# the Knight's Herald



## Welcome to Year 53!

A huge "Thank You" to all of our CCA Families. We appreciate the opportunity to partner with each of you to help educate and disciple our next generation! We look forward to an exciting 53rd year of learning and growing in our relationships with Christ!

This newsletter will be published on most Fridays and will be sent to all parents and grandparents listed in our RenWeb database. Last year, several grandparents contacted us to be removed from the mailing list. Families can also control the mailing list by updating the emails in their RenWeb portal.

We can't wait to see what the Lord has for us this school year! Thank you again for joining the CCA Family this year. Let us know if there is anything we can do for you.



# JH Golf Team

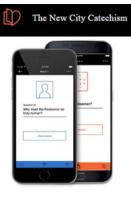
The Calvary JH Golf Team began the year with great results. In an August 7th tournament, <u>Noah Jackson</u> took first place honors, <u>Rowen</u> <u>Kruger</u> finished in 6th place, and <u>Brigham</u> <u>Kruger</u> placed in the top ten. Way to go Knights!

## New City Catechism

The New City Catechism is a modern-day resource aimed at helping children and adults alike learn the core doctrines of the Christian faith via 52 questions and answers.

Students and teachers will be utilizing these questions in various ways. The Morning Announcements introduces the current question, homeroom teachers will discuss the doctrine within the question, and many Bible teachers will utilize the thought within their weekly classes. Last year, the first 17 question were studied--this year, we are continuing by starting with Question 18.

Download the App--we use the "Children's Mode" for the text. The current question will also be listed in the Newsletter for you.



## Question 18

Will God allow our disobedience and idolatry to go unpunished?

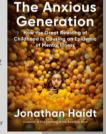
Answer: No, God is righteously angry with our sins and will punish them both in this life, and in the life to come.



#### CALVARY CHRISTIAN ACADEMY LIBRARY

Next week we will begin book checkout for students who have returned their signed covenants! Thanks for turning those in to us.

I spent the summer reading about reading and about childhood anxiety and ways to help our kiddos (and cataloging a LOT of books). I was so impacted by this reading, that I will lend these books to any interested parents to read! Please send me an email, and I will send home any of these resources Kellvgraeber@ccanormal.org.



Our teachers are brilliant at reading aloud in their classrooms. Your dinnertime, bedtime, curl-up-on-the-couch-time read alouds at home are an even greater key to your children's scholastic success! Thanks for letting us partner with you.

Some of these books will be lent with caveats regarding language or other issues which will share with interested parents.

## **Required Drill**

On September 4, CCA will be holding the annual required Lockdown Drill at 9:15 am. Local police officers will be here to observe and evaluate our procedures. Our staff will take time during the drill to age-appropriately discuss what a lockdown is. Please take time near Sept. 4 to discuss this drill with your children so that they will not be caught off guard. Especially for our littlest ones, if you feel it best to not be here for the drill, it is okay to come in that day after the drill (approx 9:45). The guidelines we follow state that all students present must be involved in the drill. Please contact me if you have any questions.

# Start of the Year Notes

#### <u>RenWeb</u>

RenWeb is the name of the School Information System used at CCA. If you have not been able to establish your Parent account yet, please do so. If you need assistance, please contact the school office. On RenWeb, you will find:

- Classroom assignments
- Lunch account information
  - ° Menus
  - Order history
  - Account balance
- Student grades
- Resources (such as the Parent-Student Handbook)
- and much more!

#### Lunch Accounts

While no child will ever be allowed to go hungry, families are requested to have funds on lunch accounts to cover daily orders. When an account balance falls below zero, a reminder will be auto-generated from RenWeb.

#### Athletic Scheduler

Earlier this month, our athletic department began a move from RSchool to a new sports schedule system. The switch to the new system, Snap Mobile, is currently ongoing and we appreciate your patience while our AD works through the update.

#### WWW.CCANORMAL.ORG

Please use our website to find the following resources:

- Access to PayTrace--pay portal for lunch, tuition, and other events
- Resources--supply lists, medical/immunization forms
- Archived Newsletters
- Discipleship Videos

### Dine to Donate

The first Dine to Donate event is coming up on September 12. Make plans to visit Portillo's on Landmark Drive between 11am-8pm. Portillo's will donate 20% of the sale to the Tuition Assistance Program at CCA. See the online code in the flyer below or show the flyer (digital version is okay) when ordering in the restaurant or drive thru. Get together with friends and have a fun time while supporting the CCA TA Fund.

A special thanks to Joy Swanson for coordinating all of our Dine to Donate events! These events will occur approximately monthly throughout the year and proceeds from all support the tuition assistance fund.



Join us at Portillo's for a fundraiser to support:

## **Calvary Christian Academy**

When: September 12, 2024 11:00 AM - 8:00 PM at the Portillo's located at: 202 Landmark Drive Normal, IL

20% of sales will benefit your organization. Order online or in app for pickup using code **PORTILLOS51** before checkout in the "Apply Offer" field, or show this flyer or a digital version to cashier when ordering at the restaurant. Valid on drive thru, pickup, curbside, and in restaurant orders.



portillos.com/community

For online/app orders to qualify for the fundraiset, orders must be placed for pickup only, from the participating restaurant, on the fundraiser date and during the listed fundraiser hours. Gift card purchases, delivery orders, and orders placed on the hird party websites are excluded from the fundraiser. Online ordering subject to availability, 5200 minimum fundraising also required for the organization to receive donation. Cannot be combined with other offer codes.

#### WE'RE HIRING! APPLY AT PORTILLOS.COM/CAREERS

# Just my Thoughts

With our first Dine to Donate event just around the corner, I thought this would be a good time to repost the article explaining CCA's view on fundraising. We have many groups that will need to fundraise for different events/projects throughout the year. We never want anyone to feel pressure to give.

Senior Class--Junior Class--Dine to Donate--PTO--Food Bank--Student Council--Bake Sales--Snack Shack--and the list could go on and on. CCA does have many groups that from time to time do advertise fundraisers to our families. Please know that we do not expect everyone to be involved in each and every fundraiser that comes along. While there is an attempt to keep these fundraisers from hitting on top of each other, certain times of the year often feel saturated with pleas from every possible corner. I encourage each family to prayerfully consider what God would have them do and then feel confident following His lead in saying yes to some and no to others. No one from CCA is watching who donates and there is no expectation to do so. --Mr. Abney