

Christ Our Rock Lutheran High School

# THE STALLION EXPRESS

November 17, 2017

Christ Our Rock Lutheran High School educates and equips today's youth in faith and knowledge while guiding them to become Christian leaders.

## Prayer Requests

Every week we pray for students, parents, supporters, area schools, and congregations. If you have a prayer requests, we would be happy to include them in our prayer time.

- Please pray our alumni as they travel home for Thanksgiving Break.
- Please give thanks for the many blessings we receive daily.
- Please pray for a safe holiday weekend.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

### **Stockings for Soldiers**

THANK YOU to everyone who brought in Stockings for Soldiers items. Service Club collected over \$830 worth of goodies (37 stockings) to send to our soldiers.

### **SENIORS**

Please submit an electronic copy of your professional senior portrait to Mrs. Heard for inclusion in the yearbook. If a hard copy is unavailable, bring in a print for scanning.

### **NO MORE SHORTS**

It is that time of season, shorts can no longer be worn during school hours beginning Monday, November 27.

### **THANKSGIVING BREAK**

CORLHS will dismiss at 12:00pm on Wednesday, November 22 and will have no attendance on Thursday, November 23 & Friday, November 24.

### **IN NEED OF SERVICE HOURS?**

The Centralia Rec Complex is looking for volunteers (timers) for their annual Christmas Classic swim meet on December 8 and 9. Shift work is available. Contact Jan Stinde or Sonya Gorman at 532-3214.

### **Trivia Day**

Save the date for Trivia Day Event--Sunday, January 28, 2018

### **The Art Club**

Will be meeting after school during the month of November for their Service project. The first meeting will be Tuesday the 7th from 3:30 to 6:30 pm. Members are encouraged to wear painting clothes.

In addition, the 2018 Scholastic Art and Writing Competition is now taking submissions. The Scholastic Awards look for work that demonstrates originality, technical skill, and emergence of a personal voice or vision. Work is accepted in nearly 30 categories, for a full list of category descriptions see Mrs. Wicklander or go to [www.artandwriting.org](http://www.artandwriting.org). The competition is for students in grades 7-12 with the chance to compete for prizes and awards on multiple levels. The deadlines for our region are 12/1/17 for writing and 12/8/17 for art entries.

### **Art Class News**

The Art Classes and Spanish 2 classes teamed up to learn about and to create Mexican-inspired murals inspired by the Mexican Revolution.

## **Scrip Cards Orders**

Christ Our Rock will be offering Scrip Cards for sale until Tuesday, December 12. This will be our third scrip order of this school year. New cards are available which make great stocking stuffers or Christmas exchange gifts. Be sure to take advantage of this opportunity to order, especially with Christmas just around the corner. You will be able to raise money for Christ Our Rock by purchasing gift certificates in volume for the stores where you shop or to give as gifts. Christ Our Rock purchases the cards at a discount and you buy them at full face value. Each gift card has a different discount rate that can be found on the order form.

As an example, if you purchase a \$100 Walmart or Sam's card from us, you pay \$100 and receive a \$100 gift card that can be used at any Walmart store. Christ Our Rock only paid \$97.50 for the card, so we make \$2.50 (2.5%). You spend the \$100 you would normally spend and the high school makes \$2.50. Many cards have much higher percentage returns, especially restaurants. There are also several gas cards so I encourage you to review the order form closely to look for those stores or restaurants that you frequent.

**Orders are due by 10:00am on Tuesday, Dec. 15.** The cards will be delivered by Friday, Nov. 17. Please make checks payable to Christ Our Rock Lutheran High School and include it with your order. Cards can be picked up in the school office or you may contact Mrs. Kroeger 226-3315. If you have any questions or need to make other arrangements to pick up your cards don't hesitate to call. Thanks for your support!

## **COR ALUMNI**

We are trying to accumulate mailing addresses and email addresses of all COR alumni. If you are an alumnus of COR, a parent of one, or know of one in your family or congregation. Please email the information back to COR at [jkroeger@corlhs.org](mailto:jkroeger@corlhs.org). Thank you.

## **Year Book**

Parents and students can upload images for consideration in the 2017-18 yearbook!

Go to [community.lifetouch.com](http://community.lifetouch.com)

Enter the Community Image Upload Site Access Code: **FGKZJL**

## **CORLHS Families,**

Schools and fundraisers often go hand in hand. COR tries to limit the number of fundraisers during the year and looks for alternative ways to raise money. Our Scrip Program is a good example.

