Catalyst Christian School

# Sound Waves

August 15, 2025

## Office Closure – Monday, August 18

Due to the relocation of the office and faculty room to their new spaces, the office will be closed on Monday, August 18. Thank you for your patience during this transition!

## Lunch & Drink Info for 2025-26

Exciting news! This school year we're offering **pizza, hot lunch, milk, orange drink, and our brand-new Fundraiser Friday program.**

- **Missed the August 11 email?** Click here for full details.
- **Sign-up deadline: August 22** – We need your answer **either way**. Submit your response here.

## Have all your calendars in one place!

Links to add to your personal calendar:

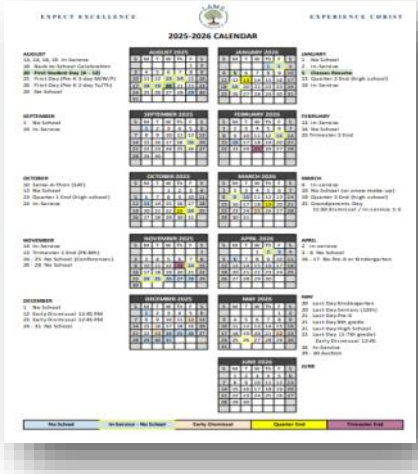
⇒ Master Catalyst Calendar:

⇒ Athletic Calendar:

⇒ Lunch Programs:

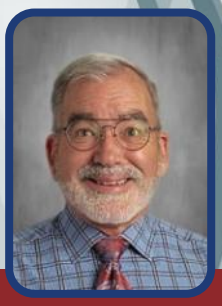
⇒ Theatre Calendar:

## 2025-2026 Snapshot Calendar



Thoughts from the

# Head of School



The excitement is building—quite literally! Our renovation project is nearing completion, and we are thrilled to see the transformation taking place. The new educational spaces are progressing beautifully, and we can't wait to see them filled with the laughter, energy, and learning of our students. These changes will allow us to serve our students and families with excellence for many years to come.

Next week, our dedicated teachers will gather for in-service days as we prepare our hearts, minds, and classrooms for the coming school year. It's a time of planning, collaboration, and prayer as we seek the Lord's direction for all that He has in store.

We are especially looking forward to Monday, August 25, when our doors will be open for our *Back to School Celebration*. This will be a wonderful opportunity for our patrons, families, and friends to explore the newly renovated spaces, connect with staff, and join us in thanking the Lord for His faithfulness.

As you know, our name has changed from Lititz Area Mennonite School to Catalyst Christian School—a name that captures our heart to ignite faith and launch young lives as Christ-centered leaders. While the name is new, our mission remains steadfast: to provide Christ-centered education rooted in biblical truth.

The psalmist reminds us, "Unless the Lord builds the house, those who build it labor in vain" (Psalm 127:1). We know that every nail driven, every wall painted, and every lesson planned must be done for His glory. As we step into this new chapter, we take to heart the promise, "He who calls you is faithful; He will surely do it" (1 Thessalonians 5:24).

We can't wait to welcome you back soon—both to our building and to the ministry God has entrusted to us. Let's continue to pray for His blessing on Catalyst Christian School, our staff, our students, and all who make up this wonderful community.

Looking forward to seeing you all on August 25 for the Back To School celebration!

Blessings,

Mr. Garner

## For your Calendar

**August 16**
Junior-Senior Car Wash Fundraiser
9-11am

**August 25**
**Back-to-School Celebration**
5:15 PM - 7:30 PM

**August 27**
First day of school grades K-12

**August 29**
No School

**September 1**
No School

**September 2**
First day of school for Pre-K 2 Day

**September 3**
First day of school for Pre-K 3 Day

**September 18**
Grades K - 12 Back to School Night
For Parents
6:30 PM

**September 19**
No School - Teacher In-Service Day

**September 24**
Picture Day

**September 27**
Yard Sale 7am - 12pm

# Announcements

We are excited to invite you to a special evening under the stars as we celebrate the progress of our **"Let's Journey" building campaign** and look forward to the future God has in store for Catalyst Christian School!

