



# High School

Greetings, Cascade Christian Family!

Welcome to Cascade Christian Schools and the 2021-2022 school year! We are so excited for all that God will do in us and through us this year, as we trust and follow Him in new and deeper ways. Our hope and desire is to create a strong partnership with you as we help our students grow into discerning leaders who will advance God's kingdom and influence the world!

Enclosed you will find some information to prepare you for school. Please read this packet in its entirety to ensure you are informed.

Our ***Spiritual Theme*** for the school year is "*Unshakeable*," Psalm 16:8. "*I have set the Lord continually before me; Because He is at my right hand, I will not be shaken.*" We trust God to do amazing and wonderful things as we learn what it means to be unshakeable in a world that is uncertain. Please join us in prayer as we look ahead in confidence and commit this year to the Lord.

With Great Anticipation,  
Your Administrative Team

# Preview & Picture Day

**Tuesday, August 31st**, is Preview Day for all Junior High and High School students. Students will come in to receive their schedules, take school/yearbook pictures, receive ASB cards, and locate classrooms, etc. If desired, you can sign up to receive a locker and you can decorate lockers. Families will also be able to pay school and athletic fees. Picture retakes are scheduled for October 26th. Photo order forms will be available at the picture table; you may also order online @ mylifetouch.com with ID: EVTJJG2DK

<b>Schedule:</b>	<b>New to CCS 7-12th Grade Orientation</b>	8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m.
	<b>7th Grade New to JH Campus Orientation</b>	9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m.
	8th Grade	11:00 a.m.-12:00 a.m.
	9th Grade	12:00a.m.-1:00 p.m.
	10th Grade	1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m.
	11th & 12th Grade	2:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

If you are new to Cascade Christian, please consider joining us at our designated junior high and high school New Family Orientation in “The Den” (New Gym). Our desire is that you feel well-acquainted with the many things that happen in the life of our school prior to the first day of classes.

The ASB team will be on site selling school spirit gear (**Blue Crew**). Students who are new to CCS should plan on seeing them at the hospitality table!

Prices range from \$10-\$30, and purchases may be made with cash or check.

Please note: **OUR FIRST FULL DAY OF CLASSES IS SEPTEMBER 1st.**

## FREE BBQ Lunch on Sept. 1st!

The ASB Leadership Team will be preparing a free BBQ lunch for all JH and HS students on the first day of school. Alternatively, your student may also bring a lunch from home. There will be no hot lunch program on this day.

**Yearbook Pickup:** All returning students will be able to pick up their yearbooks on preview day. There will be a table in the Valley (HS Gym) for picking up your yearbooks. The yearbooks are truly beautiful and something for you to look forward to as you come back in the fall.

## Freshman Fun Night:

*You're invited to  
Freshman Fun Night!*

**Who:** Incoming freshmen students

**When:** Friday August 27<sup>th</sup>

**Drop off @ 7pm, pick up @ 9pm**

**Where:** CCS HS

**What:** Games, Giveaways, & Great Snacks

**Why:** To have fun, to see old friends,  
to make new friends, and to get to  
know some of your HS teachers



## HS Impact Term:

Impact term is a required week long educational experience that provides students relevant life application through service and missions projects, and to assist them in discovering the world and God's purpose for them in it. Impact Term (I-term) will be **March 28<sup>th</sup>-March 31<sup>th</sup>, 2022**. We have both local, domestic, and international options. If you choose to go on an I-term trip it will go beyond the slotted I-term week. There may be material fees to cover expenses that are dependent upon what I-term you choose to be a part of. If you are interested in participating in an I-term trip please refer to our I-term Trip Brochure that went out August 11<sup>th</sup>. Details of Local I-term options will be presented during first quarter. Students must attend I-term to receive .5 high school credit required for graduation. **Starting on Preview Day, August 31st, Seniors will be eligible to sign up for trips with a \$100.00 dollar deposit.** Starting Tuesday, September 7th, all 9th-12th grade students will be eligible to sign up for trips. If you have any questions about I-term trips or locals feel free to email our I-term Coordinator Sammy Bratz [bratzs@cascadechristian.org](mailto:bratzs@cascadechristian.org)

## HS Youth Conference:

We will be having our annual HS Impact Conference on **September 16<sup>th</sup>**, at Black Diamond Camps. The youth conference is a **required one-day event** held during the school day. This will be a high energy, impactful time that we anticipate will be life changing for our students. Every year we come together to dedicate our year to the Lord with amazing worship, fun activities, and excellent speakers. This is a required one day event held during the school day. Additional information will be sent out as we get closer to the date.



