



Welcome!

I hope you are enjoying a restful and relaxing summer! At CCLS we are preparing for another great year of transforming lives through Christ-centered education. I want to share a special welcome to all the new students and families joining our community. Each week on Friday, you will receive the "Charger Newsletter" in which you will find important updates and information. Our goal is to not fill your inbox with emails, but give you consistent and concise information as we collaborate in your child's education.

This year our school theme is "All In" based on Colossians 1:19-20: For in Him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of His cross. In other words: God was all in Christ and Christ was all in on the cross for our salvation, so we could all be in God's family.

Have a great week in the Lord!
Matt Hoehner, CCLS Executive Director



Class Lists

We are excited to share the [ECE, Elementary](#) and [Middle School](#) class lists with you! Our faculty members have put a great deal of thought into putting the classes together in order to create the best possible situation for each student. Students with completed Enrollment Agreements (as of 7/14/2022) are placed on class lists.

Your child's teacher will be contacting you sometime after July 19 to set up a time for you and your student(s) to come to school for a visit. The purpose of these visits is to allow families and teachers to meet each other as well as to see the classroom settings. Students may choose to bring their school supplies with them. A list of school supplies for K-8 can be [found here](#), and ECE supply lists will be included in welcome emails from your child's teacher.

CCLS Blackbaud Student Information System

This school year, CCLS will be using a NEW system for student information -- Blackbaud. This replaces TADS/Educate and will be the communications-hub for school information -- student & family contact information for teachers, assignments, grades & report cards, and resources for news & information about our school. All families with students enrolled for this school year have a Blackbaud account (used for enrollment). As we approach the first day of school, each week in the Charger Newsletter, we will share information and a "Parent Homework Assignment" to help you learn new aspects of the system and help us gain necessary student information for the new year.

This week's **Parent Homework Assignment, due 7/18: Login to your CCLS Blackbaud account and update your Profile Information.** Having your updated contact information will ensure that your child's teacher can reach you to schedule a summer visit.

"Blackbaud How-To Guides" (including logging in and updating your profile) can be found at this [link](#) (also in [MyCCLS](#) "Back to School" section). *Questions? Contact Jen Pawlitz, Director of Operations, jpawlitz@ccls-stlouis.org.*

Student Health Record Updates

An important task to begin a new school year is to ensure that we have updated health information for our CCLS students. This year, we will be using the Blackbaud system to maintain student health information; as we are finalizing this new system, we have extended the original date for submission of health records to August 5. In next week's Charger, you will receive information about how to fill out a **Student Health Information Form** in Blackbaud, which will be **required of all CCLS students** and upload any required documents.

In the meantime, **please make sure that you are prepared with any/all health documents that require a physician to complete and/or sign.** There are requirements for **all new students, all ECE students, and students in grades K, 4, 5, 7, 8.** In addition, if your student takes medication at school (including OTC), there is a required document. You can review a chart of required health documents at this link: [CCLS Required Health Documents](#). *Questions? Contact Whitney Shamp, CCLS Medical Professional, at health@ccls-stlouis.org.*

New Tuition Payment System

Remember that, with our new Blackbaud system, we are no longer using TADS for tuition and fees payment processing. The new tuition billing system will appear as **"Smart LLC"** or **"Blackbaud Tuition Management"** on your bank draft. The month of July is when first tuition payments for the 2022-23 school year are due. You can access your Blackbaud Tuition Management account through the Resource Boards by logging into your Blackbaud account, clicking "resources" in the upper left, and selecting the Tuition Management board. *Questions? Contact Carrie Duesenberg, CCLS Director of Finance, at cduesenberg@ccls-stlouis.org.*

Ways to Get CCLS Information

At CCLS, we strive to make communication simple for our families. Below is a list of the best ways to get information about our school.

1. Charger Newsletter - sent via email every Friday and is your go-to spot to find all things CCLS whether it is information about the first day of school, sport sign ups, etc.
2. Monthly Admin Letters - sent via email, you can expect to get a glimpse of what is happening in ECE, Elementary and Middle School.
3. [MyCCLS](#) Website Page - Policies, procedures, forms, and links will all be posted to this page throughout the school year.
4. Blackbaud Resource Boards - Under construction! This will eventually take the place of MyCCLS.
5. Text Notifications - We will only text you when it is super important! Snow days and reminders are the main things to expect.
6. Social Media - Follow us on [Instagram](#), [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) to see everything that is happening at our school!

Mark Your Calendar!

We are planning some really fun events this year that you won't want to miss! Save the date for...

- **AUG. 14** Pool Party @ Sunset Hills Aquatic Center
- **AUG. 17** First Day of School
- **Sept. 3-5** No School - Staff PD & Labor Day
- **SEPT. 10** CCLS Day at Six Flags
- **OCT. 14** CCLS Fest - Parent Social @ 9 Mile Garden
- **NOV. 17** CCLS Night at the Magic House
- **FEB. 3** CCLS Golden Anniversary Gala
- **APR. 20-21** Grandparents & Special Friends Days

[Click here for a printable version of these dates and more!](#)

Helpful Links

- [CCLS Master Calendar](#)
- [2022-23 Event Calendar](#)
- [Blackbaud How-To Guides](#)
- [School Supply List 2022-23](#)
- [RightNow Media](#)
- [Character Connection](#)
- [Podcast](#)

Coming Soon!

Be sure to read next week's Charger for details about:

- Pool Party
- Kid Kare, Homework Club and the Shuttle Bus
- Uniforms
- Submit student health forms in Blackbaud