

Calvary Baptist Church Academy

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Letter from the Principal

July 14, 2017

All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: with this verse in mind, how can any child's education be complete if the scriptures are not the center of all that they learn? CBCA exists to educate students academically, intellectually, socially, and spiritually in the light of the scriptures, the Bible. I thank you for believing in Christian education and believing that God has a place in your child's development. Proverbs 16:25 states, "There is a way that seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death." I know we are teaching your children in the right way because it's not our way but God's way.

Do you know?

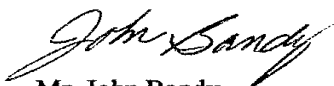
- 1) CBCA high school students can receive college credits for selected high school classes. Your high school student can earn up to 15 college credits, which is equivalent to one college semester.
- 2) CBCA currently has graduates at UMBC, University of South Carolina, University of Texas, University of Maryland at College Park, Towson University, Pensacola Christian College, Bob Jones University, Lancaster Bible College, and Liberty University, to mention a few.
- 3) CBCA students scored on average 1.3 years above the national norm on the Iowa Achievement Test.
- 4) Thanks to the proceeds from this past year's school auction, we updated the school security and are replacing some of the carpets.

While I could add much more to this list, the most important thing is: "Do you know the "Word of God" is paramount in all we do and teach?" Martin Luther stated, *"I advise no one to place his child where the Scriptures do not reign paramount. Every institution in which men are not increasingly occupied with the Word of God must become corrupt...I am much afraid that schools will prove to be the great gates of hell unless they diligently labor in explaining the Holy Scriptures, engraving them in the hearts of youth."* How can there be true education without the Truth (God's Word)?

We read in II Timothy 4:3-4, ***"For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears: And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables."*** May it never be said of us or our children that we can no longer endure sound doctrine.

Please take the time to read through the enclosed information. I challenge you to take advantage of our **Incentive Program**. Your recommendation is our best source of advertising. Have a blessed summer.

Sincerely In Christ,


Mr. John Bandy
Administrator

Back to School



First Day of School

School will officially begin on Monday, August 28, for K3-K4 and Tuesday, September 5, for K5-12th grade. *The doors will open at 7:50 A.M. for K5-12th grades and at 7:55 A.M. for preschool (K3-K4).* The normal school day will run from **8:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M. for K5-12th grades and 8:10-3:00 for K3-K4.** Upon arriving for the first day of school, students in K3-12th grade should report to their classrooms.



MARK THIS DATE

July 5th – book fee was due (paid at CBCA)
August 5th – 1st monthly tuition payment due for K5-12th grades (paid through FACTS)
August 15th – soccer/volleyball tryouts begin
August 24th – K3-K4 Parent Orientation (6:30 P.M.)
August 25th – 1st weekly tuition payment due for K3-K4 (paid through FACTS)
August 28th – K3-K4 First Day of School
August 31st – K5-12th Grade Parent Orientation (6:30 P.M.)
September 5th – K5-12th Grade First Day of School

Cots

All full-day students in K3 and K4 must have a cot for naptime. These cots **must** be purchased from the school. The cost of a new cot is \$60. **Cots must be purchased before the start of the school year.**

Supplies

Enclosed is a list of supplies needed by your child(ren), organized by grade. Please note that some of the items will be provided by CBCA.

SCHOOL



SUPPLIES



Materials Fee

The materials fee should have been paid to the office by July 5th. If you have yet to submit your materials fee, please do so as soon as possible. The materials fee and cot fee (preschool only) are the only remaining payments made directly to the finance office. **All tuition payments must be paid through FACTS Management.** Students will receive their books the first day of school.

This year's Materials Fees are as follows:

K3 & K4	\$105
K5	\$320
1 st -12 th	\$430

SchoolCast

SchoolCast is our notification system. Please keep the offices notified of any updates to contact information throughout the school year so you don't miss any notifications.

School Website

www.cbca.knights.org
The website includes sign-in so you can check your child's grades and homework, as well as get copies of school newsletters. It also includes a link to FACTS and Dennis Uniforms, newsletters, Fine Arts information, the school calendar, and much more.

www.



Student Handbook

The Student Handbook will be available on our school website. This will explain our school policies and procedures.

Tuition Payments



Tuition payments for K3-K4 will be paid each Friday beginning August 25th. Tuition payments for K5-12th grades will be paid the 5th of each month from August through May. **All tuition payments must be paid through FACTS Management Company.** The only exceptions are those who pay in advance – either one payment in full by August 5 for the entire school year or 2 semester payments (one by August 5 and one by January 5). Please see the Financial Policies for details. New families must sign up for FACTS by July 14, 2017. Instructions for signing up are enclosed.