## Lunch

**The hot lunch program will start on September 2nd.** There is a variety of lunch selections available for purchase. Our lunch is an ala-cart service and a full meal costs approximately \$2.50-\$6.00 per day. Sports drinks, juice, and water machines are available for student use. Students are welcome to bring their lunch from home; we also have microwaves available in the lunchroom. Our program is **“no cash”**. Please be aware of the information below which outlines the important aspects of the lunch program.

- Our lunch system is an online **Pre-Pay program**. All payments are to be made online through your FACTS Pre-Pay account. Please select “Junior/Senior High” when making a payment. If you have students at other campuses, you will need to make a separate payment.
- Payments made online will be available immediately in the lunch system.
- If you need to make a payment using cash or check, these can be taken at the district office. There will be a 2-3 day delay before this payment will be available on your student’s lunch account.
- If your Pre-Pay lunch balance falls below \$5.00, you will receive a low balance email notice on Sunday reminding you to add funds to your account.
- **If your Pre-Pay lunch balance goes negative by \$50.00 or more, you will receive a phone call.**
- **Please make sure all past due lunch accounts from last year are paid in full prior to the first day of school.**

**Reminder: Cascade Christian is a closed campus, including lunch time. Students are expected to remain on campus and may not leave the building to retrieve lunch from their car. Students need to bring a lunch from home or purchase a lunch on campus.**

## Fundraisers

Cascade Christian conducts four major fundraisers during the school year.

- In the fall, there is the annual district-wide **Phone-A-Thon**, which helps provide tuition assistance and the annual **Golf Tournament**, which supports secondary athletics. Specific information regarding these events will be emailed home.
- In the winter, we are introducing our inaugural **Annual Fund Dinner** to support the students.
- In the spring, you will have an opportunity to support and/or participate in our annual **Dinner Auction**. The auction is a fun event with a great purpose. Proceeds buy equipment and supplies to help our students excel and to support many areas of our school programs.

## Parent Participation

**Parents for Cascade, or PFC**, is our school support organization. The Junior High and High School PFC both meet in partnership with the school. For more information, please contact Kim Sando at [kimsando4@comcast.net](mailto:kimsando4@comcast.net).

## 2020-2021 Bell Schedule

### Junior High

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
(Late Start)	Per 1 7:45-8:30	Per 1 7:45-8:30	Per 1 7:45-8:30	Per 1 7:45-8:30
Per 1 8:30-9:15	Per 2 8:35-9:20	Chapel 8:35-9:15	Per 2 8:35-9:20	Per 2 8:35-9:20
Per 2 9:20-10:05	Advisory 9:25-10:05	Per 2 9:25-10:05	Advisory 9:25-10:05	FLEX 9:25-10:05
Per 3 10:10-10:55	Per 3 10:10-10:55	Per 3 10:10-10:55	Per 3 10:10-10:55	Per 3 10:10-10:55
Per 4 11:00-11:45	Per 4 11:00-11:45	Per 4 11:00-11:45	Per 4 11:00-11:45	Per 4 11:00-11:45
Lunch 11:45-12:15	Lunch 11:45-12:15	Lunch 11:45-12:15	Lunch 11:45-12:15	Lunch 11:45-12:15
Per 5 12:20-1:05	Per 5 12:20-1:05	Per 5 12:20-1:05	Per 5 12:20-1:05	Per 5 12:20-1:05
Per 6 1:10-1:55	Per 6 1:10-1:55	Per 6 1:10-1:55	Per 6 1:10-1:55	Per 6 1:05-1:55
Per 7 2:00-2:45	Per 7 2:00-2:45	Per 7 2:00-2:45	Per 7 2:00-2:45	Per 7 2:00-2:45

### High School

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
(Late Start)	Per 1 7:45-8:30	Per 1 7:45-8:30	Per 1 7:45-8:30	Per 1 7:45-8:30
Per 1 8:30-9:15	Per 2 8:35-9:20	Per 2 8:35-9:20	Per 2 8:35-9:20	Per 2 8:35-9:20
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Per 6 1:10-1:55	Per 6 1:10-1:55	Per 6 1:10-1:55	Per 6 1:10-1:55	Per 6 1:10-1:55
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Due to late start Monday falling on a holiday, the following dates will be late start Tuesday's (8:30 start time):  
 Sept. 7th , Jan. 18th, Feb. 22nd, and May 31st

# JH & HS 2021-2022 Quick View Calendar



Please check the online district calendar for the most up-to-date information on CCHS events.

