FIGHTING SCOTS

DUNCAN LAKE MIDDLE SCHOOL

Highlights

- MEDICATION PICK-UP
- CANCER WALK
- DLMS ATHLETICS & ARTS
- PTO UPDATE
- PATH & STADIUM CLOSURE
- TRANSPORTATION UPDATE

MARK YOUR Cal ENDARS

*5/29 No School - Memorial Day

*5/30 7th Grade Chromebook Turn-In

*5/31 8th Grade Chromebook Turn-In

*6/1 8th Grade Camp Manitou-Lin

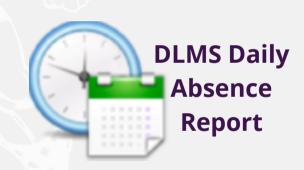
*6/2 8th Grade Promotion 9:00 am

*6/2 Last Day of School 1/2 Day



DLMS PHONE 616.891.1380

DLMS FAX 616.891.0833



May 2023								
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GENERAL INFORMATION

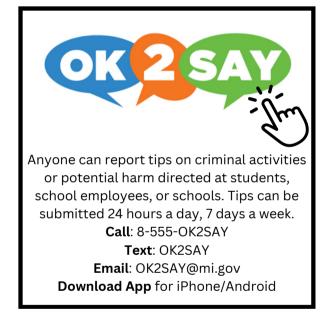


DOORS OPEN AT 7:05 AM

SCHOOL STARTS AT 7:35 AM SCHOOL ENDS AT 2:30 PM







Medication Pick-Up

The end of the school year is quickly approaching! Caledonia Community Schools are unable to keep medication over the summer, this includes inhalers, Epi-pens, other emergency medications, and all over-the-counter (OTC) medication. If your child has medication at school, please make arrangements to pick up your child's medication(s) before or on the last day of the school (June 2nd). If you are unable to pick up the medication prior to school ending and need to make special arrangements to pick up the medications, please call the school prior to the end of the school year to make these arrangements. The school cannot allow your child to bring the medication home (unless noted on consent form as self-carry) or allow anyone but a parent/guardian to pick it up. Many of these medications are expensive and the school is required to dispose of any medication that is not picked up, so please make arrangements to pick up your child's medication as soon as possible.

CANCER WALK

Duncan Lake Middle School Student Council would like to thank everyone who participated in CancerWalk this year. Our school raised \$20,809.56 for the Van Andel Research Institute! Last Friday, students celebrated the culmination of their hard work with a ceremonial walk around Scotland Yard and participated in various yard games. There were smiles, laughs, and plenty of friendly competition but the highlight of the event was the incredible opportunity to "dunk" Mr. Abraham, Mr. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Herron, and Mr. Whitley in the dunk tank!





















DLMS ATHLETICS



WHAT'S GOING ON IN Cal ATHLETICS

School-sponsored fall sports (Co-ed Cross Country, Girls Sideline Cheer, and Girls Volleyball) are scheduled to begin on Monday, August 28, 2023. There will be no tryouts for Cross Country and Sideline Cheer. Please be aware that there will **not** be busing available after practices, so athletes will need to be picked up from practices.

Practices will be held after school as follows:

Co-ed Cross Country (6th/7th/8th grade):

TIME: Monday thru Friday 2:45 - 4:00 PM

WHERE: On the south side of Duncan Lake MS near the youth soccer fields

Girls Sideline Cheer (7th and 8th grade):

TIME: Monday thru Friday 2:45 - 4:00 PM WHERE: North Balcony of the Main Gym

Tryouts for Girls Volleyball (7th and 8th grade):

TIME: August 28, 29, and 30 from 2:45 - 4:30 PM

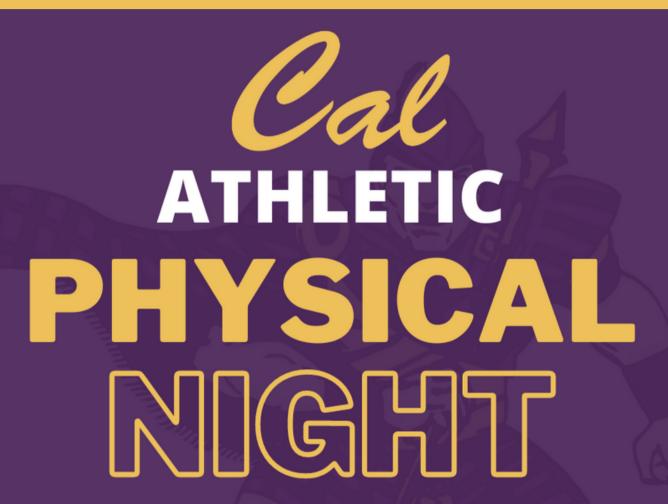
WHERE: Main and Auxiliary Gyms

Girls that are trying out should plan on attending all 3 days.

