213
- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Ms. Mattson Room 216

## Upper School:

- 6<sup>th</sup> grade Mr. Hayes Room 603
- 7<sup>th</sup> grade Mrs. May & Mrs. Capps Rooms 601 & 602 (A copy of the 7<sup>th</sup> grade roster will be posted in the hallway)
- 8<sup>th</sup> grade Mr. Savage Room 605
- 9<sup>th</sup> grade Mrs. Cranfill Room 604
- 10<sup>th</sup> grade Mr. Coghill Room 608
- 11<sup>th</sup> grade Mr. Russell Room 613
- 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Mrs. Smith Room 607

**All fees must be paid prior to receiving class schedules. Visit the office to pay any outstanding fees.**

## DRESS CODE 2020-2021

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- **Tops**

Students *may* wear CCS tops, shirts, sweatshirts and hoodies purchased in previous years but are not required to. (The CCS clothing store is closed and will remain closed until further notice.)

All tops worn must be appropriate in style, fit, and length. All shirts must have sleeves and must fit appropriately.

All tops must be worn as purchased; no modifications to fit are allowed (for example, cutting the shirts and tying knots down the side, etc.).

**NOT ALLOWED:**

- Shirts that expose the midriff when hands are raised above the head, shirts that expose skin lower than 4 fingers below the neck, tank tops, spaghetti straps, tube tops, open back tops, halter tops, deep V-neck shirts, button up shirts with several top buttons left unbuttoned, etc. are not considered appropriate for wear on the CCS campus.
- Tops with offensive, sexual (whether implicit or explicit), or distracting designs (including skulls, skeletons, pirates, witches, alcohol, tobacco, drugs, etc.) are not allowed.
- Camouflage clothing is not allowed (including jackets or coats) at any time. In addition, any clothing or accessory with a depiction of the Confederate flag is not allowed.
- We understand that there are differences in opinions when it comes to political and societal issues. However, due to their nature to cause division, no clothing or accessory of a political or societal nature will be allowed at school.

- **Pants, Skirts, Etc.**

Jeans and twill/chino type pants and shorts are allowed. Solids, plaids, stripes, and prints are allowed. Pants and shorts must be modest, neat, and appropriate in size and fit. Shorts must not be shorter than mid-thigh and should not be rolled up at the bottom or rolled down at the waist to make them shorter.

Leggings may only be worn if they are worn underneath a skirt or dress. The skirt or dress must still meet the mid-thigh rule.

Athletic pants may be worn but must be appropriate in fit. Pants such as wind pants, training pants, joggers, and sweatpants are allowed for 2020-21.

Lower school students may wear athletic shorts, but the shorts *must* meet the requirements for shorts listed above (mid-thigh length, not rolled down, etc.)

**NOT ALLOWED:**

- No pajama pants, camouflage pants, or overalls are allowed.
- Pants may not be too tight in fit or worn too low as to expose undergarments when seated or bending over.
- Jeggings and other tight-fitting pants are not allowed.
- Pants that have holes, are frayed, torn, split at the seams, or cut off with ragged edges are not allowed.
- Yoga pants and leggings of any style are not appropriate.
- Athletic shorts are not allowed for upper school students.

- **Outerwear**

All outerwear must adhere to the guidelines set forth in the "Tops" section above.

- **Underwear**

Undergarments (including boxers, bras, bralette straps, etc.) should not be visible.

- **Headgear**

Any head covering (hats, hoods, bandanas, etc.) must be removed before entering the building. No type of hat or head covering (including school baseball hats) is acceptable at any time in the classroom or anywhere in the school building for boys or girls.



- **Masks and Face Coverings**

Masks/Face coverings are required upon entry to the school and anytime a student is up and moving around in a classroom, hallway, restroom, cafeteria, or anywhere else in the school. Students may remove masks/face coverings once they have reached their seats in a classroom or cafeteria.

Masks and face coverings should cover both mouth and nose fully.