Freshman Fun Night .....	Aug. 27	End of 2nd Quarter.....	Jan 27
Preview & Picture Day.....	Aug 31	Teacher Work Day (no school).....	Jan. 28
First Day of Classes.....	Sept. 1	Honor Roll/Awards Assembly .....	Feb
District-Wide Kickoff and Convocation .....	Sept. 2	Teacher In-Service .....	Feb. 11
JH Connect Retreat .....	Sept. 10	Winter Theatre.....	Feb. 17-19
HS Youth Conference.....	Sept. 16	President's Day Observed (no school) .....	Feb. 21
Cougar Classic / Fair Day (no school).....	Sept. 17	Spring Sports Begin .....	Feb 28
Senior & College Info Night .....	Sept.21	Impact Auction.....	TBD
MAP Testing (early dismissal).....	Sept. 23 & 24	Spiritual Emphasis .....	Mar. 7-11
Homecoming Dance .....	Oct.9	Teacher In-Service (early dismissal) .....	Mar. 11
Homecoming Spirit Week .....	Oct. 11-15	TOLO.....	Mar. 19
PSAT Testing (Grades 9/10/11) .....	Oct. 13	Impact Term.....	Mar. 28-31
Homecoming Football Game.....	Oct. 16	End of 3rd Quarter .....	Mar 30
Teacher In Service (no school).....	Oct 22	Four Pillar Awards Assembly.....	Apr.
Picture Retakes .....	Oct. 26	Spring Break (no school).....	Apr. 5-9
Four Pillar Awards Assembly .....	Nov.	Good Friday (no school).....	Apr. 15
End of 1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter .....	Nov. 5	Four Pillar Awards Assembly.....	Apr.
Senior Retreat .....	Nov 7-8	Senior Capstone Presentations.....	May
Veteran's Day Observed (no school) .....	Nov. 11	College Decision Day.....	May 2
Teacher In-Service (no school).....	Nov. 12	Spirit Week.....	May 4-6
Winter Sports Begin .....	Nov. 15	Junior/Senior Banquet .....	May 7
Fall Theatre Production.....	Nov 18-20	JH & HS MAP Testing .....	May 11-12
Student-Led Conferences (no school).....	Nov. 22 & 23	Teacher In-Service (no school).....	May 13
Thanksgiving Break (no school).....	Nov. 24-26	Spring Theatre Production .....	May 19-21
Annual Fund Dinner.....	Dec.	Senior Finals.....	May 26 & 27
Teacher In-Service (early dismissal).....	Dec. 3	Memorial Day Observed (no school) .....	May 31
Christmas Break (no school).....	Dec. 20-31	Junior Class Retreat .....	June
Classes Resume .....	Jan. 3	JH Fun/Field Day.....	June
JH Map Testing (early dismissal).....	Jan. 25 & 26	9-11 Grade Finals.....	June
HS Finals .....	Jan.	Senior Legacy Day .....	June 1
MLK Day (no school).....	Jan. 18	Graduation Rehearsal.....	June 2
		Senior Commencement (early dismissal).....	June 3
		Last Day of School (early dismissal) .....	June 10

*Calendar dates are subject to change  
over the course of the school year.*

## HS Fees

There is one annual fee of \$250 per student, which is assessed to each family's FACTS account. For High School students, this includes the following: ASB card, youth conference, free entrance to home games and discounted rates at away games, yearbook, and instructional resources. For Junior High students, this includes: ASB card, JH Connect Retreat, I-Term, and yearbook. Please contact the district office at (253)-841-1776 with questions or concerns about this payment structure. Please see attached sheet at the end of the mailer that will list the additional fees by month for the JH/HS. Additional fees will be added to your FACTS account under incidental billing.

## Report Cards & Progress Reports

First, second, and third quarter progress reports and semester report cards will be available to you through FACTS. This means you will not receive a hard copy of the above items. The end of the year report card will be mailed to you by the district office once all tuition and school balances are paid.

## Attendance

If your student is going to be absent on a given day, let us know that morning by doing one of the following:

- Go online to [cascadechristian.org](http://cascadechristian.org), look for the absent/tardy section to enter your students absence and/or tardy. **Please** follow up with a written or email note **within two school days (48 hours) in order for the absence to be excused.**
- Call the school office 253-445-9706 to let us know your student will be absent for the day **AND** follow up with a written or email note **within two school days (48 hours) in order for the absence to be excused.**

The CCS office will call if your student is marked absent and we have not been contacted by a parent. Upon returning to school following any absence, the student is to report to the office with a signed and dated note from his/her parent or guardian explaining the reason for the absence. **Students will receive an "unexcused absence" if a written note or email from their parent or guardian is not received within two days (48 hours) of the absence.** Please schedule doctor, dental, music, or other appointments outside of school hours, if possible. Students are responsible for making up any missing work during an excused or unexcused absence. Please see the handbook (page 34) regarding this policy.