Practice times for those who make the teams: Monday thru Friday 2:45 - 4:30 PM

In order to participate on a school-sponsored sports team, your student-athlete must be registered on Final Forms. If you were registered for the 2022-23 school year, you will need to review your information and update as needed for the 2023-24 school year. You will also need to sign the forms for the 2023-24 school year. An updated athletic physical (signed and dated by the physician **on or after 4/15/2023**) will also need to be uploaded in order for your student-athlete to be cleared to try out and/or participate on school-sponsored teams.

The High School Athletic Department will be hosting an Athletic Physical night on May 31, 2023, in the Aux gym of the North Campus. Cost is \$30.00 per athlete (cash and check only).



Wednesday, May 31st 6 - 8 pm

Cost - \$30

Cash or Check written to Caledonia Athletics

Caledonia High School Aux Gym

DLMS ATHLETICS





Final Forms Registration

All student-athletes are required to be registered in our online athletic registration program. We are partnered with Final Parkets, an online forms and data management service. Final Parkets allows you to complete and sign athletic participation forms for your students online. The most exciting news is that Final Parkets saves data from season-to-season and year-to-year, meaning that you will never need to enter the same information twice! You will review your information once per school year to verify the information is correct and sign the forms (if you have registered your athlete before). Using Final Parkets is a one-stop-shop for the entire registration process. On the Athletics homepage, you will see a link for the "Parent Playbook" which gives you step by step instructions through the registration process. The registration link is: https://caledonia-mi.finalforms.com. Registration for all school sponsored athletic teams for the 2023-2024 school year will be open on June 5.



All athletes are also required to have a completed Athletic Physical uploaded on Fival Forms as well. This physical needs to be completed, signed and dated by the physician on or after April 15, 2022.



Payment for athletics is not required until after the 1st scheduled competition. You will be notified by Final Forms when payment is due. At this point you will have 1 week to pay. If payment is not received within this 1 week window, your child will not be able to continue participating until payment is received.

DLMS ARTS

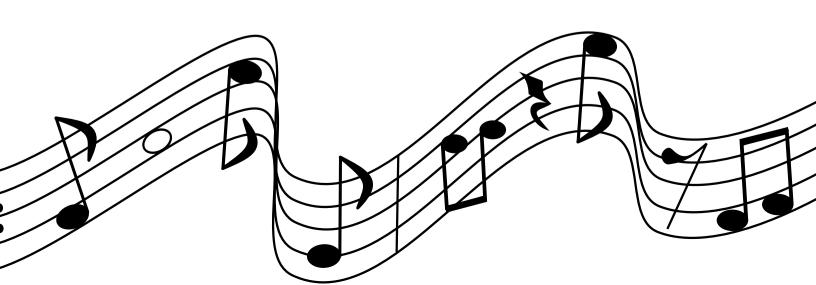


what's going on in $\operatorname{\it Cal}$ arts



Thank you for supporting our students and the arts at Duncan Lake this year!

If your student would like to continue with private music lessons in the summer, check out the Caledonia Resource Center!



PTO UPDATE

We are excited to work together to provide fun activities for our students and teachers!



PTO Meetings

Please look on the PTO Facebook & Website for 2023/2024 meeting dates in the next few months. Minutes from March's meeting can be found here. Minutes from historical meetings can be found here.

PTO Facebook Group
PTO Page on DLMS Website

Donate to DLMS PTO!

If you missed donating during our "Fund the Fun" Fundraiser at the beginning of the year and would like to support DLMS PTO events financially, please use the QR code to donate via Venmo. Thank you!



Volunteer Opportunities

Thank you to the volunteers that have taken on running one of our events! This year has been successful because of all of you! If you are interested in volunteering or serving on the PTO Board, please email us at duncanlakepto@gmail.com.