**Please RSVP by August 18** – Space is limited!
Scan the QR code in the attached invitation or click the link below:

https://app.theauxilia.com/Event/let_s_journey_together_

We would be honored to have you join us for this memorable evening of fellowship, vision, and celebration.

# Announcements

## Weekly Prayer Guide

*Join us in praying for the LAMS faculty and staff as we make our final preparations leading up to the start of the school year.*

*We look forward to seeing you soon!*

YARD SALE

**Catalyst Community Yard Sale**

*Save the Date!*

***Saturday, Sept. 27***
*7am - 12 pm*

**sign up information coming soon*

SERVE-A-THON

**Save the date:**
**Friday, Oct. 10th, 2025**

## Any Transportation Changes

**Catalyst REQUIRES a "blue note" whenever you desire to change your child's regular transportation.** For safety reasons, it is important that the office has blue notes at the beginning of each day for all transportation changes.

Blue Notes MUST be turned in no later than 12 PM the day of the change.

There are two ways to send a blue note:

- A physical blue note can be filled out and sent in to the office with your student. (Contact the office if you would like some provided to you)
- An electronic blue note can be sent via email to bluenote@catalystschool.org

If your transportation plans change and you have not turned in a blue note in the morning, please send an email to bluenote@catalystschool.org by 10:00 AM

**Changes made between 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon must be made by phone. (717-626-9551)** We may not be able to accommodate later changes.

One note is sufficient for a family but should include:

- Student's name
- Student's grade
- Student's Teacher's name
- Date of transportation change
- Detailed explanation of what change is taking place (i.e. Sally will be a car rider picked up by Jane Doe instead of riding her regular bus.)

Last minute changes regarding a students transportation effects multiple staffing areas. We need sufficient time to contact all involved. We strive to keep all students safe at all times—please help us by following the above procedure!

## CATALYST Bus Rider Reminders

**PM DROP OFF PROCEDURE**
A bus driver will not pull away from an assigned stop until the point of safety is reached. The point of safety will be once the student leaves the bus and has reached the property of the address of the designated stop. At this point the child's safety is now the responsibility of parent or guardian.

**BUS PROCEDURES**
Schedule to be at your stop (not at your front door) five minutes early. Your driver must keep a schedule and cannot wait if you are not there on time.

**NOT RIDING BUS IN AM?**
If a student is not riding the bus/van that morning, please call or text the driver between 6:30-6:45 AM. **Drivers cannot answer phone calls or text messages while they are driving!**

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## Welcome to the 2025 Fall Sports Season!

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| | **Aug 18**<br>5-7 PM Practice - MS Girls VB<br>5-7 PM Practice - MS Boys Soccer | **Aug 19**<br>5-7 PM Practice - MS Girls VB<br>5-7 PM Practice - MS Boys Soccer | **Aug 20** | **Aug 21**<br>7-8 AM XC open run<br>5-7 PM Practice - MS Girls VB<br>5-7 PM Practice - MS Boys Soccer | **Aug 22** | |
| | **Aug 25**<br>3-5 PM XC Practice | **Aug 26**<br>3-5 MS Girls VB Practice<br>3-5 MS Boys Soccer Practice<br>3-5 XC Practice | **Aug 27** | **Aug 28**<br>3-5 XC Practice<br>4-6 MS Girls VB **@LCCS GAME**<br>4-6 MS Boys Soccer **@LCCS GAME** | **Aug 29**<br>3-5 MS Girls VB Practice<br>3-5 MS Boys Soccer Practice<br>3-5 XC Practice | |
| | **Sept 1** | **Sept 2**<br>3-6 XC @Anchorage Chr.<br>4-6 MS Girls VB **@Consetoga Chr.**<br>4-6 MS Boys Soccer **@Conestoga Chr.** | **Sept 3** | **Sept 4**<br>3-5 MS Boys Soccer Practice<br>3-5 XC Practice<br>4-6 MS Girls VB Practice | **Sept 5**<br>3-5 XC Practice<br>4-6 MS Girls VB **@Hinkletown M.**<br>4-6 MS Boys S **@Hinkletown M.** | |

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