Masks and face coverings must be made of a material that will prevent respiratory droplets from traveling into the air. Mesh masks or other face coverings manufactured in a way that does not provide a suitable barrier for respiratory droplets do not meet the requirements for masks at CCS.

Masks may be of any color and may be solid or patterned. Masks with logos or designs must be appropriate and should not include any offensive designs (see the Not Allowed section for Tops).

The CDC recommends washing masks after each use.

- **Jewelry, Belt Buckles, Etc.**

Body piercings are discouraged and should not be visible. Girls may wear earrings. Boys may NOT wear earrings in any part of the school; earrings must be removed before entering any school building, including the gym. Distracting, offensive, oversized, or extreme jewelry/belt buckles/misc. is prohibited (spikes, leather collars, etc.). Confederate flags or symbols, etc. are not allowed.

- **Hair**

Students should keep their hair neat, clean, and well-groomed with no distracting hair colors or styles. Male students are allowed to have facial hair as long as it is well-groomed. They should not allow their hair length to cover their eyes and/or to extend below the bottom of the ear. Male students are not allowed to have ponytails or man buns. After one warning, students will not be allowed to return to school until the issue has been resolved.

- **Body Art**

Permanent or temporary tattoos are discouraged and should not be visible on campus.

- **Shoes**

Appropriate footwear (tennis shoes, casual shoes, loafers, nice sandals, flip flops, etc.) is required. No bedroom slippers are allowed.

**See the Student Handbook (available on our website under Info > Handbooks and Forms) for information about dress code for field trips, special occasions, prom, homecoming court, school dances, and athletic dress on game days.**

**Students are expected to abide by the requirements in this dress code when they are on campus, whether during the school day or for a school-sponsored event.**

## UPPER SCHOOL CELL PHONE POLICY

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Cell phones must be turned off at 8:00 a.m. and not seen in use during the school day. Staff/teachers who see a student using a cell phone in the halls, in restrooms, during class, etc. will collect the cell phone and issue demerits per the demerit system.

**Exceptions:** Students may use their cell phones during lunch in the cafeteria **only**.

- The school's social media policy still applies--students cannot be on social networking sites during the school day.
- Violations will result in loss of privileges & demerits.



## 2020-2021 SCHOOL SUPPLY LISTS

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School supply lists are located on the CCS website. You can access the lists online through the following link: [CCS 2020-2021 Supply Lists](#) or go to the Academics menu on the school website ([www.ccscolts.org](http://www.ccscolts.org)).

Please check the lists before you begin your back-to-school shopping!

## FROM THE COLLEGE COUNSELOR

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**New Counselor:** Mr. Hardy is stepping into the position of college admissions counselor this year and will be assisting our seniors as they navigate college applications and plans for their futures. His email is [ghardy@ccscolts.org](mailto:ghardy@ccscolts.org).

**SENIORS:** Anxious about applying to college? Mr. Hardy will be talking with the seniors the first week of classes to go over their checklist for this year, so relax now and enjoy the last of your summer before your final year of high school begins! Your senior sponsor, Mr. Russell, has set up a Remind account for you--be sure to sign up for this group. He and Mr. Hardy will be using this texting app to remind you of many important deadlines, forms you need to turn in, upcoming senior events, etc. throughout the year.

To join, text **@co21rus** to 81010.

Information is shared in a **Seniors--All The Things** OneNote notebook that you can access via your Microsoft Office 365 account. You have access to this notebook already; it is a work in progress and will be updated throughout the year. Mr. Russell and Mr. Hardy will go over this info with you at the beginning of the year.



**HIGH SCHOOL:** The opportunities in 2020-21 for taking the SAT are posted at <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/register/datesdeadlines>) and the ACT at [act/registration.html](#)).