## Transportation Reminders

Please help us with safety by using the south gate for entry and the north gate for exit. Out of respect for our neighbors we want to use caution and observe the speed limit on 21<sup>st</sup> Street (25 m.p.h.) and in the parking lot (5 m.p.h.). All students are to be dropped off and picked up in front of the school.



## Before & After School Policy

Students are allowed to enter our building at 7:15 am each morning. Classroom doors will be opened at 7:30 am. Students must be picked up each day by 3:30 pm, unless they are involved in a school-sanctioned sport, club, or activity. If students are still on campus at 3:30 pm, parents will be called to arrange for transportation home. Once the front office closes at 4:00 pm, students will no longer be allowed to remain unsupervised in the building. Please contact our office if you need support in arranging carpool transportation or if you have any other specific needs.

## Medication at School

Whenever possible, we urge parents and physicians to design a schedule for administering any prescribed or non-prescribed medication to a student outside of school hours. The rare exceptions involve special conditions where it is necessary that the child have the medication in order to remain at school (this includes prescription and non-prescription medication).

**If a student must take prescription or non-prescription medication at school during the day, they must have a medication authorization form filled out and signed by both a physician and parent.** Forms are available in the school office and on the website under “Forms and Handbook” on the HS pages. Medication must be in the original container and be brought to the school office immediately upon arrival at school, along with the required paperwork. Students in possession of medication in violation of the above guidelines may be subject to disciplinary consequences. We do not permit sharing of medications between students. **The school office cannot dispense any medication (including aspirin and cough drops) to students without proper paperwork and all required signatures. These stipulations are in accordance with Washington State law.**

## Emergency Readiness

Cascade Christian Schools uses [www.flashalert.net](http://www.flashalert.net) to communicate school delays, closures, and other emergency information. To receive the most up-to-date information, please sign up for email or mobile alerts through the [www.flashalert.net](http://www.flashalert.net) web site. Receiving these alerts allows us to keep the office phone lines open. Additionally, FACTS ParentAlert will be utilized to send messages via text message in the case of an emergency or inclement weather. These alerts are automatically sent to the contacts on file in FACTS. No registration is required. Please be sure your contact information is always up-to-date.

## Cell Phones and Electronic Equipment

To avoid disrupting the educational environment, students must turn **off/ Silence notifications and store all electronic communication and entertainment devices during instructional time and chapels/assemblies if not being used for authorized learning purposes. Devices will be confiscated if being used inappropriately.** On the second offense, parents will be notified to come pick up the device from the office. The school will not assume responsibility if electronic devices are lost or stolen at any time.





# High School Specifics...

## Schedules:

You may view your High School student's schedule on FACTS beginning Friday, **August 27th**, by the end of the day. Any questions or concerns regarding scheduling can be addressed with Mrs. Byrd or Kristen Easter on Preview Day.

## HS Supplies:

High school students will receive specific information about school supplies from individual teachers. A multi-subject three ring binder, dividers, inexpensive pens and pencils, notebook paper, Bible (NIV), and a book bag will be sufficient to start school.

## Internship Program:

Does figuring out your college and career pathway feel overwhelming while you're still in high school? That's why Cascade Christian is launching a new, ***Intro to Internships*** class this fall!

During spring semester, seniors will be carefully matched into well-aligned roles to gain valuable work skills in an area of high interest within the Puyallup area.

### What will *Intro to Internships* cover?

- **Who Am I?** Discover your divine design and "Clues to Your Calling" to make choosing a great-fit career a snap.
- **Where Am I Going?** Explore several career pathways during our "Career Matchmaker" series. Get insider secrets from those on the front line of your target industry. And then learn how to create a highly targeted resume and cover letter to showcase your skills as a standout candidate.
- **How will I Get There?** Learn the college admissions process and how to distinguish yourself on your college application. We will cover how to find, apply, and pay for your dream college program.
- **How Will I gain the Needed Skills & Experience?** Experience first-hand what it is like to work in your target industry while learning on-the-job professional skills needed to succeed in today's workforce.

Please RSVP your interest to Ms. Pettersenj@cascadechristian.org no later than Wednesday, Aug 18th to be considered for enrollment for fall semester.

**If you would like to be a business or ministry mentor partner** for one to two seniors in the Internship program, please email me as well and tell me about your current role . Recommendations of other potential mentors in the community are welcomed!



## Requirements for Athletic Eligibility

### **Athletic Registration on FinalForms** – *completed yearly*

All parents and students must complete all parent/student forms on our athletic registration website: <https://cascadecatholic-wa.finalforms.com/>. An athlete must be cleared through this site prior to being allowed to participate in a practice. If you are registering for the first time, your steps are to: 1) Create a parent account, 2) add your student, and 3) complete all forms and submit a current physical exam.

