

CROSSROADS NEWS

October 31, 2023

CCS Chooses Gratitude!

Our theme verse for 2023-2024: *“Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.”* 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

In keeping with this theme, a few 8th graders had this to say:

Jacob Pendergrass - “I am thankful for my wonderful friends who love and care about me.”

Kahmani Moore - “I’m thankful for my family always being there for me, for CCS being a great school, and for everything God has done for me.”

Adonis Towns - “I am thankful for dirt bikes. They keep me from being stressed.”

Faith Young - “I am thankful for the amazing teachers at school who constantly show grace and love.”

Gavin Carroll - “I am thankful for God and all that He does for me and that He helps me do the things He put me here to do.”



Thanksgiving Break – November 20-24!

CCS will be closed all week, including the office, preschool, and after-school care. Teachers report for workdays on that Monday and Tuesday (November 20-21).

CCS Annual Food Drive Starting at the End of November



November 27 – December 8

Our annual CCS food drive will begin as soon as we return from Thanksgiving break on November 27 and will end at noon on Friday, December 8. The goal for the canned food drive is **6,000** items. There will be various rewards for class competitions, lower vs. upper school, and a house competition for upper school. More information will be sent out later.

While we are rewarding our students for bringing items in, the real reward will come when families are delivered food to help meet their needs during this holiday season. This is a great opportunity to help meet the needs of those in our community! Please help support the CCS food drive and be a light to those around us.

Thankful for our Veterans on Nov. 11 & Every Day!



Veterans Day is held in honor of all those who served in the United States Armed Forces and is a federal holiday. This is different from Memorial Day, which honors those who died while serving. Many people fly a US flag on this day to show their patriotism and support for the armed services. Traditionally, at 11:00 a.m. a moment of silence is observed to remember those who served. --

https://www.ducksters.com/holidays/veterans_day.php

Pink Out Nov. 10

Join us in showing
your school spirit and
your support
for those fighting
breast cancer!

The House Council is sponsoring our annual **PINK OUT** this year on Friday, November 10. Pink Out T-shirts have been ordered to raise money for Lump to Laughter, a Christian ministry dedicated to supporting those diagnosed with breast cancer and sharing their stories. (www.LumpToLaughter.org). All profits go to this organization. Student Council encourages all classes to wear **PINK** on Friday, November 10, AND THEN...Fill our gym with **PINK** Friday night for our PINK OUT theme night – games are at 5:30 p.m. with Varsity girls, and 7:00 p.m. with Varsity boys.

Peanut Fundraiser – Coming Soon!



Our annual 1949 Nut Co. Peanuts Fundraiser will be back this year! The funds raised from peanut sales directly benefit each student at CCS, as the funds raised by the lower school stay within the lower school, and the funds raised by the upper school students remain with their respective classes. This is typically our most popular fundraiser because the peanuts make great Christmas gifts, and we hope for continued success this year!

Hard copies of the order forms (one is at the end of the newsletter) will also be sent home later in November, and the fundraiser will officially begin November 13. Orders and money will be due December 1. Questions about the fundraiser can go to Mr. Russell at russell@ccscolts.org.

3rd Annual Christmas Market Vendor Registration Open

The Christmas Market Craft & Vendor Fair will take place at Crossroads Christian School on Saturday, December 2 in our cafeteria from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Spaces are 6' x 9', are first-come, first-served, and are limited. Prices are \$60 for one; \$110 for two spaces.

Email Dina Martin at christmasmarket@ccscolts.org for more information. Deliver completed application (see end of newsletter) and fee to school or mail application to Crossroads Christian School, Attn: Dina Martin, PO Box 249, Henderson, NC 27536. We have room for a couple more vendors! A Facebook event has been set up; if you see this event, please share it on your Facebook feed to get the word out.



Lunch Reminders



No fast food can be dropped off for students.

