



“But those who hope in the Lord  
will renew their strength.  
They will soar on wings like eagles;  
they will run and not grow weary,  
they will walk and not be faint.”  
**Isaiah 40:31**

## WSCS COMING EVENTS:

- May 4-7:** Staff Appreciation Week
- May 7:** Letter Hunt and Lunch
- May 8:** 8th Grade Class Party
- May 13:** Spring MS Concert 7:00pm 6th Grade / 8:00pm 7th and 8th Grade
- May 14:** Grandparents Day (Virtual)
- May 18-21:** 6th and 7th Grade Camp
- May 25:** Spring 5th Grade Concert 7:00pm
- May 26-27:** 8th Grade Class Trip
- May 28:** Kindergarten Graduation
- May 31:** No School - Memorial Day
  
- June 1:** Middle School Awards Assembly
- June 2:** 8th Grade Graduation
- June 4:** Last day of classes for 1st - 7th grade - HALF DAY, dismiss at 12:00
- June 4:** WSCS Foundation Golf Outing

**SPRING CONCERT:** We are excited to announce the live spring concert nights. On Thursday May 13, the middle school will be performing. 6th grade will start at 7:00pm (please arrive by 6:40). The 7th/8th graders will be asked to arrive at 7:30 for an 8:00pm concert. We will have time in between to sanitize and clean in between performances. On Tuesday, May 25, the fifth graders will be performing at 7:00pm (please arrive by 6:40). Our audience will be limited to two guests per student and all will be required to be masked and distanced from other households. If you have any questions, please contact Idelle Wagner ([iwagner@wschristian.org](mailto:iwagner@wschristian.org)).

**FORE!** Plans are well under way for the 33rd Annual WSCS Educational Foundation Golf Outing which will take place the afternoon of Friday, June 4, at The Mines golf course. If you're thinking of putting a foursome together, please contact Dale Burghgraef for all the details today! ([dburghgraef@wschristian.org](mailto:dburghgraef@wschristian.org), 616-453-3925, ext. 109) There are limited spots available and it's expected that this event will sell out like in previous years.

**REGISTER NOW FOR WSCS SUMMER CAMPS:** WSCS's summer camps are coming back! Join us June 7-10 for our awesome lineup of camps: Timbertown, FUNdamental Sports, Creative Arts, Intro to Sewing, Improv/Dramatic Arts, and Nature Play. A couple of our classes are almost sold out, so be sure to sign up soon! Learn more & register [here](#).

## COVID HEALTH AND SAFETY UPDATES

### COVID-19 WEEKLY DATA UPDATE FOR WSCS

- The number of new confirmed positive cases in our school (These individuals have tested positive for COVID-19 and are in isolation) = 0
- The number of cumulative confirmed positive cases in our school (including current cases) = 26
- The number of students who are in quarantine (These individuals have been in close contact, had exposure within and/or outside of school and/or have tested positive) = 11
- The number of staff members who are in quarantine (These individuals have been in close contact, had exposure within and/or outside of school and/or have tested positive) = 1

### COVID AND HEALTH UPDATES

Please remember to fill out the Health Screener everyday for your children before school begins. This is greatly appreciated!

## TRIP

TRIP orders for this week are due today by 4 pm. Emails will be sent out when the orders are ready for pickup. Remember, there are several vendors available for purchase from the office at any time.

## TECH BYTE

Looking for a website that entertains and engages children from a Christian perspective? [Kids Corner](#), produced by the Back to God Ministries' ReFrame Media, is geared for children ages 6 - 12. Bible literacy and faith formation are the heartbeats of Kids Corner helping children find their place in God's big story. This website offers weekly audio adventures, dramatized Bible stories, fun activities, and more to not only entertain, but help develop an interest in the Bible and in becoming followers of Jesus.

## HOT LUNCH

The monthly hot lunch calendars can be found here: [May/June 2021](#)

**Wednesday, May 5:** Mini Corn Dogs

**Thursday, May 6:** Breakfast Extravaganza

**Friday, May 7:** Pizza Hut Pizza

**Monday, May 10:** Hamburger with Cheese

**Tuesday, May 11:** Turkey and Cheese Sub

Please contact [kitchen@wschristian.org](mailto:kitchen@wschristian.org) with any questions.

## PLAYGROUND VOLUNTEERS

**Wednesday, May 5:** E. Koopmans

**Thursday, May 6:** J. Hop

**Friday, May 7:** K. Faber, L. Kauffman

**Monday, May 10:** E. Geerlings

**Tuesday, May 11:** R. Hop

## **OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

**THANK YOU!** The West Side Christian School PTA wishes to say a big "Thank You" to all who came out this past Saturday and supported the WSCS Spring Fling. Special thanks to Give 'Em a Brake Safety, Grand Valley Concrete/Wilbert Burial Vault, and our volunteer team for the roles that they played in making this event a success. We also give thanks to God for blessing us with good weather so that this outdoor event could be thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** - on Friday, May 7 and Saturday, May 8 we are looking for additional volunteers to help clean up and refresh our school grounds and playground! Help is needed to spread mulch, weeding, and re-staining the school playground. Please sign up via the Sign Up Genius or contact Matt Byrna at [mjb62@calvin.edu](mailto:mjb62@calvin.edu) with any questions. If you are able to help, please sign up [here](#).