### **Physical Exam** – *valid for two years from the exam date*

Student-athletes are required to pass a physical exam with a local health provider in order to be fully cleared for athletic participation. These exams can be uploaded into your Final Forms account (see bullet point above). Students that do not have a current physical exam on file ***will not be allowed to participate until one has been submitted.***

### **Concussion Baseline Testing**—*valid for two years from the exam date*

Some Fall sports (volleyball, football, cheerleading and soccer) require concussion baseline testing. These tests are administered by our Athletic Trainer Shelby Parthemer ([sparthemer@retpt.com](mailto:sparthemer@retpt.com)) and are used in the event that a student-athlete suffers a head injury. All freshmen athletes, and any student-athletes that were not tested last year should sign up here to complete a test: [Concussion Testing Sign up - Google Sheets](#) . If one of these dates does not work for you, please reach out to Shelby to set up a time to complete your test.

### **Academics**

A student in regular attendance, who did not meet the academic standard for the previous semester, will not be eligible for practice or competition for the first five (5) weeks of the succeeding semester. This is both a WIAA and a school policy. If you have taken summer school courses, you may have improved your academic standing to the point of reinstating your eligibility. Please contact the athletic office in order to discuss. Further grade checks will take place every 6 -weeks during the school year and students must have no failing grades and a GPA above 2.3 to remain eligible for participation.

### **Athletic Fees**

All students participating in sports will be assessed a sports fee. Football and Golf are \$200. All other high school sports are \$165. These fees are charged through your FACTS account and are not submitted until a few weeks into the season when rosters have solidified. There can also be sport specific Spirit Pack fees which pay for items (sweatshirts, warmups, etc.) that become the property of the athlete upon purchase.

### **Transfer Students**

A transfer student is one who previously attended a different high school anywhere in the United States. There are specific WIAA rules regarding eligibility for transfer students and WIAA paperwork that must be completed. If you are a transfer student and you would like to participate in a fall sport, please contact the athletic office at 253-445-9706 or email [heltsleyd@cascadecatholic.org](mailto:heltsleyd@cascadecatholic.org)

### **International Students**

Enrolled international students have specific eligibility requirements that must be met prior to participation in a sport. Please contact the athletic office.

### **2021 Fall Sport Start Dates:**

**August 18th: Football / Cheer**

**August 23th: Cross Country / Girls Soccer / Volleyball / Boys Tennis**

**SEE SCHOOL WEBSITE FOR SPECIFIC TIMES/LOCATIONS OF PRACTICE AND ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS.**

### **Athletic Department:**

**DJ Heltsley ([heltsleyd@cascadecatholic.org](mailto:heltsleyd@cascadecatholic.org))**

**Samantha Bratz ([bratzs@cascadecatholic.org](mailto:bratzs@cascadecatholic.org))**



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## Approximate Associated Costs

<b>August</b>	
School Pictures	\$25.00-\$45.00
Fall Sports Fee	\$165.00
Football	\$200.00
Fall Sports Spirit Pack	\$35.00-\$200.00
I-Term Trip Registration	\$100.00
Freshman Fun Night	\$20.00
<b>September</b>	
Concurrent Credit Courses	\$150.00-\$270.00
CCS Online Courses	\$550.00-\$2400.00
Clubs	\$25.00-\$50.00
Student Fees	\$250.00
Athletic Game Tickets (Football)	\$0-\$6.00
<b>October</b>	
Homecoming	\$50.00-\$60.00
Homecoming Pictures	\$25.00-\$45.00
Graduation Announcements	\$50.00-\$100.00
Athletic Game Tickets (Football)	\$4.00-\$6.00
I-Term Trip Conf./2nd Pmt	\$250.00
<b>November</b>	
Winter Sports Fee	\$165.00
Winter Spirit Pack	\$35.00-\$150.00
Senior Sweatshirt	\$40.00
Theatre Production	\$10.00-\$15.00
Athletic Playoff Tickets	\$10.00-\$20.00
<b>December</b>	
Athletic Championship Tickets	\$15.00-\$20.00
ASB Christmas Fundraiser	TBD
Athletic Game Tickets (Basketball)	\$0.00-\$6.00

<b>January</b>	
Athletic Game Tickets (Basketball)	\$0.00-\$6.00
<b>February</b>	
Athletic Game Tickets (Basketball)	\$0.00-\$6.00
<b>March</b>	
Spring Tolo	\$25.00
CCS Formal Auction	TBD
I-Term Local Activities	\$50.00-\$200.00
Athletic Playoff Tickets	\$10.00-\$20.00
<b>April</b>	
Golf	\$200.00
Other Spring Sports	\$165.00
Spring Drama	\$10.00-\$15.00
<b>May</b>	
JSB	\$60.00-\$70.00
AP Exams (College Board)	\$95.00
<b>June</b>	
Book Fines/Lock Fees	TBD



## Dress and Appearance Expectations

The purpose of Cascade Christian Junior High/High School's dress and appearance expectations is to enable the student to demonstrate traits of a discerning leader by making appropriate dress and appearance choices that reflect CCS' core values and character traits of Wisdom, Integrity, Excellence, and Dignity. We expect students/families to hold high standards of personal appearance and modesty. How we dress is a testimony to others, as well as a reflection of our school. Dress and appearance must be in harmony with CCS Guiding Principles.

