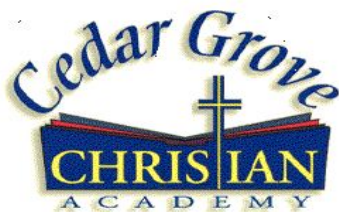


Preschool, Lower School, #4
Middle School
Website: www.cgca.org
215-725-3383



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emphasizing traditional
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11/15/20

Pandemic News: As most of you likely know, decisions are looming with the local and area government entities concerning limiting gatherings particularly concerning schools. Many local governments have already published restrictions. As mentioned in our letter published late last week, thankfully God has blessed and we have been doing very well at CGCA with no immediate incidence. However, as has been the case, the landscape can change rapidly and the city could advise or require a shut down. Our staff are prepared to move all classes online as needed. If this does happen we, of course, will comply. One issue that we are prepping for is extending our Thanksgiving break, IF a closure is required. Currently we are scheduled to have class till Noon the week of Thanksgiving. This may extend to a week long break starting as early as Monday of that week if closures are mandated. We will keep you informed with Facts/RENWeb Parent Alert messaging if changes are required.

HOAGIES BY WAWA AND OUR 7TH GRADE CLASS: Each year our 7th and 8th grade classes are able to take advantage of living so close to the Poconos, and as part of their Physical Education program, have the opportunity to learn the lifetime skill of skiing. To help offset the cost of this exceptional trip our middle schoolers usually sponsor a spaghetti dinner and a pancake breakfast. With Covid restrictions in place, that is not an option. As a viable alternative we have partnered with WAWA to help raise funds for our kids, while at the same time saving a little money for you. You can purchase vouchers through our school office at the cost of \$4.50 each. Order as many as you like and cash them in whenever you want.

Happy Thanksgiving: We have much for which to be thankful. In church this morning a young girl bravely spoke during our worship time about God's safety and provision in ways that seem to be disastrous. Often what man or the enemy means for evil, God can bring blessing from that. Let us count our many blessings and even thank Him for the sad and difficult situations that come our way. Let us bring Him thanksgiving for who He is and what He is doing even if we can't understand it all right now. Let's find Joy in serving Jesus!

PARENT TEACHER MEETINGS: Parent teacher meetings are something we do after the first marking period each year. This year we will be offering virtual conferences via zoom sessions. We would like to encourage parents to come in and see us personally if at all possible. If you are in a vulnerable position and need to use the online option we understand, but do feel that the in person option is preferred. Meetings are scheduled for Monday, Nov. 16th. No regular classes will be held on this day.

CARS AT CGCA: Cars should never be driven into the school yard off Lawndale St., even during inclement weather. This is a staff only parking area with very specific arrival and departure stipulations. Please have your child leave and board your car at the curb. Also, for the safety of our children, please do not double park on Lawndale Street. You are encouraged to pull into the school yard off Bingham St. for drop off at the gym doors from 7:30 am – 8:40 am. Responsible students are available there from 8 – 8:40 am to assist young students in getting safely to their proper classroom.

Thanksgiving Feasts: Every year our parents and staff work together to put on a “Thanksgiving Feast” here at school. With all the Covid protocols in place this year we are unable to conduct our normal event. In its place our staff have adapted and are offering a safe and fun alternative. Preschool has partnered with Chick-fil-a, Lower school with McDonalds and Middle school with Wawa to offer an awesome option. If you did not receive notification already, you will soon, for these unique “feasts”. Middle school and Lower school can order via the regular online ordering platform. Keep in mind that on a department's feast day only the feast alternative will be available. See the dates below. These dates may change if we need to adjust the calendar and extend our Thanksgiving break.

CGCA High School: Our local highschool is no longer just a hope and dream. In September 2021 we will be offering 9th grade classes on our current campus. Please view our informational video located at www.cgca.org under “About CGCA”. PTL for His goodness and blessing!

Bundles of Love: AMG International’s Bundles of Love Program is well underway at CGCA. We recently sent home collection boxes and informational flyers. Please have your child do their very best to fill their box and return it ASAP. We plan to keep collecting until Dec. 1. We will then send whatever we have collected to AMG to work on getting Christmas bundles of needed materials and toys out to children all over the world. Be a part of something huge. You will not only be providing physically, but also an eternal message of hope and salvation by filling up the donation boxes. Every \$20 raised will provide a bundle of gifts and a message of hope for some needy child. To hear more about Bundles of love I suggest you take time to watch this short video from AMG. [Bundles of Love Video link](#)

MORNING HOURS: Children who arrive before 7:45 am must report to the daycare in the gym until 7:45 am. Grades 1-8 will be supervised at 7:45 am in the yard or gym. Lines enter the building or leave the gym at 8:05 am and school begins at 8:30 am. All children should arrive by 8:25 am at the latest. The late bell rings at 8:30 am. Students not settled in their classrooms by then will be considered tardy or absent.