Parent Orientation

Parent Orientation is an extremely important meeting. We will discuss the policies of the school, explain the procedure for dropping students off before and picking students up after school, and introduce the staff to you. All parents need to be at this meeting **on August 24th at 6:30 P.M. for K3-K4 or August 31st at 6:30 P.M. for K5-12th grade.** Parents of students in K3-K4 should bring their cots and other school supplies with them on this night. All grades will meet in your child's classroom. If you do not know where to go, look for signs on the walls and on the doors of each classroom.



Positions Available
Substitute Teacher
Bus Driver

Immunizations



Enclosed is the latest Summary of the Immunization Requirements by Age and Grade Levels for the 2017-2018 school year. This summary was designed to assist you in reviewing your child's immunization records for compliance with Maryland State Immunization Regulations. Please note the additional immunization requirement for those going into K5-3rd grades and 7th-10th grades this year. Proof of this immunization must be provided to the office before the first day of school.



Dress Code

The Academy requires students in K5-12th grade to wear uniforms. The uniforms must be purchased from Dennis Uniform Company (link on our website) and must have the CBCA logo. Students in grades K3-K4 have the option to wear uniforms or follow our dress code policy that stresses modesty and godliness. (See enclosed K3-K4 dress standards.)

Some parents are purchasing clothes that look similar but are not the uniform. Please be aware that if you buy clothes from other sources, they will not be acceptable.

Turtlenecks, fleeces, hoodies, and sweatshirts may not be worn in the classroom. If your child is out of dress code in any way,

he/she will be sent to the office to contact you. Your child will sit out of class until he/she is in the proper dress.

For students in 2nd-12th grades, athletic shoes may be worn for P.E. only. All shoes must be one solid color, black or dark brown. If you are unsure about the shoes, save your receipt and bring them in for approval.

Girls Dress Reminders



Just a reminder – girls' uniform skirts must touch the floor when kneeling in an upright position. If your daughter comes to school with a skirt that is too short, she will contact you and sit out of class until she has the proper attire. Girls in K5-5th grades wear the uniform jumper. Girls in 6th grade may wear either the jumper or the skirt. Girls in the 7th-12th grades wear the uniform skirt.

Please note that the skirt options for the girls changed last year. If your daughter already owns the old skirt style, she may continue to wear it, or she may purchase one of the new skirt styles.

With regard to girls' shoes, no shoes with open toes will be permitted. Slip on shoes without a back are also not permitted.

The purpose of these guidelines is for the shoe to be secure to the foot.

Boys Dress Reminders



Boys must have a regular haircut - this means their hair is tapered on both sides and in the back.

Hair may not touch the collar or top of the ears. No distinctive lines, mohawks, braids, etc. will be allowed. Hair must be blended evenly and be one

natural color.

In the past few years, some parents have purchased pants that are not uniform pants. They look similar but are not the same.

Please be aware that this is not acceptable.

Boys must wear a casual dress shoe. Work boots, hiking boots, black athletic shoes, to list a few, are not acceptable.

P.E. / Activity Uniform



All students must own a P.E./Activity Uniform. High school students who do not have P.E. as a class must still have an activity uniform. When we attend picnics, overnight outings, and have certain field events, students will be required to wear their activity uniform in order to participate. The P.E. and activity uniform are the same.

The P.E. uniform consists of a Calvary T-Shirt and a pair of blue athletic pants. This uniform must be worn on P.E. days in order to participate in class. You may purchase the CBCA T-shirt and/or CBCA shorts at the Finance Office.



Sports Corner

In order to try out, anyone in grades 6-12 who is interested in participating in a sport must have a physical before that sport season begins. Physical forms can be printed off the athletic tab on the school website.

Tryouts begin on August 15th:

- ◆ Boys Soccer (grades 6-12)
- ◆ Girls Volleyball (grades 6-12)

For specific practice times and locations, please check the calendar on our school website.