**SUMMER TUTORING:** Summer tutoring will be offered this summer. The cost is \$180 for 6 sessions. If you would like more details and/or are interested in signing up, please view [this form](#).

**LITTLE SPROUTS SUMMER CHILD CARE:** Summer is just around the corner! Looking for a trustworthy and affordable place where your child can spend some time this summer? WSCS's Little Sprouts Childcare partners with families to provide a safe and fun environment during the school year and all summer! Your child will spend their day playing with friends, enjoying planned activities, going on special field trips, enjoying WSCS's acres of outdoor space, and more.

- Summer hours: 7:00am - 5:30pm
- Rates: \$5.25/hr with a \$42 daily max (8+ hrs); \$2.65/hr for additional children in the family
- Enrollment Fee: \$40 (one-time enrollment fee for first child, \$10 per each additional child)

Contact Chelsea VanVels, Little Sprouts Director, at [cvanvels@wschristian.org](mailto:cvanvels@wschristian.org). She will be able to provide you with additional information and answer any questions you may have.

**VOTE !! VOTE !! VOTE !!** Please continue to vote every day for West Side Christian in the [Colgate](#) and [Brita](#) contests. Encourage family and friends to vote too until June 19.

## **COMMUNITY NEWS**

*The following events or opportunities are shared by our community members*

**BRING YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS FOR A DAY OF FUN, FOOD, FELLOWSHIP, AND CONTESTS!** The Calvin Christian High School Athletic Boosters invite all West Side Christian students and families to come out on Saturday, May 8, to enjoy food, games, fellowship and more at the Calvin Christian High School campus.

Join us between 10:00 a.m. - approximately 3:00 p.m. to watch our Varsity softball and baseball tournament action. We are excited to have Two Bones BBQ on campus with their food truck to provide lunch! West Side Christian families can pre-order a \$ 1.00 student meal ticket [by clicking on this link](#). Simply fill out this form to pre-order a \$ 1.00 student meal ticket, and you can pick them up and pay for them at the Athletic Boosters table at the event. Call Eric at 616-257-4214 with any questions.

You can also purchase Two Bones BBQ the day of--and our concession stand will be open--but we wanted to offer the \$ 1.00 meal ticket special to students. We will also have contests with prizes for the following:

- All food ticket purchases by students will get their names entered in a drawing.
- Best CCHS spirit-wear - come decked out in your favorite Squire apparel.
- Oldest CCHS spirit-wear - dig out those old-school uniforms, shirts, and whatever else you can find from your closet.

There is NO cost for the softball and baseball games. Come out and enjoy Squire softball and baseball action! Games begin at 10:00 and approx. 12:30 or 1:00 for the second game. Join us for this day of family fun and enjoy free ice cream, contests for everyone, giveaways, and prizes!

#### **LOOKING FOR YOUR CHILD TO HAVE MORE TIME OUTSIDE AND LESS TIME IN FRONT OF A SCREEN?**

Squires Sports Camp is the place for you! During the week of June 14-18 your child will spend all day playing over 30 different games with their friends and enjoying being active! Sign up at [gccssportscamps.com](http://gccssportscamps.com), click the "Week of June 14" tab, and select "Sports Camp." Email our camp director, Ben de Waal Malefyt, at [bdewaalmalefyt@gccsmi.org](mailto:bdewaalmalefyt@gccsmi.org) with your questions.

**LOOKING TO TAKE YOUR GAME TO THE NEXT LEVEL THIS SUMMER?** Calvin Christian High School PE teacher and former college basketball coach, Ben de Waal Malefyt, will be conducting basketball workouts twice a week for the months of June and July. Your child will improve on their ball handling, shooting, footwork, and all around skills during these summer workouts. Students entering 3rd-5th grade will have sessions on Monday's and Wednesday's from 3-4 pm and students entering 6th-8th grade from 4-5 pm. Students entering 9th-12th grade will have sessions on Tuesday's and Thursdays from 5-6 pm. Cost for the membership is \$150. There will be a total of 14 sessions beginning the week of June 7 and ending after the week of July 29 while taking the week of July 4 off. To sign up, go to [gccssportscamps.com](http://gccssportscamps.com) and select the "Basketball Training" tab. If you have any questions, please email Ben de Waal Malefyt at [bdewaalmalefyt@gccsmi.org](mailto:bdewaalmalefyt@gccsmi.org)