All daily purchases need to be made through the use of funds on a student's lunch account. **The CCS cafeteria will NOT allow items to be purchased daily with cash.** Funds need to be placed on account through either online payment or by sending in a check (made payable to CCS) or cash weekly or monthly. **For online payments**, you can use "PayNow" option through FACTS SIS. (Log in as parent, go to Family > Family Home > Family Billing.)

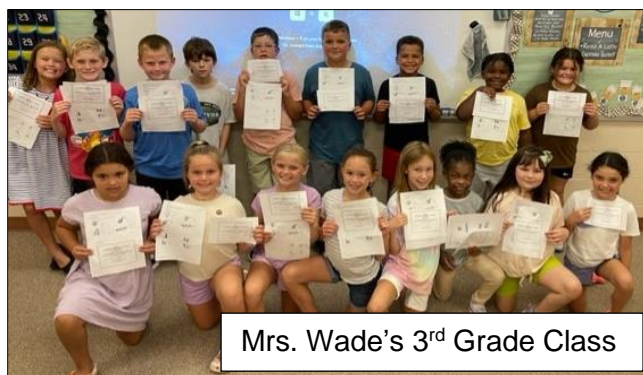
Morning Car Line Reminders

All parents/guardians, K3 and up, are asked to use the crosswalk whenever parking and crossing the street to walk children to their drop-off point. We know it may take a few extra moments, but it is for the safety of everyone involved. We would greatly appreciate your cooperation with this.

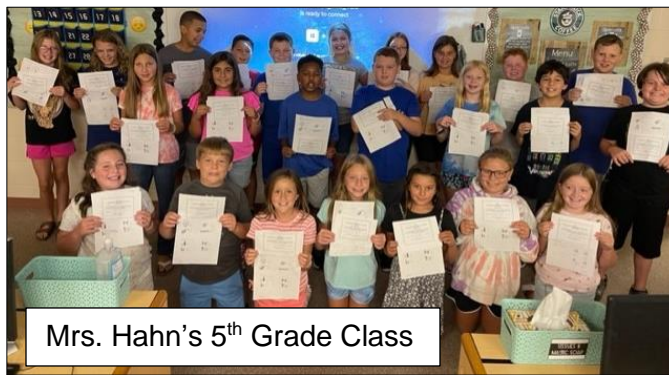


Computer Classes Working Hard!

Mrs. Newbern showcases some of her computer classes!



Mrs. Wade's 3rd Grade Class



Mrs. Hahn's 5th Grade Class



Mrs. Hill's 4th Grade Class



Mrs. Krieg's 4th Grade Class

From the College Counselor

Student Leadership Institute: Three students were selected to take part in the Student Leadership Institute, which is designed to educate through experience and motivate young leaders to take an active role in their community. Congratulations go to Rebecca Fowler, Ava Wade, and Anderson Boyd! We are excited for these three students and this wonderful opportunity!

Testing, Testing, Testing:

| ASVAB | SAT | ACT |
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| Sophomores and juniors will take the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) on December 1 . More information will be sent out in November. | The last chance to take the SAT in 2023 is December 2 . Regular registration ends on November 2. Late registration ends November 21. | The last chance to take the ACT in 2023 is December 9 . Regular registration ends on November 3. Late registration ends November 17. |

College Preview: The College at Southeastern will be on campus December 6 for a college preview with the junior and senior classes.

Appointments: Anyone needing one-on-one assistance with applying to colleges or planning for college can make an appointment with Mr. Hahn (jhahn@ccscolts.org).

Herff-Jones to Meet with Juniors/Seniors

On November 1, Herff-Jones will be at CCS to meet with the juniors and seniors about class ring orders and senior graduation packets in Room 614. Questions go to Mr. Russell at russell@ccscolts.org.

Homecoming Set for January 19

Spirit Week this year is January 16–19, with our Homecoming basketball games planned for that Friday night, January 19. Info about Spirit Week dress days will be coming soon! Share this date with any alumni you know and come on out to support your Colts!



Corazon House – Lunch Time Games!



