

# CROSSROADS NEWSLETTER

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January 30, 2020

## 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.



## Re-enrollment Opening Soon!

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Re-enrollment for the 2020-2021 school year will begin on **Monday, February 3**, with a two-and-a-half week window to re-enroll at a discounted rate. From Monday, February 3, through Friday, February 21, families can re-enroll for only \$150 per child, a \$100 discount per child. **The enrollment fee becomes \$250 on Saturday, February 22.** To start your re-enrollment process, log in to your existing RenWeb account and click on the Apply/Enroll link on the left.

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.

NOTE: VISA's requirements of its vendors prohibits RenWeb (FACTS SIS) from being able to take it in the online payment process.

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

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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 Saturday, February 22. 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!



## 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. Visit the Cafeteria web page any time you need menus, a price list, lunch slips, etc.

## 2020-2021 Calendar Almost Ready!

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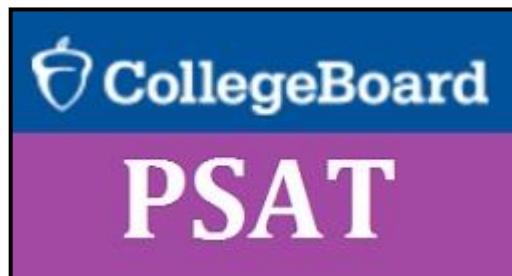
The 2020-2021 school calendar is in the approval stages right now and will be available in a few days.

All calendar updates are available on our school website at this address:  
<http://ccscolts.org/site/information/calendar/>.

## 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 To Be Given on March 11

Our 10<sup>th</sup> graders will take their first practice SAT at school on March 11. This test will give them a chance to experience how an SAT will be. Practice resources for this test are available at [collegeboard.org/psatpractice](https://collegeboard.org/psatpractice). PSAT scores are not sent to colleges.

### ASVAB Test Scores

I also reviewed the test scores for the 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> graders for the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) the week we returned from Christmas break. The English/Math scores on the ASVAB are general scores, but they show students their areas of strengths and weaknesses so they can work on those in preparation for taking SAT's or ACT's in the future. The vocational skills section indicated areas that students showed an aptitude, such as auto mechanics or electrical engineering. Overall, ASVAB scores are used primarily to determine enlistment eligibility, assign applicants to military jobs, and aid students in career exploration. We used it as free standardized testing practice (every little bit helps!) and for career exploration in the civilian and military worlds—the score report had a code we used to access career interest inventories that led them to career areas they might like to pursue, with links to the kind of education or training needed for those jobs.



As far as the military goes, the AFQT (Armed Forces Qualifying Test) scores are the scores the branches use for minimum requirements to go into those branches: Air Force: min. 36; Army: min. 31; Marines: min 32; Navy: min. 35; Coast Guard: in. 40. Most of our students usually score higher than these scores; one recruiter who visited us a couple of years ago said our school consistently had the highest scores in the area. If students find that they are interested in the military as an option after high school, they would take the ASVAB again in a recruitment center testing environment as part of their recruiting process.

# Sports News

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**Spring Sports** officially begin on February 10. All student-athletes wishing to participate should make sure they have an active physical on file before the first practice/try out.

Keep checking the [www.maxpreps.com](http://www.maxpreps.com) website for the latest schedule updates!

## Senior Night for Student-Athletes

Senior night for the winter season is Friday, January 31. Seniors to be honored include Taylor Bell, Austin Hayes, and Zach Murphy. We are looking for lots of Colts in the stands Friday night to cheer on our seniors! (Spoiler...another senior may hit his 1,000<sup>th</sup> point very soon! Come cheer!)

*Crossroads vs. Grace Christian of Sanford – Senior Night Schedule:*

MSG – 3:30 pm; MSB – 4:45 pm; VG – 6 pm, VB – 7:30 pm

## Taylor Bell Hits 1,000!

On Homecoming night, prior to the varsity boys' basketball game, senior Taylor Bell was recognized by his coach and athletic director Scottie Richardson for scoring more than 1,000 points in his high school basketball career! Way to go, Taylor!



## Jessie Hayes Retires Jersey



Jessie Hayes Hogshire, Class of 2013, is the first athlete in CCS history to have her jersey retired. AD Scottie Richardson presented her with her #11 jersey on January 23.

While at CCS, she scored more than 1,000 points and won multiple awards. She attended Meredith College after graduation from Crossroads, where she also scored over 1,000 points and was in the top 10 of all categories except assists. She even returned to CCS to coach our girls' team one year. We're very proud of her! #ccscolts #ccsXpress

## Reminder: Health Policy from Student Handbook

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For the well-being and health consideration of all our students and staff, parents are asked to keep home any student with fevers and contagious illnesses. Students need a signed note from the parent or a doctor stating the reason for missing school within 5 days for the absence to be excused. It is a policy that a student must stay home with:

- Fever – a temperature 100°F or higher (Students must be fever-free for at least 24 hours before returning to school.)
- Vomiting (Students are not allowed to return to school for 24 hours after the last vomiting incident.)
- Flu symptoms
- Diarrhea (Students are not allowed to return to school until symptoms are completely gone.)
- Colored nasal discharge
- Persistent cough
- Strep throat (Students are not allowed to return to school until they have been on 24 hours of antibiotics.)
- Pinkeye (Students are not allowed to return to school until they have been on 24 hours of antibiotic eye drops.)
- Head lice (all lice and eggs removed; must have physician's note)
- Ringworm on body (treatment for 24 hours; cover with bandage while at school)
- Ringworm on head (physician's note)
- Other contagious conditions (for example, chicken pox, impetigo, etc.)

