



The Cougar Update

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Save the Dates!

October 14-15, 2022 is... THE 49th BBQ & AUCTION WEEKEND

Watch carefully over the coming weeks for announcements and updates about this year's **Benefit BBQ and Auction**. Check out the [Auction page on our website](#) to see what is being planned with times and general information. Check back regularly as the Auction approaches to see how to help and what items will be up for bid at this year's auction. Information about volunteering, BBQ ticket sales, and more will be coming soon. Watch the *Cougar Update* and your email for more information regarding details for this weekend. **Our Auction Committee needs a secretary for our meetings.** Our past secretary is now an alumni mom. If interested, please contact Deborah.kurtz@conestogachristian.net.

CLASS BASKET PARENTS: It can be great fun to grab a friend and work together on this project. It involves working with the class to choose a "theme" and notifying the class of items you would love to have donated for the basket. We have "class basket packets" available to guide you through the process. You will have \$75 of seed money to use for either a bigger item or things to fill in around donated items. Volunteer hours can be tracked and credited towards your 10 mandatory volunteer hours. Instructions and help with the final presentation will be available. Classes still in need of your help are Grades K, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11. Please contact Cindy Carter at cindycarter1@gmail.com to let her know you're interested or to discuss your willingness to help.

SOLICITATION/DONATION REQUESTS: There are many businesses that donate items to our auction. If you are willing to contact an area business, it will count as 30 minutes of volunteer time per business you approach. Historically, a business is more likely to donate to the school if they are contacted by someone who regularly uses their store or services. That is why you may be the perfect person to approach a business you know and love. A list of businesses that can be contacted is found ([HERE](#)) on the [FACTS Family Portal](#) under Announcements. There is a letter already prepared for you to take with you. They are available in the school office OR on the [FACTS Family Portal](#) in Resource Documents.



Also, please see this [letter](#) and [form](#) regarding Donations, if you are considering donating an item to our Auction.

YARD SIGNS: These are available in the HS lobby. Please consider picking one up to help advertise our BBQ and Auction.

HANDMADE ITEMS: Anyone, including students can make and donate items for this part of the sale. Reach out to Michele Levan with any questions at sheepgirlmichele@gmail.com.

First Days of Preschool

The first day of school for our youngest little Cougars is coming up next week! PS A & B, Mrs. Smiley's and Mrs. Wayman's classes, begin on Wednesday, 9/7 and PS C, Mrs. Draper's 3's class begins on Thursday, 9/8.



Getting to Know You

Next Friday, September 9, the high school will be going off campus to Tel Hai Camp for our annual **Getting to Know You Day**. An email and permission forms were sent home this week and Mr. Greenly would like them all signed and returned by next Wednesday, September 7. The cost of the event is \$5 to cover the cost of transportation to and from the camp.



Music Lessons

Conestoga Christian School **Music Conservatory** is looking forward to offering the students of our school the opportunity to bring the joy and beauty of instrumental



music into their lives. Students may sign up to receive private music instruction on a band, string orchestra or keyboard instrument. If you would like to sign up for a half hour private lesson [click here](#). For more information visit our [Conservatory Website](#).

School Calendar



The Admissions Office has created a 2022-23 wall calendar for the school year. If you didn't get one at Back to School Night and would like one, email Michelle Parris at michelle.parris@conestogachristian.net.

Picture Day(s)

We will have TWO picture days this year!

Monday 10/3 Picture Day will be for the 4-year-olds, Pre-K, and K-11th grade.

Tuesday 11/15 Second Picture Day/ Retake Day will be for the 3-year-olds, seniors, and retakes.

Pre-planned Absence?

Families who are planning to be out of school for a reason other than illness are asked to **complete a pre-planned absence form**. The forms can be found on our [school website](#) and also in the [FACTS Family Portal](#). Either email the completed form to Mrs. Nace or drop off a hard copy in the school office.

Chrysanthemum Sale

Our PTF (Parent Teacher Fellowship) is holding a fall Chrysanthemum Sale. You can order beautiful 9 inch



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Upcoming Events at CCS:

Events are subject to change.

- **September 2**, No school, Labor Day Holiday
- **September 5**, No school, Labor Day Holiday
- **September 7 & 8**, First Days of Preschool
- **September 15**, NHS Induction Service
- **October 3**, Picture Day (4's, PK-11th)
- **October 12**, PSAT, 11th grade
- **October 14-15**, BBQ & Auction

Character Trait:

~ Reverence ~

mum plants for \$9 each in a wide variety of colors. Orders are due on September 22 and pick up will be on September 30. Get a copy of the order form [HERE](#).

Clippings or Snippings

The Horticulture Class would love to have any clippings or snippings from school family gardens. Herb, flower, and vegetable varieties brought in in a zip lock bag or paper bag would be greatly appreciated. Bring the bag to the front desk, labeled H122, and the name of what's inside. Donations would be accepted from any K-12 student family.



We will put them to good use: rooted, grown, dried, studied and eaten! Thank you from Mr. Hesse

Help Wanted

CCS needs an after-school custodian that can also work some weekend hours. Contact Lisa.Gardner@conestogachristian.net, stop in, or call 610.286.0353x403.