Kahmani Moore (8th) & Allison Owens (11th)



Mrs. Newbern shared a little lunch time fun with the Corazon House from this past month...



Ben Gladieux (12th), Chris Bell (11th), Nik Brown (11th)

Beta Club News (Adviser: Mrs. Newbern)



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| ACHIEVEMENT | <i>Recognizing and honoring high academic achievement</i> |
| CHARACTER | <i>Preparing young people for life and empowering them to be successful</i> |
| LEADERSHIP | <i>Developing the leaders of tomorrow</i> |
| SERVICE | <i>Demonstrating our motto: "Let Us Lead by Serving Others"</i> |

BECOME A LEADER

The National Beta Club is an academic honors club for grades 7th through 9th at our school. Eligibility for CCS chapter membership requires students to maintain an 85 average of all core classes and no C's in any classes. Inductions are held once a year. This year's inductions will be held Wednesday, November 15, 2023. Service projects and fundraisers are scheduled throughout the year. Beta Club meets once a month at lunch.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Service:**
Nov. 2 - Beta club members will be meeting to make cards and pack and deliver goodie baskets and cookies to Henderson First Responders (Police Dept., Highway Patrol, Sheriff's Office, Fire and EMS) as a way to thank them for their efforts and service to our community.
- **Fundraising:**
Be on the lookout for the WORLD'S Finest Chocolate. Beta Club has teamed up with them again this year and will be selling more chocolate bars. The proceeds help provide lunches, T-shirts and a special trip in the spring for club members.

Art News!



Art Party Challenge

(left) Mrs. Hill's 4th Grade:
Blake Tingen, Emerson Kelly,
Case Gilliam, Evie Hill, Katie
Rose Harris

After-School Art
Allie Turner-
5th Grade



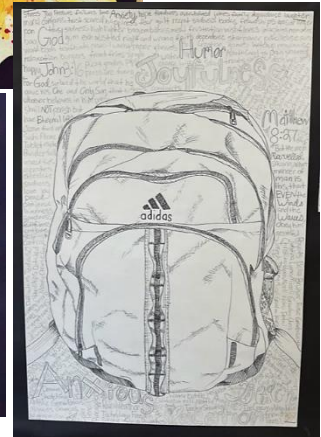
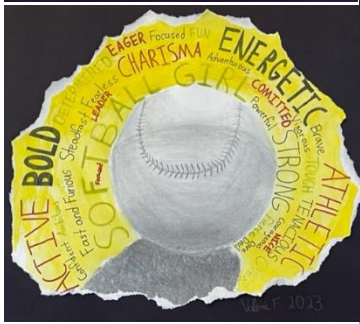
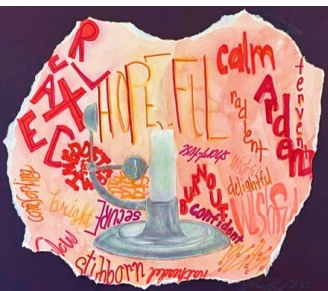
Fun with
some K4 Itty
Bitties!



High School Art
is Rockin' it!!



Alyssa Boyd, Asher Hill, & Anna
Kate Finch



2023 Painted Pumpkin Contest Results

THANK YOU to everyone who entered a pumpkin in our 2nd Annual Painted Pumpkin Contest! Congratulations to our winners. More pictures can be found on our Facebook page!

PRE-K THROUGH KINDERGARTEN

Anything But A Pumpkin

- 1st: Farrin Searce in K5 for her Octopus
- 2nd: Lucas Coghill in K4 for his Abstract Design
- 3rd: Logan Curtis in K5 for his Mr. Potato Head

Face

- 1st: Morgan Kennedy in K5 for her Red Nose Face
- 2nd: Benjamin Rodrigues Fernandez in K4 for his Green Face
- 3rd: None

Favorite Food

- 1st: Briggs Gill in K4 and Ashe Gill in K5 for their Cheeseburger
- 2nd: Maryanna Steiger in K5 for her Popcorn
- 3rd: None