## **AmazonSmile**

AmazonSmile is a website operated by Amazon with the same products, prices, and shopping features as Amazon.com. The difference is that when you shop on AmazonSmile, the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible products to the charitable organization of your choice. Christ Our Rock is one of the eligible organizations.

To get started, visit [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) and search for Christ Our Rock Lutheran High School Association. There will be two options, choose the one that has Association in its name.

## **Schnucks eScrip Cards**

You may designate Christ Our Rock using Schnucks Community eScrip Cards.

Cards are available in the school office.

Visit [www.escrip.com/schnucks.jsp](http://www.escrip.com/schnucks.jsp) for more information.

## **After School Tutoring and ACT Prep Work**

Mr. Kasten's room, Classroom 3, is available after school until 5:00 for any student that needs help with homework or just wants a quiet place to work. He is also available any day for help with ACT questions.

## **Academic Coach - Mrs. Sherri Johnson**

I am pleased to begin my third year on staff here at Christ Our Rock Lutheran as the Academic Coach. Here is a bit of information about my family and myself: My husband and I are transplants from the East coast but have lived in IL for 33 years. Mental Health counselor, correctional officer, special education teacher, & children's minister summarize our

careers. We have four children and a son in law. Their career paths include; registered dietitian, performing arts graduate/professional dance instructor, middle school principal, pursuing doctorate in education, RN pursuing FNP, and one pursuing a career in filming.

There is no doubt that we value education highly and are committed to success. Because it is my passion to help students perform at their optimal level in the classroom. I trust that I can be instrumental in this way for your student. Attached you will find information regarding the overview of the program, contact information, and forms for both you as a parent and your student, that will allow for smooth access to the Academic Coaching Program. I look forward to this year and will help your student educationally in any way possible.

### **Christ Our Rock Lutheran High School ACADEMIC COACHING PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

**Purpose:** The purpose of the academic coaching program is to

- provide appropriate modifications and accommodations and access educational resources for optimal success.
- provide liaison services between parents/guardians and pediatricians, therapists, and other providers to support student's need in the classroom
- assist students educationally in a confidential manner
- assist in the implementation of IEP 504 plan if necessary

**Contact Information:** As academic coach my desire is to provide educational support whenever possible. To allow for optimal planning of the on campus hours, please take advantage of the information below. (They are in order by most to least availability.) Educational

support may be necessary during off campus hours as well, so do not hesitate to take advantage of the contact information.

Text [618-204-2341](tel:618-204-2341)

- Email [sjohnson@corlhs.org](mailto:sjohnson@corlhs.org)
- Call [618-226-3315](tel:618-226-3315) before 3:30pm  
**Tuesday or Thursday**

#### **PARENT Guidelines for Academic Success**

- Stay academically involved. Allow freedom then intervene in the least restrictive way (i.e. have the student attend after school tutoring for two weeks then reassess.)
- Set renweb passcode immediately then check grades weekly
- Encourage students to 1) get into the habit of checking renweb weekly & 2) keep late policies for each class accessible
- Establish a plan, and then allow consequences to take effect.
- Do not hesitate to use the academic coaching services that are available

#### **How do I get a hold of my child during the school day?**

Call the school office. Unless both of our lines are busy, we should be available to answer your call. Mrs. Agan is our school secretary and works from 7:30 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. There are occasions on which we are out of the office for a brief period of time, including chapel services and lunch. You can leave a message and we will get back to you shortly. If it is an emergency and you have not been able to get through to the school office, you can call Mr. Duensing's cell phone at 618-367-2101 (although cell-phone reception is not good in the building).

#### **One Call Now Messaging System**

Our automated phone messaging system, One Call Now, used to alert parents to school closings and other important events, also has the ability to send text messages. CORLHS has already entered parent's phone numbers into the One Call Now database for phone messages; no action is required on your part to keep this service. Additionally, if you are a returning

parent that has already authorized One Call Now, no additional action is required. However, for those with new phone numbers or new to the school, we are not allowed to authorize text message for parents and students. Those desiring the text message option should read the following message from One Call Now:

To make this easy for you, we have created a phone message that will dial the cellular phones in your Roster to deliver the information your group members need to opt-in for this service. To opt-in, your group members need to text the word **Alert** to **22300**.

Our cell service providers require your group members to agree to receive text messages from One Call Now before you can contact them using the One Call Now text messaging service. Please note that your group members will be charged standard text messaging rates for all texts they receive from you via One Call Now.

