CATALYST CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Catalyst Connection

November 7, 2025

Bible Verse of the week: *Galatians 6:9 – Bible verse of week "Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up."*

ROLLER SKATING PARTY *Tomorrow!*

- **WHEN:** SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 4:30 -7 P.M.
- **WHERE:** OVERLOOK SKATING RINK IN MANHEIM TOWNSHIP.
- **ADMITTANCE:** FREE.
- **SKATE RENTALS:** BRING YOUR OWN OR RENT SKATES/BLADES FOR $4

REMINDER - SKATE RENTALS & SNACK BAR ARE CASHLESS

Catalyst Christian High School

Distinguished Honor Roll and Honor Roll

Distinguished Honor Roll

Riley Ament
Sierra Buckwalter
Chloe Fry
Adler Groff
Morgan Hess
Henryk Kline
Chloe Martin
Jazlyn Martin
Grant Sauder
Carson Sommers
Kaylee Zimmerman
Jocelyn Coulson
Mattie Fite
Waylon Galebach
Bo Kreider
Miriam Martin
Mariah Nolt
Nicholas Sciarrino
Ethan Weaver
Kaitlyn Jaramillo
Kyra Lefever
Stevey Shelly
David Stoltzfus
Rachel Zeiset
Brody Bennett
Danica Hess
William Hibshman
Aleah Martin
Rachel Martin
Josiah Masciantonio
Zachary Sauder
Hadassah Wenger

Honor Roll

Kya Burkholder
Jayda Gehman
Emily Herr
Naya Kapp
Kyleigh Martin
Jerneii Jones
Ryan Kline
Lydia Manyara
Gavin Shenk

Weekly Prayer Guide

Join us in praying for our Catalyst family

Rodney & Krista Groff
Glen & Ruth Groff (Bus Driver)
Ken & Renee Grube
Carlos & Kristen Gyles
Paul & Sara Hadfield
Donna Harnly (Bus Driver)

In December, our Five-Day Kindergarten class will have the wonderful opportunity to serve at the **Mission Food Pantry**, a ministry that provides food to families in need. The Mission Food Pantry serves approximately **1,600 families** each month.To support the Mission Food Pantry, our school will also be holding a Food Drive throughout the **month of November.** Starting today, we invite all students and families to bring non-perishable food items to help restock our pantry shelves. You may begin sending in donations anytime. Things they are in need of: canned vegetables, canned chicken and tuna, canned fruit, canned beans, peanut butter, mac n cheese, and pasta. **Items must be unopened and not expired**. Thanks so much for helping!

Pizza: November 10

Pizza Servers - Lauren Swanson, Crystal Hoover

Hot Lunch: November 12

Hot Lunch Menu: *Chili, Cheese Quesadilla, Corn, Fruit Salad, and Chocolate Chip Cookie*

Servers: Leah Robinson, Violet Weitzel, Janelle Burkholder, Monica Fisher, Danelle Michael

Bakers: (30 cookies) Hollie Fry (2), Sara D'Onofrio, Michelle Bennett, Jess Shalter (2), Kristan Zimmerman, Amy Kulus, Janelle Burkholder

Fundraiser Friday: November 14

NO SCHOOL
(Teacher in Service)

Chapel Schedule

November 12

K-5 Kaitlyn Hawbaker (LEFC)
6-12 Grade Mentor Groups

All Welcome to Join

Parent Teacher Conferences 2025-26:

SIGN UP

DEADLINE for signing up is **Monday, November 10th** at 9am. If you wish to change your scheduled conference, please call the office!

At Catalyst, we believe students thrive when home and school work together. Parent-Teacher Conferences are a meaningful way to build that partnership. **Coming up Monday, November 24th and Tuesday, November 25th**, we are asking **ALL** families with students in **Pre-K through 6th grade, as well as 9th grade** to schedule a conference with your child(ren)'s teacher.

DONATION DENIM DAY is on MONDAY

- All proceeds will go to the Athletics Enrichment Committee fund. Wear Catalyst Spiritwear, maroon or deep teal shirt with denim!
  - **Dress Standards for Out of Uniform Days**

For your Calendar

November 8
Overlook Roller Skating - School-wide 4:30-7 pm

November 10
Donation Denim Day (Catalyst spirit wear/colors)

November 13
End of Trimester 1
(grades PreK - 8)

High School Fundraiser Meal - Ryan & Friends 6pm

November 14
NO SCHOOL
(Teacher In-Service)

- Denim must be worn or the student must be in uniform

Thoughts from the **Head of School**

November thoughts...

The vibrant green of summer has given way to the majesty of fall, and the bountiful harvest now coming in reminds me of our need to express our thanks. I love seeing God's handiwork in the changing seasons here in Lancaster County. Recently, I challenged our students to find a tree to watch each day and notice how the Lord uses it as a beautiful palette of color. This week, I reminded them to take a few last looks—those leaves are disappearing rapidly! I am deeply grateful for the visible gifts the Lord provides in His creation.

