

CCA CONNECTIONS April 2025



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MESSAGE FROM ADMINISTRATION

As we move into April, I want to take a moment to reflect on some of the wonderful events that have taken place at our school and share a bit about what's to come.

First, our Student-Led Conferences were a wonderful celebration of our students' hard work and growth. Over the course of the two nights, it was great to see students take the lead in sharing their learning experiences with their families. It was inspiring to see them confidently present their accomplishments, reflect on their progress, and set goals for the future. These conferences not only highlighted their achievements but also provided an opportunity for parents to engage with teachers and deepen their understanding of their child's learning journey. We are so proud of how our students showcased their learning and demonstrated ownership of their education.

On the athletic front, our Junior B and Grade 6 Basketball Teams had a fantastic season. Our student-athletes showed great dedication, teamwork, and sportsmanship throughout their games. We are so proud of their hard work and the positive spirit they brought to the court. Thank you to our coaches and families for their unwavering support!

Looking ahead, Easter is just around the corner. As we approach this season of reflection and renewal, let us be reminded of the message of hope and new beginnings that Easter brings. A scripture that resonates with this time of year is from the book of Matthew: "He is not here; he has risen, just as he said." (Matthew 28:6). May we all find inspiration in the promise of renewal that Easter symbolizes, and may this season bring peace and joy to you and your families.

Wishing you a blessed Easter and a wonderful month of April ahead.

Mr. Sampson and Mrs. van den Berg

CCA Administration

IMPORTANT DATES



- **Sunday, April 6** - Pizza Fun Lunch orders due
- **Thursday, April 10** - School Council Meeting | 6:30 p.m.
- **Friday, April 11** - Grade 2 In-School Field Trip (Teacher's Pet) | Grade 4 Field Trip (Aggie Days)
- **Thursday, April 17** - Pizza Fun Lunch
- **Friday, April 18** - Good Friday (**NO SCHOOL**)
- **Monday April 21-Friday, April 25** - Spring Break (**NO SCHOOL**)
- **Monday, April 28** - Classes Resume | Home Alone Course
- **Tuesday, April 29** - Home Alone Course | Lifetouch Spring & Class Photos
- **Wednesday, April 30** - Lifetouch Spring & Class Photos

THANK YOU!

We want to extend a thank you to all the families who generously provided food for the staff during Student-Led Conferences. We feel blessed to have such a supportive parent community. The delicious dishes and treats were deeply appreciated by everyone at CCA. Your kindness made a meaningful difference, and we are so grateful for your support.

BABYSITTER PROGRAM



The Babysitter Program will be held May 12-15, and May 20. Payments are still open on School Cash. Please note that students will need to be 10 years of age as of January 1, 2025 in order to participate. There are limited spots so this course is on a first come first serve basis. This course will be held during the lunch hour.

CCA TALENT SHOW



We are excited to announce CCA's Got Talent will be held on June 6th!

If your child is considering submitting an audition video, please read through the following expectations carefully:

1. **Audition Submissions:** All performers must submit a video audition (1 minute max) showcasing their talent. Please ensure your video is clear and shows the talent in its best light.
2. **Show Details:** Students are **performing LIVE on June 6th** (we will not be showing video submissions) with each performance lasting up to 2 minutes maximum. If your child's song or music is longer than 2 minutes, we ask that you work with your child to find a good spot to end. **We ask all participants to please honor this timeline so we can have as many participants as possible.*

3. **Music Submission:** If your child's performance requires pre-recorded music, a downloadable MP3 file of the music must also be submitted. All music must be school-appropriate (clean lyrics).
4. **Important Dates:** Auditions are due on May 12th and selection will be announced on May 20th. Please note that not all performers will be selected for the show.
5. **Agreement:** By submitting an audition, the performer's family agrees to send all necessary files (the audition video and any MP3 music files) to the talent show coordinators. All music files will be requested following selection and will be shared to kargreen@rvschools.ab.ca (please do not use the @rockyviewschools.ab.ca email address).

We are thrilled to showcase our students' talents and look forward to seeing the creativity and hard work they bring to the stage! Thank you for your support,

Ms. Green, Mrs. DeBow, Mrs. Sawchuk, and the Leadership Team

UNIVERSAL SUPPORTS IN OUR CLASSROOM

At CCA, we use a variety of universal supports to help all students stay engaged and ready to learn. In the classroom, all students have access to various tools, including, but not limited to, wobble chairs, wobble cushions, TheraBand, timers, and small fidget tools. These supports help students focus, move safely while learning, and manage their energy levels in a way that promotes success.

We also have a special area called the "Pit Stop," which includes an exercise bike and a rebounder (small trampoline). These tools give students the opportunity to take short movement breaks, helping them reset and return to learning with fresh focus.