# Homecoming 2020

Homecoming for Crossroads was celebrated January 17, a night which ended a week of costumes and games for the whole school. Little Colts cheered and alumni were recognized. After all the games, the Homecoming Court took place in the gym after the varsity boys' game, with seniors **Taylor Bell** and **Kaylee Davis** crowned as the 2020 CCS King and Queen. The night ended with the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Homecoming Dance for grades 9-12. More pictures can be found on [Crossroads' Facebook page](#).



A big thanks to the Homecoming Committee, Student Council, and all the staff for helping put together our Homecoming Week! It was a blast!

## 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.

## Seniors Collecting for Senior Citizens

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Last year, the Class of 2019 started a Valentine’s Day tradition of blessing local nursing home patients with valentines and prayer. The Class of 2020 was planning on continuing that tradition this year, but the nursing home is limiting visits from young people due to the flu outbreak. Instead, the seniors will be collecting donations of liquid bodywash and no-slip socks, in addition to making valentines. Mrs. Salinas will be dropping off the valentines and donations on Thursday, February 13. If you would like to donate any of those items, please send them in to school before then. Thank you!

## Talent Show March 5

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The Student Council is hosting a Talent Show on March 5. All students are encouraged to sign up by filling out a participation form and turning it in by February 7 to Mrs. Choplin. Lower School will have the Talent Show on March 5, and depending upon the interest in upper school, Student Council and Mrs. Jarrell, our music director, will determine a date for an Upper School talent show. You can find these forms in the same email as this newsletter as separate attachments.



## Upcoming Events

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<b>January 31</b>	100 <sup>th</sup> Day Celebration (Lower School & NHS)
<b>February 3-21</b>	Re-Enrollment Period
<b>February 5</b>	Beta Club to Vance County Animal Shelter
<b>February 7</b>	Valentine’s Day Surprises Order Forms DUE
<b>February 7</b>	Talent Show Participation Forms DUE
<b>February 7</b>	Donuts with Dads (K3, K4, K5 grades)
<b>February 14</b>	Valentine’s Day Surprises Delivered
<b>February 14</b>	Seniors to Deliver Valentines to Senior Citizens’ Home
<b>February 12</b>	NHS Induction, 2:15 p.m. in library
<b>February 17-18</b>	Winter Break (Feb. 18 is a Teacher Workday; school closed to students)
<b>February 19-20</b>	Auditions for Talent Show
<b>February 19</b>	Registration for Colts Kids Camps (summer camps) Opens
<b>February 22</b>	CCS 2020-21 Open Enrollment Begins
<b>February 28</b>	Valuing Life Diaper Drive Ends – Bring in Donations by Today
<b>March 5</b>	Talent Show (Lower School)
<b>March 8</b>	End of 3rd Quarter
<b>March 11</b>	PSAT-10 for sophomores
<b>March 23-27</b>	Spring Break

REGISTRATION STARTS FEBRUARY 19!



# SURF'S UP

Come Join us and Hang Ten  
at  
CKC  
SUMMER CAMP  
June 1-July 31  
7:30-6:00

MIGHTIER THAN THE WAVES...  
PSALM 93:4

For more information  
please contact  
Katherine Anderson  
[kanderson@ccscoltz.org](mailto:kanderson@ccscoltz.org)



# Valentine's Day Surprises

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

Valentine's Day Surprises will be delivered on Friday, 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 Friday, 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 at [rrussell@ccscolts.org](mailto:rrussell@ccscolts.org).*

**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 clip-on keychain.
-  **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!**

# Valuing Life at CCS

Diaper Drive and Change Collection to support families & life affirming decisions in Vance County and surrounding areas.

**\*Donations accepted through February 28\***



## ***What is Needed?***

- ❖ Quality Diapers of all sizes (Pampers, Luvs, and Huggies preferred)
- ❖ Spare change

## ***Who will Benefit?***

Local and area organizations that support families and affirm the value of life.

- ❖ **The Vance County Department of Social Services**
  - “Vance County Department of Social Services is committed to Helping People Shape Strong Futures by Promoting Self-Sufficiency, Safety, and Permanence through Family Centered Services.” (<http://www.vancecounty.org/departments/social-services/>)
- ❖ **The Selah Center, Clarksville, VA**
  - “The Selah Center is a Christ-centered nonprofit ministry that helps pregnant women make choices that will save lifetimes. The Center offers support by providing alternative options to abortion through biblical counseling and educational resources.” ([www.theselahcenter.org](http://www.theselahcenter.org))
- ❖ **The Women’s Clinic of Raleigh**
  - “Raleigh Women’s Care Clinic provides compassionate support to women and families in our community affected by unplanned pregnancy. We are a non-profit care clinic providing free medical services and accurate information on all options regarding unplanned pregnancy.” (<https://thewomens.clinic/raleigh/>)

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WOMEN’S CARE CLINIC**



**the Selah Center**