Cartoon Character

- 1st: Judson Wood in K5 for his Spiderman
- 2nd: Bryson Collier in K5 for his Bluey
- 3rd: Peyton Bice in K5 for her Cat in the Hat



FIRST THROUGH THIRD GRADES

Anything But a Pumpkin

- 1st: Joshua Singavarapu in 2nd for his Landscape
- 2nd: Kayleigh Smiley in 1st for her Cow
- 3rd: Annabel Keir in 3rd for her Black Cat

Face

- 1st: Madison Kennedy in 2nd for her Candy Corn Face
- 2nd and 3rd: None

Favorite Food

- 1st: Ryder Harmon in 1st for his Popcorn
- 2nd and 3rd: None

Cartoon Character

- 1st: A TIE - Jed Keir in 1st for his Baby Shark and Lila Johnson in 3rd for her Bluey
- 2nd: Kamden Litten in 1st for his Raphael
- 3rd: None



FOURTH THROUGH SIXTH GRADES

Anything But A Pumpkin

- 1st: Culbree Paschall in 4th for her Hedgehog Family
- 2nd: Blake Tingen in 4th for his Chicken
- 3rd: Chance Dees in 5th for his Sports Balls

Face

- 1st: Victoria Fernandez in 4th for her French Mime
- 2nd and 3rd: None

Favorite Food

- 1st: Adalynn Harmon in 5th for her Donuts
- 2nd: Macailah Mill in 4th for her Pringles
- 3rd: Kiersten Mill in 4th for her Pizza



Cartoon Character

- 1st: Stella Wade in 4th for her Gru and Minions
- 2nd: Katie Rose Harris in 4th for her Charlie Brown
- 3rd: Bryson Satterwhite in 4th for his Baby Yoda

UPPER SCHOOL

Favorite Food

- 1st: Hailey Grissom in 12th and Abby Taylor in 11th for their Ice Cream Cone
- 2nd: Caden Paschall in 10th for his Tomato
- 3rd: Anna Hedgepeth in 7th for her Candy Apple

Cartoon Character

- 1st: Layton Pernell in 7th for his Sully
- 2nd and 3rd: None



KONA ICE IS COMING!

CROSSROADS CHRISTIAN
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10TH
11:45AM - UNTIL

- CLASSIC \$4
- KING \$5
- COLOR CHANGING \$6 (\$3 refills)
- COLLECTABLE \$6 (\$3 refills)

Kona Ice on Campus Nov. 10

Prices:

- Classic: \$4
- King: \$5
- Color Changing: \$6 (\$3 refills)
- Collectable: \$6 (\$3 refills)

Teachers will have a schedule for all students to have an opportunity to visit the Kona Ice truck!

Remember to bring your refillable cups. 😊

NHS at ACTS

Our National Honor Society students served October 30 at ACTS in Henderson. They did an amazing job with cleaning and organizing, and we are very proud of each of them! Advisers: Stephanie Smith and Bridgett Paschall. Mrs. Paschall posted several pictures of their activity on Facebook, so check out the Crossroads Christian School Facebook feed!



Seniors: Graduation Preparation...

Too early? Not really! Holidays are a perfect time to get out the photo albums with your family and pick out the perfect pictures for the graduation slideshow. In the Seniors – All the Things OneNote are guidelines for the pictures (all seniors have access to this OneNote via their Microsoft Office 365 accounts). In brief, Mrs. Choplin will need 9 pictures (in digital format* if you can but she can scan hard copies at school) for the special memories slideshow that is shown during the graduation ceremony. These pictures are due to her before spring break. She emailed senior parents in October and all the info is in the OneNote. You can email her with questions at kchoplin@ccscolts.org.

Raise your hand if your child is growing up way too fast!!



NaNoWriMo What?

