

# CANYONSIDE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

820 East Nez Perce  
Jerome, ID 83338



## Canyonside Christian School

**December 18<sup>th</sup> ~ December 21<sup>st</sup>**

We had a lot of fun in our Opening Assembly today celebrating the birth of Jesus! We watched a Veggie Tale video about the true meaning of Christmas. Christmas is not just about the presents we get. It's also about what we give and what God gave us when he sent his son into the world on Christmas morning. Jesus is the reason for the season!! We also sang some fun Christmas songs and Mrs. Hill's students shared information on each individual child at McKallie's Home of Future and Hope.

### CCS Christmas Program

We are so excited to invite all of you to our Christmas Program. Join us as we watch our stars from CCS share the true meaning of Christmas. The CCS Christmas Program is scheduled for this **Thursday, December 21, 2017** at 6:00 p.m. at the Jerome High School Auditorium. This will be an early release day for CCS students (Students will be dismissed at 12:30 p.m., EXCEL care will be available until 5:00 p.m). Please be sure to have your child at the Jerome High School Auditorium by 5:40 p.m. that evening. Students need to be dressed in their Christmas best. Again, we can't wait to celebrate this joyous evening with you. There will be no school on Friday, December 22<sup>nd</sup> (EXCEL will be available).

### Christmas Break

Christmas vacation will be from December 22<sup>nd</sup> through January 5<sup>th</sup>. School will resume on Monday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018. The EXCEL Program will be available on Wednesday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>, Thursday, January 4<sup>th</sup> and Friday, January 5<sup>th</sup>, but will be closed during the remainder of Christmas break. Students will need to bring a lunch on these days as lunch will not be ordered. Please be sure that your child is signed up for EXCEL by Tuesday, December 19<sup>th</sup> if you will need this service.

### Snow Days

If we have a winter like we did last year, we are very likely going to have days when school gets cancelled due to the weather. If we have a snow day, we will send out a message through our *One Call Now* system. Once I am notified that school will be closed, we will send a call or text out to all our families. It can sometimes take a little while for everyone to receive a call/text from *One Call Now*, but we typically follow Jerome School District's policy for school closure, so you can also check their district's webpage. We also notify KMVT, if school will be closed, so you can find all school closures on their webpage.

### Toys at School

We have started to notice that several students are coming to school with toys from home. This presents a problem, in that, toys get broken or go missing and we have sad kiddos! Unless it is a Show-and-tell day, or your child is the student of the week and has permission from his/her teacher to bring in toys, please leave all other toys at home. Thank you for your support regarding this issue.

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## Classroom Christmas Parties

Our K-4 through 4<sup>th</sup> grade classes will be having their Christmas Parties this Wednesday, December 20<sup>th</sup>. Mrs. Cunningham and Mrs. Kramer will be decorating gingerbread houses, in the multi-purpose room, from 10:00 am-11:00 am and then will have parties in their classrooms at 1:30. Miss Cole and Mrs. DeMello will have their Polar Express party, in the multipurpose room, at 1:00 pm and our 1<sup>st</sup> through 4<sup>th</sup> grade classes will have parties, in their classroom, starting at 2:00p pm. Miss Krista, Mrs. Ashley and Miss Nicole will be having their Winter Wonderland party on Tuesday, December 19<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am, in Miss Nicole's classroom. Please feel free to join in on the festivities!

## Vision & Hearing Screening

The Twin Falls Lions Club will be coming to CCS on January 10, 2018 to provide vision and hearing screening for our students in K-5 through 4<sup>th</sup> grade. They graciously provide these services at no cost. Every child will be screened, unless you prefer your child not participate. If that is the case, you must sign and return the opt-out form. Parents will be notified, per a referral letter, if your child demonstrates any vision or hearing problems during the screening process. We are grateful that the Twin Falls Lions Club is willing to come out to our school to provide these services.

## Thank You!

We want to say a HUGE Thank you to Betsy Wade and her fellow colleagues, at Walmart, who very generously donated their volunteer hours on behalf of CCS. Through the Community Grant Program, Walmart associates can volunteer at local non-profit organizations and submit their volunteer hours to the grant program. Betsy's co-workers donated their hours to Canyonside and in return we were given a \$5,000 check from the Sam's Club Grant Program. We are lucky to have community members who support our school 😊

## Upcoming Events

December 20- School Wide Pajama Day  
Dec 20- Classroom Christmas Parties  
December 21- Early Release (EXCEL available until 5pm)  
December 22- No School  
December 25~January 5- Christmas Vacation  
January 8- School Resumes  
January 11- Auction Committee Meeting @ 1:30 pm

Sincerely,

**Tami**

*Tami Phay & Your CCS Board of Directors, Faculty & Staff*

***"For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given; And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."*** Isaiah 9:6