DAYCARE BILLING: Just a reminder that daycare bills for grades 1-8 will be sent home the first of every month. It is not included with the tuition payment. Daycare services are available from 7 am to 7:45 am and/or from 3:15 pm to 6 pm. Flexible hours are billed at

\$5.25 per hour. After 6 pm pickup is charged \$20 for each 15 minutes interval or part thereof. Please be aware that daycare workers appreciate being able to leave at or before 6 pm.

ABSENTEE CALLS REQUIRED FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS: Parents are required to call the school office (215-725-3383) by 8:45 am if your Middle School child will be absent. This will help us be more consistent with our records and help ensure the safety of our children.

ATTENTION ALL PARENTS: Parents are discouraged from calling their children during the school day, unless it is an emergency. **Messages will be delivered to them via the school office. Non-staff are asked to relay all messages through our main office and not travel the halls, go to rooms or to the cafeteria.** Any messages regarding changes in transportation or daycare for the day must be called in before 2:30 pm to ensure your child gets the message. **The office is too busy after that time to deliver messages.** Children are discouraged from using the office phone. If a call is absolutely necessary, the child will have to pay 25¢ per phone call, unless they're sick or have an emergency.

PRAY EVERYDAY:

Monday, October 26th

Khaliyah Kemp - 6th – Mr. Jiwanmall

Julia Neves - 6th – Mr. Jiwanmall

Wednesday, October 28th

Robbie Burton - 6th – Mr. Jiwanmall

Allissa DeCapua - 6th – Mr. Jiwanmall

Thursday, October 29th

Sani Lassiter – 5/6 ACE – Mrs. Brennan

Samahn Lolley – 5/6 ACE – Mrs. Brennan

Friday, October 30th

Austin Wright – 5/6 ACE – Mrs. Brennan

Chakai Roberts – 5/6 ACE – Mrs. Brennan

Monday, November 2nd

Zeiden Ramos - 5th – Mrs. Wright

Ny'Elle Edwards - 5th – Mrs. Wright

Wednesday, November 4th

Jaycelyn Strickland - 5th – Mrs. Wright

Kennady Eakins - 5th – Mrs. Wright

Friday, November 6th

Stephen Davis – 4th – Mrs. Nolan

Brooklyn Weaver - 4th – Mrs. Nolan

Monday, November 9th

Joshua Hines - 3rd – Mrs. Bryan

Jacob Hines - 3rd – Mrs. Bryan

Thursday, November 12th

Romal Williams – 3/4 ACE – Ms. Woods

Brittney Boyd – 3/4 ACE – Ms. Woods

Friday, November 13th

Abigail Berrios – 3 /4 ACE – Ms. Woods

Dulce Mayorga – 3/4 ACE – Ms. Woods

CELL PHONES: Students are not permitted to have cell phones in school. If, however, it is necessary for your child to carry a cell phone, 1st - 4th graders must leave their phone in the office, 5th and 6th graders leave them with their teacher, and 7th and 8th graders leave them in their lockers, while he/she is in the building. Parents must sign the cell phone form for their child.

DATES:

Nov	Mon	16	NO SCHOOL grades 1-8. Parent-Teacher Conference – Report Cards Issued. Preschool Daycare only available 7:00 am 6:00 pm
	Fri	20	Middle School Thanksgiving Feast
	Tue	24	Lower School Thanksgiving Feast
	Wed	DCO 25	NOON DISMISSAL Preschool Thanksgiving Feast
	Thu-Fri	26-27	NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving

CGCA AND UNITED WAY: I.D. #1197

You can designate your United Way contributions to be used for CGCA. Two of our programs (Discovery Center and Daycare) meet the requirements to be a part of the United Way Donor Choice Program. All you need to do is designate your United Way contribution to Cedar Grove Christian Academy and use our I.D. #1197 on the pledge form. Thank you very much.

AMAZON SMILE: Amazon has a program called “Amazon Smile” that donates .5% of eligible purchases to a charity of the members choosing. Simply shop on [Smile.Amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com) and choose CGCA as the Charity. All pricing and benefits still apply.

Make a difference this holiday. Shop for gifts at [smile.amazon.com/ch/47-2954063](https://www.smile.amazon.com/ch/47-2954063) to generate donations for Cedar Grove Christian Academy Inc and check out our [AmazonSmile Charity Lists](#) to donate items we need most.

In His Grip,
Jeffrey Howard, Principal

Important school information can be accessed through the following links:

[How to lead someone to Christ](#)

[School website](#)

[Parent HelpsSchool Calendar](#)

[Ren Web login \(District Code: cg-pa\)](#)

[Extracurricular opportunities](#)

[Lunch Order form](#)

[Hand book/uniform code/supply lists/forms](#)

[New Student Application](#)

[Teaching and Non-Teaching applications](#)