Calvary Baptist Church Academy 2017-2018 School Calendar

Parent Orientation Night (K3-K4) 6:30 P.M.	August 24
1 st Day of School (K3-K4 ONLY)	August 28
Parent Orientation Night (K5-12 th Grade) 6:30 P.M.	August 31
NO SCHOOL – Labor Day	September 4
1 st Day of School (K5-12 th Grade).....	September 5
Fall Individual Pictures.....	September 20
NO SCHOOL – Teachers Convention (<i>open for K3-K4</i>).....	September 28-29
Senior Portraits	October 2
Camp Calvary (Tentative date for 6 th -12 th grades)	October 4-6
Vision/Hearing Screening	October 13
Vision/Hearing Screening Recheck.....	October 27
Fall Individual Pictures Make Up Day	November 1
High School 1 st Semester Midterm Exams	November 6-8
End of 1st Quarter	November 8
Grandparents/Parents Chapels (K5-1 st Grade).....	November 13
Grandparents/Parents Chapels (2 nd -5 th Grade).....	November 14
Report Cards	November 14
NO SCHOOL – Parent / Teacher Conferences (8:30 A.M.-8:00 P.M.) (<i>open for K3-K4</i>)	November 16
NO SCHOOL – Thanksgiving Vacation (<i>open Nov.22 for K3-K4</i>).....	November 22-24
Christmas Concerts 7:00 P.M.....	December 11-12
Christmas Vacation Begins (<i>1/2 Day for K5-12th grade</i>)	December 21
NO SCHOOL – Christmas Vacation (<i>open Dec.22 for K3-K4</i>).....	December 22-January 1
NO SCHOOL – Martin Luther King Day	January 15
Middle School Midterm Exams.....	January 22-24
High School 1 st Semester Final Exams.....	January 22-24
End of 2 nd Quarter/1st Semester	January 24
Report Cards	January 30
Parent /Teacher Conferences (3:30 P.M.-8:00 P.M.)	February 1
NO SCHOOL – President's Day.....	February 19
Grandparents /Parents Chapel (K3-K4).....	March 13
High School 2 nd Semester Midterm Exams	March 26-28
End of 3 rd Quarter	March 28
NO SCHOOL – Easter Vacation (<i>open April 3-6 for K3-K4</i>).....	March 30-April 6
Report Cards	April 10
Parent/Teacher Conferences (3:30-8:00 P.M.)	April 12
Walk-A-Thon (6 th -12 th grades).....	May 2
Jog-A-Thon	May 4
Spring Concert.....	May 8
Junior/Senior Banquet	May 11
Sports Awards Banquet.....	May 17
Senior Final Exams.....	May 23-25
Last Day of School for Seniors	May 25
NO SCHOOL – Memorial Day	May 28
Last Day of School for Kindergarten	May 30
Kindergarten Graduation (7:00 P.M.).....	May 31
High School Graduation (7:00 P.M.).....	June 1
Final Exams (Middle and High School)	June 5-7
Last Day of School and Awards Assembly for 1 st -5 th Grades	June 6
Last Day of School and Awards Assembly for Middle and High School (12:30 P.M. dismissal)	June 7
Last Day of School and Awards Assembly for K3-K4	June 8

For weather related closings, CBCA's status will be announced on *WBAL—1090AM*. Please listen carefully to the radio announcements because there is more than one school whose name begins with Calvary. Our school will be specifically announced as **Calvary Baptist Church Academy in Glen Burnie**. We will also post any delays, closings, or early dismissal announcements on our school website and we will use SchoolCast to send out email and text alerts. If we open late, extended care will not open until 8:00 A.M. If we close early, parents should pick children up as soon as possible and not later than 6:00 P.M. However, if school is closed for the entire day, then extended care is also closed for the entire day.

FACTS Management Company – Tuition Payments

1. One may enroll in FACTS online to pay by savings account, checking account, or credit card by going to the FACTS Management link on our school website – www.cbcaKnights.org and following the steps to enroll.
2. If you were registered with FACTS last year, you do not have to reregister unless your banking information has changed.
3. The FACTS enrollment must be completed no later than July 15, 2017.
4. The payments for K3-K4 are every Friday beginning August 25, 2017 and continuing until 40 payments are made for the 40 week program or until 50 payments are made for the 50 week program. **If you plan to have your child attend Summer Session 2018, choose the 50 week option; if you do not plan to have your child attend Summer Session 2018, choose the 40 week option. You must make this decision when you enroll in FACTS, not later in the school year. Do not choose a monthly option for preschool.** The “Peace of Mind” insurance fee and the FACTS enrollment fee will be separately billed by FACTS. *Do not pay CBCA for these fees!*
5. The payment date for K5-12th grades is the 5th of each month. Though FACTS can process a payment on the 20th, CBCA does not permit it. The 10 monthly payments begin in August 2017 and go through May 2018. **Do not choose a weekly option for K5-12th grade.** The “Peace of Mind” insurance fee and the FACTS enrollment fee will be separately billed by FACTS. *Do not pay CBCA for these fees!*
6. If you have any questions about the FACTS Company, contact them at 866-441-4637. FACTS’s website is www.factsmgmt.com. For questions about the day-to-day operations of your FACTS program, and after the school year has started, please call CBCA (Mrs. Wunderlich at 410-768-5306).