



CORNERSTONE
CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

CCA²DAY

08.29.2025

Educating World Changers

NO SCHOOL

There is no school on Monday, September 1st in observance of Labor Day.

SCHOOL PICTURES - SEPTEMBER 2 & 3

Inter-State Studio will be taking school pictures on September 2nd and 3rd. All orders must be placed online at inter-state.com/order using order code: 0103FCF

Pictures will be taken on the following dates:

Tuesday 9/2

- EE 3/4 (Gerber/Horine)
- Kindergarten (Farney & Summers)
- 1st Grade (Ficks, Fitch)
- 2nd Grade (Kallevig, White)
- 3rd Grade (Kinzinger, Wallin)
- 6th Grade
- 10th Grade
- 12th Grade



Wednesday 9/3

- EE 4/5 (Smith/McLaughlin)
- Developmental Kindergarten (Walker)
- 4th Grade (Dotson, Kalmes)
- 5th Grade (Brothers, Scott)
- 7th Grade
- 8th Grade
- 9th Grade
- 11th Grade

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 postseason play). Stop by and purchase your pass today!

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!

PRE-ORDERED APPAREL

If you pre-ordered a t-shirt before School Supply/Drop-Off Days and have not picked up your shirt, please do so by Friday, August 30th. We do have some extra shirts available for \$15 in the office.

Looking for something besides a t-shirt? Please check out a new apparel store [here](#). This store will close on September 15th at 9:00 AM.

FRESHMAN RETREAT

This exciting event will be taking place Thursday, September 4th through Friday, September 5th at Little Galilee Christian Camp in Clinton. On this overnight trip, our freshman class will spend their time studying Scripture together, eating together, playing together, worshipping together, and most of all, having fun together! Students will depart CCA on Thursday, September 4th at 8:30 AM and return to school on Friday, September 5th at 3:15 PM.

Questions? Contact Mr. Parker at austin.parker@cornestonechristian.com.

COME SEE US!

We are excited to have booths at two upcoming community events. Cornerstone will be at Illinois Day of the Dozer on Saturday, September 6th from 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM at the McLean County Fairgrounds. We will also have a spot at the Day of Play located outside the Children's Discovery Museum on Saturday, September 27th from 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM. Please spread the word and come see us at both events!

SCHOOL REWARDS

There are several organizations that partner with Cornerstone and offer rewards based on everyday purchases.

One way to donate to the school is to use AmazonSmile and designate Cornerstone Christian Academy of McLean County Inc. Amazon will donate 0.5% of your qualifying purchase to Cornerstone. Doing this will not add to your total. Kroger also offers a community rewards program. Choose Cornerstone Christian Academy when setting up your digital account through Kroger's website and Cornerstone receives a percentage of your total purchase. Please contact the main office with any questions.

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 for our school.



CYCLONE SCHOLARS NEEDED

Are you a 10th - 12th grader interested in teaching? Do you desire to serve younger students at CCA? Are you looking to gain some experience to enhance your college and work applications? CCA is offering a new club this year called Cyclone Scholars! This is an opportunity for 10th - 12th grade students to tutor younger students in math and reading. There will be an informational meeting in Mrs. Erin Nelson's room, 319, on Wednesday September 3rd during HS homeroom. Come and learn more about this unique serving opportunity!

LUNCHES

We will begin serving catered lunches on Tuesday, September 2nd. All lunches must be ordered in advance through FACTS. The 15th of each month is the last day to order lunches for the month immediately following. Lunch ordering for October is now available. Please see Lunch Ordering Instructions within the "Quicklinks" section on our [website](#) for complete details and instructions.

Available lunch items include:

Monday: Chick-fil-A chicken sandwich, chips, & water \$6.50; Chick-fil-A 5-piece chicken nuggets, chips, & water \$6.00

Tuesday: Dairy Queen cheeseburger, Cheeze-its, fruit cup, & water \$6.50

Wednesday: Annie's Eats pulled pork sandwich, chips, applesauce, & water \$6.50

Thursday: Pizza Hut cheese pizza, chips, & water \$5.50

Friday: Avanti's Gondola, chips, water \$6.50

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. Generally, this is a once-a-month commitment for about an hour during each lunch period. Schedules are very flexible, and no experience is necessary. This is one of the most fun ways to volunteer at school and get to know other parents! **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.

EXTENDED CARE

Before School Care begins each day at 7:15 AM. All Early Education through 5th grade students arriving between 7:15 and 8:00 AM must report to the designated locations and

be signed in by a parent or guardian upon arrival. Junior high students (6th - 8th grade) must go directly to the Upper Tiered Seating Area (UTSA) after they gather necessary items from their lockers. Upper School students are not invoiced for BSC. Students will not be allowed to wait in the airlock before school begins.

At 3:30 PM, all Early Ed-8th grade students who have not been picked up will be checked into After School Care. Parents/caregivers arriving to pick up students from After School Care must meet their children in the assigned ASC rooms and sign them out, recording the time of departure. Whenever circumstances require someone other than the child's custodial parents to pick him/her up from school or ASC, parents must inform school staff of such arrangements in advance, and photo identification of the approved caretaker may be requested. After School Care is available until 5:30 PM. Please note that there is a \$1/minute late charge if your child(ren) are not picked up by 5:30 PM. See the Parent-Student Handbook on our website under **Quicklinks** for details about charges and billing.

Coming up.....

Friday (8/29) HS Boys Soccer at Peoria Christian @ 4:00 PM; 6th Grade Baseball at Metcalf @ 4:30 PM

Saturday (8/30) HS Boys Soccer at Peoria Christian TBD, JH Soccer at Trinity Lutheran @ 10:00 AM; JH Softball vs. Decatur Unity at Eastview at 10:00 AM; HS Cross Country at Clinton HS @ 7:00 PM; 7th/8th Grade Boys Baseball at Ridgeview @ 9:00 AM

Monday (9/1) JH Softball vs. Metcalf at Eastview @ 4:30 PM

Tuesday (9/2) School Pictures; JH Softball vs. Ridgeview at Eastview @ 4:30 PM; 6th Grade Boys Baseball vs. Epiphany at home @ 5:00 PM; HS Girls Volleyball vs. Leroy at home @ 6:00 PM; 7th/8th Grade Boys Baseball vs. Metcalf at Trinity Lutheran @ 4:30 PM

Wednesday (9/3) School Pictures; HS Boys Soccer vs. Streator at home @ 4:30 PM; HS Volleyball at Woodland HS @ 5:30 PM

Thursday (9/4) Freshman Retreat; HS Boys Golf at Indian Springs @ 4:00 PM; HS Girls Tennis at Limestone HS @ 4:00 PM; JH Softball vs. Metcalf at Champion Fields at 4:30 PM; JH Soccer vs. Judah Christian at home @ 4:30 PM; 6th Grade Baseball vs. Lexington at home @ 5:00 PM; 7th/8th Grade Boys Baseball vs. Metcalf at Shepard @ 4:30 PM

Friday (9/5) Freshman Retreat: 7th/8th Grade Boys Baseball vs. Decatur Unity at Trinity Lutheran @ 4:30 PM; HS Boys Soccer at Peoria Christian @ 4:00 PM; 6th Grade Baseball at Metcalf @ 4:30 PM

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