



Welcome to **CORPUS CHRISTI** HOME OF THE COUGARS



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A Welcome FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Dear Families,

Welcome to Corpus Christi Catholic School! We are thankful that you have chosen to partner with us in the education of your children. We recognize that parents are the primary educators of their children, and want to assure you that our faculty and staff members are committed to working with you in a partnership as we begin the coming year.

Our mission here at Corpus Christi School (CCS) is to nurture every child by providing opportunities to grow in faith, achieve academic success, and serve others as disciples of Jesus. Our Catholic faith is part of our identity and we are so blessed to have Fr. Pat as our pastor here at Corpus Christi Parish. In addition to celebrating Mass weekly for our school, Fr. Pat is a frequent visitor to our classrooms, sports games and special events.

We know that this upcoming school year will provide many opportunities and adventures for your children to grow academically and spiritually! As you prepare for the upcoming year, I want to note the importance of our Cougar Connection Newsletter. This is the primary way we communicate official school news and important information. I also invite you to join the Cougar Family Connection Facebook Group. This is an official group of the school that is designed to connect families with each other. For those of you not on Facebook, you might enjoy being part of the GroupMe for your student's grade. Whether you're looking to purchase a used uniform, or want to share photos from a soccer game, these are two ways you can stay connected with the CCS family.

This guide is designed to give you an overview of information that you'll need as we approach your first day of school at CCS. Closer to the beginning of the school year, you will receive an email with your child's class placement and other important back-to-school information. We look forward to seeing you when school begins! Thank you again for choosing Corpus Christi Catholic School!

Warmly,
Kristy F. Martin



Kristy F. Martin
Principal of Corpus Christi School

A Welcome FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear Families,

Welcome to Corpus Christi. First, let me thank you for entrusting our school with the education of your child. Here at Corpus Christi we hope to enrich your child both spiritually and academically. For myself, our principal, and staff, the slogan we use, to “build up the body of Christ”, are not just words on paper, but the maxim that informs what we do and how we do it. So thank you for allowing your child to be a part of that process.

Secondly, if you're not already, I would like to invite you to be a part of our Church community. I see the school as a ministry of the parish, not a separate entity. So, if you are Catholic and do not already belong to a Catholic parish, I would encourage you to become a registered member here at Corpus Christi. You can go to our website and click “join our parish” to register. If you are not Catholic, but you are interested in joining the Catholic Church, please email me at pastor@corpuschristiparish.com and we can begin that process.

Lastly, I want to assure you that our school is a partner with you in the education of your children. Therefore, if you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please do not hesitate to voice them. We hope to provide the best Catholic experience possible, which means that we will do everything in our power to build up faith, virtue, and wisdom in your child. This school ministry exists to spread the Kingdom of God, which begins in the home, with the parents leading the way. So please reach out to us whenever necessary.

Again, thank you for your willingness to be a part of Catholic education. For any parent, their main concern should be helping their child to know, love, and serve the Lord so that one day they can be with Him for all eternity. In short, all parents want their child to be holy. As pastor of Corpus Christi Catholic Church, I am happy that you have entrusted our school to assist you in that work.

In Christ,
Fr. Pat Arensberg



Fr. Patrick Arensberg
Pastor of Corpus Christi Parish



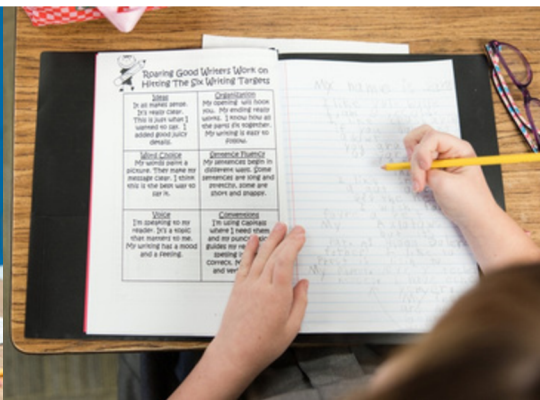
OUR MISSION AND VISION

The mission of Corpus Christi Catholic School is to nurture every child by providing opportunities to grow in faith, achieve academic success, and serve others as disciples of Jesus.

