Student-Parent Handbook 2025-2026



"Achieving Academic Excellence in Christ"

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Greetings Calvary Christian School Parents and Students,

The staff and administration of Calvary Christian School Nampa (CCSN) are looking forward to serving you and your family through the Christian education of your child\children. The school has been operating since 1994, when we began to offer Pre-kindergarten and Kindergarten classes. Then in 2002 we expanded our range of educating through 12th grade.

CCSN is a para-ministry, originating from and accountable to Calvary Chapel Nampa (Church). This school holds to our statement of faith as well as all the principles and biblical doctrines of Calvary Chapel Nampa (Church) as outlined in the Word of God, the Bible.

Initially our vision was to have a ministry of Christian education for the youth of the church and our local community. Our vision was to provide the highest quality Christian education at a tuition that would be affordable for all. Senior Pastor Tim Doughty of Calvary Chapel Nampa (Church) serves as the principle and spiritual advisor for CCSN.

We offer a Christ-centered, faith-based curriculum across all grade levels—from preschool through 12th grade. Our commitment is twofold: to deliver an exceptional education marked by academic excellence and to cultivate Christ-like character in every student. We believe that true education must include God at its core—when it doesn't, it misses its purpose. Therefore, we nurture both spiritual and academic growth in every young life entrusted to us.

Welcome to Calvary Christian School Nampa as we look forward to the coming year of God's blessings.

Yours in Christ,

Tim Doughty

Tim Doughty – School Principal

- 1. We believe in Jesus the Christ as God's only means of salvation, through His death on the cross, for all the sins of mankind. Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me. (John 14:6 NKJV)
- **2.** We believe salvation is attained through God's grace, by faith alone in Jesus Christ and not because of man's good works. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; *it is* the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast. *(Ephesians 2:8-9 NKJV)*
- 3. We believe in a triune God, made up of three persons each being God, identified in the Bible, as God the Father, Jesus the Son and the Holy Spirit. Go [a]therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, (Matthew 28:19 NKJV)
- **4.** We believe the Bible is the inspired and inerrant Word of God. All Scripture *is* given by inspiration of God, and *is* profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for linstruction in righteousness, (2 Timothy 3:16 NKJV)
- 5. We believe in the literal Resurrection of Jesus from the dead. For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures, (1 Corinthians 15:3-4 NKJV)
- **6.** We believe in the literal creation account as is given in. In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. (**Genesis 1:1NKJV**)
- 7. We believe marriage is ordained by God, as a covenant relationship between one man and one woman for life. And said, 'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh'? ⁶ So then, they are no longer two but one flesh. Therefore, what God has joined together, let not man separate." (Matthew 19:5-6 NKJV)
- 8. We believe that the Holy Spirit indwells every believer of Jesus and empowers them with spiritual gifts to be used by God to further His kingdom. For John truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now." But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." (Acts 1:5,8 NKJV)

Calvary Christian School Nampa (CCSN) is a private Christian school open to families seeking a Christian faith-based education. Founded by Calvary Chapel Nampa Church, we provide an education based upon the teachings of the Bible that agree with Calvary Chapel Nampa Church's statement of faith. See page 1.

School Motto

"Achieving Academic Excellence in Christ"

Mission Statement

Calvary Christian School Nampa is committed to offering an outstanding Christ centered comprehensive curricula focused on developing Godly character, individual academic excellence, and instituting critical thinking skills.

Beliefs

The young men and women who complete their studies at Calvary Christian School Nampa are steeped in Biblical character, thereby becoming successes in their homes, their churches, their communities, and are a benefit to all they encounter.

Nondiscrimination Policy

Calvary Christian School Nampa is mindful of the mission to be a witness by the love of Christ for all. We admit students regardless of race, color, or national and/or ethnic origin. We extend all rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. While the school does not discriminate against students with special needs, a full range of educational services may not be available here. Decisions concerning the admission and continued enrollment of a student in the school are based upon the student's emotional, academic, and physical abilities and the resources available to the school in meeting the student's needs.

School/Parent Relationship

For any school to be effective with the student, it is essential that a spirit of cooperation, trust, and support exist between the school and the parents. For this reason, we ask each family to become familiar with the philosophy, policies, and procedures developed and enforced by Calvary Christian School Nampa. It may sometimes happen that a family is not supportive of the school and its Mission. Should a discrepancy reach the point where the school judges that the necessary and appropriate relationship no longer exists, the family will be required to withdraw the student from the school.

