

# Calvary Christian School

## AT A GLANCE

### ACADEMIC FOCUS

#### Teacher Credentials

Our central focus is on the ministry of discipleship. Teachers at Calvary Christian School are required to have a Bachelor's Degree in teaching, six credit hours in Bible, and a philosophy of Christian Education Course. The staff is also involved in ongoing in-service training days to address effectiveness in accomplishing the mission and objectives of CCS. Most important, however, is that each teacher is growing in their walk with the Lord so that the Spirit can lead in ministry.

#### Curriculum Philosophy

The aim of CCS is for most of the curriculum resources to be biblically based textbooks. Our curriculum is not simply a textbook, but rather a school-created plan that stems from our mission statement and core beliefs. Curriculum materials are available for review at the school office.

#### Curriculum Subjects

Subjects taught at CCS include Bible, reading (phonics-based), writing, spelling/vocabulary, mathematics, science, social studies, computers, Spanish, music, art, PE/health, and ministry electives.

#### Special Education Services

CCS is committed to increasing its' resources to meet the needs of exceptional learners. CCS has two full time resource teachers on-site. Compensatory instruction, speech therapy, supplemental instruction, and a child study evaluation are available. These services are granted through the Middlesex Regional Educational Services Commission (MRESC). Certified instructors from MRESC will be on the school premises to conduct these individualized programs if necessary.



### OTHER INFORMATION

#### Chapel services

Students in PK-5th grade will have a weekly chapel service. CCOB pastors, CCS teachers, and missionaries will lead this exciting time of Bible study and worship. Students in Middle School and High School have chapel integrated during their Bible class.

#### Security and school emergencies

The safety of the students at CCS is high priority. Therefore, CCS has a full-time safety security director on duty, video cameras and has a fully locked down school during school hours. CCS has an emergency management plan.

#### Health services

CCS has a full time nurse on duty during school hours. The health office maintains student health records, conducts basic health screening, and adopts policies and procedures for the care of students who are injured or become ill at school.

#### CCS communication

A variety of tools, including weekly classroom reports, website and internet communications, report cards, interim reports, parent-teacher conferences, direct teacher access through email and voicemail, will be used to help keep parents well informed.

#### Transportation information

Your local school district may provide transportation if you reside within 20 miles of CCS. If your district elects not to provide bus transportation, then they will provide an annual reimbursement of about \$880 per student. Specific details will be in your registration packet upon acceptance to the school.

### NEW STUDENT SPECIFICS

#### Pre-K—8th Grade Requirements

Students must be age 4 (Pre-kindergarten) or age 5 (Kindergarten) by October 1. Three and five full day programs are offered for Pre-kindergarten and five full days for Kindergarten. Students must be potty trained in order to enter. Students entering Pre-kindergarten will attend a half day at CCS for in class observation. Prospective Kindergarten and 1st grade students will be required to take a readiness test. Report cards and standardized test scores are used for all other grades.

#### High School Assessment

Incoming freshman and transferring high school students will take placement tests in mathematics and writing.

“The things which you learned and received and heard and saw in me, these do and the God of peace will be with you.” Philippians 4:9

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### VISION & HISTORY

#### Vision of CCS

The vision of CCS is Education by Discipleship. CCS is committed to helping parents disciple their children in the ways of the Lord. We believe that every student is created "in the image of God" (Gen. 1:27) and that when a child receives Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior, they become a part of the family of God. Our desire is to help them develop and grow in the purposes and plans God has for their lives.

#### History of CCS

Calvary Christian School is a ministry of Calvary Chapel Old Bridge which has faithfully taught the Bible for over 25 years. As a result, many have benefited from their vision and purpose which is to Win a person to Jesus Christ; Build a person up in Jesus Christ; Send a person for Jesus Christ. For many years families have been praying that God would provide a local Christian school ministry at CCOB that would mirror the focus on discipleship. Upon this foundation of prayer, God opened the doors for this school which began in 2005.

### ACCREDITATION

*The Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools (MSA), National Council for Private School Accreditation (NCPSA), as well as the Association of Christian Teachers and Schools (ACTS) accredits Calvary Christian School.*

### DAILY MATTERS

#### School Hours

PRE-K—8TH GRADE: 8:25—3:00 p.m.

HIGH SCHOOL: 7:55—2:15 p.m.

School year generally begins on first Tuesday after Labor Day and ends in mid-June.

**BEFORE/AFTER CARE AVAILABLE FOR PRE-K—8TH GRADE:**

6:00—7:00 a.m. and 3:00—6:00 p.m.

Cost: \$2.50 per half hour

#### Class Sizes

PRE-K—2ND GRADE: Range from 18-22 students

3RD—8TH GRADE: Range from 18—24 students

HIGH SCHOOL: Average 17 students

#### Uniform Policy

PRE-K—8TH GRADE: Uniforms obtained from Flynn and O'Hara ([www.fando.net](http://www.fando.net))

HIGH SCHOOL: Uniforms obtained from Land's End ([www.landsend.com](http://www.landsend.com))

Specific uniform information is provided upon acceptance.

#### Hot Lunch Program

K—12TH GRADE: Hot Lunch is pre-ordered from a local restaurant and includes a main entrée, snack and drink.

### Family Admissions Requirements

The following Admissions Policy has been adopted to assure consistent standards of admission that are in agreement with the philosophy and purpose of Calvary Christian School.

- ◆ At least one parent in the home has accepted Jesus as their Lord and Savior.
- ◆ Families must agree to sign a Parent Contract.
- ◆ Student applicants must give every indication of potential success in the school's academic program, based on past records, readiness tests, and interviews.
- ◆ The Admissions committee will evaluate whether or not the resources of Calvary Christian School are able to address the needs of your student(s).
- ◆ Student applicants must give a satisfactory record of behavior and attendance.
- ◆ Prospective Pre-Kindergarten students must be the age of 4 and Kindergarten students must be the age of 5 prior to October 1.
- ◆ We are committed to accepting students who are willing to grow in their walk with the Lord, and to comply with the school's policies and purpose.
- ◆ The Admissions Committee will provide notification of the prayerful decision regarding the applicant.
- ◆ All new students are automatically placed on probation during the first marking period. At the end of this period it will be communicated to the parents if the probation period requires an extension. A family conference will be held to discuss matters of concern and determine a plan of action.
- ◆ Families are evaluated annually for continued enrollment. This process is in place so that a Bible-centered learning environment exists for all.



**Education by Discipleship**