NaNoWriMo starts Wednesday, November 1! All students K-12 are eligible to participate in Crossroads' **National Novel Writing Month**. There are currently 48 students signed up for NaNoWriMo - our largest number EVER since we started participating in 2020. If you would like to sign up or you want more information, contact Mrs. Smith at ssmith@ccscolts.org.

Athletic Department

From AD *Scottie Richardson*:

CROSS COUNTRY (4 Teams: Middle School Girls, Middle School Boys, Varsity Girls, Varsity Boys)

Head Coach **Trey Snide** had another great season! Varsity Boys won the MCC Regular Season Championship, Finished Runner-Up in the MCC Tournament, and Runner-Up in the NCISAA State Tournament! Senior Runner **Ben Gladioux** was the Runner of the Year in the MCC. Varsity Girls Cross Country was our first year fielding a full team, and they finished 3rd in the MCC and 4th in the NCISAA. Sophomore **Leanna Wimsatt** was the Runner of the Year in the MCC and Runner-Up in the NCISAA State Tournament! Our Middle School Boys competed very well this year in the MCC and improved their times in each meet. **Molly Hollingsworth** was our lone MS Girls Runner and was awarded an All-Tournament Medallion at the MCC Conference Meet as a 5th grader! All of our teams won at least one meet this season!

SOCCER (2 Teams: Middle School Boys and Varsity Boys)

MS Coach **Tony Bennett** led his team to an undefeated Regular Season Championship and Runner-Up in the MCC Conference Finals. Varsity Boys Soccer and head coach **Holden Coghill** finished a historic run, winning 19 straight games, finished the season ranked #1 in the State, Regular Season Champions of the MCC, Conference Tournament Champions, and the school's first Varsity Boys Soccer NCISAA State Championship!

VOLLEYBALL (2 Teams: Middle School and Varsity)

MS Coach **Danielle Coburn** in her first year as head coach had a great season, finishing in the top 4 schools in the MCC Conference! JV Volleyball had a great season, qualifying for the MCC JV Tournament and finishing 4th! Varsity head coach **Cammy Simmons'** team finished in the top 4 schools in the MCC and won 2 NCISAA State Tournament games, making it to the Elite 8!

Winter Sports practices have begun for Middle School Boys, JV Boys, Varsity Boys, Varsity Girls, and Middle School Girls Basketball and Cheerleading!

The State Championship Experience – by Coach Holden Coghill:



NCISAA 1A State Championship CCS vs Bradford Academy @ NC Wesleyan University on October 28, 2023. Colts defeated the Archers to complete a historic, treble-winning season in varsity soccer!

FINAL SCORE: Crossroads 5 - Bradford Academy 1

STATS: Thomas Shah scored a hat-trick while senior Will Alston tallied a goal and an assist as the duo led the Colts to their first-ever Varsity Boys Soccer State title. Wesley Anderson scored a crucial goal early in the 2nd half to make it 2-0 off of a corner kick set play routine called "U" that the team has

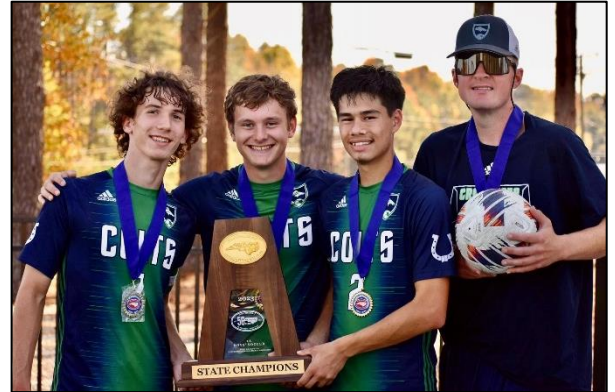
been practicing for weeks. I was so excited after Wesley's goal that I was jumping and shouting enthusiastically, "We scored on 'U!' We scored on 'U!!!' " ...the other team heard 'we scored on yoU, we scored on yoU!'...and, naturally, they didn't think it was very funny. Jackson Anderson, Ben Adcock, and Zeke Anderson (2) also added assists.

