



SIGNALS

Back to School Issue 2011

Educating to the Core

Rev. Dr. Tim Berner, Principal

Concordia Academy is committed to Educating to the Core. This commitment is in direct response to the call of Jesus to “love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind” (Matthew 22:37). Education, if it is to be a truly *Christ-like* education, cannot be limited to any one domain. It must be comprehensive, touching the heart, soul, and mind of students. The results of this Christ-like education is demonstrated in the life of Jesus himself whom we are told, “grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men” (Luke 2:52). It is the goal of Concordia Academy that all of our students would grow in the same way in which Jesus grew.



The following school wide values are at the heart of this commitment to Educate to the Core:

- Parents are the primary educators of their children under God

- All students are uniquely gifted with God given talents to achieve God intended purposes

- Teachers, coaches, and administrators develop relationships to guide learners as loving role models

- Innovative programs inspire and challenge students to discover and develop their own unique potential in all areas of life.

It is because of the above values that students and parents have every reason to be excited about this new school year. CA has been blessed with an incredible group of teachers and coaches whose passion is not only to teach their subject or sport but to teach in a way that touches the very heart, soul, and minds of their students. When this happens, our students will grow in wisdom and stature, and in favor of God and men, as they are educated to the very core of life.

Pre-School Parent Meeting

All parents are invited to a pre-school parent meeting **Tuesday, August 23rd at 7:00 PM**. The overall vision of the school as well as significant day-to-day information on programs and procedures will be shared in this informational meeting. The meeting will be less than an hour long. Following this meeting parents are invited to an old fashioned **Ice-cream Social** on the plaza. Here parents will be able to meet and mingle with other parents as well as purchase parking passes, athletic passes, CA apparel, and set up accounts for Parent Access and lunch accounts.

Parent Back-To-School Night

The annual Back-to-School Night will be held on **Monday, September 19th** beginning at 7:00 p.m. Come and meet your child’s teacher and other parents as you walk through an abbreviated day at CA.

Grandparents Day

Concordia Academy’s third annual Grandparents Day will take place on **Monday, September 26th** from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm. The Grandparents of all our students are invited to this very special day. Grandparents will enjoy lunch with their grandkids, attend chapel, enjoy special musical performances, and get to know a bit more about life at CA. This year’s Grandparents Day also serves as the kickoff to our homecoming week.

If you provided contact information for grandparents on your student’s enrollment form they will receive a direct invitation from Concordia Academy. If you did not and you would like them to receive an invitation, please send their name(s) along with contact information to linda.johnston@concordiaacademy.com.

New for 2011-2012

School Hours

The school hours will be **7:45 am – 2:30 pm**. The lunch period has been slightly shortened to allow for the earlier dismissal time. This change will greatly reduce students having to leave class early for extra-curricular events.

Parking IDs and Parking Fines

The parking IDs will cost **\$20**. All cars parked in the Concordia lot will be required to have an ID. Parking fines will also be **\$20**.

Attendance reporting

Parents should report their children's absence by **8:15 am**. In addition, if parents wish their son or daughter to be released from school for some reason such as a doctor appointment, if possible, this too should be done before 8:15 am. Attendance reporting can be done by email at attendance@concordiaacademy.com or by phone at **651-484-8429, ext. 305**.

Hot lunch

For the coming year lunch money can be paid online at concordiaacademy.com under "current students" – "payments and donations" or money can be dropped off with Kim Duis in the Business Office. Lunches will cost **\$4.30**.

Tardies

Students will be allowed four tardies per quarter with no consequence. With the fifth tardy the following consequences will commence:

4th tardy – parents and student will be notified

5th tardy – 1 hour Saturday morning detention and \$25 fine

6th tardy – 2 hour Saturday morning detention and \$50 fine

7th tardy or more – 3 hour Saturday morning detention and \$100 fine.

All of Concordia Academy's procedures and policies are spelled out in the Student Handbook. The student handbook will be available on the school website in the near future.

New Classes for 2011-2012

* Rhetoric and Public Speaking

* ART 161 Ceramics I (2 college credits plus .5 high school credit)

* ART 282 Graphic Design I (3 college credits plus .75 high school credit)

* MAN 101 Intro to Business (2 college credits plus .5 high school credit)

* THR 101 Intro to Theater (2 college credits plus .5 high school credit)

More information about CA's Academic program can be found in the Academic Handbook. The handbook can be downloaded at http://www.concordiaacademy.com/wp-content/uploads/2011/01/AcademicHandbook2011_2012.pdf.