STATEMENT OF VISION

Corpus Christi Catholic School is committed to providing an education based on the teachings of Jesus Christ in an environment that supports faith development and academic success. The administration, faculty, and parents of Corpus Christi Catholic School will:

- provide the foundation for students to live their Catholic faith.
- nourish a Catholic identity through student participation in school, church, and community service.
- develop a strong, challenging curriculum that exceeds common core standards.
- provide the most innovative technology available for students and faculty.
- develop students with positive self-esteem, respect for all, self-discipline, and the skills needed to meet the challenges of the 21st century.
- ensure a safe, secure, and attractive environment.



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SOCIETY OF ST. JULIAN

Our Society of St. Julian (SSJ) families are your guide to all things Corpus Christi School! They volunteer to help guide you through your first year here at CCS. They know the ins and outs, how to help you navigate all the new things you're about to experience, and can help you meet other families along the way!

During the summer, each new family is matched with a Society of St. Julian family. These families will reach out to you via email to introduce themselves and will check in from time to time to make sure you're not overwhelmed with all the new things. Our Admissions and Community Relations Manager takes great care to work with the SSJ team to match families with those who share similar interests, or have children in the same grade(s). With their guidance, you're sure to feel at home in no time.

Fr. Pat chose St. Julian to be the patron saint of these mentor families because St. Julian was known for his hospitality. At CCS, we are known for our warm, caring and welcoming environment and we hope to share that with you right at the start.

Our staff at CCS is also available to answer questions and assist you along the way as well! We are so glad you're here. Go Cougars!



THE SOCIETY OF
St. Julian

Corpus Christi

SCHEDULE & BTS EVENTS

Daily Schedule

Normal School Day:

Start of School Day: 7:20am–7:55am (Tardy bell rings at 7:55)

End of School Day: **K-2:** 2:45pm | **3-5:** 2:55pm | **6-8:** 3:05pm

Before & After School Care:

Before School Care Rate (6am–7am): \$3/child per day

Early Drop-off (7am–7:20am): No Charge

After School Care: 3:30pm–5:45pm

- Registration Fee: \$30 per family
- Weekly Rate: \$55 per week per child
- Drop-In Rate: \$15 per child per day
- Late Fee: \$15 per child for any portion of 15 minutes after 5:45pm

Registration is required for After School Care Using this Link: www.school.corpuschristiparish.com/extended-day-program

** If a child attends ASC three or more times in one week, the weekly rate is applied. If an unregistered "Drop-in" child attends ASC three or more times in one week, the \$30 registration fee is applicable.*



BACK-TO-SCHOOL EVENTS

FOR PRESCHOOL FAMILIES ONLY

- Poppin' Into Preschool

FOR NEW FAMILIES OR FIRST TIME K5 PARENTS

- New Family Orientation

FOR ALL FAMILIES (NEW AND RETURNING)

- Backpack Blessing at our 9am & 11am Masses at Corpus Christi Church
- Back-to-School Family Lunch
- Supply Drop-off / Meet the Teacher (K5 - 8th Grades)
- Back-to-School Open House (K2 - 8th Grades)

All dates will be listed on our website.



Looking FORWARD

BACKPACK BLESSING

BACK TO SCHOOL FAMILY LUNCH

NEW FAMILY ORIENTATION

MEET THE TEACHER & SUPPLY DROP OFF

POPPIN' INTO PRESCHOOL (PK2, 3 & 4)

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

FIRST SCHOOL MASS OF THE YEAR

BACK TO SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE (K2-8)

CHILD PROTECTION TRAINING

THE WELCOME TOAST SOCIAL FOR NEW FAMILIES

MORE DETAILS ON EACH EVENT

For descriptions of all events, please
visit our website using the QR code.



The Atrium, Adult Education Room and Banquet Hall are located inside the Corpus Christi Community Center, which is connected to the Church. Parents who wish to volunteer with CYO sports, in the school, or chaperone field trips must attend a Child Protection Training Class.

www.school.corpuschristiparish.com/back-to-school-events

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TITHING

Rate 1 Tuition is offered to registered, contributing Catholic parishioners of Corpus Christi, Our Savior, Holy Name, or Holy Family parishes. These parishes invest in Corpus Christi School based on the number of students enrolled at CCS representing their parish. If you are a registered parishioner of one of these parishes other than Corpus Christi, it is important to check with the parish office of that parish to ensure your tithing requirements are met by December 31st each year. ***In order to qualify for Rate 1, contributing members of Corpus Christi Parish agree to contribute a minimum of \$1,200 to Corpus Christi Catholic Church, annually (this is within the calendar year Jan. 1st - Dec. 31st).***

We recommend setting up a recurring monthly contribution for tithing with Corpus Christi Parish so that those contributions are evenly spaced throughout the year. If you need to set up online giving for Corpus Christi Parish, you can do so via the parish website at www.corpuschristiparish.com/online-giving. For questions, contact the Parish Office at 251 342-1852, Ext. 2 or send an email to the parish Business Manager, John Gelineau, at bookkeeper@corpuschristiparish.com

The Parish Office is open Monday - Thursday, 9am to 3pm.