Shout out to our defense, the **Bash Brothers**: Noah Newbern, Daniel Wieninger, and Bryce Burton along with midfielders Eric Simmons, Carson Seaman, Zeke Anderson, Cody Paschall, and Goalkeeper Adam Brantley for playing their best game of an already record-setting season!

Check out the video at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IKoCjUsVJCs>.

AND...Congratulations to Will Alston, Thomas Shah, Eric Simmons, and Ely Phillips for being voted to the NCISAA 1A Soccer All-State team!

(Right) Coach Coghill with senior players: Will Alston, Noah Newbern, and Eric Simmons.



Basketball game schedules: Visit <https://www.maxpreps.com/nc/henderson/crossroads-christian-colts/> and scroll down to the Teams section for your team – schedules will be updated all along as information becomes available.

Want to support your Colts? If you would like to become a member of our CCSXPRESS Corporate Partners for Athletics, please email our Athletic Director, Scottie Richardson srichardson@ccscolts.org. Corporate banners will hang in the gymnasium for the 2023-2024 school year. Becoming a partner gets you 4 season passes for all home games! (See the end of the newsletter for more info.)

Guidelines for students attending ballgames: All lower school students must be either picked up at the end of the school day or attend aftercare—even on game days. No lower school students are allowed to be dismissed to the gym to wait for games to start. They must be picked up and driven around to the back of the building with their parent or another supervising adult, as no childcare or direct supervision is provided at games. We ask that every lower school student be supervised by an adult and never left at a game unattended. Unfortunately, we can no longer accept written permission or phone calls to dismiss lower school students directly to the gym. Due to the increase of our student population, we need to know that all students have been accounted for at the end of the school day during carpool and are turned over to adult supervision for after-school activities. Even though there is school staff in attendance at games, many have other duties during the game or are spectators.

Upper school students need to follow the same guidelines and may not enter the gym prior to 30 minutes before the start of the game. This means that if a game begins at 4:00 p.m., they must wait and enter the gym no earlier than 3:30 p.m.

All students must remain in the gym and concession area during games. No student should be permitted back into the school hallways once they have been dismissed at the end of the day. This is simply a precaution should any type of emergency occur during game times. It is imperative that everyone is where they are supposed to be. Your help is greatly appreciated. Thank you for making sure all students are able to attend and enjoy our sports' programs safely!

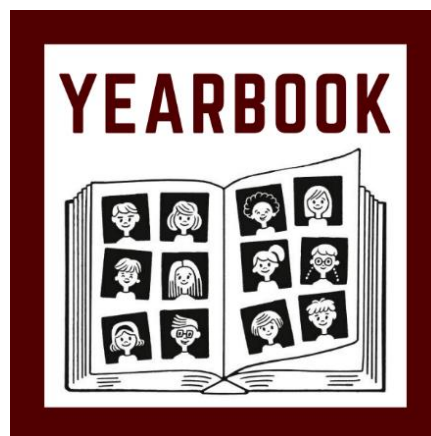
Yearbook News

Crossroads' yearbooks are on sale for **\$50!** That price will increase after the first of the year, so be sure to purchase yours now at www.tinyurl.com/ccsyear2024.

Parents of seniors, the deadline for purchasing a yearbook recognition ad is approaching. All ads must be purchased and finalized no later than **December 31** at <https://plicbooks.com/go/DEEB2W>.

The yearbook photo contest is still going strong now through **December 31**. Send us pictures of you living your best life! www.tinyurl.com/stulife23.

Yearbook Adviser: Stephanie Smith (ssmith@ccscolts.org)



Lower School Christmas Program

Our Lower School Christmas Program will be divided up a little this year because our lower school has grown! What a blessing! Our music teacher, Mrs. Jarrell, is working with our classes now to get ready.