New Student Orientation

The faculty and staff of CA are so excited to meet our new freshmen and transfer students! New student orientation will take place on Wednesday, August 24th from 8:45 am until 2:00 pm. Lunch will be provided for everyone. On this important day, students will receive schedules, locker assignments, have school pictures taken, learn more about Concordia Academy student life, and meet members of their class. Those unable to attend should leave a message for Admissions Director Marilyn Mick at 651-484-8429, ext. 136, or at marilyn.mick@concordiaacademy.com.

"At orientation, students start building the friendships that they will have for a lifetime. It's just so exciting to witness that and to be a part of it," says Stephanie Lundorff, co-coordinator of new student orientation. "We know that students need to get a lot of questions answered on this day, but it's the fun they have with each other that they'll remember!"

Final Schedule Pick-up for Returning Students

All returning students will pick up final class schedules and locker assignments on Wednesday, August 24th from 2:00-4:00 pm in the Upper Gym. Students will also be able to purchase parking ID's and have school pictures taken at that time.

Zip Code and School Directory

The zip code directory is an attachment in this email and will help you if you want to make car pool arrangements. We encourage families to carpool (better for the environment and for the wallet, plus makes better use of the parking lot!), but we understand that many family situations make carpooling difficult.

The school directory will not be available for a few months to allow the office to make all the changes that are received. If you have had any changes in your address, phone numbers, work numbers, or e-mail address, please contact the main office. The personal information about Concordia Academy students and families in these directories should not be distributed, sold, or used for any purpose other than for communication between families and staff of Concordia Academy.

Athletic Update

Mike Aurich, Athletic Director

The summer seems to be rushing by and we are currently getting ready for another school year.

The fall seasons are just about upon us and the coaches and athletes are ready. Our summer weight lifting program has been well attended and the athletes appear ready and able to go.

In order to participate in Concordia Academy athletics, a student must have a physical on file at school within the past three years. For most, this means one upon entering Concordia Academy as a freshman and one before your senior year. We must be very strict about this as it is a Minnesota State High School League requirement. Please schedule doctor's appointments before practices begin.

If you have questions about a sport, you first should contact the coach listed on this page. Any unanswered questions can be directed to Michael Aurich, Athletic Director (651) 484-8429 ext. 113, or Connie Voss at (651)-484-8429, ext. 109

All students participating in fall athletics must have a tryout pass from the Athletic Office. This pass verifies that student physical exams are up-to-date and that the High School League parent permission form and athletic fee have been turned in. The physical form and High School League eligibility form can be found on the school website under "Current Students," then click on "Forms and Handbooks." Tryout passes may be picked up at school on the following dates: August 8-12 from 9:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Athletic Fees

For 2011-12, Concordia Academy will have athletic fees of **\$150** per athlete per sport, with a limit of \$300 in fees for each athlete. The fees, which will be used to offset the normal operational expenses of athletics, are assessed outside of tuition and the other regular fees that are regularly collected in July. We will continue to work with families facing financial hardship. For co-op sports, the fees for hockey will be up to \$950 depending on fundraising and \$200 for wrestling. These fees will be due when you get the tryout pass in the winter. You may turn in your fee for the fall season along with the required forms for athletic participation. Please make checks payable to Concordia Academy and include student's name and sport in memo line. If your son or daughter tries out, but does not make a team, your check will be returned to you.

New Boys Hockey Coop

For the 2011-2012 school year, Concordia Academy will become members of the Legacy Christian Academy boys hockey coop. The team will practice & play home games at the Schwan Super Rink in Blaine & compete in the Two Rivers Hockey Conference.

2011 Concordia Fall Athletics

FOOTBALL

Practice begins August 15: 3:00-7:30 p.m.

Coach Brian Brown

brian.brown@concordiaacademy.com

BOYS' SOCCER

August 15 and 16: 10:00-11:30 am meet @ CA track with running shoes

August 15-19: 3:00-5:00 @ Shoreview Commons Park

August 20: approx. 9:00 am-1:30 pm @ Benilde-St. Margaret's (4-way scrimmage)

Coach Ryan Dolan

ryandolan2003@yahoo.com

GIRLS' SOCCER

August 15: 4:00-6:00

August 16: 9:00-11:00 & 3:00-5:00

August 17-19: 5:30-8:00

Location: TBD (an email will be sent when site is determined)

Coach Jared Rohwer 651-895-4203

jmrohwer@comcast.net

CROSS COUNTRY

Practice begins August 15: 8:00 a.m.