Notice of an Implied Agreement

The registration of students at Calvary Christian School Nampa is deemed to be an at will agreement on their part, and on the part of their parents or guardians, to comply fully with all policies, rules, and regulations of the school as outlined in this Handbook. Calvary Christian School Nampa reserves the right to make revisions in this Handbook when deemed necessary by the school Administration. The most current handbook in effect shall be posted on the school website.

Agreement to be Governed

The Student-Parent Handbook is published to provide information regarding the rules, policies, and procedures that govern students and parents at Calvary Christian School Nampa. It may be found online at www.ccschoolnampa.org. In order to ensure that parents and students have read the Student-Parent Handbook, it is necessary that both parents and students sign their *respective commitment forms on pages 13 and 14 of the enrollment packets.* Students will not be allowed to attend class until the signed form is completed as part of the enrollment process. All rules, policies and procedures will be in effect as long as the student remains enrolled at Calvary Christian School Nampa.

Admissions Procedures

- 1. Set up an interview and tour the campus. Parents and students must attend.
- 2. Complete enrollment packet.
- 3. For 2nd Grade and up, set up an appointment for initial diagnostic testing.
- 4. Upon acceptance, your student's transcripts and permanent records must be sent from his/her former school to Calvary Christian School Nampa.
- 5. Parents must attend an orientation meeting on August 11, 2025 @ 6:30 PM.

Enrollment Procedures

- 1. Be certain that you understand the policies and procedures found in the "Parent Handbook."
- 2. Return to us: add disclosure page for IEP or 504 plan, if student has either, parent must submit plan prior to school acceptance
 - Completed application for enrollment/re-enrollment; if possible, both parents must sign. Note: for new students, the enrollment form is only available from the school office.
 - Letters from student's pastor for all students in level five (5) and above (applicable to new students only.)
 - Immunization Record (photocopy new students only)
 - Birth Certificate (photocopy new students only)
 - Parent and Student Commitment Forms
 - Make the necessary financial arrangements that are required by the school. (Payment of non-refundable registration fee/diagnostic fee)

Basic Qualifications for Admission

Preschool

Children who plan to attend the Calvary Christian School Nampa preschool program must be 4 years old by September 1st of the current school year and fully potty trained. An interview with an administrator is advisable to gauge maturity and their readiness for the learning program. All children must also have proof of immunization or an immunization waiver on file and a birth certificate.

Kindergarten

Children who plan to attend Kindergarten at Calvary Christian School Nampa must be 5 years of age by September 1st of the current school year and pass the fine motor skills evaluation. In addition, they will be given a reading readiness test and must score 80% or above. The reading readiness test determines if a child is ready to learn to read. All children must also have proof of immunization or an immunization waiver on file and a birth certificate.

Elementary level 1-8

Children enrolling in level 1 must be 6 years old by September 1st of the current school year and must already read. All children must also have proof of immunization or an immunization waiver on file and a birth certificate.

High School level 9-12

Students who plan to attend high school at Calvary Christian School Nampa must:

- 1. Have completed grade levels 1-8.
- 2. If they have already taken high school level classes, then they must have a valid transcript showing completed high school level classes. These must be on file before attendance begins.
- 3. A student is eligible to graduate from Calvary Christian School Nampa when all prescribed school level classes are completed. (Age is not the factor.)
- 4. All children must also have proof of immunization or an immunization waiver on file and a birth certificate.
- 5. Read, understand, and sign the student commitment on page 14 of the enrollment packet.

Code of Conduct - Basic Rules

All students at Calvary Christian School Nampa are expected to conduct themselves in a manner that will bring glory to God. Our program is designed to provide an atmosphere for students to learn to accept and perform their responsibilities while representing Christ.

Calvary Christian School Nampa has as its goal the preparation of students for life and for a daily walk with Christ. With this understanding of the objectives of Calvary Christian School Nampa, students are expected to do the right and proper thing and behave in an acceptable manner. Persistent violators of acceptable standards will not be able to continue at Calvary Christian School Nampa. An attempt is made to treat each student as an individual, but all students are expected to live, act, and behave according to Christian standards.

Attendance at Calvary Christian School Nampa is a privilege and not a right. The goal of this school is to train Christian youth of any ability in the highest principles of Christian leadership, self-discipline, personal integrity, individual responsibility, and good citizenship.

