



# THE EAGLE EYE

PRESCHOOL 3'S AND 4'S; K-12TH GRADE

## Eagles Nest Childcare

### OPENING IN SEPTEMBER AT CALVARY!

We are pleased to announce the autumn opening of our new Calvary Eagles Nest Childcare for preschool age children, and our after school care program for ages preschool - 5th grade beginning at the start of the 2024-2025 school year. Mrs. Laura Lockwood, Eagles Nest Preschool Director, will be our childcare director, and Mrs. Katie Statler will be the lead teacher. They bring a wealth of experience and enthusiasm to our new program, and we can't wait to start registering students. For more information, please contact the school office, or watch for announcements in summer emails.



## NEW ADMINISTRATOR APPOINTED TO CALVARY CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS!

*It is my great honor to announce that on May 14th the school board voted unanimously to name Mrs. Samantha Anhalt as the next administrator of Calvary Christian Schools. The board is excited to see how the Lord uses Mrs. Anhalt to advance the mission that He has called Calvary Christian Schools to fulfill.*

*I would like to thank everyone that came to either of the receptions, and all of those that provided feedback to school board members. Your input was helpful as we weighed this important decision.*

*I also want to take this opportunity to extend my heartfelt thanks to each and every one of you for your dedication and commitment to our school community. Our success this year is a testament to your hard work, creativity, and unwavering support.*

*As we reflect on the accomplishments of the past year, let us also look ahead to the opportunities that lie before us. While change can be daunting, it also presents us with the opportunity to innovate and grow, trusting God at each turn. As we prepare for the next steps in our school's journey, I am confident that we will continue to uphold our tradition of excellence and build upon our successes.*

*I want to wish each of you an enjoyable summer. May it be a time of rest and rejuvenation. Thank you for your faithful support, and I look forward to our continued partnership in the years to come.*

*Warm regards,*

*Patrick Colunga  
Board President*



## OUR MISSION:

*Partnering with parents to equip students for personal excellence and the pursuit of God's purpose for their lives.*

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FROM THE  
ADMINISTRATOR  
OF CCS

*It was June, and the world smelled of roses. The sunshine was like powdered gold over the grassy hillside." Maud Hart Lovelace, Betsy-Tacy and Tib*

*As we close an exciting chapter of school at Calvary, I am certain that I am not alone in my eagerness to soak up the sunshine, sleep a little longer, and float in some of our beautiful West Michigan waters (I will have a book in hand, complete with water curled pages!). It was a unique year, full of firsts for many of us. God used this school year to cultivate in us a collective spirit of flexibility and problem-solving, learning and discovery, humility and perseverance. We played and prayed together. We learned and laughed. We forgave and asked for forgiveness. We added new "tools to our toolboxes," tried new things, and mastered new skills. Your willingness to trust me with this school as interim head of school, and the tremendous support you gave me along with your extension of grace and friendship was a blessing I can't begin to express in these few short words. I am humbled by your patience with me and your dedication to our school. I pray that as we stretch into these long awaited, lazy summer days, you will find refreshment and rest, make memories, and draw closer to the One to whom we owe everything. - Sam Anhalt*

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## EXCITEMENT IS IN THE AIR!

- Mr. Tom Beetham will be our new **Chapel and Bible Coordinator** for the 24-25 school year! Tom is a trained pastor and high school teacher, and if you haven't had a chance to get to know him, we hope you will take that opportunity soon! He loves the Lord, has a passion for His Word, and truly has a heart to see our students turn their hearts to Jesus! He will also continue teaching Bible, Yearbook, and British Literature.
- We are excited to reestablish our **K-5 elementary Spanish Program**. Mrs. Kate Case comes to us after a recent 18 month stint abroad with her husband and four children (who will also be joining our Calvary family next year) living in Patagonia, South America, and has years of teaching experience (she will also be teaching elementary art) and we are thrilled to welcome her to our teaching staff.
- **Band is returning!** We are pleased to announce a restart of our **CCS BAND PROGRAM**. Our new director, Nick Debone, has over a dozen years of experience, and we are excited to welcome him to our Performing Arts Department! We will introduce him to you soon, and share more information about getting your child/ren connected with an instrument for the fall!
- **Calvary Eagles Nest Childcare** - opening for preschoolers all day and preschool - 5th grade after school from 3:30-5:30 starting in September! More details to follow!
- **Dual Enrollment is here** for our High School Students! **Grace Christian University** is partnering with us to offer online classes during our school day, built into our schedule, for qualifying sophomores, juniors, and seniors. This program will earn our students easily transferable college credit at no cost to our families! More information will be available in the Back to School Packets.
- We are **changing up our middle and high school class schedules** to create opportunities for our students to have classes with other students outside their grade, more options of classes to take, and to create more **opportunities** for a diverse class schedule. Also, watch for emails about class selection surveys, Michigan Virtual High School course offerings, and our new Grace Christian University Dual Enrollment.
- **Parent TASC HOURS and High School Student SERVICE HOURS** - summer is a great time to get your hours in! Watch for emails detailing upcoming work days at Calvary. Also, if students volunteer at summer camps, work in VBS, or participate in other community service, keep track of those hours to turn in when we return in the fall, and they can count for the 24-25 school year.

## MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL SPIRITUAL EMPHASIS DAY

On Thursday, April 18, our Middle and High School students enjoyed a special school day set aside for Spiritual Life Emphasis Day. The middle schoolers spent the day in special chapel sessions with Mr. Tom Beetham, small group work with their teachers, and enjoying extra snack times and outdoor fun. With the high school students, we went off campus to Lakeshore Baptist Church, where we were joined by Pastor Mark Douglass of Ravenna Baptist Church. He challenged us from God's word, and our student worship team led us in lifting up God's name in music. After a walk to Lake Michigan at Rosy Mound Park, and a catered lunch from Qdoba, the students spent the afternoon serving the community at the Muskegon County Fairgrounds and the Love in Action Grace Garden in Grand Haven, which serves the community by providing fresh produce all summer for locals experiencing food insecurity. It was a great day!



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# CLASS OF 2024



## **Levi Ramsey Nabil Assaad, Valedictorian**

Levi is the son of Haney and Joy Assaad. He attended Calvary Christian Schools for 14 years. Levi's favorite verses are Proverbs 3:5-6 - Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to Him, and He will make your paths straight. His student activities at CCS included National Honor Society, worship, tutoring, band for 5 years and choir for 3 years. Levi participated in varsity soccer for 4 years. His community service included Youth Advisory Council, Love in Action Community Garden, Trinity Health Seaway Run, highway cleanup, Feed America Food Truck, and spring cleanup at Camp Henry. His church ministries included set up and tear down at church and spreading the Gospel to others through AWANA and other activities. Levi plans to attend Grand Valley State University to pursue a degree in Computer Engineering.



## **Caleb Roelynn Nelson, Salutatorian**

Caleb is the son of Deron and Rebekah Nelson. He attended Calvary Christian Schools for 11 years. Caleb's favorite verses are Psalm 25:4-5 - Show me Your ways, Lord, teach me Your paths. Guide me in Your truth and teach me, for You are God my Savior, and my hope is in You all day long. His student activities at CCS included National Honor Society, strategy club, tutoring, teacher aide, worship team, tech for school concerts and programs, band for one year and choir for one year. Caleb participated in soccer and golf. His community service included Feed America Food Truck, highway cleanup, Love in Action Community Garden, and spring cleanup at Camp Henry. His church ministries included youth group leadership team, raking yards for elderly in the church, and Muskegon County Rescue Mission cleaning. Caleb plans to attend Taylor University to pursue a degree in engineering.



## **William Jeffrey Anhalt**

Will is the son of Jeff and Samantha Anhalt. He attended Calvary Christian Schools for 14 years. Will's favorite verses are 2 Peter 1:5-7 - For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; and to godliness, mutual affection; and to mutual affection, love. His student activities at CCS included President of Student Council, President of National Honor Society, student worship team leader, tutoring, serving lunch, event set up and tear down, concessions, choir, and band. Will participated in soccer for 4 years, varsity golf for 4 years, and varsity basketball for 1 year. His community service included Youth Advisory Council, highway cleanup, and Feed America Food Truck, spring cleanup at Camp Henry, and Love in Action Community Garden. His church ministries included going on mission trips and helping with set up and tear down. Will plans to attend Cedarville University to pursue a degree in Mechanical Engineering.



## **Kara Lynn Baas**

Kara is the daughter of Mark and Beth Baas. She has attended Calvary Christian Schools for 9 years. Kara's favorite verse is Romans 8:28 - And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose. Her student activities at CCS included National Honor Society, worship team, tutoring, serving lunch, student council, choir for 5 years, band for 6 years, and theater club for 3 years. Kara participated in volleyball, basketball, and track. Her community service activities included Feed America Food Truck, coat and sock drives, highway cleanup, Love in Action Community Garden, and spring cleanup at Camp Henry. Her church ministries included working in the nursery and serving as a Sunday school teacher. Kara plans to attend Grand Canyon University to pursue a degree in nursing.



## **Aiden Mitchell Boucher**

Aiden is the son of Mitchell and Charlys Boucher. He has attended Calvary Christian Schools for 3 years. Aiden's favorite verse is Ecclesiastes 3:12 - I know that there is nothing better for people than to be happy and to do good while they live. His student activities at CCS included worship team, serving lunch, and band. His community service activities included highway cleanup and spring cleanup at Camp Henry. Aiden plans to attend Muskegon Community College to pursue a degree in business.