*(Parents are asked to partner with the school to train their children regarding the purpose of the dress and appearance expectations. Parents are also asked to see that their children are dressed properly when they leave for school. Parents are encouraged to confirm if clothing is within the expectations prior to purchasing the clothing.)*

*“Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God—this is your spiritual act of worship.*

*Do not conform any longer the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind.*

*Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is—His good, pleasing, and perfect will.” (Romans 12:1-2)*

CCS students will honor God, honor others, and honor themselves by coming to school in the following manner: ready to learn and prepared to lead projecting a positive image that stands out as distinctly different from the secular world. Clean, neat, and modest. Not drawing undue attention to themselves or distracting from the learning environment. Administrators reserve the right to interpret and enforce the dress & appearance standards of CCS Students.

***The administration will address current trends and fads as they arise.***

Some general guidelines to help define what is meant by “clean, neat, and modest include, but are **not limited to, the following:**

***For both boys and girls:***

- Clothing that is not extremely tight-fitting, lowcut or exposing bare midriff.
- Leggings or yoga pants must be completely and generously covered by a dress, skirt, or top in the front and the back. No skin visible on upper thighs.
- Dresses, skirts, and shorts must be longer than 2” below fingertip length on all sides.
- Tops must have straps over shoulders with a 2-finger width.
- No holes in jeans higher than 2” below fingertip length. No skin visible on upper thighs.
- Hair and facial hair that is well groomed.
- Facial piercings limited to the nose and ears.
- Tattoos must be non-offensive in nature, as defined by the administration.
- Sweatshirts with hoods are permitted as long as hood is not up.

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- Hats must not limit or obstruct eyes or ears. Faculty & staff reserve the right to require a student(s) at specific times to remove hats.
- Shirts, hats, clothing items & accessories that contain pictures, slogans, or writing that creates distractions/divisiveness & does not follow Cascade Christians core principals.
- Failure to meet guidelines above may result in an immediate change of clothes & or a dress code violation.

***The general pattern and environment encouraged for dress and appearance is as follows:***

Our desire is to help students learn the importance for dressing appropriately for various occasions, to include:

- Sports & Athletics
- \*School dances & special events.
- Pep Assemblies & Spirit days.
- Chapel—we encourage students to dress up.
- Retreat & off campus events.
- Performing arts

All dress and appearance standards apply to half-days and modified schedules, including finals week.

\*For formal school events, students and parents will be asked to sign the Special Events Dress Code Form to keep on file for the event. If girls have questions about the appropriateness of certain dresses for formal school events, they are encouraged to bring the dress to school prior to the event and have it approved by the designated staff member.

Students who come to school or to a school event in attire or displaying an appearance that is determined to be outside the desired standard will be notified in the following manner:

**First Offense:** Student will receive an email indicating the way in which the desired standard is not being met. There will no email sent home.

**Second Offense:** Student will receive an email indicating the way in which the desired standard is not being met. The event will be recorded in FACTS and an email sent home.

**Third Offense:** Student will receive an email indicating the way in which the desired standard is not being met, and a zero-hour detention will be assigned. If the student fails to report to zero-hour detention, a Saturday school will be automatically assigned.



## HS Parent/Student Handbook Revisions and Points of Emphasis

2021-2022 School Year

As a reminder, the following sections of the Cascade Christian High School Parent/Student Handbook have either been revised or are becoming points of emphasis for the 2021-2022 school year. Please review them carefully. There are additional miscellaneous revisions throughout the handbook made for increased clarity on items, however, the following revisions have significant implications. The major revision in the section below has to do with the accountability measures administered to students who exceed the appropriate number of tardies per quarter.

This revision is found on page 33.

### HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDANCE POLICIES

#### Tardiness

Developing a habit of punctuality is important for the student, not only in school but also throughout life. In school, being on time to class ensures that the student does not miss the beginning of a lesson and avoids distractions to the class by late arrivals.