Coach Elizabeth Bohren 651-328-1758

elizabeth.bohren@concordiaacademy.com

VOLLEYBALL

August 15: 8:30 am-1:00 pm - all players

August 16: 8:30 am-2:00 pm - all players (teams are determined)

Coach Kristin Fink 651-269-4943

kristin.fink@concordiaacademy.com

CHEERLEADING

August 15 – no practice

August 16-18 – 6:00-8:30 pm practice

August 19 – no practice

August 20 – 10:00 am-12:30 pm practice

Coach Allie Oliver 952-412-0412

coach.oliver@hotmail.com

New Coaches

Concordia Academy welcomes two new coaches for the 2011-2012 school year. First, *Amy Bellus* will coach the varsity girls basketball team. Amy coached girls basketball at Cretin-Derham Hall for 16 years, 10 of which were at the varsity level. The second new coach is *Ryan Dolan* who will be the varsity boys soccer coach. Ryan's experience includes eight years as assistant head coach at Benilde-St. Margaret's. We are excited about the additions to the Concordia athletic program.

Parking ID Stickers

All students and staff are required to display a Concordia Academy parking ID when parking in the lot during the regular school day. **ID's cost \$20.00** each and will be available for purchase at the pre-school parent and student meetings (please have information on make/model/year of vehicles and license plate numbers available at time of purchase). Parking ID's may be purchased at student orientations, school parent meetings, and in the business office during the school year.

Overflow parking will again be on Lovell Avenue, in the south lot at King of Kings (**there are marked spaces**) and at the Buddhist temple two blocks east of the school on Lovell.

Parking is **not allowed** during the school day on the north side of County Rd. B2, Central Park School, the north lot at King of Kings or in Concordia Academy's two lots behind the school. Cars parked either inappropriately or illegally may be ticketed and/or towed at student expense.

Signs are installed on the North side of King of Kings instructing students that if they park by the playground they will be towed. This has always been in our handbook, but in an effort to help students to an even greater degree we are putting up signs that may easily be seen.

For your convenience, the Parking ID form may be downloaded from the school's website at www.concordiaacademy.com under "Current Students" then click on "Forms and Handbooks."

Senior Pictures for the 2011 Yearbook

Seniors should plan on having portraits taken no later than November 30, 2011. The yearbook deadline for submitting portraits will be Wednesday, December 14th. Specifications set by the yearbook staff for senior portraits are as follows:

- Full color
- Head and shoulders
- Vertical shots only
- Submit photos digitally to our yearbook website OR submit a printed photo (2 ½ by 3 ½ inches)

More information for the photos/yearbook requirements will be handed out with schedules on August 24th from 2:00-4:00 pm. If you have any immediate questions, please contact Keith Esala, yearbook advisor, at keith.esala@concordiaacademy.com.

Submit Senior Photos Online:
<https://images.jostens.com/login>
 Username: 400040264 Password: beacons

Guidance News

DeVon Lark, Guidance Counselor

Seniors who plan on taking the ACT or SAT for the first or second time should do so in September or October. You must register online at www.actstudent.org for the ACT test or www.satcollegeboard.com to register for the SAT. The school code for both the ACT and SAT is 242-235. ACT test dates and registration deadlines are listed below.

Seniors should also try to complete college applications during the first several months of this school year.

College reps will be coming to our school this fall to visit with juniors and seniors. The reps will sign up for a 40 minute period to meet with students in the Guidance Office. This information will be posted on the weekly calendar. Students may sign up to meet with five reps during the course of the school year.

ACT Test Dates:

September 10, 2011
 October 22, 2011
 December 10, 2011
 February 11, 2012
 April 14, 2012
 June 9, 2012

Registration Deadline

August 12, 2011
 September 16, 2011
 November 4, 2011
 January 13, 2012
 March 9, 2012
 May 4, 2012

Happenings Books Are Coming!

The junior class will be selling Happenings Books again this fall! When you purchase a book, you will receive over 2600 offers at 2 for 1 or 50% savings. (There are over 600 restaurant coupons!)

The proceeds help the junior class with Prom expenses in the spring. Be sure to contact any member of the junior class or contact one of the junior class advisors Megan Obermueller, Diane Bisping or Matt Stefan if you want a Happenings Book.