- Dec 13 – Elementary Christmas Programs K-2nd (8:30 a.m.) and 3rd – 6th (10:00 a.m.)
- Dec 14 – Elementary Christmas Programs 3rd – 6th (8:30 a.m.) and K-2nd (10:00 a.m.)
- Dec 15 – Preschool Christmas Program – **Time to be announced

Upcoming Events

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| November 2 | K3 & K4 Vision Screenings |
| November 8 | NHS Adopt-a-Highway |
| November 8-9 | 7th & 8th Williamsburg Trip |
| November 11 | Veterans Day |
| November 15 | Beta Club Induction (7th period) |
| November 16 | 1st Grade Field Trip to Marbles Museum |
| November 20-21 | Teacher Workdays |
| November 22-24 | Thanksgiving Break (Closed) |
| November 27 | Salvation Army Food Drive Begins |
| November 29 | 9 th -12 th Grades: Service Project in Danville, Va. |
| December 1 | ASVAB Testing - 9:00 a.m. to noon/10 th & 11 th grades |
| December 6 | Picture Day: Fall Retakes and Senior Tux/Drape Retakes |
| December 8 | Salvation Army Food Drive Ends |
| December 11-12 | Exam Review |
| December 13-15 | Exams (Half-Days) |
| December 15 | Quarter 2 Ends (Half-Day) |
| Dec. 18-Jan. 2 | Christmas Break (Closed) |

Teacher Workdays – What Do They Do?

For the first teacher workday of 2023-24 that took place during students' Fall Break, our teachers began preparing for the next accreditation process, which occurs every five years and requires about 1-1/2 to two years of preparation for the accreditation visit and evaluation. Our next visit will be in 2025. Lots to get ready!



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4th, 5th, and 6th Field Trip at Home

Our 4th-6th graders enjoyed a historical Camp Flintlock Field Trip on campus October 20. Mrs Hahn, 5th grade, shared some of her pictures! Look for more on Facebook.



Reminder: Health Policy from Student Handbook

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. You can also email Mrs. Pegram at bpegam@ccscolts.org. Students will have five school days following an absence to provide written documentation to have that absence excused. Documentation is required of all students, even those 18 years old and older.

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.)
- **Any symptoms specified by the CDC as possible Covid-19 symptoms (fever, cough, loss of taste or smell, etc.).**



Benefits & Costs of Collaborating:

Corporate Platinum Partner \$1250 first year with \$1000 annual renewal.
Sponsorship includes a corporate banner placed in the gymnasium.

- All corporate partners will be added to the Athletic Department's VIP List receiving admission for four to all regular season home sporting events for the school year (August to May).
- The advertising period is one calendar year (Exclusive and Long-Term Partnerships are available upon request).
- Make checks payable to Crossroads Christian School (designated to the Athletic Program).





Crossroads Christian School
CHRISTMAS
Market



Crossroads Christian School
3rd Annual Christmas Market
Craft and Vendor Fair
Application

Business Name: _____

Business Owner: _____

Email Address: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Type of business/products: _____

Number of Spaces: _____ Amount paid: _____

Special needs: (near electricity, etc.) _____

Raffle Item Donated: _____

Be on the lookout for our CCS Christmas Market Remind group chat.
Join the group for a Quick and Easy way to stay connected! Info coming soon.

MAIL REGISTRATION & PAYMENT TO: P.O. BOX 249 Henderson, NC 27536
Contact: Dina Martin christmasmarket@ccscolts.org
Physical Address: 583 Old County Home Road, Henderson, NC 27537



40% OF ALL PROCEEDS GO DIRECTLY TO YOUR SCHOOL!

10 oz. Gourmet
Salted Peanuts



10 oz. Chili Lime
Peanuts



10 oz. Sea Salt &
Pepper Peanuts



10 oz. Zesty
Sriracha Peanuts



10 oz. Dill Pickle
Peanuts



\$10.00

9 oz. Buffalo
Party Mix



10 oz. Butter
Toffee Peanuts



10 oz. Chocolate
Covered Peanuts



\$13.00