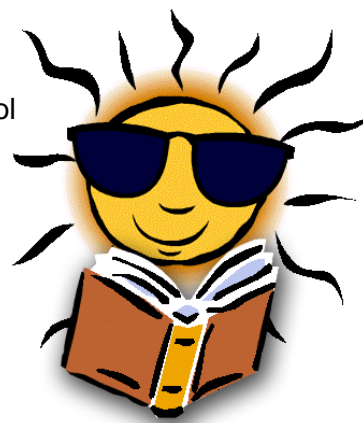
## SUMMER READING PROGRAM

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There is still time for students to complete summer reading! Educators consider summer reading very important for developing life-long reading habits, for maintaining literacy skills, and for promoting reading for pleasure. Studies show that children who continue to read during the summer months perform better when school resumes in the fall. You can access the summer reading lists through the following link:

<http://ccscolts.org/site/academic/summer-reading-lists/>.

Please remember that students taking honors English in grades 9-12 are required to complete both the summer reading and the reading assignment prior to the first day of school.



## HONORS CLASSES

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Surveys were emailed to all students eligible for honors classes on June 15. We have not yet received responses from some students; those students will be placed in honors classes unless otherwise indicated. Honors English students have required summer reading (see above).

## UPPER SCHOOL TABLETS & PENS

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### Dell Latitude 3190 2-in-1 Tablets

CCS will provide each 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade student with a Dell tablet device (Width: 11.96" | Depth: 8.18"). Students will be able to take these devices home with them. Prior to obtaining the device, both the student and parent will sign paperwork outlining acceptable use and the costs for a damaged/lost device or accessories.

Students will be financially responsible for the devices, so we require them to store and transport their devices properly by using the provided cover specifically designed for this computer. If the cover or computer is damaged in any way, please report it to IT immediately.



### Tablet Pens

Students will be responsible for obtaining their own pens, either from the school or from another source.

We will offer a Dell tablet pen (model #PN338M) as an option for students to buy; the cost is \$25 (if sending in a check, make payable to CCS). Students in grades 8-12 can purchase a pen at Open House when they pick up their tablets. Students in grades 6-7 will be able to purchase a pen when school begins and their tablets are distributed.



## SPORTS NEWS

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NCISAA Fall Sports will begin on **August 10<sup>th</sup>** for mandatory practices. Please contact your head coach for more information on dates and times:

- **Varsity Boys Soccer** – Holden Coghill ([hcoghill@ccscolts.org](mailto:hcoghill@ccscolts.org))
- **Middle School Boys Soccer** – Tony Bennett ([tonybenett03@gmail.com](mailto:tonybenett03@gmail.com))
- **JV/Varsity Volleyball** – Greg Hardy ([ghardy@ccscolts.org](mailto:ghardy@ccscolts.org))
- **Middle School Volleyball** – Cammy Simmons ([cammysimmons00@gmail.com](mailto:cammysimmons00@gmail.com))

Please check [www.ccscolts.org](http://www.ccscolts.org) (Athletics menu) for more information on our Athletic Department including forms, calendars, and schedules.

## REMIND

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One of the fastest ways that you can receive information from the school regarding delays, closings, and important announcements is through Remind. Remind sends messages via text and/or e-mail. If you signed up for Remind last year, you do not need to register again, as you are still on the school's list. If you are a new family or you did not sign up last year, please use the information on the following pages and sign up for the accounts that pertain to you.

You can sign up for ...

1. **Crossroads announcements** – This is the main school account and where school closings and other events affecting everyone in the school will be posted from Mr. Capps.
2. **Lower School announcements** – This account is for parents of grades K3-5<sup>th</sup>.
3. **Upper School announcements** – This account is for parents/students of grades 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>.

Instructions for each Remind list are on the following pages.



# Sign up for important updates from Mr. Capps.

Get information for Crossroads Christian School right on your phone—not on handouts.