#### *First Period Tardies*

A student arriving after school has begun is to report to the office for an admit slip. Students who come to school tardy should have a parental note within two days (48 hours) of the tardy, indicating if the tardy is to be excused or unexcused. If a student develops a habit of being late for first period, even if the tardies are excused, accountability measures will be administered according to the following standard:

- For every third unexcused tardy per quarter, students will be assigned a zero-hour detention. If students do not report to their zero-hour detention, a Saturday school will automatically be assigned.
- For every sixth unexcused tardy, students will be assigned a Saturday school. If students do not report to their assigned Saturday school, a parent-administrator conference will automatically be arranged.
- For every ninth unexcused or excused tardy (including emergencies and uncontrollable events), a parent-administrator conference will be arranged and a further plan of action determined.

#### *Tardies Within the School Day*

Once the school day has begun, a student who arrives in class after the bell has rung, and who has no authorization from a staff member, shall be recorded as tardy-unexcused. **If a student is fifteen minutes or later to class, this will be marked as an absence, not as a tardy.**

Students are responsible for all work missed due to tardiness. Students who are tardy to a class are subject to accountability measures outlined in the rules and guidelines outlined for that particular class. Chronic tardiness will result in corrective action according to the following standard:

- For every third unexcused tardy per quarter, students will be assigned a zero-hour detention. If students do not report to their zero-hour detention, a Saturday school will automatically be assigned.
- For every sixth unexcused tardy, students will be assigned a Saturday school. If students do not report to their assigned Saturday school, a parent-administrator conference will automatically be arranged.
- For every ninth unexcused or excused tardy (including emergencies and uncontrollable events), a parent-administrator conference will be arranged and a further plan of action determined.



The revisions in the section below clarify and reflect the process by which students request and submit a Pre-Arranged Absence Form. **This revision is found on page 34.**

## EXCUSED/UNEXCUSED ABSENCES

Accepted reasons for absences are illness of the student, emergencies or death in the immediate family, or administrator-approved school-sponsored activities. Please schedule doctor, dental, music, and other appointments outside of school hours whenever possible. Students are to make up work missed during an excused absence but must submit the late assignment within a time frame equivalent to the number of days absent (one day of absence, one-day extension; two days of absence, two-day extension of assignment due date). Students absent for school-related activities receive the same considerations.

Unexcused absences also require that the student complete the work missed during the absence. However, when turned in, all work will be considered late work, resulting in a lower score on all assignments, tests, etc. If the student does not turn in the work, a zero is recorded in the teacher's grade book.

Upon returning to school following any absence, the student is to report to the attendance office with a signed and dated note from his or her parent or guardian, explaining the reason for the absence. The parent may also communicate the reason for the absence via email, phone call, or the reporting tool on the Cascade Christian website. Students will receive an "unexcused absence" if there has not been some form of communication from their parent or guardian **within two days (48 hours) of absence.**

### *Pre-Arranged Absences*

**For family vacations or absences exceeding three or more days, request a Pre-Arranged Absence Request form from the school office or on our district website ([cascadechristian.org](http://cascadechristian.org)) one week prior to the departure date. The form must first be signed by a parent then brought to our school counselor for processing. Administrator approval must be received prior to teachers signing off on the form. Return form to the school counselor with all teachers' signatures by 3 p.m. on the day prior to the absence. Failure to turn in this form prior to the absence could result in unexcused absences for each day absent. Additionally, if a student has two or more D's and/or is failing a class, the absence requested remains at the administrator's discretion.**





The revision below details the policies and disciplinary procedures for students in violation of Cascade Christian Schools' substance and drug abuse policies. **This information is found on page 28.**

## **SUBSTANCE ABUSE POLICIES**

### *Illegal Use, Sale, Share and/or Possession of Vape or Tobacco Products*

A student who is found to use, sell, share and/or be in possession of vape or tobacco products shall be in violation of school policy.

**First Offense** – A **two-day** suspension from school and a five-day suspension from any extra-curricular or co-curricular-(athletics, leadership, worship team, play, etc.) will occur.

**Second Offense** – A **five-day** suspension from school and a ten-day suspension from any extra-curricular or co-curricular activities (athletics, leadership, worship team, play, etc.) will occur.

**Third Offense** – Consequences will be addressed by administration.

### *Underage Use, Sale, Share and/or Possession of Alcohol or Marijuana*

A student who is found to use, sell, share and/or be in possession of alcohol or marijuana shall be in violation of school policy. Possession is not only physical possession, but constructive possession as well. Constructive possession occurs when a student is at a location (e.g., a party) where alcohol or marijuana is present, and the student makes no effort to leave that location immediately. The following consequences shall apply:

**First Offense** – A **ten-day** suspension from school occurs and **thirty-day** suspension from any [extra-curricular or co-curricular](#) activity (athletics, leadership, worship team, play, etc.). If a student is not currently involved in an activity at the time of the offense, the **thirty-day** suspension will occur during the next activity in which the student participates. This consequence reduces to **five days/fifteen days** if the student enrolls and successfully completes a school-approved abuse program. The cost for this program will be the responsibility of the student's parents.