Students who had behavior problems in other schools must first give evidence of having resolved their problems before admission into Calvary Christian School Nampa. Success is attained only when students seek to maintain a positive attitude toward the school, their teachers, and fellow students.

The administration of Calvary Christian School Nampa would like to do everything we can to involve parents in their child's education. Remember that it is not just the school's responsibility to educate the child. God also assigned this responsibility to the parent(s). The function of the school is to assist parents in carrying out what God has given them to do! Please be aware that parent / teacher conferences are organized in the 1st and 3rd term.

The conferences are designed to communicate the needs and progress of your child. Communication is the key to a successful education. Parent Communications will be given to the parents weekly in the student's folder to ensure communication between parent and child. If a student does not return the parent envelope, he/she will receive a demerit. When confronted with misbehavior, parents, teachers, and students should seek to follow the guidelines laid down in *Matt.* 18:15-16 NIV "If your brother or sister sins, go and point out their fault, just between the two of you. If they listen to you, you have won them over. But if they will not listen, take one or two others along, so that 'every matter may be established by the testimony of two or three witnesses."

When a child brings home inaccurate and biased information about an incident in the school, he is presenting "slanted news". Unless this information is properly handled, a difference of opinion can result between the parents and school staff. Parents need to be on guard for "slanted news." Certainly, the home and school are a team working together toward the educational success of every child. It is, therefore, critical that agreement and cooperation between school staff and parents be communicated and encouraged throughout the school year. Such teamwork does not happen by chance. It must be diligently pursued, constantly cultivated, and faithfully implemented.

Family Service Hours:

To keep our expenses down it is necessary to have each family serve **8 hours per** school year. That is, two hours per quarter. The areas of service will vary from helping out in your child's classroom, helping in the office, listening to students read, helping keep our grounds beautiful, etc. We understand that many parents work and cannot commit their time to serve. You will be able to offset the service hours

by paying \$25.00 per hour times whatever hours were not served. We will be keeping track of your hours in the office. We will ask that you call to schedule your hours of service so that we can coordinate areas of need. With each family serving their hours, we can continue to offer an alternative Christian education for the lowest possible tuition.

Tuition Payments

Families who pay tuition in full for the 2025-2026 academic year can receive a 5% tuition discount if no other discounts have been applied. Payments will be divided into ten equal monthly payments. The first payment will be due before the first day of school. Please refer to the following tuition payment schedule for 2024-2025:

Payments can be made at the school office during normal school operating hours and days from <u>8:30</u> <u>am to 3:30 pm Monday-Thursday</u>. We accept checks, money orders, cashier's checks, cash. There will be a \$25.00 charge for any check that is returned to CCSN or for any account which has insufficient funds when a payment is posted. If three checks are returned for insufficient funds, future payments will only be accepted in the form of cash, money order, cashier's check.

If the full monthly tuition is not paid by the 15th of each month a \$25 delinquency fee will be added to your account. If all tuition and fees are not paid within 30 days from the original due date (the 1st of each month), your child/children may be suspended until the outstanding balance is paid in full. If a satisfactory payment or payment arrangement is not made on the account, we may decide to turn over the account to a third party for collection of all outstanding balances. In the event that an account is turned over to a third party there will be an additional fee placed on the account which will be equal to 25% of the outstanding balance to offset collection fees.

Dress Code

We strongly believe in consistently high standards of neatness. Students in their outward appearance should always practice cleanliness and modesty. Calvary Christian School Nampa serves families who are sincerely committed to Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord. Dress is important to our Christian witness. For all students in Preschool through 12th grade we will require the students to wear navy blue, black or khaki colored pants, skirts, skorts (skirt/shorts combination) shorts and skirts must be in the "fingertip rule"—whereby shorts or skirts must "reach to the fingertips of the extended arm" a simple way to measure this is to put your hands by your side and let them hang and if your fingers are above or the

same length as your shorts or skirt you are fine. Culottes/gaucho, Capri's or Bermuda shorts are also acceptable. A collared shirt, such as a polo shirt (short or long sleeve) or a button-up dress shirt (short or long sleeve) must be always worn. The shirts must be navy blue, light blue, black or white. An accent on the collar will be allowed.