Reminders on Health and Emergency Information Forms

Health and Emergency forms and immunization information were mailed with acceptance letters to new students. This information must be on file before the beginning of school. Returning students must have a new Health and Emergency form handed in EACH year. These forms may be completed and/or turned in at the Parent Meetings. You may get these forms on the school website under "Current Students" then click on "Forms and Handbooks."

CA Parents offset tuition by working at Target Field, Metrodome and Xcel Energy Center

You can earn money for this year's tuition and continue saving toward next year. We have a great program. You choose the days you want to work. The group works on commission. You can earn anywhere from \$40.00 per event to \$100 an event. Required training is provided.

If you are interested in taking the first step all you need to do is join the Concordia Academy Parent group at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/CABeaconsSupport/>. Once you have joined the group, check out the training dates, see what events are still available to work and contact the coordinator to request the dates you would like to work. This is a great way to meet other current Concordia parents. Our stands are for current CA parents to work off tuition for their child(ren).

Target Field

There may still be time to sign up for Target Field, contact **Tim Germain at tcgerm@comcast.net or at 651-295-9962**. If you can't work this year begin planning ahead for next spring. Target Field is a great venue to work and earn tuition dollars.

Metrodome

The Vikings season is right around the corner and the training dates are quickly approaching. Contact **Blake Huffman at blakehuffman@comcast.net or at 651-484-6703**.

Xcel Energy Center

Are you looking for a way to pay for your child's tuition? Do you feel like you have more time than money? There are great opportunities at Concordia Academy to make money to help pay for your child's tuition. One way is by working MN Wild hockey games at the Xcel Energy Center. Regular season games start in early October, with some preseason games prior to that and end in March or April depending on playoffs. If you are interested in getting more information please contact **Karleen Clemens at karleen-clemens@yahoo.com**.

This is an awesome way to pay tuition for your student, especially in these hard economic times. Our coordinators are very committed to this program and they work really hard to get the best for our families. So if you are interested in working at one, two or all three venues and even if it is only once or twice a month, your family will feel the impact in your monthly budget.

Take Charge of Education

Target's Take Charge of Education®, is an easy way to help support CA. Here's how it works: visit Target.com/tcoe or call 1-800-316-6142 to designate our school, then use your REDcard whenever you shop. When you use your REDcard® (Target Credit Card®, Target Debit Card® or Target® Visa® Credit Card), Target® will donate up to 1% of your purchases to the eligible K-12 school of your choice. The Target Debit Card works like your Check Card, it comes directly out of your checking account.

Learn more at Target.com/redcard or stop in a Target store to apply.

Grandparents, alumni, friends and neighbors are all welcome to participate in the program. The more people we involve, the harder the program works for our school. If you're already participating, thank you! Check out our school's progress anytime at Target.com/tcoe.

Save the date for the

Celebration Dinner Auction

Please mark your calendar, on Saturday, November 5, 2011. Concordia Academy is hosting its annual fundraiser to support the Scholarship and Technology Funds. This year's Celebration Dinner Auction is going to be held at Concordia Academy and includes dinner, silent and live auctions.

The theme for the event is from Genesis 1:1, "In the beginning God created." We will be celebrating all that God has created in our world and for His ministry at CA. Join us in a night of uplifting fellowship and help us celebrate the exciting blessings of the coming year.

Information about donations and volunteer needs will be shared with CA families later this month and when school begins. Invitations will be mailed in September so look for them and contact us if don't receive yours.

Carwash and Barbecue at CA!

Hey all you Beacon Fans! The Varsity Football Cheerleading Squad will be sponsoring the CA-Roseville Back to School Barbecue and Carwash on Saturday, September 10th from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the school parking lot and on the plaza.

Squad members, their families and Coach Allie will be sudsing up your car while you kick back, relax, socialize and enjoy the BBQ!

What an awesome way to start the year and show your support at the same time!

Dance Team Update

Coach Lea Thompson

The Concordia Academy Dance Team held try-outs for the 2011-2012 season during the first week in June. Many girls made the team and there is still plenty of room for anyone interested in being on the team. If you would like more information about the dance team or trying out, please contact **Lea Thompson at lea.thompson@concordiaacademy.com or (763) 227-1456**. The dance team will also be hosting a Car Wash Fundraiser at Steichen's Sporting Goods on Rice St. and County Road B2 on August 13th from 10:00 am-4:00 pm. Come out to get your car wash and support a great program!