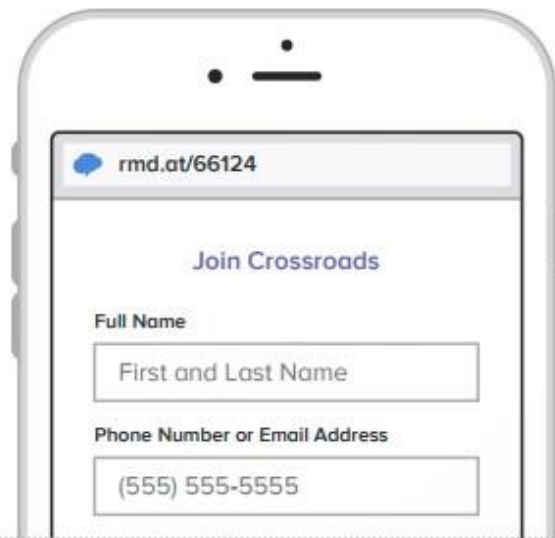
Pick a way to receive messages for Crossroads: (Entire School – Main Account)

**A** If you have a smartphone, get push notifications.

On your iPhone or Android phone, open your web browser and go to the following link:

[rmd.at/66124](http://rmd.at/66124)

Follow the instructions to sign up for Remind. You'll be prompted to download the mobile app.



**B** If you don't have a smartphone, get text notifications.

Text the message @66124 to the number 81010.

If you're having trouble with 81010, try texting @66124 to (980) 255-5102.

*\* Standard text message rates apply.*



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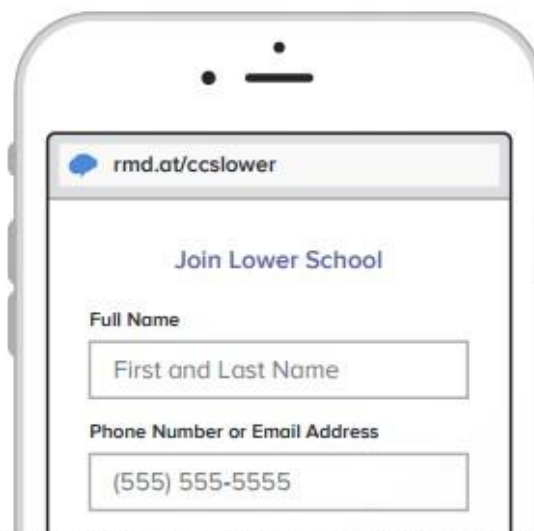
Pick a way to receive messages for Lower School:

**A** If you have a smartphone, get push notifications.

On your iPhone or Android phone, open your web browser and go to the following link:

[rmd.at/ccslower](https://rmd.at/ccslower)

Follow the instructions to sign up for Remind. You'll be prompted to download the mobile app.



**B** If you don't have a smartphone, get text notifications.

Text the message @ccslower to the number 81010.

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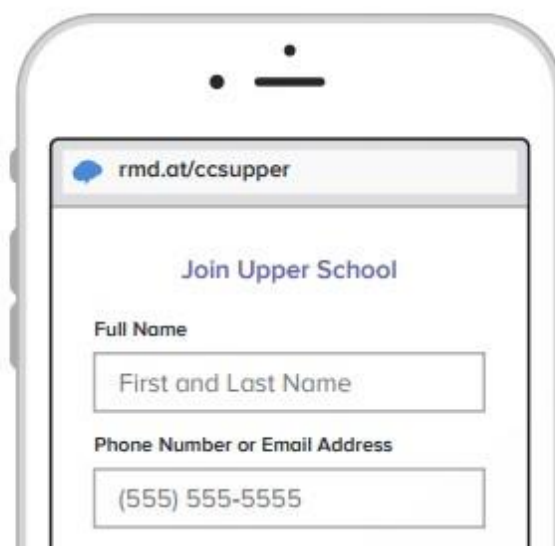
Pick a way to receive messages for Upper School:

**A** If you have a smartphone, get push notifications.

On your iPhone or Android phone, open your web browser and go to the following link:

[rmd.at/ccsupper](http://rmd.at/ccsupper)

Follow the instructions to sign up for Remind. You'll be prompted to download the mobile app.