### **Eric William Westley DuBois Quail**

Eric is the son of ElizaBeth DuBois Quail. He attended Calvary Christian Schools for 5 years. Eric's favorite verse is Deuteronomy 31:6 - Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the Lord your God goes with you; He will never leave you nor forsake you." His student activities at CCS included worship team, event set up and teardown, and concessions. Eric participated in basketball, baseball, soccer, track, and cross country. His community service activities included highway cleanup and spring cleanup at Camp Henry. His church activities included being an alter boy. Eric will be joining the United States Marine Corp after graduation.



### **Ella Ann Dykman**

Ella is the daughter of Scott and Sarah Dykman. She attended Calvary Christian Schools for 6 years. Ella's favorite verse is 1 Peter 5:7 - Cast all your anxiety on Him because He cares for you. Her student activities at CCS included National Honor Society, tutoring, teacher aide, student council, serving lunches, worship team, and helping with concerts. Ella participated in volleyball for 5 years and basketball for one year. Her community service activities included volunteering and fostering for Big Lake Humane Society, highway cleanup, Love in Action Community Garden, Love Inc., Gift of Life Campaign, and blood drives. Her church ministries included working in the nursery and set up and tear down chairs. Ella plans to pursue a career as a dog groomer at Classy Canines.



### **Nolan Richard Ghezzi**

Nolan is the son of Barry and Amanda Ghezzi. He attended Calvary Christian Schools for 14 years. Nolan's favorite verse is Philippians 4:13 - I can do all this through Him who gives me strength. His student activities at CCS included National Honor Society, teacher aide, worship team, and student council. Nolan participated in basketball. His community service activities included Feed America Food Truck, Love in Action Community Garden, highway cleanup, and spring cleanup at Camp Henry. His church activities included tech team and tear down. Nolan plans to pursue a career as an electrician.



### **Joshua Robert Nelson**

Joshua is the son of Deron and Rebekah Nelson. He attended Calvary Christian Schools for 11 years. Joshua's favorite verse is John 5:44 - How can you believe since you accept glory from one another but do not seek the glory that comes from the only God? His student activities at CCS included National Honor Society, strategy club, tutoring, worship team, tech for school concerts and programs, and playing percussion. Joshua participated in soccer and golf. His community service included Feed America Food Truck, highway cleanup, Love in Action Community Garden, and spring cleanup at Camp Henry. His church ministries included youth group leadership team, raking yards for elderly in the church, and Muskegon County Rescue Mission cleaning. Joshua plans to attend Taylor University to pursue a degree in engineering.



### **Kaleb Michael Sutherland**

Kaleb is the son of Ben and Mary Sutherland. He attended Calvary Christian Schools for 13 years. Kaleb's favorite verse is Romans 10:9 - If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. His student activities at CCS included chess club, strategy club, worship team, and drama club. Kaleb participated in soccer and basketball. His community service activities included highway cleanup and spring cleanup at Camp Henry. His church ministries included serving on the worship team, serving for offering and helping with communion. Kaleb plans to attend Muskegon Community College to pursue a degree in performing arts.



### **Marissa Grace Tyler**

Marissa is the daughter of Ryan and Shannon Tyler. She attended Calvary Christian Schools for 9 years. Marissa's favorite verse is Proverbs 31:25 - She is clothed with strength and dignity; she can laugh at the days to come. Her student activities at CCS included National Honor Society, teacher aid, tutoring, worship team, event set up and tear down, and helping with concerts. Marissa participated in volleyball. Her community service activities included Feed America Food Truck, highway cleanup, Love in Action Community Garden, spring cleanup at Camp Henry, Gift of Life Campaign, volunteering at Unity Christian Music Festival, and blood drives. Her church ministries included going on mission trips to Utah and Ecuador, working in the nursery and helping with Vacation Bible School. Marissa plans to take a gap year as a Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) and travel.



### **Samuel Melkamu Zelenka**

Sam is the son of Paul and Beth Zelenka. He attended Calvary Christian Schools for 11 years. Sam's favorite verse is Philippians 4:6 - Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. Sam's activities at CCS included National Honor Society, teacher aide, helping at concerts, highway cleanup, spring cleanup at Camp Henry, and Love, Inc. Sam participated in varsity basketball for 2 years and varsity soccer for 3 years. His church ministries included a mission trip to Honduras with Casa de Esperanza Ministries. Sam plans to serve an apprenticeship to pursue a career as an electrician.



# OUR CCS GRADUATES!

## CLASS OF 2024



## KINDERGARTEN CLASS OF 2036



## CCS SPRING FINE ARTS PERFORMANCES



## 8th Grade Trip with New Friends from New Era Christian School

This May our eighth grade class was joined by the eighth graders from New Era Christian school for our first annual trip to the Creation Museum in Kentucky. Led by Mrs. Lisa Toth, the group also visited the Indianapolis Zoo! What a great trip enjoying God's amazing creation! We can't wait to take next year's eighth graders to the Ark Encounter!



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