

Superintendent's Newsletter



NORRIS' NEWS! Clovis Christian School



JANUARY

2026



January 2026

Happy New Year Wonderful Eagle Families!

I'm not sure where the first semester of school went! Nonetheless, they say "Time flies when you're having fun!" and suffice to say, we've not only had fun, we've worked hard over the last few months! With God at the helm of all we do, and as we hit the ground running into the second and final semester of school, please note that we will absolutely continue to focus upon hard work, rigor, and wrapping up another successful and blessed school year at Clovis Christian Schools.

Additionally, as we enter the 2026 New Year, I'd like to remind each of us about the Mission and Educational Philosophy of Clovis Christian Schools. Each of these indicators serve as prayerful and purposeful resources to ground us and reinforce the core commitments we have made to ourselves and to our community about what we deem as most critical at Clovis Christian Schools.

CCS Mission

"The *mission* and *vision* of Clovis Christian Schools is to create a Head, Hand, and Heart Kingdom Culture by transforming the academic, social, and spiritual growth of young believers into spiritual leaders who passionately pursue eternal life in Heaven while living out his will on Earth as it is in Heaven."

CCS Philosophy

"Clovis Christian Schools is an interdenominational institution of education. It provides a complete learning spectrum of Pre-Kindergarten through grade twelve supported and nurtured by a Corporate Board that represents several churches in the local community. Our purpose is to assist parents in helping their children grow mentally, physically, spiritually, and socially (Luke 2:52) and to encourage each student to follow Jesus in service to God (Romans 12:1-2). This school exists to provide a quality, values-oriented education in a genuine Christian environment.

Have a blessed and joyful January,
Dr. Shelly Norris, Superintendent



Parent Spotlight

Katie Thomas

Our January Parent Spotlight recognizes Katie Thomas! Katie has been a Clovis resident for three years and her children have attended CCS in that time. Katie volunteers at CCS as much as she can. She has helped with Prom set up/clean up, homecoming festivities, taking photos for numerous events for us over her time here, has provided meals for our sport's teams, and has been a supportive mom and cheerleader! Her favorite thing about CCS is how supportive the community of the entire school feels, including staff, students and parents. We are grateful for all Katie does for our school!





January Dates

- 1/5/26- Teacher Inservice (NO School)
- 1/6/26- Students Return
- 1/16/26- Parent/Teacher Conferences (NO School)
- 1/17/26- MLK Winner Breakfast (winners must be present for award, tickets available for purchase.)
- 1/19/26- Eagle Family Holiday (NO School)

*Please be aware of athletic schedules sent out via emails

Family Devotional

Written by CCS Board Member: John Snowberger
Time for God

May I invite us all to begin with a moment of silence?

If you're like me, have you noticed that a 'moment of silence' at sporting events and concerts and the like lasts maybe 15 seconds?

Maybe this is one of the reasons people say time flies. But does it, really?

I mean when was the last time any of us went even one day without hearing or saying a comment around, how time flies?

Time is a difficult concept for us to grasp. I wish I could say I'm never in a hurry, I wish I could say that I never waste time, but it's just not true. We are held in time and the time we have is limited, but GOD is not limited by time. We think we have time but that is an illusion, no one knows the amount of time they have in this world, not really.

Recently, I was considering what I would include in this devotional and during my own morning studies, I came across 1 Kings 19:11-13.....TWICE!!! It didn't take me long to realize that God was tapping me on my shoulder.

11 And he said, "Go out and stand on the mount before the LORD." And behold, the LORD passed by, and a great and strong wind tore the mountains and broke in pieces the rocks before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind. And after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake. 12 And after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire. And after the fire the sound of a low whisper. 13 And when Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. And behold, there came a voice to him and said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?"

How often do we imagine God as abrupt (wind), loud (earthquake), and aggressive (fire), in speaking to us. When all He really wants to do is whisper in a gentle manner which brings Shalom (peace, wellness and wholeness). How often are we abrupt, loud, or aggressive in speaking to others, thinking it will make us better heard, but all it produces is the opposite? When all we really needed, was a still small voice.

God has given us one mouth and two ears and what that says to me, is that we need to listen twice as much as we speak. Are we listening more than we are speaking? As we interact with the children God has placed in our lives, are we really listening? Just the other day my 5-year-old granddaughter was sitting on my lap, hungry for my attention. Full transparency here, it took every ounce of my concentration to understand what she was trying to say to me. However, I quickly realized, in that moment we shared together, that she is five today, but will be ten tomorrow.