The shirts must be solid color, no stripes. Small logo's i.e., Nike ® will be allowed. The outside layer of a child's clothing must be the school colors. The students may choose to keep their shirts untucked as long as the shirts are worn in a fashion that is neat and not very loose. In addition, belts are to be worn with pants and shoes must be canvas, leather, athletic style, or dress shoe style and have closed backs (no flip-flops). Sandals should have back straps and heels are to be worn with caution! Leggings and athletic yoga pants may only be worn under a dress or skirt, not as pants.

Dress code for \$2 Dress Down Days, field trips or events, such as awards ceremony will be limited to pants or jeans with no holes or tears in them, shorts or skirts which must be within the "fingertip rule." Blouse's, shirts, and jerseys may be worn as long as they have sleeves and are free of tears and have no offensive language or images on them. Shoes must follow the school dress code.

Parents are expected to pay attention to how their children are dressed for school each day and for any school events, making sure their child follows our dress code policy. To assist parents in this responsibility, the administration of Calvary Christian School Nampa reserves the right to restrict any student from attending class or other school activities when a student dresses in a way deemed inappropriate for a Christian school. 1 Corinthians 10:31 "So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God."

Hair

Boys and Girls – Hair must be away from eyes. No using colored hair spray to color hair.

Boys – Hair must be away from ears and not hanging over the shirt collar. No using colored hair spray to color hair.

Piercings and Tattoos

Boys – Not permitted: Piercings, tattoos, and gauges.

Girls – May have ear piercings that are reasonable, but no tattoos and no gauges.

Standards for Behavior

The guidelines below are designed to assist in providing an optimum atmosphere for learning to serve God. A child who does not respond to human authority will have a difficult time responding to God.

God commands respect for those in authority. This requires obedience to all staff (teachers, regardless of grade level, office staff, aides, and volunteers) unless they are asking the student to violate a Biblical principle. Responding to authority, while communicating a good attitude is acceptable.

Having respect for authority requires that students:

- 1. Come to class prepared with assignments completed, have required materials (pens, paper, pencils, etc.), and be ready to perform when class begins.
- 2. Act in a manner that is not distracting or disrespectful.
- 3. Do things that build others up, not hurt them.

Academic Balance-

Students wishing to participate in the CCS sports program, After School Clubs, and drama productions must maintain an academic balance of 80% in their classes. Students who fall below the required 80% will be considered ineligible to participate in these activities.

<u>Cheating</u>- Proverbs 12:22 "Lying lips are an abomination to the Lord, but those who deal faithfully are His delight."

Any student caught cheating will be placed on a probation period.

<u>Stealing-</u> Proverbs 10:2 "Treasures gained by wickedness do not profit, but righteousness delivers from death."

Any student caught stealing will be placed on a probation period. During this probationary period if they are caught doing anything else contrary to our code of conduct, the student will be suspended 3 days. Stealing from faculty or other students will not be tolerated.

Reverence-

In all areas of instruction, teachers and students will give God's character proper respect and consideration. Specifically, class songs, skits, stories, and discussions that include references to the name and attributes of the Lord God must be consistent with Biblical principles.

Behavior Guidelines

- 1. Respect God and others in words and actions.
- 2. Students are to obey and respect their teachers.
- 3. Dishonesty in any situation while at school, including lying, cheating, and stealing will not be permitted.
- 4. Rebellion or outright disobedience in response to instructions will not be tolerated.

