# CALEDONIA ELEMENTARY



# **Weekly Highlights**

**Good Afternoon Caledonia Elementary Families,** 

We have successfully completed the first full week of the 2024 - 2025 school year. We are finishing up our fall assessment window and have begun to settle into normal daily routines. Families are encouraged to talk with their children each evening about the school day. Take time to discuss goals, progress, and provide words of affirmation and encouragement. This simple routine will have a big impact throughout the year.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

# **CONTACT INFO**

**OFFICE PHONE** 616.891.8181

**OFFICE FAX** 616-891-7019

### **Student Absence?**

email: cesattendance@calschools.org

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# MARK YOUR Cal ENDAR

- District Board Meeting Monday
   9/16 @ 6:00 at the
   Administration Office
- Picture Retake Day 10/9
- PTO Walk For FUNds 10/11
- Parent Teacher Conferences -10/22 & 10/24 (4:15-8:00)

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# STAY CONNECTED LINKS...





Student Half Day





## ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL PROCEDURES



The safety of our students, staff, and visitors is a top priority. Students are dropped off and picked up outside the school in designated areas for buses and cars. We use a number system for parents to pick up in our parking lot by the main entrance. For the safety of our students, please keep the line moving forward and stay in vehicles at all times. If you are a late drop off or early pick up, enter the main doors into the vestibule and push the button on the speaker to speak directly to the office staff. You will sign-in or sign-out your child through the Google Form on the Chromebook. The office staff will open doors for your child to enter or exit the building. Thank you in advance for your cooperation with our arrival and dismissal procedures!

School Memos

Arrival & Dismissal
BREAKFAST at 8:30 AM
ARRIVAL at 8:30-8:45 AM
DISMISSAL at 3:40 PM



#### **Notes from the Nurse:**

Just a reminder that medications needed to be taken at school must be brought to the school's main office by an adult. It should never be in a student's backpack or lunch box.

Any Medications Taken during School Hours must have:
Prescription Medications require a provider's signature.
Medication in the original bottle/prescription bottle with a label attached.
Parent/guardian signature must be on the medication order form.

#### **In order to Self-Carry Medications:**

The Provider must sign the self-carry section of the medication form. The self-carry medication must be approved by the District nurse.

Self-carry(means the medication must be carried by the student, not in a backpack or locker) medications per district policy are emergency medications such as inhalers, epinephrine pens, and diabetes medications.

Medication forms can be found on the school's website under the School Health Program section.

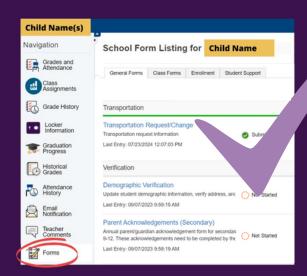
Thank you,

Rachel Gallucci BSN, RN
District School Nurse





# **PowerSchool Forms**



# Don't forget to fill out your forms online!

Visit our PowerSchool Support Page on our Website for assistance!

www.calschools.org/resources/ powerschool-support/

**District Code: GHDL** 

# DOWNLOAD

the CCS Mobile App!

**APP Tutorials** 

www.calschools.org/resources/ app-support/



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- School Calendars
- School Directories
- Parent Quick Links
- Communication
- Newsletters
- Athletic Information
- And more!

## **OUR PROCESS**



#### **VISIT OUR WEBSITE**

Community flyers will be posted on our website and pushed out to our app for families to view upcoming events and community information.



#### **SUBMIT A FLYER**

The district accepts submissions from non-profit organizations of non-curricular flyers that have a social, recreational, or educational value for students



#### **SUBSCRIBE**

Follow the Community Section on our app, or subscribe to be notified by email on our website.

# We're Digital!

www.calschools.org/community/community-events-flyers



**Community Flyers** 



# FREE meals for all enrolled CCS students for the 2024 - 2025 School Year



# It's more than just free meals...

Even though meals are free this year, it's crucial for our district to know which families qualify for free or reduced-price lunches. Completing this form helps in several ways:

The Federal Free/Reduced Meal Application determines the amount of federal funding for the district, impacting ALL students.

# 7 Reasons to Complete the Free & Reduced Lunch Application



Increased funding to support your child's school



Discounts for fees associated with college application process



Discounted fees for SAT, ACT & AP tests along with scholarship opportunities



Discounts on pay-toparticipate fees for qualifying student athletes



Additional funding for technology and internet access



Receive discounts on fees associated with credit recovery



Discounts on Chromebook Care Plans for qualifying families



A new application is **REQUIRED** each school year. So, even if you applied a year ago, a new application must be submitted for the 2024-25 school year.

## https://caledonia.familyportal.cloud

Contact our food service department at 616-891-0227 for additional assistance.

## What makes a meal...

Each day, your child is offered a lunch containing the following: **Meat or Meal Alternative** Grain Fruit, Vegetable

And of course, Milk!

Must pick at least 3!

Here's an example menu: Cheeseburger on a Bun 1/2 cup Carrots 1/2 cup French Fries 1/2 cup Peaches 8 oz. of Milk

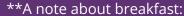
Lunch menus available online



www.calschools.org/departments /food-service/

## Don't forget breakfast...

Join us each morning; breakfast is a great way to kick off your child's day!



Breakfast choices are a little different. Students must take at least 3 of the offered items at breakfast, one must be a fruit or vegetable.

# Strategic Plan Refresh COMMUNITY TOWN HALLS

Join us in shaping the future of Caledonia Community Schools. Whether your passion lies in education, community well-being, or how we sustain and organize our district's resources, your insights are invaluable. We invite you to participate in one or both of our Community Town Halls, where your voice will help guide our district's direction. **Your Voice Matters!** 



## **Strategic Plan Refresh Updates**



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#### **Follow Our Website**

To keep up with the latest developments, **please visit our website at www.calschools.org/strategic-plan-refresh.** There, you'll find updates on the progress, milestones achieved, and opportunities to engage with the plan.

### **Share Your Feedback:**

Your feedback is important to us! We encourage you to share your thoughts and ideas through the **feedback form available on our website.** Your insights will help shape the future of our schools and community.