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# 2020-21 Crossroads Christian School Cafeteria Information

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Food service is an important part of your child's school day. Studies have repeatedly shown that students who eat well do better in school. Our goal is to offer every student a nutritious, delicious, and well-balanced meal.

<b><u>Plate Lunch Prices</u></b>	
<b>Pre-K4-3<sup>rd</sup> grade.....</b>	<b>\$3.75</b>
<b>4<sup>th</sup> grade &amp; up.....</b>	<b>\$4.25</b>

**Please see our price list for individual pricing and other available items.  
NOTE: All items are not offered on a daily basis.**

*There are two options for payment:*

1. **Online Payment:** A RenWeb (aka FACTS SIS) account is the preferred method. RenWeb allows your family to have an account to use for their lunch. This eliminates having to send cash money to school with your student. A minimum of \$25 is needed to start an account. You are allowed to view what your student is eating with a RenWeb account. You also get to view your balance on line. This way you can send in money to add to the account at any time. The funds in this account are solely for the purchase food from the CCS cafeteria. The student is not allowed to take money out of the account for the vending machines, bake sales, etc.

**\*\*\*\* Pay online \*\*\***

For your convenience, you can use "PayNow" option through RenWeb.  
(Log in as parent, go to Family > Family Home > Family Billing)

2. **Cash or check:** Students may bring in check or cash to the front office or cafeteria to be placed on a student's RenWeb lunch account.
- All daily purchases need to be made through the use of funds on a student's lunch account. For the safety of everyone, the CCS cafeteria will not allow items to be purchased daily with cash. Funds need to be placed on account through either the online payment or by sending in a check or cash (minimum \$25 to open the account).
  - To place funds on a lunch account during Open House, please stop by the front office.

## **LUNCH PROGRAM POLICY (from the CCS Student Handbook)**

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### **General Information for 2020-21:**

Crossroads Christian School provides a hot lunch option on **Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday** of each week. Lunches are not included in tuition costs (with the exception of K3).

### **Parent/Visitor Lunch Policy:**

- At this time, no visitors will be allowed into the building for lunch.
- Outside food cannot be brought in for students to pick up from the front office.

## CCS Cafeteria Food Prices 2020-2021

<u>MAIN MENU</u>	<u>Price</u>
Plate Lunch (includes small drink) <span style="float: right;">(K4 thru 3<sup>rd</sup>)</span>	\$3.75
Plate Lunch (includes drink) <span style="float: right;">(4<sup>th</sup> thru High School)</span>	\$4.25
Garden Salad	\$2.50
Chef Salad	\$3.50
Smucker's PB &J Uncrustable Meal (w/chips, small drink and fruit rollup)	\$2.75
Smucker's PB &J Uncrustable Meal (w/chips, large drink and fruit rollup)	\$3.25
Smucker's Uncrustable	\$1.25
Chicken Salad Croissant only	\$2.50
Chicken Salad Croissant Meal (w/chips & drink)	\$4.00
<u>A la carte &amp; extras</u>	
<u>Main Entrée</u>	\$2.50
Extra Hot Dog, Corn Dog or Pizza	\$1.50
Chicken Leg	\$1.00
Bowl of French Fries	\$1.00
Small Drink	\$0.75
Large Drink (Juice/Yoo-Hoo)	\$1.25
Large Water	\$1.00
Ice Cream - All Types	\$1.00
Cookies	\$0.50
Chips <span style="float: right;">varies</span>	\$.75 - \$1.00
Fruit Rollup	\$0.50
Roll or Breadstick	\$0.50
Crystal Light Packs	\$0.50
Packaged Muffins, Cinnamon Rolls, Cheese Danish	\$1.25
Breakfast Bars	\$.50-\$.75
Yogurt Parfait	\$1.50

**NOTE:** Tea and salad bar will not be available for 2020-21.