- 5. Bullying will not be tolerated. Bullying is intentional, repeated behavior that causes harm or distress to others. It can be physical, verbal, social, or cyber in nature. Our school is committed to preventing and addressing bullying. All students and staff are expected to treat others with kindness and respect, report any bullying incidents promptly, and support peers who are being bullied.
- 6. Fighting: striking or pushing in anger with the intention to harm another student will not be allowed. If any student is involved in a physical fight on school campus, he/she will be suspended immediately. The student's parents will be notified and asked to come pick up their child directly.
- 7. Obscene, vulgar, or profane language or gestures, as well as taking the name of the Lord in vain will result in disciplinary action.
- 8. Cutting class or leaving school without permission is not allowed.
- 9. Students are expected to keep boy/girl relationships in good taste, whether or campus or at school functions. **Physical contact between boys and girls is not allowed**, whether it is showing affection, teasing, horseplay, or harassment.
- 10. Cell phones are to be turned into the Teacher from the moment they step onto school campus until they leave school campus. If a student is caught with a cell phone while on school campus, it will be confiscated, and a parent will have to come to the school to pick it up. Please contact the school office if you need to contact a student directly.
- 11. Radios, tape/CD players, beepers, electronic games, earphones of any kind or any other distracting objects such as laser pointers are not permitted on campus unless authorized by the administration staff.
- 12. For the safety of all Calvary Christian School Nampa students and staff, the following objects which could cause injury to people or damage to property are forbidden on campus and at school activities: knives, guns, brass knuckles, fireworks, and/or any other objects that fall into the category of a weapon. Disregard for these safety measures will lead to serious discipline and could bring expulsion from Calvary Christian School Nampa.
- 13. Skateboards, inline skates, and roller blades are not to be used on campus.
- 14. No running in the hallways, climbing trees or climbing any buildings on school and church grounds.
- 15. Alcohol or tobacco, or any other non-prescribed drug will not be permitted.
- *Automobiles may be searched with or without permission from the student or parent if the administration feels there is reasonable suspicion of unapproved items in the vehicle that is on school property.
- *Backpacks, purses, pockets, lockers, etc. may be searched at the discretion of the administration at any time there is suspicion of unapproved activity or items.
- *Desks will be checked by the staff regularly to make sure they are kept clean. If the administration feels the need to perform a search of a desk or student, Calvary Christian School Nampa reserves the right to do so without permission granted by the student or parent.

Discipline Process

Calvary Christian School Nampa is concerned with the development of moral character and behavior in children. The teacher will contact parents for poor or disruptive behavior by their children in the classroom. Our goal is to teach our students to spend their time and energy for the purpose of godliness. We expect students to behave in a manner that will bring honor to God and our school. The school's aim in dealing with student misconduct is not primarily to punish, but to bring about change.

In an effort to create and maintain an environment in which students can grow spiritually, academically and socially, we have designed a discipline policy to <u>encourage mutual respect and promote independent behavior in our students.</u> Hopefully, this plan will ensure that all students understand their rights and responsibilities, the consequences of violations of school rules, and the procedures for dealing with violations.

Discipline Policy

Discipline is what is done for a student, not what is done to him. Authority for training and education is a parental responsibility. Parents enrolling their children in the school invest authority in the school to discipline their children whenever necessary. All staff and faculty members have authority to discipline (corporal punishment is not used) any student whenever such action is deemed necessary.

As a part of the educational process, students are expected to learn appropriate and responsible behavior. The supervisor will have in place a classroom management plan. Staff members are expected to discipline students in a manner appropriate to the offense, building an atmosphere of cooperation and respect. When the classroom management consequences fail to bring about the desired behavioral change, the teacher will hold a conference with the student and notify the parent and the administration. If undesired behavior reoccurs, the teacher will speak with the parents. If inappropriate behavior continues or the classroom management process is not correcting the situation, an administrator will be asked to intervene.

A student who does not comply with a directive of the teacher or engages in severe misconduct will be referred directly to the administration rather than the steps outlined for repetitious minor behavior. A student who prevents the educational process from continuing will be sent to in-school detention and referred to the administration. In any situation involving school facilities or activities, the staff present is presumed to have the authority to deals with behavior problems and may refer violations outside the classroom to the administration.

- 3-demerits = after school detention
- 3 detentions in a quarter = 3-day suspension
- This applies to grades 4 and up.

Merits and Demerits

The merit and demerit systems are designed to give the student and parents an objective picture of the student's general behavior. Merits are awarded for good behavior and good work ethics, while demerits

are given for unacceptable behavior and poor work ethics. Accumulated merits may be redeemed for merchandise in the school merit store. Accumulation of demerits will lead to discipline in the form of loss of privileges, detention, suspension, or expulsion from school.

Detention

Three or more demerits in one day will result in a 30-minute after school detention students must be picked up by 4:05pm and no later.

After the 2nd detention in a quarter, a parent meeting will be required.

- 3-demerits = after school detention
- 3 detentions in a quarter = 3-day suspension
- This applies to grades 4 and up.

Suspension

Repeated violations of behavior and/or unacceptable work ethics not corrected through detention or in school suspensions will result in a student being sent home and suspended for a week. Both parents will need to meet with the school administrator and the student's teacher before the student can be readmitted to school. The student may potentially be placed under probation. If a student is suspended for misconduct, the family will still be required to pay the monthly tuition payments.