Need Forms?

A variety of Concordia Academy student forms may be downloaded from the school's web site at www.concordiaacademy.com. Click on "Current Students" then click on "Forms and Handbooks" to retrieve Health and Physical exam forms, parking ID applications, and other frequently requested forms.

Follow Us on Social Media

Concordia Academy is on Twitter and Facebook. Follow CABeacons for the latest Twitter updates, info, and good news about what God's doing at Concordia Academy. Click on the Icons to get started on Twitter or Facebook.



UPCOMING OPEN HOUSE DATES

We would ask that you keep the following Open House dates in mind as you think of families who could benefit from an excellent Christian high school experience.

Our Open House dates for this school year are as follows:

Sunday, October 30th from 1:00-3:00 pm

Tuesday evening, November 15th beginning at 7:00 pm

Tuesday evening, February 7th, beginning at 7:00 pm

Thursday evening, April 12th at 7:00 pm

We depend on our wonderful Concordia families to spread the word about our school and would love to have any contact information about friends or neighbors that you might have.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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| August 15th | Fall Athletics Begin |
| August 23rd | Pre-School Parent Meeting 7:00 p.m. |
| August 24th | New Student Orientation/School Pictures
8:45 a.m.-2:00 p.m. |
| August 24th | Returning Students Pick Up
Schedules/School Pictures 2:00-4:00 p.m. |
| August 29th | First Day of School 7:45 a.m. |
| September 19th | Parent Back-to-School Night 7:00 p.m. |
| September 26th-
October 1st | Homecoming Week |

Concordia Academy 2011-2012 School Year Notification

As a result of recent federal legislation (Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act - AHERA), each primary and secondary school in the nation is required to complete a stringent new inspection for asbestos and to develop a plan of management for all asbestos-containing building materials. Concordia Academy-Roseville has a goal to be in full compliance with this law and is following the spirit, as well as the letter of the law. As a matter of policy, Concordia Academy-Roseville shall continue to maintain a safe and healthful environment for our community's youth and employees.

In keeping with this legislation, all buildings (including portables and support buildings) owned or leased by the school district were inspected by EPA accredited inspectors and samples were analyzed by an independent laboratory. Based on the inspection, the district prepared and the state approved a comprehensive management plan for handling the asbestos located within its buildings safely and responsibly.

Furthermore, Concordia Academy-Roseville has completed its AHERA 3-year re-inspection requirement. Concordia Academy buildings, where asbestos-containing materials were found, is under repair, removal and Operations and Maintenance.

This past year, Concordia Academy-Roseville conducted the following with respect to its asbestos-containing building materials:

- * Implemented our Operations and Maintenance Program

Federal law requires a periodic walk-through (called "surveillance") every six months of each area containing asbestos. Also, the law requires for all buildings to be reinspected three years after a management plan is in effect. This will be accomplished under contract by MacNeil Environmental, Inc.

Short-term workers (outside contractors - i. e., telephone repair workers, electricians and exterminators) must be provided information regarding the location of asbestos in which they may come into contact.

All short-term workers shall contact the lead maintenance person before commencing work to be given this information.

Concordia Academy-Roseville has a list of the location(s), type(s) of asbestos-containing materials found in that school building and a description and time table for their proper management. A copy of the Asbestos Management Plan is available for review in the school office. Copies are available at 25 cents per page. Questions related to the plan should be directed to the district office, who will establish contact with our Account Manager under contract with MacNeil Environmental, Inc. To reach MacNeil Environmental, Inc. to discuss the management of our asbestos materials or with any questions, MEI is available at 218-245-2440.

Notice Concerning Use of Pest and Weed Control Materials

Concordia Academy-Roseville personnel may apply pest/weed control materials inside or on school grounds as needed. The school also utilizes a licensed, professional lawn service for the prevention and control of weeds on the school grounds.

These control materials are registered by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and are selected and applied according to label directions. The long-term health effects on children from the application of such pest/weed control materials, or the class of materials to which they belong, may not be fully understood.

An estimated schedule of herbicide/pesticide applications is available for review or copying in the school office. Parents of students may request to receive, at their expense, prior notification of any application of a pest/weed control material, should such an application be deemed necessary on a day different from the days specified in the schedule.

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Admissions Policy

Concordia Academy-Roseville admits students of any race, color, national, and ethnic origin to all rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate in the administration of its policies, scholarship and loan programs, athletic or other administered programs.