2023/2024 PTO Board

Co-Presidents

Kiley Radel & April Boyd

Co-Treasurers

Michelle Backhus & Laura Miersen (one year term)

Secretary

Lena Bouwens

DLMS PTO Board for 2022/2023

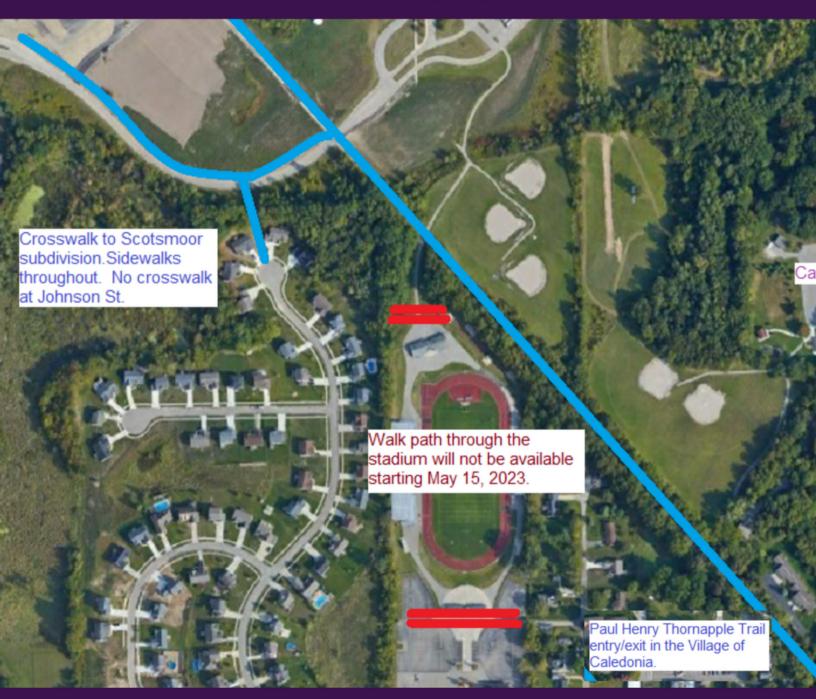
Co-Presidents: Jenn Putnam & Crystal Saidoo

Treasurer: Laura Miersen

Secretary: Lena Bouwens

PATH & STADIUM CLOSURE

Starting May 15th, the path and Ralph E Meyers Stadium will be closed to the public while we install brand new turf. Please plan accordingly and use one of the alternate routes highlighted on the map.



Explore alternate paths and walkways in Caledonia while the path and stadium are closed. Take a stroll or bike ride to discover new walking routes through our neighborhoods. We appreciate your patience and hope you enjoy discovering more of our community. We look forward to welcoming you back to the stadium soon.



UPDATE STUDENT TRANSPORTATION **PREFERENCES**

Fill out transportation preferences for the 2023-2024 school year



Find the form at www.calschools.org



Even if your child will not be riding the bus next year, we ask that you complete at least the first 5 questions on the Transportation Preference Form found on our website.

Deadline: May 31, 2023
A form must be submitted for each student.

Questions? Contact the Caledonia Transportation Department



Parents.

My name is Todd Bloemers and I am the Girls Varsity Basketball Coach at Caledonia High School. One of our program goals is to communicate opportunities within our basketball program, which is why I am reaching out to parents in order to promote two middle school summer basketball camps.

Our mission is to build relationships with the young players in our community in order to help players develop and improve upon basketball fundamental skills, to help kids establish new friendships, and connect our young players with high school coaches and players. We want players to have fun and grow their love for the game of basketball, which will help us establish an engaging culture for Caledonia Girls Basketball!

Last, there is an awesome opportunity for F.A.S.T. Speed & Strength training this summer that will take place at Caledonia High School from 9:00-11:00 every Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday. The training includes one hour of Speed work and one hour of Strength emphasis. We want to encourage all of our middle school athletes to attend these workouts which will be run by our high school weight training staff and Max Effort Performance. Commitment to this program will make a difference!

Caledonia Middle School 7/8 Grade Basketball Camp

*grade entering for the fall of 2023

• Dates: Monday – Thursday, June 6– June 9

• Time: 12:00 - 2:00 / Grades 7-8

• Cost: \$80.00

Location: CHS South Campus Gym
 Registration Caledonia Resource Center



West Michigan Team Camp: Incoming 7th and 8th grade players

• Dates: June 13, June 15, June 20, and June 21.

• Times Two games per evening between 5:00 - 9:00 at night at <u>Caledonia High School</u>

• : Cost: Included in the middle school camp fee

F.A.S.T. Summer Weight/Speed Training

• Dates: Every Mon/Tue/Thurs, 6/5-7/20

Time: 9:00-11:00 AM @ Caledonia High School

Cost: \$65

Location: Caledonia High School
 Registration: Caledonia Resource Center



Max Effort Fieldhouse Middle School 7/8 Basketball Camp

*grade entering for the fall of 2023

• Dates: Monday-Wednesday, June 19-June

• Time: 21 Grades 7-8: 12:00-1:30

Cost: \$75

Location: Max Effort FieldhouseRegistration: MFF Website





YOUTH VOLLEYBALL CAMP

Join the varsity coach and players for drills and game play!