One Call Now determines cell phone numbers based on the first 6 digits of the phone number. This list may not be completely accurate due to the ability to "port" cell phone numbers to and from landline phones.

If you want to be able to receive text messages, text the word Alert to 22300. If you have any problems or questions, or want to add additional family members, please contact Mr. Duensing, 226-3315 or [dduensing@corlhs.org](mailto:dduensing@corlhs.org).

### **The following is information from RenWeb ParentsWeb**

**RenWeb School Management Software** gives you, the busy parent, an opportunity to get more involved in your child's academic progress and future success – all via the Internet!

**RenWeb's ParentsWeb** is a private and secure parents' portal that will allow parents to view academic information specific to their children, while protecting their children's information from others. You can see your child's grades, attendance, homework and conduct, as well as other useful school information. You can also communicate with teachers and other school staff online whenever necessary. All you need is an Internet-capable computer.

Here is how to access our easy-to-use **RenWeb ParentsWeb**:

- First, you need to make sure that the school has your email address in RenWeb.

- Next, go to [www.renweb.com](http://www.renweb.com) and click **Logins**.

- Click **ParentsWeb Login**.

- Type your school's **District Code** **COR-IL**

- Click **Create New ParentsWeb Account**.

- Type your email address and an email is sent to you.

- Click the **Click to change password** link. This link is only valid for 30 minutes.

- A web browser displays your Name and RenWeb ID.

- Type a **User Name**, **Password** and **Confirm** the password.

- Click **Save Password**. A message displays at the top of the browser, "**User Name/Password successfully updated**."

- You can now log into ParentsWeb using your new User Name and Password.

### **RenWeb Home App Now Available for both Android and iPhone Users**

**RenWeb Home** provides always-logged-in instant access to ParentsWeb information along with the conveniences of a Smartphone App. There is a fee, paid to RenWeb for this service. The annual subscription covers all Android and iOS devices for every parent and student in a family as the family is recorded in RenWeb. That means if a family has already purchased a subscription to RenWeb Home for their iPhones, they can access RenWeb Home for free via their Android devices, and vice versa. Families will be offered the opportunity to renew their subscription prior to its expiration at the end of 12 months.

### **To download the RenWeb Home Android App:**

1. Click the Play Store icon on the Android phone screen and tap Search.

2. Type "RenWeb Home" into the search bar. The RenWeb Home App will appear in the search results.
3. Tap it, and then tap "Install" in the right-hand corner.



**To download the RenWeb Home iPhone App:**

1. Click the App Store icon on the iPhone screen and tap Search.
2. Type "RenWeb Home" into the search bar.
3. When he RenWeb Home App, tap the iCloud icon in the right-hand corner.

**UP-COMING EVENTS: CHECK THE EVENT CALENDAR at [www.corlhs.org](http://www.corlhs.org) for more!**

Friday, November 17	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter Mid-Term	
Friday, November 17	Girls Basketball – Pana Thanksgiving Tournament	6:00PM
Saturday, November 18	Girls Basketball – Pana Thanksgiving Tournament	11:30AM
Saturday, November 18	Girls Basketball – Pana Thanksgiving Tournament	3:00PM
Monday, November 20	Scholar Bowl @ Home	4:00PM
Monday, November 20	Girls Basketball – Away @ Louisville/North Clay	6:15PM
Monday, November 20	Boys Basketball – Away @ MEL Tournament	6:30PM
Tuesday, November 21	Scholar Bowl @ Home	4:00PM
Tuesday, November 21	Boys Basketball – Away @ MEL Tournament	
Wednesday, Nov. 22	Boys Basketball – Away @ MEL Tournament	
<b>Wednesday, Nov. 22</b>	<b>EARLY DISMISSAL</b>	<b>12:00PM</b>
<b>Thursday, Nov. 23</b>	<b>NO SCHOOL - THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY</b>	
Thursday, Nov. 23	Boys Basketball – Away @ MEL Tournament	
<b>Friday, November 24</b>	<b>NO SCHOOL - THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY</b>	
Friday, November 24	Boys Basketball – Away @ MEL Tournament	
Friday, November 24	Girls Basketball – Pana Thanksgiving Tournament	
Saturday, November 25	Girls Basketball – Pana Thanksgiving Tournament	
Saturday, November 24	Boys Basketball – Away @ MEL Tournament	