Probation

Students may be placed on probation for poor academic results, poor attendance, and repeated behavioral issues. When a student is placed on probation, there will be a meeting with the student, parents, student's teacher, and the school administrator. Conditions of the probation contract will be clearly stated and will be in effect for one rolling quarter, at which time the student's behavior will be evaluated. During the probationary period students will not be allowed to participate in extracurricular activities such as sports, field trips, conventions etc. If the student does not correct the behavior for which the student was placed on probation the student may be expelled from the school at the discretion of the school administrator and student's teacher

Expulsion

Certain behaviors and behaviors not corrected by detention and/or suspension may result in expulsion from Calvary Christian School Nampa. In the case of such an offense, the matter will be referred to the school board, which consists of the school administrator, church leadership, and the church senior pastor, for determination of expulsion. During the time of this review a meeting will be arranged with the student under review and his or her parents or guardian, to determine the outcome. Expelled students are not allowed on campus.

<u>AppropriateBehavior at Sporting Events and Field Trips</u> (Includes all CCSN activities)

Attitudes and behavior are at all times to be in line with Christian conduct that will be pleasing to God, bring honor to Him, and in no way jeopardize our Christian witness.

At sporting events, fans and students are asked to be positive toward officials, coaches, players, and opposing fans. Athletics function best when everyone knows their role and embraces it. Athletes play the game, coaches coach, officials officiate, and fans (parents) encourage their respective child and team.

The referees or other assigned officials are the authorities in charge at any competitive event. They are to be respected at all times, regardless of your opinion of the calls.

Good sportsmanship includes respecting the facilities of another school or venue and obeying their rules; however, they may differ from our own, <u>and in general doing nothing to make others not want us to return</u>.

There shall be no abusive behavior, vocal or otherwise. <u>There shall be no booing of officials, coaches,</u> players, or other fans. No negative cheers shall be used by either students or fans.

Field Trips

When going on field trips, either by car or by bus, safety for others is of the greatest importance.

When visiting a field trip sight, be aware of all regulations and restrictions and obey them.

If there is a guide or docent present to lead the field trip, give them the utmost courtesy and listen to the knowledge they are attempting to share.

There is a field trip authorization form signed by parents at the beginning of the school year that will authorize their student to participate in field trips throughout that school year.

Field trips are limited to average no more than one per school quarter. We will give parents <u>at least two</u> **weeks' notice** prior to all field trips so that they may decide to chaperone if that is their desire.

Field trips are intended only for students who attend Calvary Christian School Nampa. Siblings or friends who do not attend Calvary Christian School Nampa are not allowed or may attend per teacher discretion. Parents who wish to drive on field trips or any other off-campus activity must have adequate insurance coverage. Please check with your insurance carrier for Idaho requirements. Any parents observed driving in an unsafe manner will not be allowed to drive students to or from any school activities.

Field trips are a wonderful way to enhance the educational process as well as be a reward for work well done. If the educational goals set out by the school are not being met, field trips will be cancelled or those students not making the effort to keep up with their studies will not be invited on the outing until they are current in their class work.

Complaints and Concerns

Calvary Christian School Nampa views parents as having not just the right to share concerns, but as having a responsibility to be part of the solution. As problems and inquiries arise, it is important that these be dealt with expediently and in the proper way. First, contact should be with the persons directly involved. Then, if the concern is not cleared up, one should go to the next appropriate level. We desire and encourage parents to give constructive feedback. We encourage parents and students to follow the principle of *Matthew 18:15-16*. The appropriate levels of communication are as follows:

- Students and/or parents meet with the person and/or parents concerned.
- Students, parents, and the person concerned meet with the teacher.
- The above-mentioned people meet with the administrator.
- The above-mentioned people meet with the school board.

Health and Illness Guidelines

The control of communicable disease is imperative to the health and education of every child and family. Illnesses most frequently found in school are colds, flu, 3-day measles, mumps, chicken pox, and strep throat. These diseases are spread from person to person by droplets from the mouth during a short period of time when the child complains very little or is not visibly ill. A child should be kept at home if he or she:

1. Lacks energy and appears overly tired or sleepy.

- 2. Shows any symptoms of a communicable disease, such as flu, measles, whooping cough, scarlet fever, pink eye, etc.
- 3. Has a rash that has not been identified.
- 4. Is running a fever. (99 degrees or higher)
- 5. Is nauseated or has diarrhea.