By incorporating these supports into our routines, we work to create a learning environment where every child can thrive!

If you have any questions about the supports for your child's classroom, please reach out to their teacher!



OurSCHOOL Survey

CCA will be participating in an online school perception survey for students called the OurSCHOOL Student Survey. Please find the details of the survey implementation below.

Who: students in Grade 4 - 8

When: April 9 -May 2

Why: to measure student engagement, increase student involvement & sense of belonging at school

About the OurSCHOOL Student Survey:

- Allows students to share their feedback **anonymously** on their experiences at school, school environment, and school improvement programs.
- Based on their feedback, students have the opportunity to be involved in action plans fostering increased student engagement
- Participation in the survey is **voluntary**, however, all students are encouraged to participate.
- The time required to complete the survey may vary, but it is designed to be completed in approximately 35-40 minutes during their school day.

Survey measures include such topics as behaviours and attitudes linked to student success, emotional and social well-being and physical health. For more information about the OurSCHOOL Student Survey, please visit The Learning Bar's website: www.thelearningbar.com.

As parents/guardians of our students you will also have an opportunity to participate in the OurSCHOOL Parent Survey next month. Please watch for future information on this survey.

If you have questions or would like to request more information about CCA's upcoming implementation of the OurSCHOOL Student Survey, please contact Josine van den Berg, Acting Assistant Principal, at jvandenbergh@rockyview.ab.ca.

MESSAGE FROM SCHOOL COUNCIL



Happy April!

Here are some important updates from your School Council:

Pizza Fun Lunch – April 17

Mark your calendars! Our next Pizza Fun Lunch is scheduled for April 17.

Fun Fact: Each Fun Lunch raises an average of \$400, which goes toward student technology, field trips, and student incentives. While this is just a fraction of what our school needs, every little bit helps. Thank you for your continued support!

School Council Meeting – April 10 at 6:30 PM

Our next School Council meeting will be on Thursday, April 10, at 6:30 PM. We encourage all parents and guardians to join us as we discuss important topics and upcoming events. Childcare will be provided, so feel free to bring your little ones!

Remaining School Council Meeting Dates

We'd love to see you at as many meetings as possible! Here are the remaining dates for this school year:

- May 22 (Please note: this meeting will be at 7:00 PM)
- June 12

A Big Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who contributed food for teacher dinners during our Student-Led Conferences! Thanks to your generosity, we were able to provide meals for teachers each night and use additional donations to stock the teachers' lounge with coffee, treats, and other essentials.

Additional Ways to Give

- Online Donations: You can make donations anytime online through CanadaHelps.org by selecting Rocky View Schools and choosing Cochrane Christian Academy. Donations over \$20 will receive a tax receipt.
- Bottle Depot Donations: Support CCA by taking your bottles to the Cochrane Bottle Depot and asking to have the funds directed to Cochrane Christian Academy—an easy way to contribute!

We look forward to another fantastic month and appreciate your continued support in making our school community thrive!

Warm regards,

School Council

FRIENDS OF CCA

Friends of CCA will be meeting directly after the next School Council meeting on April 10, at 7:30 p.m. Childcare will be provided!

PARENT PRAYER GROUP



Parents are invited to come in and pray over our school community. If there is anything you would like to pray with them over, they meet on the first Tuesday of the month.

Matthew 18:20 "For where two or three are gathered together in my name, I am there among them."

LOST AND FOUND



Our Lost and Found is overflowing with unclaimed clothing items. If you have a moment, or if your child is missing any belongings, please stop by to check. You can also encourage your children to look through the Lost and Found for any of their items. Any items not claimed by **Wednesday, April 16th**, will be donated to charity.

WheresTheBus APP



Real-time tracking with WheresTheBus

Thank you to everyone who has created a WheresTheBus account and started using the app to track your child's bus! RVS has now fully transitioned to using WhereTheBus, and is no longer using the Bus Status App to share bus information.

More information about WheresTheBus including how to create your account, use the app and frequently asked questions is available on the [RVS website](#).

Please note, WheresTheBus is one more tool to provide information about your child's bus ride and should not replace standard [safety measures](#) such as arriving to your bus stop five minutes before your child's scheduled pick up time, having a back up plan in case of a delay and ensuring your child is dressed appropriately for the weather. Please review the Parent/Guardian Responsibilities on the [Transportation section](#) of our website.

ORDER YOUR YEARBOOK TODAY!



The advertisement features a collage of colorful yearbook covers with titles like 'AMAZING', 'OUTSIDE LINES', 'CURRENT', 'REACHING FOR THE FUTURE 2021', and 'Our GRAND Adventure'. To the right, the text reads: 'Lifetouch Order your yearbook today! Cochrane Christian Academy 2024-2025 Order on SchoolCash rockyview.schoolcashionline.com \$25'.

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