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 Schedule

① One-Time

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June 7, 2024 - Friday



Family ENROLLMENTTIMELINE

CHECKLIST	DETAILS
○ January	Current Family Re-Enrollment
○ January - March (TBD)	Applications open for the CHOOSE Act ESAs
○ February	CCS open application period for new families. A \$150 non-refundable enrollment fee must be submitted per student when a student is accepted for enrollment.
○ March	Applications for New Students Are Processed
○ April - May	New students are notified if their application was accepted for enrollment.
○ May 15th	All required documents for acceptance are due. This includes the following per child enrolled: • Signed Tuition Agreement • Certified, copy of original birth certificate • Baptismal certificate, if Catholic • Academic records (most recent report card, testing information if applicable) • State of Alabama Immunization Certificate
○ FACTS Account Setup	Tuition payments are made via FACTS.
○ Financial Aid	Parents who are interested in financial assistance opportunities must complete an online application on the FACTS platform. Families should also apply for an ESA via the CHOOSE Act if applying to CCS before the deadline.
○ July 31st	Medical History & Medication Authorization forms due. Any child who may need the school to administer medication to him/her must complete the medication authorization form.
○ July 5th or 20th	Tuition payments are managed through FACTS and are payable over 11 months. The first payment is due in July.
○ August 1st	Book Fees for consumable books are drafted from your FACTS account. Please see the book list for the fee amount. These vary according to the grade.

Get to Know CORPUS CHRISTI SCHOOL

Each class has a Patron Saint that we celebrate on that saint's Feast Day.

Fifth through eighth grade students can run for office on the Student Leadership Committee.

"As a Corpus Christi Alumni, I reflect back on my time from Kindergarten through Eighth Grade and how it shaped my faith that I have today. Each of my teachers always made sure to start our class with a prayer. As an Educator now, I use a lot of what I learned from my past teachers to incorporate into my classroom now. Corpus Christi always made sure to keep Christ at the forefront of our education.

I am so thankful for that!"

-Miss Gabby Seibert, Class of 2014

Students have many opportunities to participate in service projects, including our monthly Food Pantry Thursdays. On these days, our students bring in non-perishable food that is distributed to those in need in our community.

"Corpus Christi is not just a school, its a family. A place where you feel included."

-Mr. Peter Stoyka, Middle School Teacher

"I am grateful that our parents trust us with their children each day.

It is not lost on me how special that is."

-Mrs. Stephanie Hancock, Librarian

From the Pros I WISH I KNEW...

We asked some of our current CCS families to share five things they wish they knew about, or understood better, their first year at CCS. Here's their list:

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COUGAR CLOSET

Used uniforms and other CCS gear are available for sale in the Cougar Closet. Cougar Closet is open during office hours over the summer. For questions, contact Tracey Netto at tnetto@ccscatholic.com

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COUGAR CONNECTION

The Cougar Connection Newsletter is the first place school wide information is communicated. Reminders are frequently shared via the school's official Facebook Group and GroupMe groups, but the newsletter is the primary means for sharing official school news.

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CYO SPORTS + THE BOOSTER CLUB

The Booster Club is a ministry of Corpus Christi Church. CCS students are eligible to play CYO sports. Registration for fall sports close in early June. Registration information is shared in the Cougar Connection Newsletter. CYO registration is hosted on the parish website.

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FACEBOOK PAGES

The Cougar Family Connection Facebook Group is an official school group moderated by CCS administration. The CCS Garage Sale Facebook Group is a non-official, but very helpful group to join. This is where you'll find used uniforms and books for sale.

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DANCE CLASSES

We partner with Mobile Bay Dance Academy to offer dance classes on campus for our students age 2 and up. Information will be sent home with students after school begins. Classes begin after Labor Day.

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**BUILDING THE
BODY OF CHRIST
ONE STUDENT
AT A TIME.**



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