Due to the danger of spreading an illness, your child may be sent home if he/she has a fever or displays any of the other symptoms listed above. The sick child who is recovering should remain home 24 hours after his/her temperature returns to normal.

Medications

Only medicines in the original containers with expiration dates and dosage instructions, accompanied by a Request to Dispense form, will be dispensed to students. These must be brought to the office and given to office staff. Over the counter medicines, such as aspirin or Tylenol, may be given to student with verbal or written permission from his or her parent or guardian. No medicines may be kept with the student.

Medical Appointments

If it is necessary for a child to leave early for a medical appointment, a written request should be sent to the teacher in advance. No child will be released to anyone other than a parent or someone authorized in writing by the parent. After school medical appointments are strongly preferred.

Accidents on Campus

In the event of an accident of any measure on school property, a full accident report will be taken by the administration of the school. Witnesses will be asked to give a report and sign the report. The parent will be contacted and given a copy of the report upon request.

Attendance Policy at Calvary Christian School Nampa

- 1. According to Idaho State law, attendance at school is compulsory. Parents are to notify the school office by 9:00 am each day their child is absent (208-467-9114).
- 2. Students who are ill are requested to remain home. Please call the school or teacher to verify the absence and obtain homework.
- 3. Absences for reasons other than illness or emergency must be pre-approved by the teacher and school administrator. Homework will be assigned and must be completed while the

student is away from school. Students who fail to complete the required assignments may not be re-admitted until the work is finished.

- 4. Parents are encouraged to keep unnecessary absences to a minimum. Students whose are absent more than 4 days in a quarter will be placed on academic probation.
- 5. For High school students to receive credit for subjects completed they must complete the subject with an 80% minimum and have no more than four absences in a quarter. Failure to comply will result in an incomplete grade.
- 6. Inclement weather closing: If there is any doubt that CCSN will be closed because of weather please check the social media sites on Facebook. Watch for text messages on the CHURCH CENTER App or watch www.ktvb.com/closings and monitor school closure announcements.

Tardiness

Punctuality is a virtue all people should develop. Class starts @ 8:30 am. Tardiness disrupts the class. Students are to arrive at school no earlier than 15 minutes before school and class session begins. Late arriving students must check in at the school office before entering the classroom. Students who are tardy will be issued demerits. Excessive demerits will lead to detention, suspension, academic probation, and may eventually lead to expulsion.

After School Pick Up Times

Students are to be picked up after school no later than 3:45 pm unless other arrangements have been made through your child's teacher or through the office. If your child is not picked up by 3:45 pm they will be required to go to the Enrichment Program and parents will be charged \$10.00 for the time student is in the Enrichment Program, if time goes past an hour, it will be \$10.00 per hour till 6 pm. All students must be picked up by 6 pm.

For students in after school detention, they must be picked up by 4:05pm

Closed Campus

Calvary Christian School Nampa is a closed campus. Students are not allowed to leave the campus during school hours without written permission from parents or guardians. The parking lots are off limits for students except for their arrival to and departure from school.

Closed campus also means that students may not have friends visit them during school hours.

Class Visits

All visitors must check in at the school office and be given a visitor pass. It would be appreciated if parents could notify the office ahead of time if they plan to visit their child's classroom. Planned parent visits are always very welcome.

Lunch Program

At the present time Calvary Christian School Nampa does not have facilities for a hot lunch program. Until such time as we have these facilities, students will bring their own cold lunches.

Cell Phone Policy

Students are not allowed to use their cellphones during school hours. This includes upon arrival at school campus between 8:00 am and 8:30 am before school starts. If a student has brought a cell phone to school, they must turn in the cellphone to their teacher at the beginning of class. Cell phones will be confiscated if a student is caught using their cell phone during school hours 8:30 am to 3:45 pm. Parents/guardian will have to pick up the cell phone from the student's teacher at the end of the school day. Repeated violations of cellphone policy will result in the cellphone being turned in to the school Administrator and parents/guardians will have to schedule a meeting with the school administrator to pick up the student's cellphone.