3RD - 8TH GRADES

JUNE 5 - 8, 1:30 - 3:30PM

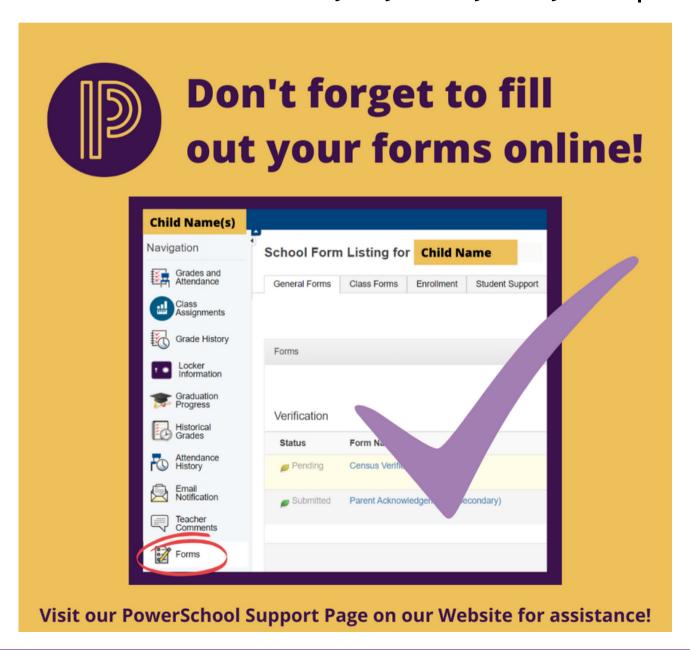
CALEDONIA HIGH SCHOOL

Register through <u>Caledonia</u> <u>Resource Center</u>

POWERSCHOOL FORMS



Please remember to fill out the Census Verification and Parent Acknowledgement forms in <u>PowerSchool</u> as soon as possible. There are step-by-step instructions linked <u>here</u> if you need assistance. It's very important that families fill these out yearly. Thank you for your cooperation!



https://www.calschools.org/resources/powerschool-support/

FOOD SERVICE LUNCH ACCOUNTS



Visit: caledonia.familyportal.cloud

Helpful Hints:

- Register as a new user
- Know your student's ID number
- Refer to tutorials on the Family Portal home page for help

Answers to FAQ's

- All previous balances (positive/negative) will transfer over from sendmoneytoschool.
- We are currently not accepting payments for lunch accounts in PowerSchool.

For assistance, please contact our Food Service Department at (616) 891-0227.



FREE & REDUCED LUNCH APPLICATIONS IT'S MORE THAN JUST A MEAL

Your Free & Reduced Lunch application helps provide critical funding to ALL Caledonia Community Schools

When the 2021-2022 school year ended, so did free meals for every student. While the federal government funded a program that allowed all students access to free meals during the COVID-19 pandemic, Congress has declined to continue funding this program.

In order to alleviate the burden parents face as we transition back to paying for school meals, CCS in cooperation with Aramark Foods has decided to not raise school meal costs for all students for the 2022 - 2023 school year.

6 Reasons to Complete the Free & Reduced Lunch Application:



Increased funding to support student education



Discounts for fees associated with college application process



Additional funding for technology and internet access



Receive discount on fees associated with credit recovery



Discounted fees for SAT, ACT & AP tests along with scholarship opportunities



Receive discounted or free breakfast & lunch

Applications can be completed online at www.familyportal.cloud. All information is completely confidential.

For assistance, please contact our Food Service Department at (616) 891-0227.



Download our NEW Mobile App!

- DO IT YOUR WAY
 Get important updates via app notifications, emails or text messages.
- STAY UP TO DATE
 Information from school websites, social media, and much more in ONE place.
- STAY ORGANIZED
 Personalized Calendar
- TAKE IT WITH YOU
 Important phone numbers, school info, and websites in one place on your phone or tablet.





iPhone/iPad/iPod Touch/Android:

Open your web browser. Type "calschools.appazur.com". Then tap the "App Store" or "Google Play" button.

OR:

Open the "App Store" app on your iPhone/iPad. Search for "Caledonia Community Schools". Tap "Get". It's free!

Windows, Mac, & ChromeOS:

Browse to: https://calschools.appazur.com.





GET STARTED!!

- Tap the menu button (at the top left).
- In the menu, tap "Sign In". Use your school account if you have one. Otherwise: If you have not signed in before, "Sign Up" for a new account.
- Tap "Schools" in the menu, then tap the gear to select your school.
- Tap the menu choice with the gear icon and your name, and pick how you want to receive notifications.