**Second Offense** – A **thirty-day** suspension from school occurs and **sixty-day** suspension from any activity (athletics, leadership, worship team, play, etc.). If a student is not currently involved in activity at the time of the offense, the **sixty-day** suspension will occur during the next activity in which the student participates. This consequence reduces to **fifteen days/thirty days** if the student enrolls and successfully completes a school-approved substance abuse program. The cost for this program will be the responsibility of the student's parents.

**Third Offense** – Immediate **EXPULSION** from school.

### *Illegal Use, Sale, Share and/or Possession of Illegal Drugs (RCW 69.41) or any Controlled Substances (RCW 69.50)*

A student who is found to use, sell, share and/or be in possession of illegal drugs or controlled substances shall be in violation of school policy. Possession is not only physical possession, but constructive possession as well. Constructive possession is where a student is at a location (e.g., a party) where drugs are present, and makes no effort to leave that location immediately. The following consequences shall apply:

## Substance abuse policy continued ...

**First Offense** – A **thirty-day** suspension from school will occur and an **immediate** suspension from any extra-curricular or co-curricular activity (athletics, leadership, worship team, play, etc.) for the remainder of that season. If a student is not currently involved in an activity at the time of the offense, a **sixty-day** suspension will occur during the next activity in which the student participates. This consequence reduces to a **fifteen-day** suspension if the student enrolls and successfully completes a school-approved drug abuse program. There is no reduction in the suspension from extra-curricular or co-curricular activities. The cost for this program will be the responsibility of the student's parents.

**Second Offense** – Mandatory **EXPULSION** from school.

The revisions in the section below refer to the grading scale by which transfer student transcripts are converted. **This revision is found on page 45.**

### TRANSFER STUDENT TRANSCRIPTS

#### For incoming students from schools outside Washington State:

Transcripts with percentage grades listed will be converted to a letter grade based on the Cascade Christian grading scale.

Numerical Grades to a %	Letter Grade from a %	"Quality Points" Per Credit Earned
100-93%	A	4.0
92-90%	A-	3.66
89-87%	B+	3.33
86-83%	B	3.0
82-80%	B-	2.66
79-77%	C+	2.33
76-73%	C	2.0
72-70%	C-	1.66
69-67%	D+	1.33
66-63%	D	1.0
62%	F	0.0

When class hours are noted on the transferring transcript, credit will be given as follows:

Numerical Grades to a %	Letter Grade from a %	"Quality Points" Per Credit Earned
100-93%	A	4.0
92-90%	A-	3.66

#### For international students:

Classes in their native language will earn English credit. Classes in English will earn World Language credit.

## Student Drivers:

Students may drive an automobile to and from school, provided they have a valid driver's license and current auto insurance. Driving to school is a privilege, rather than a right or necessity. Consequently, the school does not accept any liability or responsibility for vehicles or their contents. Since CCHS is in a residential neighborhood, students must use extreme caution while driving through the neighborhood. Students who speed or drive recklessly will face consequences and may lose driving privileges. It is very important that we are respectful of our neighbors.

### **The following rules govern student-driving privileges on campus:**

- All student drivers must register with the school office. **Registration form is below and available online and during *Preview & Picture Day***. Please include all vehicles that students will be driving during the year. Due to safety concerns and our city permitting, at no time during the school day are students to leave the building. Students should utilize a locker should they need to store personal belongings.
- Maximum speed on campus is **5 m.p.h.**
- Cascade Christian High School is a closed campus. Therefore, no automobiles are to leave the campus during school hours without pre-arranged permission from the office. Additionally, students may only go to their car with permission from the office. Students may not loiter around or sit in or on cars at any time during the school day.
- Student drivers are to use the south driveway entrance when entering the campus and park directly in front of the school building in the student parking area. Students are not allowed to park in visitor parking spots or behind the building during the school day.
- Students may only take up one stall when parking.

Students may not park on 21<sup>st</sup> Street. Cascade Christian High School

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### **Student Parking Registration Information**

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

WSDL#: \_\_\_\_\_ Insurance Company / ID Number \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Vehicle # 1**

Make: \_\_\_\_\_

Model: \_\_\_\_\_

Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Color: \_\_\_\_\_

License Plate #: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Vehicle # 2**

Make: \_\_\_\_\_

Model: \_\_\_\_\_

Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Color: \_\_\_\_\_

License Plate: \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for choosing  
to be a Cougar!

It is our honor and joy  
to serve the CCS  
families each day.

