

Preschool, Lower School,
Middle School, High
School

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215-725-3383 - school



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Philadelphia, Pa. 19111

*The Mission of Cedar Grove
Academy
is to give a quality Christian
Education
emphasizing traditional
Biblical values.*



#3 11/19/23



Thanksgiving Break: We hope you enjoy the time with your family and friends over the next several days. Though many of you are still working while our students are on break, I do hope you get to have some quality time with your family and friends. I would also like to take the opportunity to encourage you to make church a priority during this season of thanks and reflection. Classes will resume on Monday, after Thanksgiving.

RACE FOR EDUCATION: We have not yet finished receiving or tallying all the donations from Race, but so far the Lord has blessed us with approximately **\$16,885** in returns and more mailers are being returned daily. You may continue to send your donations until the end of the school year. Thank you to all who participated in this yearly fund-raiser.



BUNDLES OF LOVES:

In December, teams from AMG are headed to **Peru, S. America** and several other countries to help hand out Bundles of Love to children for Christmas. On November 14, 2023, Mr. Ivins was given a check for **\$1,158.00** which gave a Bundle to children. Thank you so much. Pray for the children receiving the Bundles of Love that the Love of Jesus will be received also.

MORNING HOURS - Be ontime: Most of you have done an outstanding job getting your child(ren) here on time. However, these past few weeks several have been arriving too late. I would like to

encourage you to arrive with your 1st-11th grade child no later than 8:10 AM. They need time to get to class by 8:15. Those arriving between 7 and 8:10 will be able to get to class on time and will most likely have less traffic during the drop off process. Children who arrive before 7:45 am must report to the daycare until 7:45 am. Grades 1-11 will be supervised at 7:45 am in the yard or gym. Lines enter the building at 8:05 am and class activities begin at 8:15 am. Preschool daycare runs 7- 8:05 am and they are considered late by 8:30 am.

School Uniforms: Please take some time during this break and the upcoming Christmas break to review your child's uniforms. The school logo should be on all polos and uniform pants must be the correct style. If you are uncertain of styles you can view them [HERE](#). Pants should have all internal stitching (no patch pocket pants). Clothing should loose fitting; no stretch pants or joggers.

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

BUS AND CAR TRANSPORTATION:

Please call the school office (215-725-3383) before 2:30 pm if your child will not be riding the school bus on a given day. There is **no parking** permitted on Bingham St., except for school buses. **Cars may be driven into the school yard off of Bingham St. during drop off time 7:45-8:30 am.** Also, for the safety of our children, please **do not double park on Lawndale Street.** Responsible students are available from 8 – 8:30 am to assist preschool students in getting safely to their proper classroom. Thank you.

1. Parking at CGCA - Please do not park in front of the walk gate on Lawndale St. Some of the staff park in the yard and they often have to come and go. You may park there from 2:45 - 3:30 pm since staff are not moving during this time.

2. If you do wish to pick up your child early, it is necessary to notify the school no later than 2:30 pm and then give very specific instructions on where and who will be conducting the early dismissal. After 2:30 you may need to wait for the child's regular dismissal time. It is a very busy time in the main office and in the classrooms. This makes setting up and facilitating early dismissal difficult. Imagine if even just 20 people wanted early dismissal and it all had to happen during this high volume, exceptionally busy time. Mistakes can be made and that could be very dangerous and frustrating. It takes time for the office to organize the dismissal and for the teachers to wrap everything up and prepare a child to leave early. We do appreciate your cooperation and understanding.

3. Preschool Safety Patrol students are available 8 am - 8:30 am to walk Prek 3,4 and Kindergarten students safely to their rooms and get connected with their teachers. Prior to that, daycare staff will care for all the children in the gym.

PRAY EVERYDAY: The following students led our school in prayer over the PA for the needs of our school:

11/7/23

Madison Dennis - Kindergarten - Miss Ide
Amari Heard - Kindergarten - Miss Ide

11/8/23

Arianna Jackson - Kindergarten - Miss Ide
Benjamin Murrillo - Kindergarten - Miss Ide

11/15/23

Codi Hogue - Kindergarten - Mrs. Semekor
Lemuel Paul - Kindergarten - Mrs. Semekor

11/16/23

Cairo Hollins - Kindergarten - Mrs. Semekor
Brielle Beckham - Kindergarten - Mrs. Semekor

BASKETBALL SCHEDULE:

Mon, 11/27	MS/HS Boys Basketball practice	3:30 pm-5:30 pm
Tue, 11/28	MS Girls Basketball practice	3:30 pm-5:00 pm
Wed, 11/29	MS/HS Boys Basketball practice	3:30 pm-5:30 pm
Thu, 11/30	MS Girls Basketball practice	3:30 pm-5:00 pm
Fri, 12/1	MS/HS Boys Basketball practice	3:30 pm-5:30 pm
Mon, 12/4	MS/HS Boys Basketball practice	3:30 pm-5:30 pm
Tue, 12/5	MS Girls Basketball vs. Calvary	3:30
Wed, 12/6	HSB vs. Dock	3:30 pm
	MS Boys Basketball practice	3:30 pm-5:30 pm
Thu, 12/7	MS Boys Basketball vs. DCCS	3:30 pm
	MS Girls Basketball practice	3:30 pm-5:00 pm
Fri, 12/8	MS Girls and Boys Basketball vs. Philmont	3:30 pm, 4:30 pm
	HS Boys Basketball practice	3:30 pm-5:30 pm

DATES:

Dec	12/7 12/8		Thu Fri	Pearl Harbor Day: Flag at half staff Mid-Quarter Reports
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LUNCH PROGRAM: You may go into your RenWeb account and set up orders for your student(s), which we will see in our system. All lunch, snacks and meal orders should be made at least 24 hours in advance and online.

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 only during lunchtime. 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.

INSTRUMENT LESSONS: Information about band instrument lessons was sent home for 4th through 8th graders. Lessons are available for the following instruments: **flute, trumpet, trombone, clarinet, saxophone, french horn, baritone horn, tuba, and percussion.** There is no cost for lessons, other than instrument rental or purchase. If you want this opportunity for your child, please indicate that on the form. **Piano lessons** are available upon request, but are handled by Mrs. Chisholm. A flier with sign up information was given to interested students.

Piano Lessons

By Stephanie Chisholm

816-830-6334

Offered at Cedar Grove On Thursdays
\$25 per lesson, payment due by lesson

Limited # of seats available

CELL PHONES: Students are not permitted to have cellphones in school. If, however, it is necessary for your child to carry a cell phone, it must be left in the office while he/she is in the building. Parents must sign the cell phone form for their child. Middle schoolers are required to turn their phone off for the day. 5th and 6th grade students turn their phones into a homeroom teacher. 7-11th graders may keep their phones in their lockers and are solely responsible for the safety of that device.

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 pm to 6 pm. Flexible hours are billed at \$5.50 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.

Check your email for information on setting up your account with ProCare. Once you have created a username and password, you will be able to view the activity on your account and make payments online.

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.

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 Helps](#)

[School Calendar](#)

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

[Extracurricular opportunities](#)

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

[New Student Application](#)

[Teaching Application](#)

[Non-teaching Applications](#)