Contact with Students Outside of Normal Working Environment

It is the policy of Calvary Christian School Nampa that there will be no personal contact other than in certain exceptional circumstances, between staff and current students outside the normal working environment. Examples of exceptional circumstances could include sporting activities, organized social circumstances (such as organized sports events, shared interests such as volunteering or school fundraising events). Students should not establish or seek to establish social contact with staff for the purpose of securing friendship or to pursue or strengthen a relationship. The reasons for this are:

- Such contact can blur the professional boundaries between the staff member and student
- Such contact can compromise confidentiality
- Such contact can place both student and the staff member in a position of vulnerability

Students at Calvary Christian School Nampa may struggle to differentiate between the role
of staff member and friend. They may therefore have expectations which the staff member
cannot fulfil.

Any proposed contact between students and staff outside of the normal working environment, must be agreed in advance by the student's parents and approved by the School Administrator. If agreed, a record of this must be kept on the staff members' personal file and the student's file. The record must set out reasons for the proposed contact.

Electronic Communication with Students

There are obviously many benefits associated with electronic communications to students and parents. There are also risks that Calvary Christian School Nampa must balance along with those benefits to protect the school its students and its employees. Therefore, it is the policy of Calvary Christian School Nampa that employees are not permitted to use social networks (such as Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat, Twitter, chat rooms etc.) when communicating with current students. Employees are not permitted to be "friends" with students or to communicate with students on an "individual to individual" basis using any social networking site. Employees must decline any student-initiated social networking "friend" requests. If any current student is a "friend" of an employee, this link must be broken. Employees are not permitted to e-mail students on an individual basis. All forms of communication must be between staff and parents/guardians. Employees are not permitted to text students under any circumstances.

School Office

The school office hours are from 8:30 am to 3:30pm Monday through Thursday. Please feel free to drop by if you have any questions. We will be glad to arrange appointments for parents with a member of the administration or with a teacher. If you need to get a message or an article to your child, please contact the office. A secretary will assist in this matter.

When picking up a student during school hours for the purpose of a doctor's appointment, etc., parents or guardians should have sent a notice to the teacher. At the time of pick-up, the parent should come to the office to sign their child out. The secretary will then call the child/children to the office to meet the parent or guardian. They may then leave the school premises.

If your child forgets his/her lunch, PE clothes, etc., please bring the article to the school office. Be sure your child's name is marked on the outside. The office will arrange to deliver the article to your child.

Student Vehicles

If students have a valid Idaho driver's license, they will be permitted to drive to school and park on the property, provided the following provisions are met:

- 1. Valid Idaho driver's license
- 2. Registration of vehicle all vehicles parked at the church/school property must be registered and properly insured.
- 3. Students are not allowed inside a vehicle at any time during school hours. Students may not give rides to other students for any reason. Students must abide by Idaho Transportation Department by-laws for driving.

Morning Pledges

United States Flag

I pledge allegiance to the flag
Of the United States of America
And to the Republic for which it stands
One nation, under God, indivisible
With liberty and justice for all.

Christian Flag

I pledge allegiance to the Christian flag And to the Savior for whose Kingdom, it stands One Savior crucified, risen, and coming again With life and liberty for all who believe.

Bible

I pledge allegiance to the Bible, God's Holy Word
I will make it a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path
I will hide its words in my heart
That I might not sin

Calvary Christian School Nampa Curriculum-K3 – Level 12 Classes

Calvary Christian School Nampa offers a Christ-centered, faith-based curriculum across all grade levels from preschool through 12th grade. The academic grading scale is:

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A = 90-100% B = 80 -89% C = 70-79% D = 60-69% F = 59% and below

Calvary Christian Schools's program is designed for each student to complete their work during classroom times. If, however, the goals set for the day cannot be met in the classroom, the teacher will assign the remainder as homework. The student will bring home a homework assignment card, which must be signed by the parents. The homework, with a parent signature, must be completed and returned the next school day.

Progress reports are sent out regularly by the Teacher to inform the parents of their child/children's progress.

Parent communication will be sent out via the Church Center App to include home with all the work, newsletters with information on school events, grades, etc. Parents are requested to acknowledge receipt of messages.

Your student's individual Teacher will be in close communication with you regarding the academic progress as well as the personal progress of your child. The teacher can give you more detailed information as to the operation and expectations in their individual grades. Please get to know your child's teacher and be aware of your child's progress on a daily basis. This is the recipe for success in Christian education.

Your child's teacher will provide you with an updated school calendar and will notify you of all upcoming events.

Questions/Notes						

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