



CORNERSTONE
CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

CCA²DAY

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Educating World Changers

SEE YOU AT THE POLE

All upper school students (6th - 12th grade) are invited to participate in this year's "See You at the Pole" prayer event. Plan to get up a little bit earlier and join the prayer warriors at the flagpole Wednesday, September 24th at 7:00 AM as they pray for our school and our nation! Our student chaplains will be leading.

SHADOW A STUDENT DAY

We are excited to host a shadow day for students interested in a Cornerstone education. Shadow a Student Day is scheduled for Friday, September 26th. Please share this opportunity with family and friends. Families can contact the office to reserve a seat!

EARLY ED OPEN HOUSE

The Early Ed Open House will be held on Tuesday, September 23rd. Students in the 3's classes should plan to attend at 6:00 PM while students in the 4's classes and Developmental Kindergarten should attend at 6:30 PM. Our early learners are looking forward to showcasing their work at this time.

COMBINED CHAPEL/COFFEE CONNECTIONS

Our next Combined Chapel & Coffee Connections of the year is **Friday, September 26th!** All parents are invited to drop off the kids for school and come down to the Forum Room at **8:15 AM** for coffee, refreshments, and a time of community before chapel begins at **9:30 AM**. No reservations are required, and there is no charge!

HOMECOMING 2025

Calling all Cyclones to celebrate our COLOSSAL Homecoming Week from October 6th - 11th. We know that when two or more cyclones join forces, they produce a FIERCE weather event called a "Fuijwhara Effect." When our Cyclones join together, we truly become MIGHTY!

Our 2025 Homecoming theme is "Fuji-RAWR-a" and dinos of all kinds will join our PREHISTORIC events!

Our HS dance will be held on Saturday, October 11th. Tickets for the dance are \$15 and will go on sale in the office beginning Monday, September 29th. No extensions will be given after the end of day on Wednesday, 10/8, and no tickets will be sold at the door. Guest forms are limited with preference given to upperclassmen. Guest tickets must be purchased before a permission slip will be given out. All Guest Permission Forms must be returned to Mr. Rassi by the end of the school day on Wednesday, 10/8.

Students and teachers will celebrate with dress-up days and other fun activities throughout the week. While Saturday night's dance is just for high school students, the rest of the week is for everyone! Below are the Homecoming Dress-Up Days:

- Monday (10/6) - "FUJI-"RAWR"-A Dino Day
- Tuesday (10/7) - Dream Job Day
- Wednesday (10/8) - Teacher/ Student Swap Day
- Thursday (10/9) - Class Color Day. Grade levels compete to see who wears their colors best on this day!

EE & 6th	Tie Dye	3rd & 10th	Yellow
K & 7th	Purple	4th & 11th	Orange
1st & 8th	Blue	5th & 12th	Red
2nd & 9th	Green		

- Friday (10/10) - Cyclone Spirit Day! - Wear your Cornerstone spirit wear for a green and white overload.

*Please note that all dress-up outfits must meet handbook appearance code guidelines.

We will have an all-school pep assembly on Friday, October 10th at 2:00 PM in the CCA gymnasium. All parents are invited to attend. Battle for the Brick will also be held Friday, October 10th at 6:00 PM. Come out and watch our faculty and staff take on our HS students in a kickball game on the CCA baseball field.

Also during Homecoming week, color teams (listed above) will be competing in a food drive to bring in the MOST items. Items most needed include: boxed mashed potatoes, cereal, canned soups, pasta and sauce, ramen noodles, shampoo, paper towels, and bath tissue. The team that brings in the most items will earn a pizza party. Items can be brought in beginning Monday, October 7th.

Finally, classes will compete in a Door Decorating Contest. The class creating the best decorated classroom door will win a trophy.



GUATEMALA APPLICATIONS

Any HS students interested in traveling to Guatemala over Winterim must submit an application to Mrs. Shaw by Friday, September 26th.

CHRISTIAN COLLEGE FAIR

Cornerstone will once again host the North American Coalition for Christian Admissions Professionals (NACCP) College Fair on Thursday, October 2nd from 5:00 - 7:00 PM. Representatives from nearly two dozen Christian colleges will be present. Registration information can be found at ChristianCollegeFairs.com. Parents and students are encouraged to attend.

PIZZA LUNCH VOLUNTEERS

The most popular lunch we offer is our Thursday Pizza Hut lunch. In order to serve our hungry students, we need a group of volunteers to help us each week. **There are still opportunities for parents to sign up!** Please use the following sign-ups to serve our wonderful students:

[Lower School](#)

[Upper School](#)

Please contact Michelle Clemons at jmclemons602@gmail.com with any questions.

SAFETY REMINDER

In this season of new student drivers and increased farm equipment on the roads, please reduce speed when approaching and exiting the driveway and be cautious!

COME SEE US!

We are excited to have a booth at the Day of Play located outside the Children's Discovery Museum on Saturday, September 27th from 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM. Wear your CCA apparel and stop by our booth for a prize. Please spread the word and come see us at this event.

DOUBLE YOUR GIVING

Did you know that State Farm, Country Financial, and Caterpillar will match employee contributions to Cornerstone? December 31st is the deadline to make your donation to be included as a Charitable Contribution in your 2025 tax return. State Farm employees may also take advantage of the State Farm Good Neighbor Grant. SF employees who volunteer 40 hours and submit their hours through the SF portal meet the requirements of the GNG. Cornerstone receives a \$500 grant per employee per year for those who volunteers 40 hours. We are grateful these opportunities are available as another way the Lord provides for His school. Thank you for taking advantage of these programs. Please contact Ciara Corley for more information.

PLEASE JOIN US!

It's been said prayer is the most important thing we do at Cornerstone. There are two very specific ways you can join us. First, you are invited to join the parents and grandparents that meet every Wednesday morning at 8:15! This committed group prays for your children, the staff, and the needs of the school. The CCA Prayer Circle has been meeting on campus, outdoors, weather permitting throughout the summer, and plans to continue with this practice. Everyone is welcome! Can't make it in person? Then be sure to check out ccaforward.com for more ways to pray.

FAMILY ATHLETIC PASS

Family athletic passes are available for \$65 in the office. The family pass allows your immediate family to attend all Cornerstone Home Events (with the exception of post-season play). Stop by and purchase your pass today!

Coming up.....

Friday (9/19) HS Boys Soccer at Arthur Christian @ 4:30 PM

Saturday (9/20) 7th/8th Grade Sectional Baseball Game at Shepard Park @ 11:00 PM; Varsity Volleyball at Fieldcrest HS

Monday (9/22) HS Volleyball at Heyworth HS @ 5:00 PM

Tuesday (9/23) Early Ed Open House @ 6:00 PM; JH Soccer at Judah Christian @ 4:30 PM; HS Boys Soccer at Illini Bluffs @ 4:30 PM; HS Girls Tennis at Maroa-Forsyth @ 4:30 PM

Wednesday (9/24) Senior Trip; 6th Grade Field Trip; JH Cross Country at Ewing Park II @ 4:00 PM; JV Boys Soccer vs. Bloomington HS at home @ 4:30 PM

Thursday (9/25) Senior Trip; 4th Grade Field Trip; 11th Grade Field Trip; 1st Grade Field Trip; HS Boys Soccer at East Peoria @ 6:00 PM

Friday (9/26) Student Shadow Day; Coffee Connections/ Combined Chapel; Senior Trip; 7th/8th Grade Boys Baseball TBD

*Visit the [website calendar](#) for more details.