November naturally turns our thoughts toward Thanksgiving, and with it, the memory of those who first celebrated it in our country. I often wonder if the Pilgrims aboard the Mayflower understood what they were facing when they penned the opening words of the Mayflower Compact: *"In the name of God, Amen."* Their purpose was to plant a colony for the advancement of the Christian faith and the glory of God—yet the cost was great. It has been said, *"The Pilgrims made seven times more graves than huts. No Americans have been more impoverished than those who nevertheless set aside a day of thanksgiving."*

Psalm 28:7 declares, *"The Lord is my strength and shield. I trust Him with all my heart. He helps me, and my heart is filled with joy. I burst out in songs of thanksgiving."*

The Lord has been so faithful in blessing us in tangible ways. When I think about all that has happened here in recent months, I am overwhelmed—and profoundly thankful. I believe He will continue to have His hand upon this place as long as we truly keep Him as our Center.

I am also grateful for each person the Lord has called to be part of Catalyst Christian School. Our faculty and staff are men and women who love the Lord deeply and pour themselves out in service every day. I am equally thankful for you, our patrons, who partner with us to "train up your children in the way they should go." Your commitment—and the Lord's provision to support it—is a testimony of His faithfulness.

And of course, your wonderful students fill my heart with gratitude daily. Thank you for allowing me to be part of their lives and to serve at Catalyst Christian School for more than three decades.

As we enter this season of thanksgiving, may our hearts truly burst out in songs of praise to the Lord.

Blessings,

Mr. Garner

November 19
Special Capel
A Christmas Carol by Servant Stage at 1:15pm

November 21
Preschool Storytime 10-11am
RSVP

November 24-25
NO SCHOOL
Parent/Teacher Conferences

November 26 - Dec. 1
NO SCHOOL
Thanksgiving Vacation

December 10
4th & 5th Grade Christmas Musical - 1:15pm

December 11
4th & 5th Grade Christmas Musical - 7pm
(snow make-up date: Dec. 18)

December 12
Early Dismissal 12:45pm

-Reminders-

Auction:

We are in need of 2 couples or 4 individuals interested in shadowing and then taking over the Ice Cream Shoppe. If this is something you would be willing to do please email: **auction@catalystschool.org**

We are also looking for old LAMS Auction shirts. We need 2012 and older. We want to turn them into a quilt that will be auctioned off this year.

Cold Weather:

With cooler weather arriving this is a reminder of the dress code for this year that all hoodies, jackets or sweaters that are worn inside the classroom must be PLAIN white, blue, gray, or black. Logos or symbols of any kind are NOT permitted on the clothing. Catalyst/LAMS athletic wear may be worn.

Sports Update

Announcements from Mr. Sareyka:

- Registration for Boys and Girls Basketball and MS Archery is now closed. **Watch for Elementary Archery (Grades 4 & 5) information coming out next month!**
- **Congratulations to Jocelyn Coulson** who finished 172 out of 250 at the state championship in Hershey!
- Catalyst will host a fun 10-meter Christmas Cookie Archery Tournament for all current MS/HS archers and former LAMS/Catalyst archers in grades 5–12 on December 7. Register by November 28th. Catalyst Christmas Cookie Classic Details: HERE

Looking Ahead - Upcoming Sports Events	
Monday, November 10th	MS/HS Archery Practice, Gym 2, 3-5pm
Wednesday, November 12th	MS/HS Archery Practice, Gym 2, 3-5pm
Friday, November 14h	HS Girls Basketball Practice, Gym 2 3-5pm
Monday, November 17th	• **MS/HS Archery** Practice Gym 2, 3-5pm • **MS Girls Basketball** Practice Gym 1, 3–4:30pm • **MS Boys Basketball** Practice Gym 1, (Parent meeting) 4:30–6pm • **HS Girls Basketball** Practice Gym 2, 5–7pm
Tuesday, November 18th	• **HS Girls Basketball** practice Gym 2, 3-5pm • **Middle School Girls Basketball** practice, in Gym 1, 3:00-4:30 pm • **Middle School Boys Basketball** practice in Gym 1, 4:30-6 pm
Wednesday, November 19th	• **HS Girls Basketball** Practice Gym 1 3-5pm • **MS/HS Archery** Practice Gym 2, 3-5pm
Thursday, November 20th	• **HS Girls Basketball** practice Gym 2, 3-5pm • **Middle School Girls Basketball** practice in Gym 1, 3:00-4:30 pm • **Middle School Boys Basketball** practice in Gym 1, 4:30 - 6 pm • **St. Jude Archery Shoot**, Gym 2 6:30-7:30
Friday, November 21st	• **HS Girls Basketball** practice Gym 2, 3-5pm • **Middle School Girls Basketball** practice in Gym 1, 3:00-4:30 pm • **Middle School Boys Basketball** practice in Gym 1, 4:30 - 6 pm

If you would like to add the athletic google calendar to your personal calendar

you can click on this LINK

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