



PARENT ALERT

In the case of an unscheduled early dismissal, cancellation due to inclement weather, or an emergency, Cornerstone will utilize the FACTS Parent Alert system to notify you via text message using the cell number you provided.

IMPORTANT: We will be sending a TEST alert next week to verify your information. You will receive an email the day before reminding you of this and when to expect the text.

We will also continue to post school cancellations via the school website and WJBC AM. Please see page 27 of the **Parent-Student Handbook** on the website for more details.

COMBINED CHAPEL/COFFEE CONNECTIONS

Our first Combined Chapel & Coffee Connections of



the year is **Monday, August 26th!** All parents are invited to drop off the kids for school and come down to the Forum

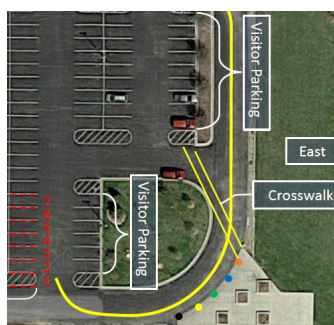
Room at **8:00 AM** for coffee, refreshments, and a time of community before chapel begins at **9:20 AM**. No reservations are required, and there is no charge!

PLEASE BE SAFE!

The unloading and loading of students is going very smoothly! Thanks for taking the time to read the email sent earlier regarding this. That being said, we do want to remind those of you who are not using the system and choose to walk in to **be**

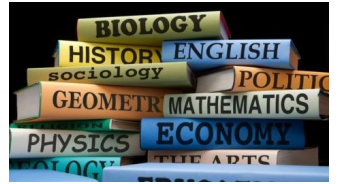


sure to use the crosswalk illustrated at the left. This keeps all of our pedestrians in one area for our motorists to easily see. Thanks for helping us with this important detail!



CURRICULUM NIGHT (PARENTS ONLY)

Our annual Curriculum Night, for parents (K-12), will be held **Tuesday, August 27**. We want to give parents the opportunity to spend some time with their student's teachers to know what to expect for the coming school year. To accommodate parents who have children in multiple grades, the evening has been split into two time slots.



- **Parents of students in grades K-5** should plan to come from **6:00-6:25 OR 6:30-6:55**. Go directly to your child's classroom at the start of one of these times to meet with your child's teacher and hear about the year ahead. The same material will be covered during both times, so it is only necessary to choose one time per student.
- **Parents of students in grades 6-12** should plan to come at **6:30**. Parents will be given a copy of their student's schedule and will participate in a "mini version" of their day. With 10-minute periods, the "mini day" should end around 8:00.

Please note this evening is for parents only. No students or younger siblings should be brought to this event.

PARKING LOT SAFETY

As indicated by the sign at the entrance, our parking lot is a **NO Cell phone area**. Please finish your conversation before entering the parking lot.



Also, student drop off and pick up should take place in the front parking lot only. *The back parking lot is reserved for student and staff parking only.*



ALL-SCHOOL PICNIC
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12,
5:00-6:30 PM
(watch for details!)

NO SCHOOL LABOR DAY SEPTEMBER 2

PARENT/STUDENT HANDBOOK

With the busyness of the start of school this week if you have not yet read the 2019-20 Handbook, be sure to do it now. The Handbook is available on the **web-site** (under Quicklinks).

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Thursday, September 5, is our first pizza lunch and we need your help to serve! If you can volunteer a couple of hours a month, this is a great opportunity to get to know the students and other parents. Helpers come in once a month on a rotating basis. It's fun, it's fast, and it doesn't require any previous experience! If you can assist us, please contact our parent coordinator, **Merilee Heinz** and indicate your preference between Lower School (Early Ed-5th grade) or Upper School (6th-12th grade) lunch hour. Thanks!



SCHOOL PICTURES SEPTEMBER 17 & 18. WATCH FOR MORE DETAILS!

Optional: Visit <https://inter-state.com/kiosk> and sign up to receive email reminders from Inter-State Studio.

PRAYER CIRCLE

Committed parents meet in the Conference Room (near the office) every **Wednesday morning at 8:15 AM** to pray for your children, the staff, and the school. You are invited to join them whenever you can! Those who pray silently are always welcome. We hope you can make it!

CHAOS* PLANNING MEETING (6TH-8TH GRADE)

The first planning meeting of the year for 6th-8th grade parents that want to help with the amazingly-fun activities of CHAOS are invited to come Thursday, September 5, at 8:00 AM to the Conference Room (near the front office). Want to help but can't make the meeting? Have questions about CHAOS? Contact **Angie Halvorsen** (309-824-5549).

*Choose Him Always Over Self

LUNCHES

Today, Friday, August 23, is the last day to order lunches for September. We will begin serving catered lunches Tuesday, September 3. All lunches must be ordered in advance through ParentsWeb (FACTS). Please see Lunch Ordering Instructions within the “Quicklinks” section on our [website](#) for complete details and instructions.

Available lunch items include:

Monday: Chick-fil-A chicken sandwich & water \$5.50.

Waffle chips \$1.50

Tuesday: Avanti’s 5” Gondola sandwich, chips, & water \$5.00

Wednesday: Meatheads Double Header! Choose between two entrees:

- Grilled cheese sandwich, homemade chips, applesauce, & water \$5.50
- Cheeseburger, carrots, cookie & water \$5.50

Thursday: Pizza Hut cheese pizza (1 large slice), chips, & water \$4.00. Extra slices available for \$1.00 each.

Friday: No hot lunch will be available on Fridays this year.

EARLY ED—5TH GRADE STUDENTS

Don't forget our nut-free guidelines for Early Ed—5th grades. All outside snacks and treats must be approved by our school nurse in the office. For nut-free treat ideas, please refer to the idea list that was sent home this week.



YEARBOOKS

While pre-ordered yearbooks from the 2018-19 school year will be coming home today or early next week, if you missed ordering, there are still a few available. Each yearbook is \$45 and can be purchased in the front office.



EXTENDED CARE

If you need to reach CCA personnel in After School Care, the phone number is **309-622-3552**. Please save this number for your reference.



AN INVITE TO LIKE

See what's going on at Cornerstone as we share some of the day-to-day happenings on our **Facebook** page. We invite you to like our page where you can get an inside peek of the school. Check it out!

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION IS CHANGING!

After purchasing any Box Tops product, rather than cutting out your box tops, you can simply scan your receipt using the free Box Tops app. The app will automatically add Box Tops to Cornerstone's total online. Once you've created an account, scan your receipt, and CCA receives credit for your purchases! We will continue to take your clipped box tops until October 15th. Contact **Mrs. Corley** in the office if you have any questions.



COMING UP.....

Saturday (8/24) JH Soccer All-day @ Trinity Lutheran, Bloomington beginning @ 9:00am

Monday (8/26) Combined Chapel & Coffee Connections 8:00am

Tuesday (8/27) Curriculum Night 6:00 – 8:00 PM

Friday (8/30) JH Soccer vs. Holy Cross Champaign @ 4:30pm

Thursday (9/12) All-School Picnic 5:00pm @ Cornerstone

***Visit the **website calendar** for more details about these and many other events!**

Doug Pavey, Head of School

Beth Sondgeroth, Upper School Principal
Sue Chambers, Lower School Principal
Alyssa Garvin, Early Education Director

Danielle Garey, Director of Advancement
John Schwartz, Athletic Director
Austin Parker, Spiritual Life Director