Do we present the Lord to others in the way we speak and listen? Do we take the time to listen and then speak as the Lord would, in a whisper?

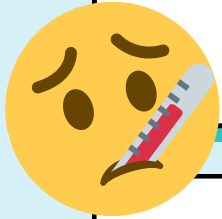
Sometimes we just need to slow down and listen because God is always trying to speak to us, but his voice is not the wind, or the fire, or the earthquake. His voice is soft. May we become people that can hear that still small voice when God speaks to us.

The bible reminds us in Psalm 46:10 'be still and know that I am God'

Now, may I invite us all to begin again with a moment of silence—an actual moment of silence?

CCS HEALTH POLICY

Sickness Reminders

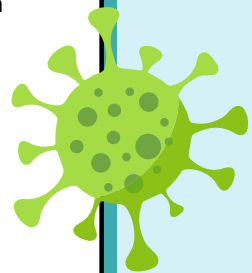


710 Health Services

By state law, students are required to attend school regularly. However, if your child is sick or running a fever, please keep him/her home so others are not infected. The child needs to be **without fever for at least 24 hours (without fever reducing medication)** before they can return to school.

Children who are suspected of having a communicable disease (including all of the above symptoms) will be sent home for diagnosis and treatment. After a child is diagnosed with an "infection" it is very important to keep him/her out of school for at least 24 - 48 hours after starting antibiotics - according to physician's orders.

After a child is sent home with any suspected contagious disease, they are required to bring a note from the doctor upon returning to school. The note should clearly state the date that they may return to school. Any student returning to school without written permission from their physician may be sent home until such permission is obtained.



The Health office will send a student home for any of the following symptoms:

- Fever of 99.9 or higher
- Vomiting or diarrhea within the last 24 hours
- Sore throat (especially with a fever)
- Thick green nasal drainage
- Green drainage from eyes
- Open or draining sores
- Any other symptoms the Health Assistant may consider contagious

Approved "cough drops"

CCS Admin have agreed to continue to allow specific cough drops that *do not* contain active ingredients.

If your student is found to have any that are not authorized, they will be confiscated and held by the teacher or in the office.

Two readily available and approved options are pictured and linked below.



[Beekeeper's Soothing Lollipops](#)

[Wedderspoon Honey Drops](#)

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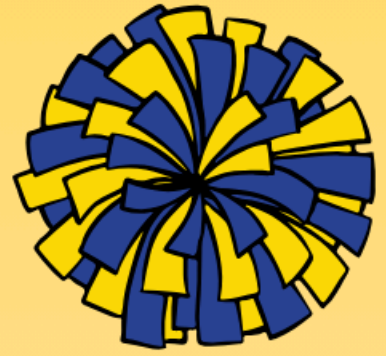
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				1 HAPPY New Year	2	3
4	5	6 Students Return	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16 Parent-Teacher Conferences No School	17
18	19 Eagle Family Holiday	20 *Spirit week (see attached calendar)*	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

JEREMIAH 29:11 - FOR I KNOW THE PLANS I HAVE FOR YOU, DECLARES THE LORD, PLANS FOR WELFARE AND NOT FOR EVIL, TO GIVE YOU A FUTURE AND A HOPE.

***Please refer to basketball schedules for times and locations**

SPRIT WEEK

CCS EAGLES



Spirit Days

Show off your school pride
with themed outfits all week!

Jan 20– Jan 23

(No school Mon Jan 19)



Teacher & Student Swap Day

Students dress like teachers, teachers
dress like students

Tues
Jan 20



Dynamic Duo Day

Dress like a famous duo!
(ketchup/mustard, peanut
butter/jelly, etc.)

Wed
Jan 21



School Pride Day

Wear gold and blue!

Thurs
Jan 22



Onesie Day

Wear your favorite onesie!

Fri
Jan 23





Congratulations to our MLK Contest Winners!

Art Contest Winners

Kindergarten Category

1st place: Jaylani CabreraCuba (Ms. Bev)

2nd place: Celine Cope (Ms. Bev)

3rd place: Christopher Baglien(Mrs. Bev)

6-8th grade Category

3rd place: Jillian Ritchey 8th grade

9th grade Category

1st place: Ammon Rowley

2nd place: Liam Petty

3rd place: Gabi Molina

10-12 grade Category

3rd place: Brody Reynolds 11th grade

Winners and their families are invited to attend the Scholarship Breakfast held at the Clovis High School Cafeteria, 1900 Thornton, Clovis, NM on Saturday, January 17 at 9:00am. Tickets are available for family members to purchase via QR code or cash in the elementary office.